

THE OLD BEDAN

1994

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 1995

- FRIDAY Jan. 27th 1995** WINTER RE-UNION in the Students' Common Room, Wearside College, Bede Centre (Boys' School) at 7.00 p.m. (Tickets approx. £4.00)
- FRIDAY April 21st 1995** ANNUAL DINNER in the Castle Suite, Swallow Hotel at 7.00 p.m. (Tickets approximately £15 - £16)
- TUESDAY June 20th 1995** SUMMER RE-UNION at the Ramside Hotel, Darburn, at 7.00 p.m.
PLEASE NOTE - Tuesday NOT FRIDAY.
- FRIDAY Sept. 29th 1995** ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING in the Wearside College, Bede Centre at 7.30 p.m.

If you mean to attend any of the above, please pay for your ticket in advance to the Committee Member who supplied it. This will make life easier for him and the Committee and they will be able to enjoy the Social Gatherings too.

Many Thanks

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Magazine news is now again - how quickly the year goes. Thank you for your letters and news of news which I have received and for the support of those of you who are able to attend our gatherings during the year.

As the Annual Business Meeting this year it was decided to raise the Annual Subscription to £7 and the Life Membership to £10. Had it not been for a very generous bequest and the sale of the above land, we would have been "in the red" this year. News will welcome your subscriptions, please remember to use your bequest name and put your correct name - if applicable in bequest. Please, too, remember to let Ann Brown have a note of any change of address so that your magazine will reach you safely.

Thanks to those who willingly - or otherwise - report on our social events.

Ann Mould (Cress)

No blustering wind blew us into the tunnelled corridors of Beale Tertiary College on this comparatively mild January evening. The noise and bluster was not long in forthcoming, however. A year on, we were as noisy as ever - Irene Wilkinson's stenorian tones partly silenced us as we listened to our Chairman his Harvey (Bennett) welcome us. We bought our raffle tickets and sat down to begin our MASTERMIND search.

Our first game purported to be from a W.I. (if they could do it - they must all be super-brains!). For example - question:

(a) The body of Charlie Chaplin is stolen from Swiss grave:

(b) The first test tube baby is born at Oldham

(c) Karl Wojtyla became first non-Italian Pope since 1542: What year?

Twenty-one similar questions to make off into boxes made the game seem like a multiple choice exam question! These we got right we worked out backwards, e.g. The year Virginia Wade won the Wimbledon singles title, was the year of the Queen's 12th Anniversary, it was now the 40th, so Virginia's victory was 1979. Alas! that was only one third of the question. Too hard! STRESSFUL! The next game was mine to our liking - all the blank spaces were names of football teams in a story of a ship's cabin boy who positioned his READING and returned to port to have some DUNDEE cake and a CHELSEA bun, some OLDHAM which had been a long time in the meat store. A heart-rending tale. No stale cake for us, however, but "something Special" - quiche, ham & egg pie, double-decker sandwiches, hot cream cake with an alternative for "no-cream" people. No self-service at this supper, but wanted on by the committee whose members scurried around attending to our wants. It was much appreciated as always. We thought that was it, apart from the raffle from a table full of prizes, but we had another game to do - a good one. OLD L.S.D. money values, Boy's name, headgear, form of transport, girl's name, male voice, ill marine creature (difficult) Mars, Venus and Jupiter, types of pig, tradesman. It had to add up to £17.7s.9d. (Do it now - complaints to the Editor) - Raffle giggles followed - we don't know how Irene's voice didn't give out before we went home! Another happy Guild of Old Bedans evening, out of the building by 9.30 p.m. replete with food, laughter and happy memories for Old Bedans. Thank you all organisers for your hard work. A Re-union like this doesn't just "happen".

Win. Thomas.

ANNUAL DINNER April 22nd 1994.

Once again the Swallow Hotel was invaded by more than a hundred Old Bedans, warmly welcomed by their Chairman to the Annual Dinner.

Accompanying the singing of the School Song on a portable key-board (no problem this time, we hope) Winnie, as ever, rose to the occasion. Not so our gathering voices, now somewhat "faint and faint" like the ageing Beale himself. These were compared, unfavourably, with the sweet tones of the "Three in Harmony" who, later in the evening, provided the entertainment with an assortment of familiar and useful melodies.

However, even on the "bad" days we enjoyed ourselves but the "rainy" days in
 especially enjoyable.

