

STONYHURST ASSOCIATION

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ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2025



Harry Dickinson OS 1989 - 1994

President of the Stonyhurst Association 2024 - 2026

AMDG President's Report April 2026

Haec olim meminisse iuvabit
(Virgil, *Aeneid* I.203)

As I come to the end of my term as President of the Stonyhurst Association, this report is an opportunity to set out, in practical terms, what has been happening across the Association over the past year – and, more importantly, the extent to which it reflects the values we talk about so often. It has been a busy year.

Association events—both formal and informal—have been well supported. Thirst Fridays continue to do exactly what they are supposed to do: bring OS together without ceremony or complication. From York, ably marshalled by Chris Thorpe OS 82, to our first gathering in Tokyo, these events demonstrate that the Association sometimes work best when it simply creates the conditions for people to reconnect.

Internationally, the Association has continued to strengthen its reach. In Spain, Jimmy Burns OS 71 and Brian Douglas OS 83 have been instrumental in building momentum, with well-attended gatherings in Madrid bringing together a diverse group of OS and reinforcing ties with the College and the wider British-Spanish network. Similar momentum is evident elsewhere, with gatherings and networks developing across Munich, Lisbon, Singapore and Hong Kong. These are not centrally driven initiatives—they are locally led, and all the more effective for it.

At home, key events in the calendar have continued to play an important role. The Association Dinner remains our most important fixture, and I am pleased that the next Dinner will return to the College. Newer initiatives such as the OS Military Dinner have brought together OS with shared experiences of service, reinforcing bonds that extend well beyond schooldays.

A particular focus over the past two years has been engaging younger OS—both those who have recently left the College and those still at Stonyhurst. That has taken a number of forms: encouraging attendance at events,

building sport-led engagement, and ensuring that the Association is visible and relevant before pupils leave, rather than something rediscovered years later.

Alongside these more visible activities, a significant amount of work continues behind the scenes. In particular, the Association's ability to support members in need remains central. Over the past year, the President's Fund has been used to provide practical assistance in a number of cases, where OS have found themselves in financial or emotional trouble and have needed the support of the President's Fund in addition to welcome support from OS contemporaries. This is not headline activity, nor should it be—but it is fundamental to the purpose of the Association.

There have also been a number of moments during the year that have reinforced the broader identity and heritage of the Stonyhurst community. The pilgrimage to Lourdes and the Easter Retreat remain key examples, bringing together OS, College pupils, families and friends in a shared purpose of reflection, service, companionship and prayer.

Beyond the Association itself, it has been encouraging to see the continued impact of OS across a wide range of fields. One particularly striking example is the work of an OS with the Italian Red Cross in Rome, coordinating efforts to reunite families separated by conflict and migration—connecting individuals across continents, arranging documentation, and, in some cases, bringing families back together after years apart. Alongside this, we see OS contributing in business, public life, education and the charitable sector.

It would also be remiss not to acknowledge the College itself. This year has seen the handover from John Browne, to whom we owe a considerable debt of gratitude for his leadership and stewardship of Stonyhurst over many years. Under his tenure, the College has navigated a challenging period for the independent education sector and remains in a strong financial position. It continues to stand as the leading Catholic boarding school, with a clear sense of identity and purpose. We wish his successor, Mr William Doherty, every success, and the Association will be there to support him.

None of this would be possible without the efforts of a small number of committed individuals. Jo-anne Brown and Layla Heaton have ensured the smooth running of the Association throughout the year. Brendan Roche OS

82, Gerry Lagerberg OS 79, and the wider Committee have provided consistent support and guidance, while many others have contributed by organising events, leading initiatives, or simply turning up and taking part.

I will be handing over to Jonty Warneken OS 90 in May. Jonty brings considerable energy, perspective and vision to the role, and I have no doubt that the Association will continue to develop under his leadership.

Looking back, what stands out is not any single event or initiative, but the consistency with which OS continue to support one another—whether through sport, social connection, professional networks, or more quietly in times of need.

