

**THE OLD BEDAN**

**2004**

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2005**

**FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2005**

**WINTER REUNION** in Bede Centre, to right of Girl's School

From 7pm to 9.30pm

Tickets £5

Dinner tickets will be available on this evening.

**FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2005**

**ANNUAL DINNER** in the Marriott Hotel Seaburn.

7pm for 7.30pm until 10.30pm

Tickets £20.50p

PLEASE NOTE THAT FINAL NUMBERS AND PAYMENT  
MUST BE MADE THIS YEAR BY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL.

**TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2005**

**SUMMER REUNION** at the Ramside Hotel, Durham at 7pm

**FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> September 2005**

**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING** at 2pm.

This will be held at 49, PARK AVENUE, SUNDERLAND,

The home of Iris Harvey (Bennett). The Committee hope more members of  
the Guild will be able to attend if this meeting is held locally, and during  
the day.

Please make a note of all these dates **NOW** and ensure you pay for any  
tickets well in advance. Try to attend as many of the official gatherings as  
you can, to make the efforts of the committee worthwhile, and bring along  
your Bedon friends.

**THANK YOU**

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## EDITORS COMMENTS

Here we are again! Thank you to all our contributors, particularly members who report on our regular gatherings.

Still more letters and snippets are needed from you. Remember we cannot produce the magazine without you.

If you have any comments or ideas you feel would improve the magazine, or help in the running of the Guild, please let us know. We will then do our best to make any suitable alterations or improvements.

Best wishes to you all, whether near or far.

## COMMITTEE



## WORKING ON THE MAGAZINE



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The evening was cold and damp, but the snow, which had fallen earlier in

the week, was gone.

A happy welcome awaited everyone, inside the warm and well-lit building,

on the school hockey field. From the start there was a head buzz from the

71 voices, all catching up on the news of friends and families.

Before the activities began, there was a very sad announcement from our

Chairman, Dorothy Stephenson (Thompson), Jean Rosenstein (Tupper),

Judith's sister had passed away the previous week. We all felt sympathy

for the loss suffered by Judith and all Jean's friends and family.

As the evening progressed we all enjoyed the "brain teaser" games

provided by Lily Richardson (Lawson).

They were "Poetic Justice" and "Ode to Hatter" giving much-needed

stimulation and brain workout. Thank you Lily, for some amusing puzzles.

Everyone knows that a bacon slicer is also a "water slider" in diving.

Soon it became time for supper, consisting of sandwiches, savory tarts,

salads, sausage rolls, mini pizzas and cream cakes, all provided by

Something Special. Very nice it was too, and the Committee kept everyone

well supplied with food and hot drinks.

Finally it was time for the raffle, which raised £20. Thank you to

everyone who helped by providing the prizes.

The 9.15pm deadline arrived once more, and we all said our goodbyes,

feeling happy and ready for the journey home.

DOROTHY JOHNSON (STEPHENSON)

## ANNUAL DINNER 2004

I felt quite honoured, and yet apprehensive, when your Editor, Moira, asked me if I would this was my first pleased to do my magazine.

Over 60 tickets Dinner, held, at Sunderland

Seaburn. A superb venue. The meal was delicious, comprising of soup, Chicken Supreme, Strawberry Delice, followed by coffee or tea. The staff was most attentive and pleasant, as usual.

After a good gossip, Dorothy, our Chairman, warmly welcomed us all, and made various announcements. We all acknowledged our new President, Lily Richardson (Lawson), and wished her well.

Dorothy requested one minute's silence in memory of Jean Rosenstein (Turpin), who sadly passed away in 2003. We also thought of Joan Hayton, who was at the time, very ill in hospital. Prayers and Grace were said and then more chatting and eating began.

