

THE OLD BEDAN

1996

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 1997

- FRIDAY Jan. 31st 1997** WINTER RE-UNION in the "Hall" in the Boys' School - Bede Centre at 7.00 p.m.
(Tickets £4.00 - £4.50). Please use Main Entrance and the "Hall" Entrance is opposite.
- FRIDAY April 25th 1997** ANNUAL DINNER in the Swallow Hotel, at 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.
(Tickets approximately £15). No entertainment this year - lots of time to chat.
- TUESDAY June 17th 1997** SUMMER RE-UNION at the Ramside Hotel, Durham, at 7.00 p.m., its **NIGHT** a Friday.
- FRIDAY Sept. 26th 1997** ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING in the Wearside College, Bede Centre at 7.30 p.m.

Please make a note of these dates in your diaries and if you intend to be present at any of these occasions - please pay for your ticket in advance to whoever supplies it and then the Committee will enjoy the event as much as you will.

Thank you

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Welcome to another "BEDAN" Magazine which I hope will be completed a little earlier than the 1995 issue. I had a mild stroke while the "Mag" was at the printers, but was able to complete the proof reading etc. then Joan Hayton, who deals with the envelopes and posting, had problems with her hip replacement operation and was rushed into Hospital, so with the help of my son, and Joan's neighbour - everything was delivered to Irene Wilkinson, who managed to complete the operation and the "Mags" were with you in time. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Irene on behalf of us all and assure you that we are all still "alive and kicking".

Irene will be pleased to have your subscriptions - £2 for an Annual Subscription, £10 for Life Membership. Please remember to use your Maiden Name and put your Married Name, if applicable, in brackets. Also don't forget to let us know if you move house so that your Magazine will still reach you.

Thanks to those who report on our meetings. It is a chore, but so appreciated

Anne Mitchell (Crowe)

WIN SCOTT (THOMAS)

It was with great sorrow that we learned of the death of Win, in Christmas week 1995. She remained active till the end which made the news so hard to believe. I for one will miss her very much, for, in so many ways she personified the "Old Bedans". I remember her at school as being clever and athletic and most of all so musical!! During my school days, she and Nancy Lawther (Hubicka) alternated at Assembly playing the grand piano each morning.

All Bedan reunions in the earlier years were very "musical" evenings with Winnie at the piano leading so many varied games. As we got older and less able, the music was not so in evidence as we remained seated and used our brains - but Win was always there.

The School Song - which she transposed to a lower key for us - was always accompanied by Win and we all felt like schoolgirls again.

For many years Win edited the Old Bedan and I was horrified to have to follow in her footsteps, but she was always available with lots of news and so helpful and supportive and I will miss her dearly. The Guild has lost a very well-loved member.

Anne Mitchell (Crowe)

ANNUAL DINNER

At the 1995 Annual Dinner a group of girls "taped" the School Song for a friend who was unable to attend and this had led to an offer from Jean Royal (Cox) to provide a copy for anyone who'd like to have this memento. Already, several girls who were at the Summer Reunion have availed themselves of the offer. All Jean asks is £1.50 which is to go into Guild funds to help with the Magazine or other expenses.

Any requests to come to me please - my address is on Page 1 of this magazine and I will deal with it.

This, incidentally, was the last time Win played the School Song for us, so it is even more special.

Anne Mitchell (Crowe)

We were sorry to learn of the death of Jessie Ridley (Pickard). Jessie was on the Social Service Committee in the early years and was responsible for organising us to man the Red Cross Library at Ryhope General Hospital until she left the town - when that duty was taken over by Margaret Chapman (Hunter).

WINTER RE-UNION, January 26th, 1996

In spite of it being such a bitterly cold night on Friday, January 26th, a big crowd of Old Bedans gathered together in the Students' Common Room at the Bede Centre, (or as we know it in the "good old days", the Boys' School).

After ridding ourselves of our thick coats and scarves, we found our spirits rising immediately. Not only by the brightness of the room, but by the happy atmosphere generated by friendship, warm greetings, and the anticipation of having an evening of relaxation and gossip.

It was pleasing too, to see people who hadn't been to our meetings before. One person that comes to mind was Brenda Snowball (Trewbitt) who lives in Lancaster. I'm sure she enjoyed meeting old friends.