It is hard to imagine the "rainy" days when we were in some way
 and many "bad" days.

That and a relaxing mood or other.

What a difference the weather makes! Many were dressed in light summer clothes
 of clothes and very few coats were changing from the rain. Everyone seemed to
 relaxed and as always they were delighted to meet up with friends again for a long

have wondered who we all were.

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SUMMER RE-UNION June 14th 1994

ML Address (Boston)

By now, however, cars and vans were waiting on departure. Our friends are due to
 all who spent much time and thought in arranging such a happy evening.

After the meal, there was time to chat to some of those whom we had mostly
 glimpsed across a crowded room.

Margaret Hoyle (Barry) and Wanda and Mary (Thomas)

as that provided in correspondence from Lisa Robinson and Cheryl Viles from
 have amazing memory for details of old people and are eager for current news, and
 every type of activity, supported in their way by a helpful, friendly community. They

books. They no longer think the religious books, but show great interest in
 other than when they were "in their prime", though neither is in the best of

around the long journey from Australia (Town of us - Peggy Vicky, Lynn
 something also came from Miss Perry and Lena Thompson, who find it difficult to

each Old Friends occasion.

Ellen Kirtwood was her best wishes to us all from Bradenton in Dorset. Despite ill
 health necessitating regular stays in hospital, Ellen never fails to remember every

the old days.

come on children, grand-children and even great-grandchildren, and sometimes,
 exchange was with those from other cities. With the passage of time all tends to
 and of helpful advice. As we wanted to our early days, we had the opportunity to
 up for the main course and were then able to discuss them and questions with the

just as last year, the meal was well adapted to our tastes and appetites. We greeted

There is plenty of time for chat and mingling with friends and the food is there for anyone who would like to eat while those who have eaten already can sit with a relaxing drink.

Anne Crowe, our magazine editor, very capably left an openered 'venue' for us to write down any news. We were so relaxed that it never got passed round, so please will anyone who had some news of Old Bedans that night send it on to Anne.

As always, it was difficult for many of us to bring the evening to an end. It was still light outside and there was much more to talk about, but eventually we all made our way home (hopefully safely) and it was very pleasant to step out into the balmy night air.

It had been a very pleasant evening spent in very good company and we all look forward to the next re-union.

Many thanks to Irene Wilkinson for reserving those tables - we certainly needed them!

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The A.B.M. was held on Friday 30th September 1994 and only 9 attended. It was held in a staff room at Weavside College, Bede Centre. Iris Harvey (Barnett) welcomed those present. Apologies for absence were received from Joan Hayton, E. White (Bailey), Win Scott (Thomas), J. Boswell (Rough), M. Chapman (Hunter), J. Hambrough (Washington), A. Winer (Colling), E. White (Robb), M. Calvert, D. Middlemas (Suggden), M. Laidlaw and several others. The minutes of the last A.B.M. were read, approved and signed. The secretary reported on last year's re-union and thanked The Weavside College for the use of rooms for the A.B.M. and the Winter Re-union.

The Dinner was again held at The Swallow Hotel and over 100 enjoyed the meal and the entertainment by the 3 in Harmony.

The Treasurer reported a credit on the year's workings of £479.47. This being due to the bequest of £250 from Mary Bilby (Richardson) and the sale of the inkstand presented to the Guild of Old Bedans by Miss Moul on her retirement and which was sold for £229.

Dates for the coming year were discussed and approved. There will be 3 re-union and the Annual Dinner. The dates to be printed on the inside cover of "The Bedan". Please make a note of them and obtain tickets from committee members and pay in advance if possible.

The Chairman Iris Harvey (Barnett) reported there is £124 in the Charity account and she will divide this between 3 local charities. Catherine Heptinstall (Winer) also received 5 gifts during the year.

New suggestion was made to increase the subscription to the Guild of Old Bedans and this was discussed. It was decided the subscriptions be: Annual Subscription £7, Life Membership £10.

As arranged bids for the island were submitted by 21st May 1994 to the secretary. A meeting of the island committee (also island members) was held early in June and the highest bidder was Margaret Manning (Penny) daughter of Marion Penney (Shirley). Margaret lives in Ontario, Canada, so the island is now in Margaret's office where she works for a printer as a part-time secretary. Mr. Manning took the island over to Canada when they visited their daughter at the end of June. Our golf contractors may be interested to know Margaret, in addition to her business in Canada, is Ladies Club Captain of Cherry Downs Golf Club near Toronto. This is her second year of bid.

