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A NEW HAND AT THE WHEEL

As most people now know Derek Berry has resigned the editorship of the Bush Telegraph after two years "at the wheel". As the new editor I am in a good position to see how well Derek has, in this time, organised the production of the magazine and, knowing how much work and ingenuity he must have put in to develop the Bush Telegraph to its present state I am sure the rest of Wood Lane will join me in thanking him for the great job he has done.

Although there has been a change in editorship, don't expect any startling changes in content. Remember that this is your magazine and it needs your contributions. This is especially true of the quarterly "giant size" issues, so start thinking about the Xmas edition now, and let's see your contributions rolling in.

Robin Wood

COVER

Longer serving members will probably recognise the cover as being a portion of an ordnance survey map made before the erection of the McFadzean building.

As a guide to those who joined the Company after the alterations, the fountain stands on the site of the old chimney, and the McFadzean is south of this, covering the area around the tank.

Election

Due to the resignation of Jim Crawley a vacancy occurred on the Executive Council. Only one nomination was received and Roger Seebold is therefore duly declared elected.

Spring Bulb Show - 1965

Don't delay - get your bulbs now.

For more details, contact Mrs. Eileen King (233)

badminton

Club nights will commence on Monday, 7th September, although some of the keener members have braved the scorn of the tennis players and are playing regularly already. This season a men's team has been entered in the Hammersmith and District League, and several friendly fixtures are being arranged. This will mean a fairly crowded fixtures calendar, and we are hoping, after last year's success, to have enough support to run two men's teams. To do this successfully we will need the support of every able-bodied member and with the loss of some of last year's players, new members, both more experienced players and beginners, are needed. Coaching for less experienced players may be arranged if required.

A special word here to the ladies. We would very much like to organise some mixed matches, but are at present limited by the small number of ladies playing. So come on girls, let's see you on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. After all, it's good for the figure, and don't forget, no other section has dreamy Pete Mills as Secretary.



Badminton
every Monday
Tuesday
& Thursday



For details please contact

ROBIN WOOD (357) GRAHAM TAYLOR (285)

or PETE MILLS (285)

BILLIARD TABLE

The Bush Telegraph would like to thank Dr. Williams, on behalf of the Social Club, for the kind gift of a half-size billiard table, which is now in use in the club-room.

B.T. Guide to Good Eating - Part 3

Last month we covered mainly English-style restaurants. Here we offer a selection of the many others to be found in and around London.

It is now possible to eat almost any kind of foreign food in London; Chinese, Indian and Italian restaurants seem to predominate.

The Danish Restaurant Wigmore Street

Both English and Danish food is served in a traditional Hans Christian Andersen setting. The hors-d'oeuvres differ little from their English counterpart but the main dishes are different in character; turtle meat is tasty. Two people can eat here for £2 including a small carafe of wine.

Veeraswami Regent Street

This Indian restaurant has a pleasant bar where you can wait for a table. The curries are good and all food is served by waiters in national dress. Two people can eat here for £1 - 30/-

Thieves Kitchen Earls Court Road

This is a pleasant licensed Italian restaurant where one person can eat for between 10/- and £1. Omelettes are particularly good.

Cosmo Finchley Road - Swiss Cottage

There are two German restaurants together. One is licensed and the main course costs about 15/-. Next door is the unlicensed part where similar food is served at slightly lower prices.

Trattoria D'Otella Dean Street, Soho Italian restaurant

A meal costs 30/- to 35/-

Mario's Putney High Street

This Italian restaurant is quite cheap and serves both English and Italian food for about £1 for two without drinks.

Bertorelli's Shepherds Bush

Situated near the Central Line Station this restaurant which is run by Italians is strongly recommended. Both English and Italian food is served; there is always a clean tablecloth and plenty of fresh bread. The cost per person is 15/- to £1 with a glass of wine.

Annapoorna Shepherds Bush

This small Indian restaurant is inexpensive but not licensed. The cost per person is 7/6d. or less.

Conch Shell Kensington High Street

The Conch Shell is situated below the Kontiki coffee bar. It is licensed and both French and English food can be sampled at a cost of about £1 for two. This is a small restaurant seating only half a dozen people.

Kwan Yin Mill Hill

Although the Kwan Yin is more expensive than the general run of Chinese restaurants we consider a meal here to be money well spent. The service here is perfect, the decor immaculate and the food of the best quality.

Vega Leicester Square

Hardly a foreign restaurant this, only vegetarian food is served but for lovers of salad the Vega is ideal. A set meal costs 8/-.

Finally a suggestion for a filling CHEAP meal.

Cook's Opposite Goldhawk Road Station

At this pie and eel shop pie and mash is 1/4d; eels stewed or jellied are 2/6d. a portion. Bread pudding is also good.

