

#### **SUMMER 2023**

### **MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE**

Dear Old Stamfordian

We would like to say good luck to our new Old Stamfordians now that they have received their exams results. We look forward to seeing them at our future events and are excited at following their journeys as they head out in the world.

If you have any news or updates that you wish to share with the OGG, or if there is anything you wish to see from the committee, please let us know.

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The Old Girls' Guild

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NEWS

#### Marigold Lamin (OS 56)

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Marigold Lamin (OS 56), a former pupil at Stamford High School, and a teacher at Stamford Junior School.

A Thanksgiving service is to take place at Greetham Church on Thursday 31 August at 11:30am. If attending, please do not wear black - Marigold requested turquoise, orange, blue or yellow!

An obituary appeared in the Stamford Mercury on Friday 18 August and can be viewed online <u>here</u>.

For those wishing to attend, the address for the church is St Mary's Church, Greetham, Church Lane, Oakham LE15 7NF. If you are unable to attend and wish to send your condolences or memories to the family, <u>please contact us</u> and we can pass these on for you.

#### OS Author

Sonya Moor (OS 94) lives and works in Paris, where she writes short fiction. We are delighted to share the news that Sonya's debut collection *The Comet and Other Stories* is being published by <u>Confingo</u>.



The website describes the collection below:

'A circus performer dreams of a life more ordinary. An artist's model steps out of pose. An international stateswoman lets down her hair. And a young mother nurtures bloodlust.

The female protagonists of these short stories emerge from master artworks, newsreels, mother-in-law jokes, music videos... Whether setting out from Greenwich Village backstreets, Paris pavements or Home Counties lawns, they make their choices, weighing risk against opportunity, as they set about the messy business of becoming themselves.

*By turns tender, playful, provocative and poignant, these are stories of people ready to disrupt, subvert, reinvent and transcend the boundaries of their worlds.'* 

The collection will be released in October 2023, with <u>pre-sales from Confingo</u> from August 2023.

## **Bisley Rifle Meet - Thursday 13 July 2023**

A number of Old Stamfordians from both Stamford School and Stamford High School gathered on Thursday 13 July at Bisley Camp, the home of the National Rifle Association, for the Schools Veterans Match. Our team was made of members with around 50 years difference between school leaving dates. Given the history of successful Target Shooting at Stamford School, the OS managed to put out two teams for the Match against our peers (other Old School V's).

Conditions were benign but, as this is an evening event, even a little cloud cover makes shooting tricky with low light. As a team, the Old Stamfordians 'A'

managed 245.21 out of a maximum of 250.50 to finish a respectable 8th out of a field of 50.

The top individual score and winner of the Callaghan Trophy went to Professor Phil Chapman-Sheath (OS 85) with a score of 50.6. Of the non-regular shooters, Spencer Lai (OS 06), newly repatriated to the Cotswolds, picked up a rifle for the first time in over 15 years and put in a tidy 47.5 - with borrowed kit! Drinks and dinner in the North London Rifle Club followed to round off an excellent evening.

Over the course of the Imperial Meeting, some excellent shooting led to Jack Keates (OS 12), Dr Graham Nelson (OS 01) and James Lawrie (OS 01) being selected for England and Scotland in the National Matches. In addition Keates and Nelson also made the Kings Final with strong individual shooting.



As always, it has been a pleasure to renew old friendships and to welcome those who are taking part for the first time since school. It is a truly remarkable sport that offers one of the only level playing fields for men and women who shoot side by side in competition. Advancing age is also of benefit (until you can't see and/or hold the rifle) as experience goes a long way and it is a sport that offers a lifetime of competition and friendship. If you are interested in taking part in the OS match next year, or you would like more information on how to get into Target Rifle Shooting, please contact James Lawrie.



# Zeeco Future Talent Open Day

We have recently the following opportunity from local company Zeeco, aimed at those between 15-23 years old.

