

On 5th April 1945 the Northern Quantity Surveyors' Association was disbanded upon the formation of the Quantity Surveyors sub-committee of the branch. In 1957 the divisional structure of the branch was established.

CHAIRMEN			
1945 - 47	T. H. Rae	1969 - 71	A. T. Rayne
1947 - 49	R. H. Duns	1971 - 73	D. I. Thomson
1949 - 50	O. J. Bowes	1973 - 75	J. T. M. Newbigir
1950 - 52	T. C. Hill	1975 - 77	I. McLoughry
1952 - 54	J. W. Summers	1977 - 79	D. M. Barry
1954 - 56	R. Stringer	1979 - 81	F. J. Sheppard
1956 - 58	T. C. Hill	1981 - 83	R. P. Robinson
1958 - 59	R. C. Thursfield	1983 - 85	G. P. Oak
1959 - 61	J. B. Wearmouth	1985 - 86	M. A. Howes
1961 - 63	I. M. C. Hill	1986 - 88	K. F. West
1963 - 65	H. L. G. Williams	1988 - 90	R. Monaghan
1965 - 67	H. Wolstenholme	1990 - 92	D. Evans
1967 - 69	R. T. Harvey	1992 - 94	A. B. Elliot
HONORARY SE	CRETARIES		
1945 - 50	G. Felton	1979 - 80	I. McLoughry
1950 - 65	H. Wolstenholme	1980 - 81	C. G. Coates
1965 - 69	A. T. Rayne	1981 - 83	D. M. Barry
1969 - 73	I. McLoughry	1983 - 87	R. Monaghan
1973 - 75	C. K. McWhirter	1987 - 90	M. E. Woodley
1975 - 77	F. J. Sheppard	1990 - 94	J. S. D. Pearson
1977 - 79	R. P. Robinson	1994 -	S. T. F. Murray

## M. A. Howes Prize

This prize was instituted in 1987 in memory of M. A. Howes, chairman of this division, who died in office in 1986. The prize is awarded to the student producing the best dissertation in the BSc(Hons) degree course at The University of Northumbria at Newcastle.

## Previous winners:

1987	R. Brenchley	1991	I. R. Lawrence
1988	R. A. Cassels-Smith	1992	I. McGillivary
1989	S. Mulholland	1993	C. Campbell
1990	S. C. Groves	1994	R. Vincent

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## THE ROYAL INSTITUTION OF CHARTERED SURVEYORS

Northumberland & Durham Branch

QUANTITY SURVEYORS DIVISION

50TH
Anniversary Dinner

MOZART ROOM · COUNTY THISTLE HOTEL

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

Wednesday 5th April 1995

In The Chair

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## MENU

Fanned Honeydew Melon
with a Strawberry Mimosa Salad

Game Ragu with Red Wine & Button Mushrooms & served in a Pastry Casket

A selection of Fresh Vegetables & Potatoes

Blackcurrant Romanoff with Chantilly Cream

Coffee & Mints

The Northern Quantity Surveyors Association was started in the County Hotel in 1907.

It proposed the aims of setting fee scales, to establish the means for Quantity Surveyors to meet to discuss subjects of interest and to enhance the dignity and importance of the profession in the region.

On 5th April 1945 it was disbanded when the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Northumberland and Durham Branch formed a Quantity Surveyors Section.

The Section became a Division of the RICS and membership was enhanced with the merger of the Institute of Quantity Surveyors in 1987 reaching a peak before the South Durham & North Yorkshire Branch was formed in 1993. Membership is currently 656.

Many methods of working have changed since the inauguration. In the early days standard forms of measurement were not universal nor were standard forms of contract or unified tender procedures. There have been over the last 50 years improvements in measurement techniques with currency decimalisation, metrification, cut & shuffle computers.

It is interesting to compare that in the same time it took to introduce the then revolutionary cut & shuffle system for Bills of Quantities, man landed on the moon!

The pace of change, as in many fields has quickened and the new challenges of the present day make quick positive reaction to a market led environment more important. Client's needs are changing and property is increasingly recognised as an asset that needs to be managed and looked after. The Quantity Surveyor is recognised as the Economist of the construction industry and the recent moves into Project Management and Facilities Management demonstrate that the skills of the profession are transferable to other fields.

There remain however the same ideals set out in the original Quantity Surveyors Association memorandum, to provide a quality reliable service to the construction industry and to promote the profession into the next century.