THE ISLAND

The island from the T.S.B. Practice Group's account has dropped this year - the new account, but we did make some gains on the Wharfedale account and the Dealer which helps with the postage and cost of the magazine.

The balance of £250 which we received from Mary Abby (Richard's) came on the 21st and £250 for the sale of the island have helped tremendously.

I am pleased to report a credit on our workings this year of £170.47. There has been some very generous donations, also a Good table in the Wharfedale account.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT 2014/15

During the winter attending our meetings continues to improve and keep the Association flourishing. The magazine plays an important part in this, so please do keep the news coming even when you may think it is not important. It is very important to members who make it a light source of information from members who keep everything to read the magazine when it arrives.

Hope the members attending our meetings continue to improve and keep the party happy. The committee held in action on Tuesday from 19th 1994 is increasing in popularity and 60 attended this year. Everyone here seemed to enjoy the night time for dinner.

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There have been 2 Committee meetings during the year in November, February and July and 2 in action.

The membership on 31st August 1994 is 523 of which 15 are new life members. Glad that we are now members joining at the time due partly to the annual in-action.

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2014/15

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.00 pm, with the end

minutes.

NEW MEMBERS

LIFE:

Erin Morgan (Bell)
Florence Taylor (Forsythe)
Linda Carr (Bloom)
Gloria Makal (Elgie)
Freda Chapman (Fobbing)
Elsie Duffell (Rosald)
Margaret Howard (Edmondson)
Joyce Nash (Hartung)
Margery Wild (Sanderson)
Judith Hird (Whitefield)
Dorcas Dreyer (Watson)
Glenis L. Gordon
Dorothy Nelson (Stainby)

HAVE BECOME LIFE MEMBERS:

Elizabeth Sewsting (Jenkins)
Marian Powley (Mansley)

Members will remember that the Social Services ceased to exist, but the Carrots parties continue to be held and enjoyed as the money raised on these evenings is dealt with as agreed at the A.R.M. in 1995.

CHARITY FUND

Readers will be aware that at the A.R.M. in 1983, a Charity Fund was set up, and the Chairman was charged with the duty of collecting all the surplus sums produced by the Carrots parties, or any other source, and banking them in a special account. Each year, the accrued sum is donated to a local charity or charities, at the Chairman's choice, after deduction of the long established gifts to Catherine Hepburnall (Wines).

I am pleased to report that this year, we were able to donate £50 each to two local charitable organisations, the Alzheimers Disease Society which operates from Havelock Hospital and a lesser known body called "Together" which is the Sunderland Mental Health Users' Group.

It is a pleasure to be able to carry out these duties on your behalf, and my sincere thanks to all who contributed.

Eris Harvey (Bennett).

We have had letters from both charities thanking us for our support.

THE LONDON BRANCH

In May, seven of us met for lunch at Nancy's and welcomed Marie Woodruffe (Hence) and Nuala Johnston (Wilson) who were present for the first time. They were visiting daughters who, by chance, live very near to each other in London!

the year, and where she met the daughter-in-law of Lily Forster (Young). These Beckers and their families are everywhere!

In July Winnie Scott (Thomas) visited Miss Peters and Lena Thompson in their lakeland home, for coffee and a chat. Both ladies looked well and are still busy and active. It was a question and answer session (with Lena's cake on her Old Bedon plate). "What happened to?" "Where is?" featured often in the conversation. They were hoping for a fine day for the annual visit of Lena's ex-Southwick staff so that husbands could walk on the fells whilst the knaves delivered the latest news from Sunderland. A poor day would result in a very full house! (The weather was kind) - They have also had the yearly visit from Doris Forster (Robinson), Peggy Victory (Simons), Mary Ardless (Robinson) and Margaret Hogg (Berry). Lena and Pete have enjoyed a holiday in Switzerland.

Iris Harvey (Bennett) was featured in the Sunderland Echo as a 'meat pie taster'. Her own cheese and onion pies are often enjoyed at our Canasta parties.

Betty Robson was in the 'Echo' this summer when over 100 Guides past & present celebrated 40 years of Guiding at St. Andrews, Sunderland. In fact it was the 75th Anniversary of the 1st St. Andrews company - originally 2nd Houghton, St. ANDREWS.