The entertainment was provided by Anne Dorman, a former music teacher at Bede, and Maureen Hope, a former pupil. With Anne at the piano, everyone sang the School song. With such wonderful words, it never fails to move me. Maureen sang some lovely old ballads, for instance, songs from Ivor Novello's "Perchance to Dream", "The Dancing Years" and "The Skye Boat Song". We all appreciated their time and talent.

Lastly many raffle.

Many thanks arranged such May I close Having for the year, I was find that group came to and hope to see more of you in the future, God willing.



write a report. After all appearance, but I am "little bit" for the

were sold for this 75<sup>th</sup> always, at the Marriott Hotel

prizes were drawn from the

are due to all those who a good evening with a personal thought? decided to end the reunions 1945ers, or thereabouts last extremely disappointed to hardly anyone from that this Dinner. I missed you all,

MARGARET SKIPSEY (EASDOWN)

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Although it was a cool evening, threatened by showers, 24 Old Bedans came to the Ramside in June, which has been, for several years now, our favorite venue for this particular event.

Thanks to Marjorie Thompson, our little group arrived first, and so had a few minutes to ourselves, to "bag" the chairs we wanted. Not that there is ever a shortage of comfortable chairs or sofas, I happen to add.

It is because Marjorie sets off early from her home in South Shields, and then begins to pick up and there in Sunderland.



Old Bedans here when her car is Ramside Hotel, probably what this in order to assure those Bedans, who are bested about joining us, how very informal our reunion is at the Ramside

(Unfortunately, Margery Calvert, who is a regular attendee at the Summer

Ramside, was unable to come this year. She was recovering from a split head and broken, received in a car accident, when she was a first seat passenger. Thankfully her injuries were no worse, and I am sure her friends will be pleased to hear, she is well on the way to making a full recovery.

The Summer Reunion provides a good opportunity to meet friends you may not have seen for years, in casual surroundings. One can just catch up with the chat of daily life, in relaxing and pleasant surroundings.

Some of our white others of the group regard it like, Why not and meet us all? We look forward to seeing you, and your friends. You will certainly enjoy



members have just coffee, have a sandwich, and some depends on what one feels come and join us next June

PAT BULLSTONE

## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING 2004

This was held at Highburn House, where the Secretary/Chairman welcomed everyone.

Due to life's vicissitudes, five of our committee were prevented from attending, but there were eight of us left to sort out the events for the coming year.

The reports of the Secretary/Chairman were combined, due to the obvious complications of "switching hats in mid-stream" as it were. We reviewed the various functions of the previous year before beginning the real business, which was to sort out those dates for 2005.

Our Treasurer still has a firm hand on the rudder, and what appears to be a small loss, is not quite as problematic as it appears on paper, because a deposit has had to be made for the Dinner in 2005. Without this payment, we would have cleared the year comfortably.

As it is we will repay this in April, when the Dinner ticket money comes in. We are indebted to Judith for her stewardship.

The 2005 events are listed on the inside cover of the magazine as usual, and you will note that the venue for the ABM has changed. It was decided that a venue in Sunderland may be more suitable for those who rely on public transport, thus Iris Harvey (Bennett) has offered her home at Seaburn for September 2005 ABM. This is much appreciated, and being on a main bus route, should be more accessible.

## DOROTHY STEPHINSON (THOMPSON)

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## SECRETARY/CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Good wishes and felicitations to all Old Bedans, wherever you may have settled, and according to my membership book, you are a global

community!

The year started sadly

December 2003, of one

Chairman, who was one

and diligent members,

Dr. Taylor, as she was

professional life.

Many of us turned up at

to bid her farewell in a

service full of joy and celebration. She will be much missed in the Guild.

We have sadly lost quite a few members during the last year – we

are a dwindling flock, but far from spent. The more one looks back, the

more grateful one becomes for the privilege and benefits one enjoyed in

being a Bedan. I recall my father reading columns in the Standard

like, when he was in his eighties, and saying, "Yippee, I am not there

yet!" However we keep going and enjoy each other's company, to cover

on the few occasions each year when we re-unite. We would like to hear

from more of you for our magazine news. We have had some delightful

hints suggest for last year's magazine – keep it going!

