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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

Dear Old Stamfordian

We are delighted to share that booking for the 185th London Old Stamfordian Club Dinner is now open. Taking place in the RAF Club, Piccadilly, the dinner is a staple of the calendar and continues to be a success thanks to the efforts of Ian Brassington (OS 73) and Neil Paterson (OS 85).

Please do send us any updates that you may wish to include in future updates or the upcoming annual OSC Newsletter. We know that your memories of your time here at Stamford always make interesting reading, so be sure to send them through.

With best wishes

The Old Stamfordian Club Committee

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OLD STAMFORDIAN NEWS

London Old Stamfordian Club Dinner

Wednesday 8 November 2023

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

We are delighted to announce that booking is now open 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 breathtaking surroundings of the RAF Club in Piccadilly and offer an almost unrivalled 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).

[Book Now](#)

OS Golf at Burghley Park, Friday 25 August

There were 14 regular golfers present to contest for the John Cartwright Trophy, and 2 very occasional golfers to enjoy the sunshine and the camaraderie! A smaller number in total compared to previous years!

There were a couple of very fast starts over the front 9 holes with Will Palmer and Andrew Taylor tied for the lead. Phil Bell got the swing working well on the back 9 for 20 points to haul himself in contention for the cup. Meanwhile last year's champion golfer Iain Gorrie proved how much he enjoys the day, and the course with some very good and steady golf to come in with 39 points overall and a chance to retain the title. But Will Palmer completed a most excellent round of 72 (2 over par gross) for 43 points to win the trophy, with Iain a gallant second. Andrew Taylor's burst over the front 9 secured him the that prize, and Phil

Bell's resurgence over the back 9 secured the best back 9 score. The other 2 prizes were the nearest the pin challenges with Ian Delaine-Smith winning the prize on the 3rd for the higher handicappers, and Neil Nottingham on 16th for the lower handicappers.

We look forward to seeing you all again next year, along with some very regular faces who missed this year's event and hopefully we can encourage some of youngsters to return, and some of our women golfers to join us for the first time. Everyone is most welcome!

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS

OS Recital

On Wednesday 27 September, this year's concert season got underway with a fabulous piano recital given by Old Stamfordian, Sam Rudd-Jones (OS 18).

Since leaving Stamford, Sam has enjoyed considerable success as a composer and pianist. Having graduated from Cambridge University where he read music, Sam completed an MPhil, also at Cambridge, and now teaches harmony, counterpoint and musicianship to undergraduate students there. He was the winner of the BBC Proms Inspire Composition Competition and has had works performed by the Aurora Orchestra and members of the BBC Symphony Orchestra, both broadcast on Radio 3.

At his recital, which was fantastically received by the audience, Sam gave a scintillating performance of works by Beethoven, Liszt, Ravel, and his own composition, 'Jeux d'eau'.

Duncan McIlrae, Head of Music at the Schools, commented: 'As a pupil at Stamford, Sam oozed creativity and was always happy to experiment with composition. We thank him for sharing his music, his passion and his life with us and we look forward to his bright future'.

For information about future events at Stamford, please see our [calendar](#). Tickets can be booked through our [Box Office](#).



Victory at the Home of Saracens

On Wednesday 20 September the 1st XV played under the floodlights at the StoneX Stadium, home of Saracens, with Haileybury as the opposition. Stamford ran out 24-19 winners and are so far unbeaten this season.

They have derbies coming up against Uppingham on Saturday 30 September, and Oakham in the cup on Tuesday 3 October and will hope to build the momentum for a successful season. It is worth remembering that the Year 12 members of the team are part of the U16 side that went unbeaten last season, so they have a good platform to build on.

[You can find all fixtures and results on our sports website.](#)



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