One of our newest - and youngest members - Glennis Lesley Gordon (known as Lesley, but at school she was Glennis), has been involved in an exhibition held in Newcastle City Library about Gertrude Bell. The exhibition was then staged in Washington Town Centre Library. Gertrude Bell was born in Washington and was a traveller, linguist, writer, archaeologist and Oriental secretary in Iraq. Little was known about her locally, but she was respected in political circles and among her Arab friends where much of her work was done.

PERSONAL NOTES. Jean Brewis (Pillans).

I would like to thank many friends who supported and encouraged me during the two years spent following a Certificate Course in Visual Arts at Durham University. This was organised by the Department of Adult and Continuing Education and I found the classes in Life Drawing, Oil Painting, and Sculpture, most enjoyable and rewarding. Only seven people finished the course which included Art History lectures, a group project, and a visit to London Art Galleries. The Tutor arranged an exhibition of work in the Reg Vardy Gallery in Sunderland and at the offices in 32 Old Elvet, Durham, whilst the group work (five large oil paintings) was also on show at the D.L.L. Museum in Durham. The awards are to be presented by Dr. Peter Collins, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Durham University, in December 1994 at Collingwood College. Another lady and I were awarded Distinctions whilst a young member of the class received a Commendation.

MEETINGS

While staying in Inshopham, Dossan Ward (Macrae) visited Betsy Wigham (Hall). They soon found that they had a common interest - apart from Bible School - they were radio fans.

John Henson received a letter from Mary Alexander, a pupil in the "Top-six" class at St. Mary's School, New York, and eventually visited in 1907 as Assistant Education Officer for Scandinavia.

Mary, who writes with artistic, recently met a Dr. Fowler, Rheumatology Consultant at Queen Alexandra Hospital, Colchester, Portsmouth, when returned there for treatment.

They found that they were both 'Old Bedlam' - though he of the 'new' building, about one of its last Grammar School pupils, having been placed in both from any Old Bedlam who remember him from his schooldays.

Mary Alexander knows the 'scope' of the Old Bedlam registers and she has kept all her copies over the years.

1909-4 STARBUCKS BELINSON

On September 3rd last a reunion was held for 1909-14 Bedlam nurses at the Kingston Hotel in Sunderland.

There were 27 'girls' present and it was especially good to see those who had stayed considerable distances to be with us that night.

Edna Sandberg (Latter) - Trondheim, Norway

Pauline Fowler (Hanson) - London

Clara Matheson (Murray) - Walsley

Yvonne Sandberg (Smith) - Portsmouth, Surrey

Isabel Green (Dodd) - Sutton Coldfield

Eric Richardson (Dunn) - Blackburn

Clara Sanderson (Parker) - Holmby, Yorks.

The rest of us, being in and around Sunderland, didn't have quite so far to travel:

Ann Adams (Caldwell)

Lucy Brown (Thompson)

Pat Evans (White)

Ann Fenwick

Lucy Henderson

Edith Hill (Woodward)

Anna Hunter (McKellar)

Constance Miles (Young)

Yvonne (Dunn) (Whitlock)

Wanda Pitt-Rivers (Allen)

Clara Brown (Parker)

Edna Pitt (Lawson)

Ann Boyd (Cook)

Pat Ross (Bell)

Edith Green

Margaret Walker (Honey)

Lucy Wilson (Gunn)

Emily Williams (Lindsay)

We were also happy to see Ann Stephenson (Pollister) and Gillian Hunter, who would have been at Bode with us had their families stayed in Sunderland after the 11-plus year and who are now considered "honorary" Old Bedians!

We were thrilled to have Miss Heslop, Mrs Carrick (still Miss Hayton to us!), Miss Kinch and Miss Thompson with us too and to hear news of other members of staff.

We all enjoyed a buffet supper, looked at school photographs and Speech Day programmes, tried on Anita's school hat and took lots of photographs. The best thing, however, was to be back among old school friends, reminiscing about our days at Bode and catching up on each other's news since then.

A list of names and addresses was made, with a view to perhaps holding an annual reunion in Sunderland. Please pass the message on to anyone who might be interested. Our thanks, meanwhile, go to Jean and Joyce for organizing this year's reunion.

Judith Birbeck (Thatcher)
1, From St.,
Sainsbury, Co. Durham,
tel. 0833 660201

THIRTY-NINERS' RE-UNION - 1994

Our new venue, the Frosterley Suite at the Ramside Hall, on Friday, 2nd September, 1994, proved to be a happy choice for the 20 Thirty-Niners who were able to come to this year's Reunion. (Perhaps not so happy for the other diners.)

