Jackson-Stein Reunions 2000-2013

The Percy Jackson Grammar School was one of the first schools to organise exchanges with a German school after the end of World War Two. The 1953 exchange consisted of 33 partners from each side and the 1954 exchange had 49 partners from each side.







BBC Radio 4 Home Truths Oct 2004: 50 Years of Anglo-German Friendship



1953 Exchange - April..German pupils arrive at PJGS.



1954 Exchange: 'Desks Are Shared'

'What about a Reunion?'

A surprising number of exchange partners stayed in touch over the years and many had arranged private visits. In 1998/99 the idea of a reunion was mooted and, with the coming of the Millennium, we enthusiastically agreed on a reunion in Doncaster for the year 2000. This was such a great success that we decided to hold a return in Lünen in 2001.

Another joyous success! So, we continued our reunions most years until 2013, but after then - because of age-related travel issues - we could no longer raise a quorum. The average age of participants by then was around 75.

The school in Lünen was the **Freiherr vom Stein** grammar school, so we called our gatherings the **Jackson-Stein Reunions**.

Jackson-Stein 1 – Doncaster 2000

'We met as teenagers, now we're pensioners!'





Reunion Dinner at the Earl of Doncaster Mansion House Doncaster: Mayor greets the German party



Visit to the Cow & Calf Rocks, Ilkley Moor

Jackson-Stein 2 – Lünen 2001

A Journey into the Past – Reise in die Vergangenheit





Reception by the Mayor of Lünen

Mauerstraße, Lünen



Visit to Hermann's Monument. Hermann stopped the Roman legions.

Jackson-Stein 3 – Stirling, Scotland 2003

'Not so oldie – but definitely goldie!'



Loch Lomond



Ken and Heiner are piped into dinner

Jackson-Stein 4 – On the Rhine 2004

'Ein Märchen aus alten Zeiten' - 'A legend from olden times'





Wine tasting on the Moselle



Jackson-Stein IV - Am Rhein - 8 June 2004

Jackson-Stein 5 – Llandudno, Wales 2006

'We'll Keep a Welcome in the Hillsides'

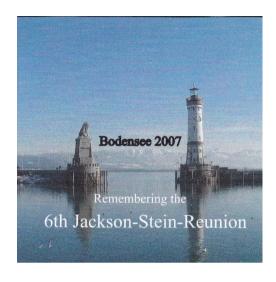




Reunion dinner

Jackson-Stein 6 – Lake Constance/Bodensee 2007

'Up, Up and Away' - Friedrichshafen, home of Zeppelin





Jackson-Stein 7 - Cheltenham & Stratford 2009

'O heaven, that such companions thoud'st unfold'



Cheltenham



Stratford-on-Avon



Ann Hathaway's Cottage

Jackson-Stein 8 - Spessart, Hessen 2010

Land of Fairy Tales

Once upon a time... Es war einmal...





Reunion dinner



Miltenberg. Oldest tavern in Germany.

Jackson-Stein 9 - Norwich 2011

Westward Ho, Lads! Auf gen Westen, Jungs!

East Anglia is west of the original Angeln in north Germany – where the Angles came from.

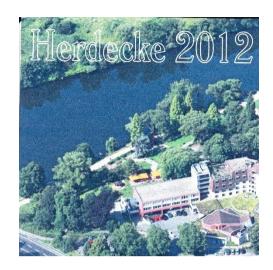




Reunion dinner

Jackson-Stein 10 - Herdecke, Essen 2012

You will be surprised! Lasst Euch Überraschen!





Reunion dinner



Möhne Dam: Bust by the Dambusters



Ehemalige Teilnehmer des Schüleraustausches 1953/54 zwischen dem Freiherr-vorm-Stein-Gymnasium Lünen und der Percy Jackson Grammar School, (Doncaster, Yorkshire, England) trafen sich jetzt wieder, um Erinnerungen aufzufrischen und sich Lünen anzuschauen. Nach einem Gruppenfoto vor dem Hilpert-Theater gab es eine interessante Stadtführung sowie einen Empfang im Freiherr-vorm-Stein-Gymnasium auf besonderen Wunsch der englischen Gäste. Das Programm beinhaltete auch eine Stadtrundfahrt in Dortmund, Besuche im Westfalenpark, der Dechenhöhle, der Möhnetalsperre und ein festliches Galadinner. Angetan waren die Gäste auch vom Bummel durch die neu gestaltete Fußgängerzone in Lünen. Das diesjährige Treffen wurde von Heinz und Eva-Maria Wartenberg organisiert.

Lünen: Local press photo of our party

Jackson-Stein 11 - North East 2013:

Hollie wi' yer marrers in Geordieland

Urlaub mit Kumpeln im Nord-Osten



Angel of the North



Bamburgh Castle



Klaus Fisching, Heiner & Eva W



Ferry to Farne Islands



Northumberland pipes



Reunion Dinner

Jackson-Stein 12 - Münsterland 2014

A bridge too far!

JS12 Did not materialise. No quorum. Getting too old to travel.



Percy Jackson Grammar School 1955



Freiherr vom Stein Grammar School 2012



Memento Reports of the Reunions

Initially we issued printed memento reports of each reunion, but then we got all modern and produced DVDs!

