Bellingham + Stanley

100 years in the making

100 YEARS CENTENARY EST. 1915



Our Beginnings

Our story starts in 1846 when Karl Zeiss, Otto Schott and Ernst Abbe first collaborated and laid down the foundations for all optical instrument engineering and it is to them and of course our founders, Leonard Bellingham (c.1888-1953) and Frank Stanley (c.1884-1957), that we owe our thanks as we celebrate our Centenary.





Ernst Abbe



Otto Schott



Karl Zeiss



When Leonard Bellingham and Frank Stanley formalised their partnership on the 8th May 1915 by registering at Companies House, little did they know that their legacy would be an internationally recognised brand operating as part of a $3 billion dollar business quoted on the New York stock exchange.





Leonard Bellingham

Frank Stanley

Our Places

Manufacturing began in the basement of no. 71 Horsey Rise, London. In 1956, a second site in nearby Sunnyside Rd. housed R&D and assembly but in 1964, the two sites were sold and Markfield Rd. became the sole London premises. However, it wasn't until 1976 that the company consolidated its operations in Tunbridge Wells, where since 1937 it had been producing mechanical assemblies for the London site.



1961: *The company vacated the St. Johns Rd, Tunbridge Wells machine shop.*



1914-1964: *A rare glimpse inside No. 71 Hornsey Rise, London.*



1961: *The new factory was ready for occupation.*



1961: *Contractors were quickly appointed to build the factory.*



1964-1976: *New facilities were created at Markfield Rd. in London.*



1961: *Ground was finally broken at Longfield Road.*



1986: *A new digital era dictated the need to expand.*



1986: *New offices enabled the expansion of R&D and production.*



Today: *Our state-of-the-art machine shop.*

Global Outreach

Almost since inception, Bellingham + Stanley products were in demand from every corner of the globe. Instruments were sold through a network of distributors managed by the Company C.H. Field and often exhibited in far off places including Russia and the United States. Today we still meet many of our customers at shows all around the world.



1946: *The Queen & Princess Margaret show their interest at the British Industries Fair, Olympia, London.*



1950: *A full range of instruments on show in London.*



1960s: *Epic Inc. represented us in the USA for many years.*



1960s: *Our own booth at a London show.*

1968: *Proudly presenting in Moscow Russia.*





1960s: *Vickers Instruments, Malden Massachusetts, USA show.*



1970: *A mixture of instruments n Belgium.*



1973: *P70 centre stage on Alem Mar's booth, Brasil.*

1975: *Abbe and P10 polarimeter in Sweden.*



2012: *A range of products at IFT Expo in Las Vegas, USA.*





1989: *A suite of RFMs on show at Food Expo in London.*

2015: *Our latest products being demonstrated at Pittcon, USA.*

Publicity

Bellingham + Stanley and its distributors would promote product through advertisements placed in science or other industry focussed magazines. Cleverly Bellingham + Stanley marked them with fictitious department phone numbers so that a trace could be made on the advert's success. The company also printed its own brochures using wooden blocks and a printing press. Brochures were to vary little over the years until 1983. Then in 1992 a totally new approach using watercolour images was to prove a very successful part of the RFM300 series launch.



Centenary Celebrations

As we look forward to the next 100 years, we celebrate with our colleagues, suppliers, distributors and friends at a number of special events throughout the year.

On May 8th 2015, exactly 100 years after the company was registered, we held a Company Day at Penshurst Place & Gardens, where staff took part in a Team Challenge across a number of disciplines including quad biking, archery, rifle shooting and blind driving.

Our special Gala Event attended by The Mayor of Tunbridge Wells and other distinguished guests was held on June 11th in the Baron's Hall at Penshurst Place & Gardens, former home of Anne of Cleeves and once hunting lodge of Henry VIII, dating back to A.D. 1341.

Our celebrations continued in Frankfurt, Germany, when we toasted our Centenary with colleagues, customers and friends from across the world attending Achema during the week of June 15th 2015.

The celebrations continue…

We thank Viscount De L'Isle MBE, Her Majesty's Lord- Lieutenant of Kent & Viscountess De L'Isle for their hospitality during the events held at Penshurst Place & Gardens.



Bellingham + Stanley has been manufacturing scientific instruments since 1914 and was formally established as a company when it was registered at Companies House on May 8th, 1915. You can read more about our history and see further annotated pictures and documents by visiting our Centenary Facebook page: BellinghamStanley100YRS

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2) a leading global water technology company.

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