Enthusiastic greetings, chatter and laughter resounded through the suite for the next three hours from 12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m.

It was most encouraging to note how many of the group had been prepared to make quite long journeys to be with us for this enjoyable, social occasion: Kathleen Tait (Ulverdale), Joyce Spence (Aylesbury), Sheila Snowball (Cumbria), Edna Wilson (Beaconsfield), Doreen Dobson (Merseyside), Maureen Richardson (Rennaby), Lucy Davison (Hampshire), Joyce Robson (Darlington), Eileen Young (Rosaire), and Stella Bemerley (Preston).

Two letters were received from those who could not make it this year, Betty Price (Road-Purvis) and Edna Clement. Betty was still recovering from a hip replacement operation and Edna had a permanent arrangement that takes her away from Sunderland for the first week in September. So, we wish a speedy recovery to Betty and hope to see her back to her healthy, elegant self at the 1995 Reunion, and perhaps we can catch up on Edna's news at the Guild of Old Bedians dinner in April, 1995.

It was especially nice to welcome Doreen Dwyer (Watson), in her first 'Thirty-Niner' Reunion, she was looking so fit and well after her return from a wonderful family holiday in Australia. Her entry into the activities of the Old Bedians was the result of a chance meeting at Hong Kong airport with Moira Hodgson (sister-in-law

We had a great deal of help from so many people, especially some of the students whom we contacted, who knew, not only whom their own directors were but also some of their friends, and went out of their way to find out information for us. It was a great pleasure to have them help us in this way. (Names who did not want to be named are omitted.)

Many more had been contacted, but we felt that we could hardly expect any further to come all the way from Australia, nor from France, Italy, Germany, etc. (Names who did not want to be named are omitted.)

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"1957 BELMONT" - 1964

from Belmont (Ohio)

After meeting me and other, friends were made and once again a big "Thank-you" given to Belmont and her most generous friends for yet another splendid day out in the country.

Such a wonderful and beautiful day was created by these objects. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion.

With this toward and other such with a story with was organized in order to explore the village and work up an agenda for the day and other activities for later in the afternoon. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion. Belmont was very kind and generous, including a gift of a large photograph album on occasion.

THIRTY-NINERS' NINE BELMONT, 1964

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Lady Luck also played a part in that Eileen got on to a bus and sat beside one of those for whom we were looking and, on a separate occasion, quite literally bumped into another in Morrisons supermarket at Seaburn - which is - long way from Hastings Hill, where Eileen lives.

The evening itself was a great experience with many a "Who's that over there in the ...?" as some people had changed (almost) beyond recognition, but there were also those who had changed little, if at all, from primary school days. It was interesting to note how many of our year had gone into teaching, but there were those who had made good in other professions - including one doctor with the World Health Organisation.

At the end of an excellent evening it was agreed that we shall meet again in 1999, to make a note of the year, further details will be given nearer the time.

Eileen Culvert (Potts) Ann Duffield (Wright).

NEWS FROM ABROAD.

Even in Spain, the magazine is read from cover to cover not once, but twice, and in the middle of the night. So writes Joan Jobling (Kilron).

"Did I sleep? No. My head was spinning and I was back to school. School cap clinging to the back of my head, (how on earth did we keep them on), my school bag on one shoulder making my way to the office and Miss Urwin (was that her name?) to buy my weekly supply of 8d dinner tickets. Those school dinners were wonderful - I have never tasted a lemon meringue pie covered with "yellow paint" anywhere in the world as good. And how about Miss Dunn - "eat your vegetables girls", what a gem she was. I did rise to the giddy heights of becoming a "server" which made me feel quite important. I can say that experience has seen me through many a dinner party - but I never had as many guests as I had then. The school dinner table seemed to go on for ever.

I am now in the Singing room with our dear Miss Hutchinson. She bends her head to each girl to make sure we know the words and we are not too flat. I was always in awe of her but I now realise I loved her quite a lot. What respect we had for our teachers.

I am now a member of our church choir over here, wouldn't Hutch have been proud of me?"

Joan still plays 'a mean game of Canasta' - she went to a good 'card' school after all. Her P.S. - "I can hear Winnie Scott saying, "What keeps you Joan?" and my reply is "Miss Vale Tardis Que Nunca!" Better late than never.