We began the evening with some paper and pencil games. We thank Lily Richardson (Lawson) for preparing them for us. Lily seems to have an inexhaustible supply of games and they play an important part in our "Evening" entertainments. However this time some were quite difficult! We wrestled with them, and sometimes that "Bedan" competitive spirit was inclined to rise to the surface (with great good humour, I hasten to add). But there was really nothing to worry about. It was still a party, and everyone on the winning tables got a prize. No-one is allowed to feel a failure at our Old Bedans "do's".

After the games, members of the Committee moved swiftly about the tables, pouring out cups of tea, and deftly handing out delicious double-decker sandwiches, pieces of pie and quiche, and cream cakes.

The talking and reminiscing continued.

Eventually here tugged on the table and called for silence. The Raffle tickets were drawn for the numerous prizes on display. The amount raised was £50.50.

Then all too soon it was 9.30 p.m. and time to go home.

Thank you Committee for all your hard work and planning that made for such an enjoyable evening.

Pat Hinkstone.

ANNUAL DINNER April 24th, 1996.

Same time - April

Same venue - Swallow Hotel, Seaburn.

Same expectation - of a pleasant gathering of friends sharing a meal together, with growing difficulty for some, of managing to juggle forks, sticks and plates of hot food, the committee wisely decided to return to the traditional format of a set meal served at the table.

After the overwhelming noise level in the entrance lobby, it was a relief to enter the spacious Castle Suite, find the table and seat, written out on the plan, and read the menu.

After Irene's welcome, plus her admonishment not to chat through the entertainment, we said grace.

The food was delicious and the menu excellent:-

Fanned melon with orange salad and raspberry coulis.

Supreme of Chicken - served with a white wine sauce with mushrooms.

A selection of fresh vegetables and potatoes.

Poached Pear with Melba sauce, in brandy snap case and cream.

Coffee and mint.

It all looked so attractive, the service was excellent and the company without doubt enjoyed it immensely.

The School Song this year was accompanied at a Keyboard, very nobly, by Joyce Bagley. It must have been very emotional for her, as it was for all of us, remembering Winnie. There has been a suggestion of a rota of people who would be prepared to offer to play at the dinner, Irene would be delighted to have names sent direct to her. The Pavilion Singers provided the entertainment this year, Mrs. Packhard their conductor, being well known to Irene for many years.

They gave us a mini-show during which we had ensemble singing by the 14 Ladies and 5 Gentlemen (who comfortably held their own, although outnumbered) and solos by guest singers, all accompanied by a young man at the keyboard who coped admirably with some extremely tricky rhythms and a variety of styles. It was his first concert with the group. We felt that they might keep him.

As for Mrs. Packhard, she so obviously enjoyed herself that she swept everyone along with her. She danced and sang her way through the entire programme, her back as expressive as Jane Glover conducting "Messiah" at Sunderland

Empire.

Another evening full of pleasure and nostalgia, a potent mix, made possible by the care and thoughtfulness of our Chairman and Committee members who made the arrangements.

Our thanks to them all.

Jean Pillay (Barwis)

SUMMER RE-UNION Tuesday, 18th June 1996.

On Tuesday 18th June, 1996 we held our Summer Re-Union. The 13th successive in the Ramside Hall Hotel.

Our thanks to Irene Wilkinson, who once again had arranged with the management for us to have reserved tables, and I'm pleased to say they were all full with many members present. There was plenty of laughter, chatter and the exchange of news and photographs. Some regular attendees were missing but it was good to see some new faces - Joan Brooks - on holiday from South Africa attended, she enjoyed herself greeting old friends and very 'Snap Happy' with her camera.

It was lovely to see Pauline Humphreys and Val Williamson from Durham, who were attending their very first Old Bedan Re-union, let's hope in the first of many; also Melva Bevan, her first at the Summer one.

The food at the at the Carvery was superb, with plenty of choice either hot or cold, or just coffee and sandwiches - Many forgot the diets that night and enjoyed the delicious sweets.

All too soon the night came to an end and we look forward to another successful evening next year. 'Spread the Word' - Tell all the Old Bedans you meet about our re-unions. They don't know what they are missing.

A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

Pat Crackles (Stoff)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting was held on Friday September 27th, 1996 in Wearside College, Bede Centre, at 7.30 p.m. The Chairman welcomed 9 members and there were apologies from Marjorie Calvert; Anne Mitchell (Crowe); Brenda Johnston (Juler); Moira Cuddeford (Dixon) and many others.