The Winter Reunion was its usual jolly self, laughter, chatter, mind

searching games, and excellent food from Something Special. There was,

this time no exuberant wobbling of detestable gummy slices to juggle with.

("Thank goodness" said the waitress committee helpers), but wonderful

mini-games followed delicious savouries.

May we look

at the January 2005

The Annual Dinner

served up this year

good measure.

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excellent variety of

requests from those who had enjoyed the music, but out of politeness had

to ensure the constant exchange of news, and did not get all their



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It is so difficult to please all, but I do find myself wondering, since they like the music, and they also like to chat, why do they not all come an hour earlier, and start in the assembly lounge on the year that is designated for entertainment? (2006 is next). The raffle held at the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner was so popular that the Committee bought some more special prizes and held another, equally well received, so perhaps it is becoming a fixture. The Summer Reunion was again on a lovely evening at the Ramside. It was a little like a flock of sparrows coming to settle round the various groups, leaving occasionally for nourishment, then resettling to continue the business. I am sure we all come out ten years younger after the reminiscing and laughter. Everyone is welcome to come. You just arrive from seven onwards. Keep the second Tuesday in June to join us. Our Officers and Treasurer continue with their tasks and an ever willing Committee makes their work pleasurable and easier, for which I thank them.

I hope 2005 is kind to us all.

**DOROTHY STEPHINSON (THOMPSON)**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Our balance sheet shows a loss of £93.47 on the year's accounting, but the deposit is paid for our Annual Dinner at the Marriott Hotel in April 2005. We are very grateful for your donations, and we welcome new members and new life members, and thank everyone for their support.

**JUDITH ROSENSTEIN**



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Anne Farthing	Shirley Hodgson	Barbara Hedworth
Jean Royal	Jean Bell	Elizabeth Laker
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Veronica Harrison	Wendy Part-Burham	Phyllis Smith
Elizabeth Watson	Pat Deans	Dorothy Davidson
Pauline Turnock	Jean Bell	Georgette Baker
Anne Palmer	Ann Adler	Judith Willis

FOURTH YEAR

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 Jean Bell

UPPER SIXTH

Judith Rosenzweig  
 Rosa Graham  
 Barbara Hedworth  
 Elizabeth Laker  
 Dorothy Laddie  
 Jean Laddie  
 Phyllis Smith  
 Dorothy Davidson  
 Georgette Baker  
 Judith Willis

Those present were:

In March 2004, we held a reunion of the Upper Sixth, Lower Sixth and Fourth year of 1958. Twenty-nine of us met at the Rosebery in Sandford for a drink, a buffet supper and the customary rendition of the School Song. Although many of us live in the Northeast, some had travelled quite a distance - Leeds, York, Devon and even Cyprus and New Zealand! However we all signed Cat Well cards to Olive Farnon and Jennifer Rogers, and wished them a speedy recovery from illness.

1958 UPPER SCHOOL REUNION

### JEAN ROSENSTEIN (TURPIN)

My dear friend, Jean, lost her brave fight against cancer on the 29<sup>th</sup> December 2003. We met at Barnes Infants' School in 1933, and were always rivals to be "top of the class" each week. Though often beaten by Pat Swan (Feltoc) and Eileen Scorer, both Old Bedans. We moved to Bede in 1940, and our friendship was cemented during those wartime years. How spartan today's teenagers would have found our lives – no cars, discos or mobile phones, and everything rationed. However we enjoyed life to the full, sharing whatever was available – even boyfriends occasionally!