The Bar

Certain points made in the editorial of the August issue of the Bush Telegraph warrant some comment by the Bar Committee.

The bar is run as a non-profit making concern - which it was intended to be when it first came into being. It is open two nights a week in the summer; on these two nights it may take £3 with luck. Up till now a stewardess has had to be paid and the money for this has come mainly from the profits made on dances etc. This leaves nothing with which to buy stock, and if run as a profit-making business the bar would have to open every night and also every lunch-time, as at Erith.

The only other solution to avoid using Social Club money is to have a company grant of say £500 to pay for stock, and to repay it over 5 years or less; otherwise without using Social Club funds there could be no off-sales during the year or at Christmas. In the long run the stock will be bought out of profits, but the fewer customers we have the longer the run.

In the meantime we can offer the following drinks from bar profits.

1. Cure for the effects of unwise indulgence in mixed drinks (very few of these) or mixing business with pleasure?

Equal parts lemon juice and Worcester Sauce with soda water.

(or) Angostura Bitters and Soda water

2. Cure for headaches the morning after (plenty of these).

A cocktail of $\frac{1}{2}$ Fernet Branca*, $\frac{1}{2}$ Italian Vermouth, $\frac{1}{2}$ Dry Gin.
Shake well and strain into cocktail glass.

*An Italian vegetable extract, excellent headache cure.

N.B. OFF SALES RING D. GOFF TEL 242 BEFORE 10.00 a.m.

TENNIS LETTER

Sir,

In the absence of this column's resident informant, who tells your correspondent that "Mediterranean sunshine beckons and I must away", I find that the onerous task of unscrambling the great mass of names and numbers on the Lecture Room notice board falls to me. After quickly consulting the said board and with the help of the August issue of your august journal (or was it the august issue of your Aug---? Oh never mind!) your correspondent eventually found that only two tournament matches had been played since last month. Dai Davies had a comfortable win over fellowchemist John Anderson, but Dave Roe was taken to three sets by Carol Mackie before qualifying for the semi-finals. Nevertheless your correspondent feels that a word of praise for the loser would not be out of place considering the tenacious performances which she has handed out in this male-dominated competition. Well done Carol.

"The Plate" has led a such more lively existence and has produced a crop of games which a well known Scottish Ph.D. would describe as "a toothy struggle m'n". Roger Seebold and John Austen starred in the first of these with Roger getting home by a short head 3-6, 6-2, 6-3. On an adjacent court Mike Squelch cameup against a barrage of wild Welsh wicz-bangs, fiery forehands and "home rule for the Peninsula" slogans delivered by Mari West. Tennis unfortunately pays no heed to nationalistic fervour; Mike won 4-6, 6-4, 6-4. From your correspondent's unbiased point of view the best match of the round came the following evening when, like Tweedledum and Tweedledee, Dennis Cooper and Mike Hagger, both due for their respective annual visits to the barber, "agreed to have a battle". Mike set off at a most ungentlemanly "lick" taking the first set 6-1, but slowed visibly in the second which he lost 4-6. Dennis stormed to 4-0 and 5-2 leads in the final set but the relentless sun eventually took its toll and Mike fought back to take the set 7-5, whereupon both lads collapsed on the court. Hammersmith Borough Council must be congratulated on the efficient manner in which they disposed of the bodies.

Before handing up his quill for the night your correspondent feels the urge to air his curiosity and ask, "Why are so many dogs running around with tatty old tennis balls in their mouths?" Having nothing else to say I, from the utmost depths of my anonymity, beg the honour to remain, Sir.

YOUR GROTTY TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

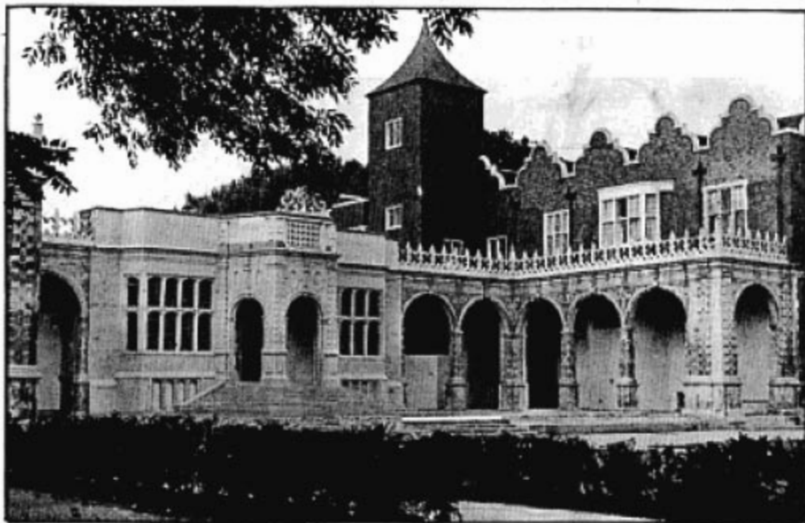
STOP PRESS

TOURNAMENT SEMI-FINAL RESULTS

Dai Davies beat Dave Roe 7-5, 11-9.