The Minutes of the last A.B.M. were read, approved and signed. The usual Re-unions were held during the year and the Chairman thanked the Wearside College for the use of rooms for A.B.M. and the Winter Reunion.

A number of deaths were reported.

There have been 3 committee meetings, 3 Reunions and the A.B.M. held during the year. A report of these Reunions are given in this Bodan.

It is good to know members make an effort to attend these Re-unions, some travelling a distance. Joan Brooks (Richards) managed to arrange her visit from South Africa to co-incide with the Ramside Reunion.

Dates for the 1997 Reunions were discussed and approved. These will be printed on the front cover of the magazine. Please make a note of them and get your tickets from Committee members.

The Charity account grows gradually and thanks to the Canasta players was able to share £120 between our two Charities.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m. followed by tea and biscuits.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Membership on 31st August, 1996 stood at 578 of which 5 are new Life Members; 1 has become a Life Member and 3 are new Annual Members.

There have been 3 Committee meetings at the home of the Chairman. There have been three Reunions plus the A.B.M.

The Winter Reunion was on a very cold night on January, 26th at Wearside College, Bede Centre. The games by Lily Richardson (Lawson) kept everyone thinking hard. The catering was once again provided by Something Special and was very tasty and enjoyable.

The Annual Dinner was held on Friday April, 26th at the Swallow Hotel, 104 members were present and they enjoyed having full waitress service. The entertainment was provided by the Pavilion Singers.

The Summer Reunion was once again at the Ramside Hotel. Most of those present partook of the selection of food available. It was a pleasant surprise to have Joan Brooks (Richards) present from South Africa; Betsy Wigham (Hall) from Wealdale and her sister were also present and enjoyed seeing everyone especially Nora Johnson (Wilson) and Mariel Woodruff (Heron).

Thank you to the Committee for their help during the year, selling tickets, collecting the money and doing "waitress duty" at the Winter Reunion.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

I am sorry to report a loss on the year's workings this year of £86.36. There have not been so many new Life Members this year and printing and postage are gradually increasing each year. We are grateful for the generous donations.

NEW LIFEMEMBERS

Jean Garrick (Brown)
Evelyn Stephenson (Corner)
Gwynne Page
Mary Allison (Thompson)
Eunice Bruce (Wood)

HAS BECOME A LIFEMEMBER

Sheila Thomas (Walker)

NEW YEARLY

Audrey Briggs (Bennison)
Anne Maynard (Rawson)
Nora Johnson (Fenton)

THE LONDON BRANCH

In May only Mariel Woodruffe (Heron) and I were at Nancy's for lunch but there were three Old Bedlams at my home in October as Edith Broderick joined us. She and Mariel were delighted to meet again after sixty-one years!

After a gap of fifty years Muriel had started piano lessons again and played some Chopin so well that it was obvious she had worked very hard during the previous year.

Nancy and I played two Spanish Dances by Musskowsky and told Muriel we hoped to include her in a trio next time!

Of course we talked about school experiences and I told them of Eleanor Wilson's (Tiberadge) first school after University. It was "Diamond Hall" in Sunderland in 1934/35 and she had sixty-seven 12/14 year olds. The numbers gradually decreased as pupils left to start work, until there were only thirty-seven.

The visiting Inspector said "this is a very big classroom for thirty-seven pupils". "It wasn't big enough for sixty-seven though" replied Eleanor!

I hope more members will be free for the next meeting in May.

Dorcas Ward (Macrae).
Tel. 0181 992 3907

NEWS

Jean Stoker has qualified as a Certified Accountant - Congratulations.

Mavis Sidney (Hodgson) has retired from her post as Deputy Head at Ravensworth C. E. Primary School, Nr. Richmond, where she worked for 27 years. She is hoping to take an active interest in her husband's electrical business - and have more leisure to enjoy her home and garden.

In March this year, Gladys Sidney (Wake) was invited to a private review of 'Evacuees' - an exhibition currently at the Imperial War Museum in London. Gladys submitted a detailed account of her memories of being a World War II evacuee as well as photographs and newspaper cuttings. The preview evening was a great success. Vera Lynn was the guest of honour and Gladys was fortunate to be able to chat to her and to have her invitation autographed. The account of Gladys' evacuation has been accepted as a donation to the archive of the Imperial War Museum.