If anyone is visiting Ibiza and would like to call on Joan, I have her phone number and you would be very welcome.

Margaret & Rene Nicholson spent some time with Joyce Giffon in Australia - enjoying a few trips and picnics - one to Phillip Island to see the penguins come up

Superior Police Ladies Hockey Club are practicing in the setting of the new Sports Centre. Two excellent pitches, with floodlights and nearby changing

IMMEDIATE NOTES

From Joan Powell (Phone)

A message from Miss Kirkwood - she wants all the ladies groups from Rosneath. She is still being read for by doctors, nurses, family doctors with special thanks to Audrey Post and Joan Caldwell who keep in close touch with her.

A copy of the book was given to Joan Taylor during her Australian visit to take home on her return - A very fine book it is too.

Recipes including "The English Salad & Cherry Cake".

When for the letter to the doctor - Joan made a cake while staying with Joan and her mother. It was such a success that some was taken to Olga Young, Clifton some time ago.

Who was visiting a County Cook Book which included all sorts of hints and tips for the ladies to the doctor - Joan made a cake while staying with Joan and her mother. It was such a success that some was taken to Olga Young, Clifton some time ago.

He's together and put in 7 or 8 each in - the March 1 for about 1 - 1 1/2 hours (from 10 to 11) and the result is a most heavy cake which will freeze easily. I can recommend it because I was privileged to taste a piece.

equal quantity of each.

1/2 lb. mixed cherries & ground almonds

1/2 lb. eggs (3 or 4)

1/2 lb. sugar

1/2 lb. margarine or butter

1/2 lb. plain flour

Beat and cream up with the result

Some years ago Joan Powell (Phone) experienced with a cake recipe using plain

NEWS WITH A DIFFERENCE

On Tuesday's second visit to Rosneath to rehearse the B&B history of a wartime friend (whose name had saved the invention, she was awarded to find - an honouring the County's writer at Dunfermline, the good friend of Ruth Murray. These ladies are every where.

Joan Mackinnon (Phone) and Joan Brockton (Phone) send greetings from Rosneath this year with Joan Mackinnon (on leave) and had coffee with Joan Brockton and Joan Brockton (Phone) who had been in Rosneath for some time. Joan Brockton (Phone) and Joan Brockton (Phone) send greetings from Rosneath this year with Joan Mackinnon (on leave) and had coffee with Joan Brockton and Joan Brockton (Phone) who had been in Rosneath for some time.

out of the sun in dark - in their thousands. They also had lots of games of Scrabble on Joyce's lovely meadow.

accommodation at the Ski Centre, plus the Para Tennis Centre where hot meals can be provided for visiting teams, give an admirable base for the 1st, XI to fulfil National League requirements and for the 2nd, XI and 3rd, XI to play both Durham League matches and friendly fixtures. It also provides a venue for Club meetings and social gatherings which help to pay the heavy expenses of travelling and staying overnight at Canterbury, Woking, St. Albans, and other far flung towns. In the first season the 1st, XI finished halfway up the League 2nd, Division table. By the end of the second season they were second top behind Canterbury who were promoted into the 1st, Division. We are the current leaders of the 2nd, Division being suburban either at home or away. The Club is very well represented on the County 1st, XI (every 1st, XI member is playing representative hockey at some level in different age groups). Carolyn Naisby, still a registered player, continues to oversee the general fitness training and gives advice and treatment on injuries. She acts as Team Manager for the 1st, XI and travels with the team whenever possible. Norma Dix (Batty), once on the P.E. Staff at Bede, is a valued player on the 1st, XI having been a member of the England Team and North captain. She has played with Bedans since she was a schoolgirl and is the present Club captain. Judy Robbick (Stewart) is another vastly experienced player still playing on the 1st, XI. She too has played with Bedans since she was at school and has recently returned as a member of the P.E. Department at the Bede Centre of Wearside Tertiary College. Joan Pillans travels with the 1st, XI to National League fixtures and still umpires occasionally for the 2nd, XI. She has now determinedly retired from umpiring Durham League matches (they begin too early on Sunday mornings). Brenda Frost, one time captain of Bedans and a member of the P.E. Staff at Bede, is the current President of Durham County Womens Hockey association. Recent visitors at National League matches have been, Joan Taylor (Cile) with her daughter and other members of her Club (she is still playing goalkeeper and teaching hockey), and Ann Rumble (?) recently returned to the North East. She was watching the 1st, XI at Silksworth while waiting for the skiing to finish, she and Joan played for Bedans as schoolgirls and reached North standard. Chris Poles (Jackson) still plays with the 2nd, XI, she too has played with Bedans for many years and was a member of the County schoolgirls team at the same time as Carolyn Naisby. At a recent fixture, versus Olton in Birmingham, it was interesting to meet John Bolton's son Dave (Harrison ?) who teaches in Nottingham and is captain of a hockey team there. He was born in Sunderland but left at the age of 3, he thinks his mother is 60 ish. As President of Bedans Club Joan has very much enjoyed travelling and meeting hockey friends all over the country, acting as team manager on occasions and as a sounding board for the players.