In an increasingly divided and uncertain world, the values of Stonyhurst feel more relevant than ever. *Men and Women for Others, Quant Je Puis*—these are not simply mottos, but a way of approaching life. They call on us to act, to contribute, and to take responsibility beyond ourselves – *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*.

If the Association can continue to embody those values, then it is far more than a mere alumni network. It is a genuine force for good in the world.

Harry Dickinson OS 1989 - 1994
President of the Stonyhurst Association 2024 - 2026

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Stonyhurst Association Trustees

Mr F T Holt, Mr G Lagerberg, Mr A N Macfarlane.

Non-Trustee Members of the Committee

Ex-Officio – Mr W Doherty (Headmaster), Father T Curtis SJ (Superior),
Mr J Coggin (Fundraising Director)

H Dickinson - President, B Roche - Chairman,
D Hurst - Secretary, Fr B Callaghan SJ – Association Chaplain, J Macfarlane –
Newsletter Editor,
J Burns, R Hargreaves, D Hartley, J Hurley, R Mellows, J Ribet,
D Ridout, E Wotton, R Wotton, C Garlington-Dihl (sub-committee), J George (sub-
committee), N Mariscal Palacio (sub-committee)

Notice

The draft summary accounts attached are drawn from the draft, unaudited financial statements that 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). Any member wishing to receive a copy of the audited Report and Accounts, should contact Mrs Jo-anne Brown in the Association Office, who will be pleased to send a copy of the accounts when they are finalised.

Her address is:

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In Memoriam

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

Michael Lee Former Parent
Roger Michael O'Shea OS 1956 - 1965
Sean Patrick Downing McNally OS 1978 - 1986
John Hanratty OS 1957 - 1966
John Patrick O'Ferrall OS 1946 - 1952
Martin Robert George Barrett OS 1977 - 1981
Charles Burton OS 1971 - 1976
Damian Gerard Perry OS 1978 - 1982
Melvin Christopher Graffius OS 1972 - 1977
Michael Russell Boyle OS 1961 - 1967
James Chanter OS 2000 - 2005
Nicholas Richard Harrison OS 1964 - 1969
Fr Simon Bishop SJ OS 1975 - 1985
Martin Dewar Prendergast OS 1958 - 1967
David Fear Hill OS 1938 - 1946
Peter Eugene May OS 1949 - 1957
Anthony Dachs Former Staff
Philip Armstrong OS 1958 - 1967
Brendan Preston Witter OS 1953 - 1956
Charles James Edgar Wynne-Williams OS 1948-1958
Martin Ramon Savile De Bertando OS 1947 - 1956
David Hallam - Former Staff
Jeremy Taylor Former Parent
Edmund Anthony Middlehurst OS 1963 - 1970
Fr Bob Styles SJ - Former Staff
Mary Moss - Former Parent
David Phillips - Former Staff
Helen Harris - Former Staff
Paul James Barrow OS 1976 -1986
Richard Neville - Former College Medical Officer
Peter Guy Chambers OS 1954 - 1960
Stephen James Leach OS 1955 - 1963
John Michael Denvir OS 1942 - 1950
Andreas Johannes Wilfling - Former Parent
Charles Andrew Wenner OS 1963 - 1971

Christopher Mould - Former Parent

Thomas Hector Traverse-Healy OS 1937 - 1941

Patrick John Sherry OS 1948 - 1956

Fr Donald Anderson OS 1956 -1963

May they rest in peace.

**Notice of the Annual General Meeting of the
Stonyhurst Association
To be held at Stonyhurst College
On Friday 22nd May 2026 at 4.00pm**

All members are welcome but only Full Members are entitled to vote at the meeting
(Rule 15b).

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday 23rd May 2025
3. Matters arising there from:
 - a) To receive the Annual Reports for 2025.
 - b) To receive and approve the unaudited accounts and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 2025, 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:
 - a) Chairman – Dominic Hartley OS 77 – 86
 - b) President 2026-2028 – Jonty Warneken OS 84 – 90. To be elected for a period of two years.
 - c) President-Elect – Consideration of nominations.
 - d) Sub-Committee – Cristina Garlington-Dihl OS 1999 – 2004.