Alice Munro in a move with new address in a Residential Home in Norwich, referred to Iris Harvey's article on Miss Hutchinson in the 1995 magazine. "It was spot on" said Alice - remembering singing songs from the "Scottish Students' Song Book". (I still have my copy, bought when I joined the singing

club in 1938).

Anne McClement (Robson) is now living in Milton Keynes and working for Northamptonshire County Council as a Computer Auditor. Eileen Scott lives in Nottingham, where she moved with her family after about four years at Bede. She did a Double Honours degree in French and German (passé for awe!) at Manchester, where we accidentally bumped into each other and greeted each other with cries of delight and relief on our very first day as fellow students. She became a teacher and ended her teaching days as Head of French and German, which must have been very exhausting. She and her sister Joan, whom some of you may remember, live together in Nottingham.

Greta Gibson is alive and well and living in Wales. She and her husband Jeff moved there shortly after his retirement and enjoy the peace and quiet of living on the edge of a pretty village, built as a new town in the Middle Ages. Their very large garden keeps Jeff busy most days and it attracts masses of butterflies and interesting birds.

Rosie Schlesinger. Greta had several times on my visits there wondered how Rosie was getting on and if she ever attained her ambition of teaching and living in Israel after the war. The three of us studied German with Miss Craggs so I had an interest too. Last year I read a book, "Hidden Children" by Jane Marks, which moved me and set me thinking even more about Rosie. It was an account of the memories and experiences of European Jewish children, who evaded the concentration camps before and during the war, and either hid themselves or were hidden by others throughout the war years. It also recounted what had happened to them after the war and of the profound effect their experiences had on them. I wondered if Rosie had been such a child before she was rescued and brought to England.

On one of my regular visits to the chiropodist's, I told his wife cum receptionist, with whom I regularly swap notes on what we are reading, of this book and my thoughts about Rosie. When I mentioned how little I knew about her out of school life except that she lived in a hostel for Jewish refugee children, she said she might be able to find out something for me. Mrs. Share (remember the large furniture shop?) is one of their clients and had told her how she had worked hard to help raise money to build a hostel for such children and to bring them to Sunderland. On my next visit to the chiropodist, his wife had news! Mrs. Share was delighted to know that Rosie had been remembered and asked after. Rosie did reach Israel, where she now lives in a kibbutz. She is very happy and is a grandmother. This series of links seemed quite amusing to me and now I am only too pleased to be able to pass on this news to other former Bedans, a surprising number, who still remember Rosie and her perpetual cheerfulness.

Pat Swan (1940 - 47)

On September 20th, 1946 the 'Girls' listed below met for lunch at the Barnes Hotel. Joan Brooks, who had been home for 4 months was about to return to South Africa. Pauline Humphreys (Hunter) had travelled from York and Joan Rosenstein (Turpin) had arrived home that morning from America. Pat Swan (Feltz) had just returned from a visit to Greta Gibson () who had recently hosted Ethna Brown, Margery Wild (), sent good wishes from Edinburgh. The noise from 23 people all talking was tremendous. There was not enough time (is there ever?) to talk to everybody. Several people who had attended a previous lunch 2 years ago were still on holiday but sent greetings. If there are any more 'girls' from this group around, please contact anyone who was present so that we can hopefully include you at the next meeting. Our sincere thanks to Iris Harvey (Bennett) who did all the organising and telephoning involved.

Jean Rosenstein (Turpin)

Jean Brooks (Richards)

Jean Brewis (Phillips)

Jean Carr (Forster)

Betty Clark (Cook)

Dorothy Cockburn (Dugdale)

Inez Elstob (Gunnish)

Eileen Graham (Hubbard)

Joyce Haldon (Harrison)

Iris Harvey (Bennett)

Pauline Humphreys (Hunter)

Jean Johnston (Cree)

Jeanne Koch (Malpas)

Betty Miller

Morna Owsen (Mashens)

Joyce Plummer (Westwick)

Jean Rosenstein (Turpin)

Norma Scott (Roffe)

Pat Swan (Feltz)

Mary Tulloch (Thompson)

Fay Twitchett (Kepp)

Hilda Wharton (Laycock)

Joyce Whorlton (Turner)

Dorothy Young (Wheldon)

N.B. After the above lunch, I was delegated to take our kind regards and best wishes to Audrey Anderson as she was in the next Bay to my husband in the

General and I was on my way to see him. I had a pleasant chat with Audrey and her sister and quick visit three days later but sadly the next day Audrey died. The Bode was well represented at her funeral together with her bowling friends and former colleagues.