Jean thoroughly enjoyed her years at Bede, and one of my abiding memories is of Jean, draped in a toga (Shoot!) at a "Sotumala" singing Miss Orme's Latin version of a popular song. She could still remember all the words and regaled our table at the last Old Bedans Dinner with a rendition of "Anno Puella" (Miss Orme's translation of "I Love a Lassie") In 1947 Jean went to Newcastle to study medicine – one of the few female medical students at that time – and had a brilliant career as a Doctor, eventually becoming a strict but much loved G.P. She not only cared for her patients' health, but also shared their troubles and became their friend. Our friendship continued through marriages, births and deaths and we supported each other through life's ups and downs. When I moved to York we visited each other frequently, and kept in touch by extremely long telephone calls. Even after she retired it was difficult to fit in those visits as Jean had so many interests and never seemed to have a free day.

She studied for another degree, which she obtained aged 70, she was a member and a past chairman of Herrington Flower Club, cocreating some wonderful flower arrangements in Durham Cathedral, at the Gateshead Festival and in St. Nicholas Church. Which she attended regularly. She was a member of the Embroiderers' Guild, producing some beautiful needlework, and also a member of the History Society. As we all know, she was a past Chairman and an energetic supporter of the Guild of Old Bedans.

Jean threw herself wholeheartedly into everything she undertook and never spared herself. She had the same attitude to her illness, when diagnosed with terminal cancer, at the beginning of 2003. She underwent gruelling chemotherapy, in order to be fit enough to attend her son's wedding in June, and just before that had to cope with the sudden death of her Son-in-Law aged 49 years.

Her family meant everything to her and their tremendous support enabled

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 GWEN DONALD (DAWSON)  
 JOYCE ALICE (BORRILL)  
 IRIS WATSON (LOWREN)  
 ISABELLA BOOD (SMITH)  
 ELVANOR MCARLITT (MILFORD)  
 MAUREEN PATTYS (COLLINGWOOD-PRICE)  
 NANCY ROBINSON (GELTON)  
 LESLEY (GILFANS) GORDON  
 AUBREY GILFANS (BROWN)  
 ALICE BROWN (BRANDLE)  
 DORIS SEPHTON (SEPHTON)  
 JEAN MITCHELL (PENTON)  
 PAULINE GARDNER (DUNN)

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her to lead as normal a life as possible throughout her illness. Like them, and all her many friends, I was devastated by her death. To lose Jean, after a friendship lasting 20 years, has left a gap in my life that nothing can fill.

## 39ERS REUNION 2004

Our annual Reunion was held on the last Friday in August, at the Riverside Hall. Although there were fewer than last year, it was nice to see everyone, especially those who had been ill or had operations and recovered so well. It was a meeting of old friends. The overall comment from all was "its nice to be here, we are not giving in, and we are all doing very well!" Welcome to Dorothy Caslaw who is still working, and has not managed to attend regularly. Congratulations to Maureen Richardson on the marriage of her son.

In August I visited Florida with my family, and we went to an alligator farm. We even tasted it, rather like chicken, believe it or not! We also survived Hurricane Charley. We were rather lucky considering the damage it caused - we were without electricity for 12 hours, but that was our only hardship.

Pleased to hear that Lucy Mills has now joined the "Hip Club", and is now free from pain. Marjorie Harris looked well after her operation. I last saw her when we were both inpatients at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (I was in for tests). Muriel Staddon is still crossing the North Sea to Norway, her thirty-ninth visit!

Rita Manning sent her apologies, as her husband is still ill. Edna Wilson is caring for her husband. Joyce Spoons and Joyce Robson were not well enough to attend. Our best wishes to you all. Joan Little and Kathleen Miller are on holiday. Sheila Snowball is helping her daughter to move and Eileen Young is having repairs done to her house.

The next 39ers meeting will take place at noon on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2005 at Riverside Hall. Please make a note of the date, as reminders will not be sent.

Those present this year were :-

Edna Clement  
Marjorie Harris  
Joyce Townes  
Betty Scott  
Maureen Richardson  
Stella Buttery  
Majorie Bailes

Doreen Dobson  
Lucy Mills  
Muriel Staddon  
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## OBITUARIES

### DORIS SEBTON (CRIGHTON)

Doris died in December 2003, at Newington-Towade, aged 101 years. She was born in Sunderland and was a pupil at Bode School, and had always wanted to be a teacher. Her teaching career was spent entirely in Sunderland schools, including Barnes and Thorney Close.

