STONYHURST ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2022



Julie Macfarlane OS 1976 - 1978

President of the Stonyhurst Association 2022 - 2023

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President's Report 2023

In May 2022, history was made. I was presented as the first female President of the Stonyhurst Association in its illustrious history.

My first duty was to speak to the parents of Rhetoric at Great Academies, at the Association Champagne Reception, and it was here that I started my historic year. It seemed appropriate to use the occasion to provide some background to how I came to study at Stonyhurst at a time when there were so few girls at the College and with so little connection to the school other than geographical closeness.

In making this speech I had to decide what I wanted to achieve in the year allotted to me so that I could set out my stall, so to speak, and give a flavour of what I wanted to do during this time frame. After studying the Aims and Objectives of the Association, I made the decision to concentrate on a few aspects of them; to promote the principle that 'there is no ego in service', and to attempt to engage with more female OS than had been possible to this point. I also wanted to look outward, beyond the shores of the UK, to the many overseas families who chose a Stonyhurst education.

Once I had accepted the invitation to become your President I immediately set about consulting with OS girls. I was shocked that there were relatively few contact details for girls once they had left the College and learned how difficult it was for Beverley and her team to keep track of them if they chose not to share email addresses with the Office.

I subsequently sent out a consultation document, to those who were contactable, and learned from their feedback that much more effort was needed to change Association events to be more attractive to women and to be more family orientated. The College is also now made up of a large percentage of day pupils who need to be encouraged to feel a sense of belonging to the Stonyhurst Family and to understand the benefits of a strong Association.

It was also my considered opinion that representatives of the Association should engage with students in Poetry, rather than waiting until Rhetoric as had been the tradition to this point, to both help them use their summer holiday wisely and to introduce them to the Association and its benefits in deciding their next educational/career steps. To that end, I met with Poetry students to begin the engagement process and - not least - to encourage them to leave their contact details with the Association Office.

The Association held its first *Tolkien Trail* walk from Hobbit Hill in mid-August. This was designed to encourage local Stonyhurst families to join one of the two options – the full 8 mile walk, or the 'little legs' shorter walk incorporating a 'bear hunt'. The weather was kind, over 50 people participated including OS girls and their children, and the event culminated in afternoon tea at Hobbit Hill to the great satisfaction of all. Thanks should go to my sister, Lucy, who led the 'little legs' walk, and to my brother, John, who provided the venue.

I was delighted to attend part of the Catholic Association pilgrimage in Lourdes in late August. It was not quite the same as Pilgrimages of yore so soon after the ravages of Covid, but it was a faith affirming experience nonetheless. 2023 will see the pilgrimage restored in full and I cannot recommend it enough as an uplifting, and joyful, opportunity to demonstrate selfless service to others.

September saw the return of pupils to the College and the beginning of our 'second Saturday walks' during term time. My husband Niall, John Cartwright-Terry or I have acted as walk leader to encourage local parents to come together and walk along our beautiful country lanes and landscape. A variety of walks have been guided in this way ending at the refectory for coffee. We have received excellent feedback from local parents who have enjoyed the chance to meet other parents, particularly when they have been denied this sort of contact during the pandemic. A consultation with parents is planned to determine if there is interest in the walks continuing after the end of this academic year.

So many families overseas now send their children to Stonyhurst and need to feel included in our Association. It was my wish to hold an overseas Convivium with no other agenda than to offer an opportunity for parents and OS to get together and share our gratitude for their support for the College. Lawrence and Arabella Isola, in Gibraltar, were very helpful in getting this social event off the ground in October. Over 50 attended the Mass, celebrated by Fr Paul Bear, in the *Cathedral of St Mary the Crowned* followed by drinks, and excellent canapes, at the Royal Yacht Club. This was a fun occasion with

three generations of at least one OS family in attendance. I am most grateful to the Isola family for their support.

It has been a great pleasure to me to see that OS continue to host 'Thirst Fridays' in their area. A North Eastern gathering in Tynemouth, another in Richmond, Surrey, and a Manchester based event reflect the continuing interest in OS getting together and maintaining their historic ties. Beverley is always happy to hear from any OS who wish to host an event in their area. The Association Carol Concert brought the Christmas message alive for all those who attended. This annual tradition reminds me of the importance of coming together to celebrate the major religious festivals and to share our good fortune with those in need. This year Fr Tim Curtis SJ was kind enough to allow the collection made at the service to go to my chosen charity, Maundy Relief, based in Accrington.

With good food, great wine, excellent speakers, a dance band and the attendance of lots of young OS, the highlight of my year was the Annual Dinner, held in February, at Stonyhurst. I wanted to encourage the inclusion of women and was delighted when Iuno Connolly, OS 2005, agreed to sing for us during the drinks reception. Iuno was at the College with my daughter Jessica, so I have been able to follow her singing career from its infancy. Her performance brought more than a touch of classiness to the event.