Dorothy Cockburn (Dugdale)

1937 STARTERS REUNION

We had our fourth reunion since 1988 in the Roker Hotel on June 30th, 1995, but unfortunately only 20 people were able to attend, mainly due to holidays. We therefore decided to aim for May this year and eventually got together on May 31st for our "30th Birthday" reunion, again in the Roker Hotel. On this occasion 23 members arrived and we had a very enjoyable evening with a tremendous amount of chatter and a very good buffet meal.

It was decided that this would be our last big reunion as many of the "girls" have quite a long distance to travel, and this, coupled with medical problems for them or their partners, means that the numbers will go on dwindling. I have, however, a list of 46 names and addresses and have sent copies to most of them so that we can keep in touch, and hopefully we can arrange mini-reunions if any of our "away" members happen to be in town.

"39 ERS" REPORT

It may have been a dull day outside, but there was nothing dull about the atmosphere in the Ramside Hotel on Friday 6th September when 22 "Flans" met for their 8th reunion. We never stopped chattering - catching up on a year's gossip.

Joyce Spoon travelled from Buckinghamshire - says her chest is not so good - it looked OK to me! Good to see our class mates from far afield will travel miles for a good chairwig.

Joan Russell looked well after her recent surgery but we were missing Rita Manning, broken arm, Dorcen Dobson, cataract operation and Elsie White who we hear has taken up a little driving. Good on yer Elsie! Keep up the good work.

On the lighter side - or is it the heavier side? Lucy Mills has lost 7 pounds in weight, Marjorie Bailes has gained 7lbs and Dorcen Dodds has gained a stone

and wants to gain more! most of the rest of us will start dieting tomorrow.

Joan Little is offering a reward for the return of memory, perhaps we could do a black booking! Nice to see Beryl Stream after a few years absence, she tells me she is now a great grandmother, the first in our group I believe, Congratulations. She had met up with Beryl Wilder while in the U.S.A.

Apologies and good wishes were sent from Kathleen Tait, Kathleen Borlace and Sheila Snowball who had prior commitments. Hope to see you all next year when the reunion will be held again in the Ramside Hall on Friday 25th August, 1997.

Joyce Robson (Wallage)

MEETINGS

Joan Little was visiting Leonard House at Silksworth where she chatted to Ethel Hope (Peecham) who left Bede in 1935. Ethel attended St. Peter's Church School - then Bishopwearmouth Church School, before going to Bede.

Doris McCree (Pygott) writes from York and she met Joan Newby (White) at a funeral - they hadn't seen each other since 1950. Two days later Doris met Belle Eaton (Hutchinson) who was on a day visit to York (whilst on holiday in Scarborough). This meeting bridged a 10 year gap and it was a pity it wasn't possible to make it a threesome.

Congratulations to Nora Johnson (Wilson) who keeps in touch from Hartlepool - if only to say that she's still alive - and has exchanged visits with Emily Durrant (Lawson) in Glasgow and with Mariel Woodruff (Heron) in Durham. But the "P.S." was interesting! Nora had attended Eversong in Durham Cathedral "dedicated to Bede who lived all his life in Jarrow"! What happened to St. Peter's in Monkwearmouth we wonder!

Dorcas Ward (Macrae) spent some time exploring the Yorkshire rivers with Eleanor Wilson (Tiberadge).

NEWS

Lynne Symonds who is teaching in Norwich has made the headlines in the "Echo" when she was made "Chief of the African Village Wallage" last Easter. The Village School is twinned with Lynne's school in Norwich, which has donated 6000 books and formed a library which bears Lynne's name. Lynne

feels she is furthering our motto "After darkness light" in a tangible way - helping to educate the local children. Lynne asks for your prayers that the work can continue.

Peggy Victory, Doris Foster and Mary Arkless have visited Miss Peters and Lena Thompson found them "coping" in spite of the drawbacks of old age, but still interested in news of you all.

Mary also had a visit from Beatrice Harman (Schofield).

HOCKEY NOTES, 1995-96.