*On Thursday,* 14<sup>th</sup> *September* 2023*, Zeeco Europe is excited to welcome students between the ages of* 15 *and* 23 *to the <u>Zeeco Future Talent Open Day</u>.* 

*This event gives students a chance to get a first-hand taste of what it's like to be part of an innovative industry.* 

Students will tour our state-of-the-art facilities located just north of Stamford and watch engineering come to life through real-time demonstrations. They will have the chance to engage in interactive activities and discover how we engineer and produce revolutionary products, services and solutions that pave the way towards a sustainable future.

Students will gain valuable career advice and learn about various exciting career paths and prospects within the engineering industry directly from our industry professionals, including Engineering, Accounting, Project Management, Administration, Document Control, Welding, Logistics, Marketing and more.

- *Time slots are available from 1 pm − 6 pm, and tours take approximately 1 − 1.5 hours.*
- For more information and to book a space on one of our tours, please visit our website: <u>info.zeeco.com/future-talent-open-day</u>
- Coach visits are encouraged. If you have tour groups of more than 20 students, please email <u>ZEL events@mail.zeeco.com</u> directly to book your slot.



# DISCOVER THE FUTURE OF ENGINEERING

If you're aged between 15-23 years, join us for this FREE, extraordinary event tailored exclusively for young minds eager to explore the captivating world of innovation and engineering!

#### EVENT DATE:

#### THURSDAY, 14<sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

Tours available from 1pm - 6pm. Register today to avoid disappointment!

#### JOIN US AND EXPERIENCE:

- » A tour of our state-of-the-art manufacturing facility and offices
- » Experience real-time demonstrations
- » Have the opportunity to take part in hands-on, interactive activities
- » Hear about the work we do from industry professionals across the business
- » Gain careers advice
- » Learn about Zeeco Summer Internship opportunities



SCAN OR CODE TO REGISTER

# ZEECO EUROPE LTD.

The Woolfox Building, Great North Road, Stretton, Rutland, LE15 7QT

#### Notable Alumni

You may have recently seen on our Old Stamfordian social media that on the Schools' website a new page was launched to look at some of our notable alumni, including a Nobel Prize winner, sporting record holders and award winners.

Many of our OS have left an indelible mark on the world through their contributions in various fields, including the Arts, Sciences, the Military, and sporting achievements, and the page will be updated as more OS make an impact on the world.

You can view the page here and if there is anyone you think we may have missed please do <u>let us know</u>.



#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

<u>Boston Lunch</u> Saturday 9 September 2023 Boston and County Club, Park Gate, Boston, PE21 6RL

A bar lunch will take place at the Boston and County Club on 9 September 2023. All are warmly invited.



Old Stamfordian Club

BOSTON O.S. ANNUAL REUNION

Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023 12 noon for 12.30pm

at Boston & County Club, Parkgate, Boston, Lincolnshire PE21 6RL

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Invitation to all Members, Partners & Friends of the

Old Stamfordian Club and Old Girls Guild.

Join us for a Bar Lunch, Drink and a Chat.

Dress Code : Smart Casual / OS & OGG Colours

Please contact your OS and OGG friends to come and join us.

# RSVP BEFORE SATURDAY 26<sup>™</sup> AUGUST 2023

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For booking and further details please contact **Dudley Bryant**.

### NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS

#### **Stamford Archives Podcast**

In 2022 David Lovell Brown celebrated an incredible 50 year association with the Schools, working as both a teacher and an organist. He has had a huge impact on generations of Old Stamfordians, as well as various communities across the country, as evidenced by organ playing in many different churches and cathedrals.

Our former Archivist, James Buckman, sat down with David to discuss his time here at Stamford, and you can listen to the interview <u>here</u>.





### A Level Results

Our most recent Old Stamfordians celebrated their A Level and BTEC achievements on Thursday 17 August, as exam results were announced.

Overall, 181 Year 13 students sat A Levels or an equivalent this summer in 31 subjects, with 79.3% achieving grades of A\*- C. 27.6% of students achieved at least three A\*/A grades or equivalent. As an overall pass rate, 99.3% of students passed which, excluding COVID years, is the highest pass rate since 2016. 72% of Stamford students who applied to UCAS achieved their firm choice university.

Read more here





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