Her specialist subjects were, Art, English and PE. She was a keen hockey player in her day, representing the county at one time, and she was also a golfer.

She was the author of several volumes of poems and short stories, published when she was in her nineties. She was a very talented lady and will be missed by her family and all her friends.

Elaine Young (Elbow) who lives at Bonaldric, forwarded newspaper cuttings giving the details of Doris's death and Service of Remembrance.

### LESLIE (GLYNN) GORDON

Lesley Gordon died in July 2003 following a short illness. She was a pupil at Bode School from 1958 to 1965, and she obtained a first class degree in English Language and Literature at Queen Mary's College in London. She then worked in Newcastle University, as the Special Collections Librarian, until her retirement in March of 2003.

Lesley was one of the kindest and most considerate of colleagues. She was loyal and discreet, and she valued her friends and enjoyed their company on visits to the theatre and opera. She had great plans for her retirement, and it was a great shame that she did not live to fulfil them.

### ANTHEA MINCHON (LEANE)

## NEW MEMBERS

**ROBOTHY CLARKE (GAMS)**

**MARGARET HETHERINGTON (GOWEN)**

**WENDY PENWICK (EGGERTON)**

**ALBREA HUGHILL (HALL)**

**MARGARET BERRY (JAY)**

**ANNE CONLEY (MISKAR)**

**ELAINE DAVIDSON (PELL)**

**JEAN HASWELL (GALLAGHER)**

## LETTERS FROM ABROAD

I am rather late for the 2003 Old Bedan. My good intentions early in the year flew out of the window!

My memories of Bode go back a long way, to when it was being built in 1929, when I was 10 years old. My cousins and I used to walk up Hambledon Hill to their allotment at Plains Farm, from the Chester road area. I remember looking through the palings to admire the school, and saying I hoped to go there when I was eleven.

I also remember Miss Peters giving me a lecture for riding up the hill on my bicycle. Also happy memories of Nancy Lawther, and other pianists playing before 9am. My sister Ena and I were happy to arrive early at school to listen to the recitals.

Does anyone remember the day when pupils were invited to the hall to listen to a radiogram, which it was proposed to buy? I do not think anything came of the proposal, but Ena and I were entranced by the music of Fingal's Cave and Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody.

I was sad to hear of Pete's death, in the last Old Bedan. Pete persuaded me to take a teachers course in Scottish Country Dancing, and I ran a class in Fulwell School for two years before my husband Eric, myself and two sons emigrated to South Australia. We landed here in 1964 and by March we were dancing in the Adelaide Highland Games, with the Royal Scottish Country dance members. Shortly after this I was asked to take over a class at Elizabeth, about 20km from Adelaide. In May 2004, we will be celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my taking over at a ball, with many of the friends made through dancing.

My husband Eric, and I, both keep active, hiking and playing table tennis, despite being octogenarians.

Elizabeth is a fairly new town, built in the late fifties, opened by the Queen. All the streets in the main shopping centre are named after the Royal Family.

I hope this meets the need for news from overseas. I would miss the Old Bedan if it became non-existent.

LILY JAMESON (DAVISON)

ELIZABETH VALE

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



**LETTERS FROM HOME**

At last I made my long promised (to myself) visit to the Museum, Winter Gardens and Bowring Park. I was very well impressed and pleased to see it so well.  
 Memory Lane? I remember my Dad ladder, to the recognizable as I items in my own my mother and The beautiful on the Year, father and brother heritage!



I had a most enjoyable time, and would recommend all who have not already done so, to visit. I enjoyed the Summer Reception, but really feel that we should all mingle more!