After a salutary first National League match at Canterbury, missing several experienced players in defence, where we lost 1-4 (all goals scored by their England forward Melanie Clehew) the team settled, got to know each other both on and off the field, and eventually finished 4th top in the First Division - an excellent result. The miles recounted as we played our way round the country, listening with amusement to the woful Southern teams, planning routes Northwards to Silksworth. Once here, they thought the facilities wonderful - Wimbledon even had a fine sunny day - and our catering and comfortable setting at Ashlesoke was definitely approved by all our visitors. In the meantime, our gallant players on the 2nd and 3rd teams played good hockey and managed excellent results in the Durham County League Divisions 1 and 2 and in the Durham County Tournaments. Again all our National League players play on County teams, and we are represented at England Under 16, 18 and 21 levels.

Our players have worked hard and trained enthusiastically, taken coaching and umpiring courses, seen to the increasing amount of paperwork so that our affairs are in good order, and, by running coaching courses, encouraged young and older players to broaden their horizons.

As for me, I love watching the games, meeting old and making new friends at our home matches, and travelling to venues unknown. Most enjoyable.

When I first joined the Guild of Old Bedans, there were several familiar faces amongst them, Rene Downs, Nell Widdrington and Winnie Thomas. All now sadly gone, but they welcomed me on summer outings, Curators evenings, the Committee, and into their homes.

Always they were interested in the Hockey Teams and sometimes came to watch the matches. Winnie's daughter Sheila joined the Old Bedans and played with us for a time until she moved to Lancashire. Just before her sudden

collapse, Winnie was chatting about the National League fixtures, and I know she always looked for the results in both the "Sunderland Echo" and in the National Press.

A fine sports player herself, she appreciated the level of achievement needed to play at this level.

Apart from sport, Winnie and I always had plenty to discuss, gardens, flower arranging and art.

She was accomplished herself and enjoyed the water colour class very much, but always wanted to know how I was enjoying the courses at Durham University, and where the work was being exhibited.

This support and encouragement was very much valued, and I enjoyed her friendship.

Jean Brewis (Pillans)

DEATHS

Floris Louisa (Dowley)
Grace Turnbull (Mrs. White)
Gracie Clark (Mrs. Chadwick)
Majorie Helen Walker (Mrs. Marsh)
Winnie Scott (Mrs. Thomas)
Margaret Leck (Mrs. Bennett)
Christine Hartness (Mrs. Carr)
Lily Forster (Mrs. Young)
Dorothy Tate (Mrs. Denton)
Jessie Ridley (Mrs. Pickard)
Audrey Anderson
Florence Goldsmith (Mrs. Margatroyd)
Christine Nixon
Midge Colwell (Mrs. Walker)
Sheila Gallon (Mrs. Way)
Hilda Richardson
Anne Blacknell (Mrs. McBain)

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Mary thanks, once more, to all of you who contributed lots of news - or only

snippets - to make the magazine a worthwhile read. Forgive me for not answering your notes but I do appreciate your encouraging remarks. On reading back copies of the Bulletin - 1938 onwards - Miss Shearer was always begging for news and so please - do keep in touch.

Thanks, as always, to Dorothy Cockburn (Dugdale) who is still willing to type this for me. Oh, to be able to use modern technology - but it would be too hard to teach such an old one new tricks! Again, on behalf of you all - thanks to Irene and the Committee for all the planning and work needed to make our meetings such a pleasure, and to Joan Hayton for manfully trying to keep track of you all - lastly to D. Wild for auditing our accounts.

Our sympathy to all who have been bereaved during the year and our best wishes to every member for a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

God Bless. - Anne

BALANCE SHEET FOR SEPTEMBER Ist 1995 - AUGUST 31st 1996.

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURE	
Sale.		Printing Magazines	£415.00
Annual 12 @ £2	£24.00	Stationery	£33.29
1 @ £1	£1.00	Postage & Telephones	£115.79
miscs	—	Gilt to Auditor	£10.00
Life			
6 @ £10	£60.00		
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Donations	£70.00		
Meetings	£283.98		
Interest	£38.74		
Loss on Year's Workings	£86.36		
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	<u>£564.08</u>		<u>£564.08</u>

Total Funds on August 31st 1996 made up as follows:-

Balance August 31st 1995.....	£1,643.24	3 1/2% War Stock	£98.36
Less:		T.S.B. Savings A/c.	£1,190.85
Loss on Year's Workings	£86.36	Barclays Bank A/c.	£293.97
	—	Cash in Hand	£7.70
	<u>£1,556.88</u>		<u>£1,556.88</u>

Audited and found correct

D. Wild

2.10.96