Following on this pattern of female inclusivity, the Director of Maundy Relief, Lucy Hardwick, daughter of Brigid and Peter Hardwick and OS 1982, honoured me by agreeing to speak at this event. Lucy was an inspirational speaker who provided stories of its founder, Sr. Dorothy McGregor, and was able to bring alive the challenges that exist in the deprived community in and around Accrington with grace and humour and great personal humility. Her service, that of Sr. Dorothy and her colleagues, is the epitome of the College motto of being men and women for others. Such examples are, in my opinion, really important for the next generation of Stonyhurst students. If we live without making a difference, what difference does it make that we have lived?

Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ celebrated Mass in St Peter's the following day, Iuno sang a most beautiful version of the Ave Maria during Communion and we wound up the festivities with coffee in Theodore House. Once again, the collection was sent to Maundy Relief for which Lucy and her team have

written their appreciation of the generosity shown by those who attended. I hope it will continue to be supported by the College in the future.

As I come to the end of my year there is just one more event planned. Beverley and Layla in the Association Office work hard at making these events happen and our London Convivium to be held on Wednesday 24th May, at the Chelsea Gardener at 6pm, is no exception. Without them these things just wouldn't happen. Chosen to coincide with OS who may be attending the Chelsea Flower Show – or to give them another incentive to come into London – we hope to start with prayers and then drinks and canapes in the Orangery. I hope that it appeals to both men and women and draws a good crowd!

I am so pleased that I will be able to hand over to my dear friend Paul Chitnis, OS 79, at Great Academies 2023. Thank you all for allowing me the privilege of being your first female President. I am pleased to have been of service.

Julie Macfarlane OS 1976 - 1978 President of the Stonyhurst Association 2022-2023

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Stonyhurst Association Trustees

Mr L Crouch, Mr F T Holt, Mr G Lagerberg, Mr A N Macfarlane,

Non-Trustee Members of the Committee

Ex-Officio - Mr J Browne (Headmaster), Father Tim Curtis SJ (Superior)

J Macfarlane – President, B Roche – Chairman, Paul Chitnis - President Elect

D Hurst - Secretary, D Ridout - College Representative, S Andrews, L Bletcher,

J Burns, Fr B Callaghan, R Hargreaves, T Livesey, R Mellows, L Pryor, J Ribet,

S Withnell, R Wotton, E Wotton

Notice

The accounts are prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), subject to the presentation described in Note 1 on page 11 below". Any member wishing to receive a copy of the audited Report and Accounts, should contact Mrs Beverley Sillitoe in the Association Office, who will be pleased to send a copy of the accounts when they are finalised.

Her address is: Mrs B Sillitoe, Stonyhurst Association Office, Stonyhurst College Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 9PZ Tel. No. 01254 827043 e-mail: association@stonyhurst.ac.uk

In Memoriam

News of the death of the following members has been received since the last Annual Report. Please remember them in your prayers.

Gerald David Williams OS 1946 - 1954 Gareth Trevor-Jones OS 1990 - 1996 Br Ted Coyle SJ Paul Bede Johnson OS 1941 - 1946 Robert (Bob) Sanderson - Former Staff Jay Gopal Chitnis OS 1944 - 1950 Richard Christopher King Alcock OS 1945 - 1950 Matthew Dominic Leddy OS 1974 - 1979 Philip Stephen Anderson OS 1966 - 1972 Jan Marian Chrobok OS 1944 - 1947 Edward Malcolm Martindale OS 1950 - 1959 Kevin Fenwick Ludlow OS 1951 - 1960 Thomas Anthony Harrison OS 1951 - 1960 Javier Fernandez Cueto OS 1986 - 1987 Nicholas John Weeks OS 1958 - 1963 John George Denis Marechal OS 1943 - 1947 Anthony Francis John Barrow OS 1945 - 1955 Nicholas Anthony Maxwell-Lawford OS 1943 - 1954 Barry Scott McCombe OS 1950 - 1959 Stephen Gosztony OS 1975 - 1980 Peter Charles Alexander Tait OS 1957 - 1967 Nuala Mary Brigid Mitzi Macey-Dare - Former Parent James Gerard Malone-Lee OS 1960 - 1970 Bruce Kent OS 1943 - 1946 James Robert Anthony Hanratty OS 1954 - 1964 Matthew David Hugh Robinson OS 1982 - 1988

May they rest in peace.

Notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Stonyhurst Association To be held at Stonyhurst College On Friday 26th May 2023 at 4.00pm

All members are welcome but only Full Members are entitled to vote at the meeting (Rule 15b). Please email the Association Office for a Zoom link should you wish to attend.

Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday 27th May 2022
- 3. Matters arising there from:
 - a) To receive the Annual Reports for 2022.
 - b) To receive and approve the unaudited accounts and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 2022, as set out on pages 11 and 12 hereof.
 - c) To approve the Committee's nomination, as auditors, of Azets of Charter House, Pittman Way, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 9ZD

4. Election of Officers:

Mr T Livesey

- a) President 2023/2024 Paul Chitnis OS 1974 1979
- b) President-Elect Consideration of nominations
- c) To elect Joanna George OS 10 and Nicolas Mariscal Palacio OS 18 as Committee members

Confirmation of Committee and Officials as at 31st December 2022

President:	Julie Macfarlane	OS 76 - 78
President Elect	Paul Chitnis	OS 74 - 79
Chairman:	Brendan Roche	OS 78 - 82
Treasurer:	Gerard Lagerberg	OS 74 - 79
Association Chaplain:	Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ	OS 59 - 66
College Representative:	David Ridout	College Staff
Mr S Andrews Mrs L Bletcher Mr J Burns Mr R Hargreaves Mr D Hurst	OS 61 - 68 OS 01 - 03 OS 66 - 71 OS 99 - 04 OS 62 - 70	C

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Dr R Mellows	Associate
Mr L Pryor	OS 91 – 96
Mr J Ribet	OS 87 – 92
Mrs E Wotton	Associate
Mr R Wotton	OS 78 – 88

- d) Resignations Mr S Withnell OS 94-95.
- e) That otherwise the Officers and Committee as named above should be re-elected (if necessary) for a further three years.

The attention of all members is directed to Rule 15c of the Association Rules, which covers the procedure to be adopted by Full members who, at the Annual General Meeting, wish to raise any matter not set out on the Agenda, or who desire to propose any amendments to matters set out therein, including, inter alia, the nomination of Officers of the Association. This rule requires notice in writing to reach the Chairman, via the Association Office at least seven days before the meeting, of the intention to raise any matter not included in the Agenda, or of any amendment to be proposed.

By order of the Committee, 1st May 2023 Stonyhurst Association, Stonyhurst College, Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 9PZ

Stonyhurst Association Income statement for the year ended 31 December 2022 (unaudited)

		2022		2021
Income	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions		53,500		44,000
Donations		9,644		17,948
Investment income		61,205		51,475
Sales of merchandise		10,245		6,175
Functions		36,971		0
Total income		171,565		119,598
Expenditure on:				
(a) Grants and awards				
Stonyhurst - scholarships and prizes	(31,500)		(31,500)	
Stonyhurst - other awards	(3,312)		(2,735)	(2,735)
Robert Persons Fellowship	(269)		(6,666)	
Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Trust	(1,000)		(1,000)	
World Jesuit Alumni	(1,372)		0	
Grants and awards to individuals	(2,000)		(970)	
		(39,453)		(42,871)
(b) Operating costs				
Staff costs	(34,003)		(33,182)	
Office and newsletter costs	(33,100)		(27,970)	
Website/Stonyhurst Link	(4,361)		(6,479)	
Functions	(53,533)		(1,184)	
Audit	(5,880)		(5,640)	
Accountancy	(5,808)		(5,280)	
Purchases of merchandise	(7,292)		(4,580)	
Investment management fees	(4,205)		(5,512)	
		(148,182)		(89,827)
Total resources expended		(187,635)		(132,698)
Operating deficit		(16,070)		(13,100)
Net gains/losses on investments		(145,375)		121,874
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Net movement in funds		(161,445)		108,774
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		1,471,557		1,362,783
Fund balances at 31 December 2022		<u>1,310,112</u>		<u>1,471,557</u>

Stonyhurst Association Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022 (unaudited)

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed assets				
Investments	1,343,999		1,493,436	
Other assets	1,444		1,806	
	/	1,345,443		1,495,242
Current assets		, ,		
Stocks	11,715		13,487	
Debtors	68,129		55,661	
Cash at bank and in hand	115,458		133,513	
	195,302		202,661	
Creditors due within 1 year	(230,632)		(226,346)	
Net current assets		(35,330)		(23,685)
Total assets less current liabilities	=	1,310,113	=	1,471,557
Represented by Capital Funds				
Endowment funds (Fawdry Bequest)	235,292		260,119	
Restricted funds (Berkley Bequest)	272,589		292,986	
Designated funds (Presidents' Fund)	40,567		42,706	
General unrestricted funds	761,665		875,746	
	_	1,310,113	-	1,471,557
Total funds	-	1,310,113	-	1,471,557