GOLF

The following Old Bedans see each other (sometimes at a distance), at Boldon Golf Club. Roughly in order of 'ar... seniority:- Dorothy Criticos (Kennedy) Winnie Scott (Thomas), Jennie Hey (Smith), Margaret Langham, Marie Scott (Little), Olga Wright (Sarwat), Grata Beadie (Pyburn), Pauline Vetch (Coxier), Joan Millerton (Gibson), Joyce Gerrie (Harvey), Joan Smith (Robson), Audrey Robson (Dennis), Joyce Graham (Merrison), Rita (Robson), Joyce Young (Allen).

My greatest thanks to all of you who wrote to me with your news - it is lovely to hear from you and forgive me for not answering you all individually. My thanks to Dorothy Douglas for her willing co-operation in typing this all neatly for the printer. I would also like to thank my daughter (Margaret) who helps me with the books for the envelopes which make Joan's job a little easier. Also, our new motor, Miss D. What who has kindly taken over from Mr. Green, who helped me for many years. He might be too busy to enjoy his retirement. Our thanks are also due to Joan and the committee for all they do to help us enjoy our social events.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Books will be sent to him of the death of Clifford Henry, who might mean at home and was known and loved in several circles in the town.

There were many in town of the death of Joseph Walter Taylor who for many years worked on the Boston accounts - our sympathy goes to his wife, Bessie - a fine memory of the Guild.

The death of Henry Rogers (Katie) brought to light the fact that she received the equivalent of a "London in discharge" for her part in the aftermath of the bombing and when a post-war fire service was organized in London.

Marie Chapman (Mrs. Lincoln)
 Mary Wright
 Helen Alexander
 Irene (Mrs) Hilday (Mrs. Down)
 Dorcas Todd
 Mary Pitt (Mrs. Richardson)
 Helen Little (Mrs. Burt)
 Louis Thompson (Mrs. Ayers)
 Fannie Whiting (Mrs. Down)
 Dorothy Williams (Mrs. Lygert)
 Margaret Bennett (Mrs. Hall)
 Jean Chace (Mrs. Cook)
 Joan Toward (Mrs. Anderson)
 Henry Rogers (Mrs. Katie)
 Lillian Hanson (Mrs. Cook)
 Ethel Little (Mrs. Lacey)
 Ruthless Swearing (Mrs. Williams)

DEPARTS

Wanda Scott (Thomas)

They have been greatly, but fairly, but less competition by London Captain Jones (Mrs) - some women have been - Cassie Swain, Olga Wright, Fannie Worth and Joyce Howell.

Our deepest sympathy to all who have been bereaved during the year and thanks to those who wrote to me when my own husband died during Christmas week last year.

Keep on writing and we wish you all a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

God Bless Bohans everywhere.

ANNE.

BALANCE SHEET FOR SEPTEMBER 1st 1995 - AUGUST 31st 1994.

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURE	
Subs. 7 Annual	£7.00	Printing Magazines	£360.00
12 Life	£75.00	Stationery	£18.22
	_____	Postages & Telephones	£100.85
	£82.00	Gift to Auditor	£10.00
Donations	£119.80	Credit on year's workings	£470.47
Meetings	£255.13		
Interest	£24.59		
Request - B. Milby (Richardson)	£250.00		
Sale of Inkstand	£250.00		

	£981.52		£981.52
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Total Funds on August 31st 1994 made up as follows:-

Balance August 31st 1993.....	£1,080.91	1/4% War Stock	£98.56
		T.S.B. Savings A/c.	£1,233.21
		Barclays Bank	£289.92
Credit on year's working	£470.47	Cash in Hand	£9.89
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	£1,551.38		£1,551.38
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D. Wild
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