**SHEILA THROGS (ALLEN)**

M.B. Sheila sent information about her golden wedding celebrations in February 2002. She married Bill and sent a charming photograph of herself and Bill with their four children, when they were cutting their celebration cake.

## LETTERS FROM HOME

I have a new address, but fortunately the 2003 magazine was redirected and reached me safely.

There are not many familiar names in the magazine these days, except among the obituaries. It was good to see Belle Dodd at the Reunion Dinner. We were in the third form together in 1924! I do not remember her after that. My sister-in-law, Alice Munro is in a residential home in Norwich. At aged 94 she is rather frail but very much in command of all her faculties. I miss the meetings of London Old Bedans, but I keep in touch, by telephone, with Doreen Ward (McRae), who is not very mobile these days, but unfailingly cheerful, and still playing darts with Nancy Lawther (Hubicka)

I did not visit Sunderland this summer - too busy moving house, but I come most years, and I have never, alas, encountered an Old Bedan in all my visits! I became a life member of the Guild seventy odd years ago, so I have had more than my share of magazines; I therefore enclose £10, to renew my membership.

With all good wishes for the continued success of the Guild and the magazine. . . There never was a school like Bede!

### ISABEL LUNDY (MUNRO)

Ed note. Sadly, Isabel, as you will see, Belle Dodd died during 2004. She had been delighted to be asked to help cut the Anniversary cake. in 2003

### ALICE BROWN (RANDLE)

In January Bill and I attended the funeral of Alice Brown (Randle), at the Darlington Crematorium.

She was a contemporary of Miss Peters. It was a dreadful day and we thought there would not be many attending, as it is a long journey from Thirsk to Darlington. However it was full to overflowing with the many friends she had made playing bridge, until very shortly before her death.

### MAUREEN RICHARDSON (ROBSON)

**JAPANESE TEA GARDEN JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> 1992**  
 Left to right: Dorothy Stephenson, Jean St. Collier, Dorothy Dobbins,  
 Margaret R. Gibson, Audrey White, Pat Davison, Owen Green.



eight months old.

Audrey is now a "great" grandmother to Kayla, who is now (in April 2004)

**AUDREY WHITE (MCMIII)**

2525352 or email [shirleyhobson@madnet.fr.com](mailto:shirleyhobson@madnet.fr.com)

She is most fellow Old Ladies, who are also SL sisters. Contact 0191  
**SHIRLEY HOBSON (MCMXXV)**

Joyce recently returned from Cornwall, where she had a family reunion  
 with her son, his wife and three children, who flew from Asarbagan. And  
 also her daughter, who flew in from Australia. A good time was had by all.

**JOYCE FLEMPER (WESTWICK)**

to Betty and John.

Margaret called in to see, and have a chat with Betty. Again congratulations  
 home in St. Helens. A dinner had been arranged at the Minton, and  
 celebrate with family and friends, who had not been able to go to their  
 their Golden Wedding in February 2004, and were coming to Sunderland to  
 Margaret. I hope soon heard that Betty and her husband John, had celebrated

**BETTY PILKINS (BREMEN)**

**SNIPPETS**

### JOAN CROMPTON (ROBERTS)

Joan writes to say that she is now living in Powys, having moved in 2003. As two of her sons are living not too far away she is eagerly anticipating visits from her young grandchildren. One son and his family remain, for the present, in England, as his children are in school here.

### HILDA WHARTON (LAYCOCK)

Hilda is now happily settled into her home, a granny flat, in Chippenham, where her daughter and son-in-law live. It is apparently a lovely little village, and she is even thinking of joining the W.I. Her son has told her not to get involved with posing for any calendars!

### AUDREY APPELEGARTH (HANDCOCK)

Audrey, whilst visiting friends at Whitburn, was able to meet three Old Bedans at The Waterfront at Seaburn. The three, all in the same year at Bede, were Moira Simpson (Shearer), Pauline Veitch (Crozier) and Maureen Thompson (Young). Audrey recently moved from her home in Tonbridge Wells to Crowborough, finding the large garden too big after the death of her husband, Gordon. On this visit she was driven north by her son Michael, who patiently endured the gaggle of the girls. Audrey recently had a cataract operation, but is fine at present.