Confirmation of Committee and Officials as of 31st December 2025

President	Harry Dickinson	OS 89 - 94
Chairman:	Brendan Roche	OS 78 – 82
Treasurer:	Gerard Lagerberg	OS 74 – 79
Secretary:	David Hurst	OS 62 - 70
Association Chaplain:	Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ	OS 59 – 66
Newsletter Editor:	Julie Macfarlane	OS 76 - 78
Mr J Burns	OS 66 – 71	
Mr R Hargreaves	OS 99 – 04	
Mr D Hartley	OS 77 – 86	
Mrs J Hurley	Associate	
Dr R Mellows	Associate	
Mr J Ribet	OS 87 – 92	

Mr D Ridout	Associate
Mrs E Wotton	Associate
Mr R Wotton	OS 78 – 88

Sub-committee	
Mrs C Garlington-Dihl	OS 99 - 04
Ms J George	OS 08 - 10
Mr N Mariscal-Palacio	OS 14 - 18

- e) Resignations Trustees – Mr L Crouch
Resignation Committee - Mr S Andrews OS 61 – 68, Mrs L Bletcher OS 01 – 03, Mr P Chitnis OS 74 – 79, Mr L Pryor OS 87 – 92
- f) 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, 23rd April 2026

Stonyhurst Association, Stonyhurst College, Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 9PZ

Stonyhurst Association**Income statement for the year ended 31 December 2025 (unaudited)**

	2025		2024	
Income	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	35,100		44,400	
Donations	1,768		157	
Investment income	67,060		69,270	
Sales of merchandise	13,162		12,725	
Functions	31,281		54,097	
Total income		148,371		180,649
Expenditure on:				
(a) Grants and awards				
Stonyhurst - scholarships and prizes	-10,000		-1,500	
Stonyhurst - other awards	-3,393		-4,478	
Stonyhurst Pilgrimage Trust	-1,000		-1,000	
Grants and awards to individuals	-7,497		-3,000	
		-21,890		-9,978
(b) Operating costs				
Staff costs	-56,798		-45,598	
Office and newsletter costs	-12,745		-17,540	
Website/Stonyhurst Link	-1,542		-7,229	
Functions	-20,815		-70,507	
Audit	-6,060		-6,000	
Accountancy	-6,060		-6,000	
Purchases of merchandise	-8,747		-11,225	
Investment management fees	-4,220		-4,114	
		-116,987		-168,213
Total resources expended		-138,877		-178,191
Operating surplus		9,494		2,458
Net gains on investments		94,375		52,907
Net movement in funds		103,869		55,365
Fund balances at 1 January 2025		1,394,014		1,338,649
Fund balances at 31 December 2025		1,497,883		1,394,014

Notes:

1 £10,000 paid to the Stonyhurst Foundation. £30,000 paid in 2024 had been accrued in earlier years

2 Increased staff costs reflect new cost sharing arrangements with Stonyhurst College

Stonyhurst Association
Balance Sheet at 31 December 2025
(unaudited)

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Investments	1,513,175	1,423,077
Other assets	<u>358</u>	<u>720</u>
	1,513,533	1,423,797
Current assets		
Stocks	17,228	12,567
Debtors	103,858	103,583
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>131,016</u>	<u>132,760</u>
	252,102	248,910
Creditors due within 1 year	<u>-267,752</u>	<u>-278,693</u>
Net current liabilities	-15,650	-29,783
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>1,497,883</u>	<u>1,394,014</u>
Represented by Capital Funds		
Endowment funds (Fawdry Bequest)	266,305	250,188
Restricted funds (Berkley Bequest)	324,578	304,628
Designated funds (Presidents' Fund)	40,310	41,805
General unrestricted funds	<u>866,690</u>	<u>797,393</u>
	<u>1,497,883</u>	<u>1,394,014</u>
Total funds	<u>1,497,883</u>	<u>1,394,014</u>