

Old Stamfordian Club



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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

Dear Old Stamfordian

Arrangements for the Old Stamfordian Reunion Weekend in Summer 2024 are well underway, and we will be announcing the date in due course so do keep an eye out for this.

In terms of events, the London Old Stamfordian Club Dinner is also taking place on Wednesday 8 November, and tickets are still available, so if you wish to attend please see the booking details further down in this update.

We hope you enjoy reading this latest newsletter and if you have any news that you wish to share with us then please do [contact us](#).

With best wishes

The Old Stamfordian Club Committee

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OLD STAMFORDIAN NEWS

Boston Lunch

A number of Old Stamfordians met at the Boston & County Club on Saturday 9 September this year's Boston Lunch. The event was organised, as always, by Dudley Bryant (OS 61), who writes:

"The Boston Lunch was a delightful occasion marked by the pleasure of each other's company and the reminiscences from our time at both Stamford School and Stamford High School.

As we reflected upon these times, our thoughts naturally turned to the many school friends who were not in attendance. We do hope that they will be able to join us for our next lunch on Saturday September 28 2024."

The dinner was attended by the following Old Stamfordians:

Paul Brighton (OS 61)

Dudley Bryant (OS 61)

Phillip Hoskins (OS 72)

John Robinson (OS 75)

Chris Schofield (OS 60)

Marilyn Tompkins (OS 61)

OS Golf at Luffenham Heath, Saturday 23 September

A beautiful autumnal morning, with Luffenham Heath in fine condition, greeted the OS golfers and for the first time they were joined by an Old Girls' Guild member, Jane Hales (OS 81), pictured below.

In the morning round, the scoring, in general, didn't match the weather and conditions.

Simon Hodgkinson (33 points) was unable to retain the Alistair Ross Bowl, which was won by Robin Woodall (35 points).



Following the traditional 'hi-lo' draw for partners at lunch, at which John Cartwright joined the players, five foursome pairs challenged for the Geoff Holyoake Trophy in the afternoon.

This enjoyable format allowed all participants to chat and mingle together in one social group. There was very little between all pairings after the front nine. However, the eventual winners were Alistair Weir and Geoff Holyoake, both Luffenham members, with 34 points whilst Simon Hodgkinson and Alastair Watt came second with 31 points.

London Old Stamfordian Club Dinner

Wednesday 8 November 2023

The Royal Air Force Club, 128 Piccadilly, London, W1J 7PY

Booking is still open for another few days for this year's London Old Stamfordian Club dinner. Enjoyment, fellowship and friendship are watchwords for the Old Stamfordian Club and nowhere are these more apparent than at the London Dinner.

The event is held in the breath-taking surroundings of the RAF Club in Piccadilly and offers an opportunity to catch up with old friends and to forge new acquaintances as the photographs below show.

Do not be misled by the word London in the title; attendees come from all over the United Kingdom and indeed the world.

We look forward to welcoming you to the RAF Club on the evening of Wednesday 8 November 2023 (whether you are from Clapham, California, Canberra or anywhere in between).

Booking closes on Sunday 5 November.

[Book Now](#)

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS

Stamford Lecture

On Tuesday 10 October, the School launched its 2023/2024 Lecture Series with the visit of Henry Dimpleby MBE. As the co-founder of the Sustainable Restaurants Association, the Chefs in Schools charity, and the former CEO and co-founder of Leon Restaurants, Henry brought a wealth of expertise and experience to the lecture.



During the evening Henry spoke about topics such as food culture, sustainability, agricultural land use, and food policy in England, and the evening concluded with a book signing of Henry's latest book, 'Ravenous'.

[You can read more about the lecture here.](#)

House Singing

The Schools came alive with the sound of music on Friday 13 October as we had our first ever co-educational House Music competition. The morning session witnessed the Year 7-9 competition with each house performing the same duo of unison songs and in the afternoon, the Year 10-11 competition unfurled with each house singing a unison song, a distinctive acoustic ensemble, and a captivating rock/pop song.

Exeter House claimed victory in the Year 7-9 Unison Song category with a great performance of 'You'll Never Walk Alone' and 'Dancing Queen.'

The Year 10-11 Unison Song competition was dominated by Ancaster House, who wowed the crowd with their heartfelt rendition of 'Thank You for the Music.'

[Read more about the competition and the full results on our website.](#)



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