### SHEILA TRIGGS (ALLEN)

Sheila and Bill celebrated their Golden Wedding in February 2002, in Billingham, with a blessing at Holy Rosary Church. Congratulations

### DOROTHY COCKBURN (DUGDALE)

Dorothy is delighted to be a grandmother at last! Little Ellie, who lives in Horsham, is now over one year old, and she is a very welcome addition to the family

### NORA JOHNSON (FENTON)

It was unfortunate that Nora had to cancel her visit from Skipton, for the Reunion Dinner at the last minute. She was greatly missed. Hopefully she will be able to attend some of our future functions.

### JOYCE PLEMPER (WESTWICK)

Joyce recently returned from Cornwall, where she had a family reunion with her son, his wife and three children, who flew from Azerbaijan, and also her daughter, who flew in from Australia. A good time was had by all.

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Sally sent photographs showing 1927/28 and 1928/29 netball teams, when her mother Annie Shield was captain. Names on the 27/28 team were K. Robinson, E. Lacey (Sec), Miss Lodge, I. Warburton (Capt), R. Lish, D. Hutton, and N. Wade. A Shield.  
 28/29 Team M. Barnes, F. Downhill, N. Cross, N. Wade, (Sec), K. Bellamy, Miss Ward, A. Shield (Capt) M. Grayson.  
 The teams were wearing long black stockings and Sally comments that it must have been very hot when playing dressed like that. Annie was pleased that her granddaughter was captain of the school netball team in Hong Kong, and that she also played for Hong Kong after leaving school. If anyone is interested in the photographs, perhaps a daughter or 2nd/3rd daughter, who would like to see it, please contact Iris Bennett.

**SALLIE SHIELD (JACK)**

morning, chatting!

and the three of us went back to our hotel, staying up until 3am in the Dark, and the four of us had tea in Harrods. Later, we left Anne (Barney) husband, the Pilton/Derek Foster, at the House of Parliament. We left all keep in touch. We spent a most interesting day with Ann and her celebrate 50 years of starting at Bede School, and also our friendship. We (Goldhammer), and Judith Lind (Whitefield) met Ann in London to In September 2007, Ann (Concora) (Hanger), Barbara Hopper

**ANNE BURNER (OSTER)**

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Joan would be interested to hear from Jean (Catham) (Harrison) Telephone

**JOAN RICHARDSON (GRAVE)**

Audrey Skinner (Sanderson)

Dorothy came to the Summer Reunion, flying up from Plymouth to visit

**DOROTHY GAVNS (CLARKE)**

celebrations, which were in September and October 2004 respectively.

— Congratulations to both Mary and Fay on their Golden Wedding

**FAY PATRICIA (JENN)**

**MARY TALLOCH (THOMPSON)**

**BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 2003- SEPTEMBER  
2004**

<b>INCOME</b>		<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
Subscriptions	76.00	Printing	100.00
Donations	158.00	Flowers	20.00
Interest	6.07	Donations	25.00
Winter Reunion	300.00	Envelopes/Postage	100.00
Annual Dinner	1025.00	Winter Reunion	200.00
Raffle	52.00	Annual Dinner	1000.00
	1893.07	Deposit Interest(2003)	100.00
Less years working	51.47		
	<b>1841.60</b>		<b>1815.00</b>

**TOTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 2004**

	3125 War Stock	68.00
Balance Sheet Sept 2003	2010.00 TSB Savings A/c	2038.00
Loss on years working	50.47 Barclays Bank A/c	75.00
	<b>2219.53</b>	<b>2219.00</b>

Checked and verified  
Signed Joyce M Low  
20th September 2004