Keith Elder beat Pete Mills 6 - 1, 6 - 1

Where is it ?



Is this building within

- (a) 1 mile
- (b) 5 miles
- (c) 20 miles of Wood Lane?

SUPPER DANCE

FRIDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

A RHYTHM AND BLUES SUPPER DANCE is being held by LONDON OFFICES at the Empire Rooms, Tottenham Court Road. Dancing 7.45 to 11.45 to THE EXILES. Tickets, including supper 14/6. Apply Barbara Smith for tickets.

PROFILE - Derek Berry



Just over two years ago an awkward strait existed in the Social Club; its main organ and mouthpiece was mute and had been for some months. In fact, during the preceding year it had gone through all the death throes and finally lay in a coma waiting for the end. In August 1962 the Executive Council decided, in their own enigmatic way, to appoint a new editor. Happily, this appointment was a case of the right man, at the right time, for the right job and Derek was this man; already the Club's Vice Chairman, he was intimately and passionately involved in the running of the Club. It was he who waded through clause after clause, page after page of the Licensing Act and liaised with solicitors to amend the Club rules to comply with the Act.

Bush telegraph hinted at what was to come from this journal - rather like the latest model of a car it was lower, longer, smoother and faster. Utilising the new Xerox process the type size was reduced to make the printing neater and more professional looking. Section secretaries were cajoled into producing reports, a new cover was found for each issue and the magazine appeared regularly and on time at the beginning of each month.

But this was typical of Derek's approach to anything new, a challenge which is taken by the scruff of the neck and held until the snags and obstinacies are shaken out. His retirement as editor now may be taken to indicate not a lack of problems associated with producing the Bush Telegraph - the new editor would look far happier than he does if this were the case - but rather a lack of new problems, new ground to tackle. His flair and delight in organising people and things and sheer ingenuity is plainly evident to those that work beside him and is a trait that has grown from youth.

He was born and brought up in - as he puts it - the gem of the Kentish Coast - Folkestone, and was soon under the influence of the Anglican Church where his father was Vicar's Warden. The ritual would fascinate him and in addition to serving and singing in the choir, he loved to help with the multitude of more mundane tasks. This too he retains from his youth and in the village of Downley near High Wycombe where he lives he is prominent in Parish affairs. He recently was responsible for organising the Downley Jollities - the local "La Dolce Vita" in aid of church charity and generally gets around to organising church activities and church work.

His inability to be overawed by any job has led to him building an extension to his house, upholstering the dining room chairs, interior and exterior decorating which he likes and gardening which he hates. D.B.S. Berry is also the appointed First Aid dispenser around the top floors of McFadzean showing a reassuring unconcern at the general trivia of cuts and scratches which confront him, but an even more reassuring proficiency in the face of anything remotely serious, based on twenty years genuine First Aid experience.

Natural cheerfulness coupled with an ability to create an area of dissension giving ground for a good natured wrangle put him on speaking terms with almost everybody; his large frame is well known throughout Wood Lane and hints at a man with a large appetite, which no one will dispute after a startling ten minutes in the canteen one lunch hour when for a bet he finished off three three-course canteen lunches.

bridge

The secretaryship of the bridge club has passed from Mr. Kitchie to myself for the coming season. Many thanks to George for hours and labour spent in the past.

An inter-departmental competition is now being organised. Will teams of four wishing to enter, fill in the form (1) below and return by Monday 14th September. Hybrid fours will be accepted.

Also it is hoped to run an additional league team this year and would pairs who are prepared to play (evenings) indicate below (2).

Secretary:- Dennis O'Sullivan Physics Phone 311.

(1) BRIDGE COMPETITION	To: D. O'Sullivan Physics
The following players wish to enter.	
<u>Captain</u>Phone No. on behalf of.....Department	
(2) PAIRS	
We would be interested in playing in league matches for B.I.C.C. Social Club (Wood Lane)	
Name.....Phone No.....Regularly/ Occasionally	
Name.....Phone No.....	

POPULAR MUSIC SECTION

Presents

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Friday 2nd. October ~~1964~~

5th Floor **McFadzean Laboratory**

BAR

TICKETS 4/- from

BUFFET

Mrs. E. King (233)

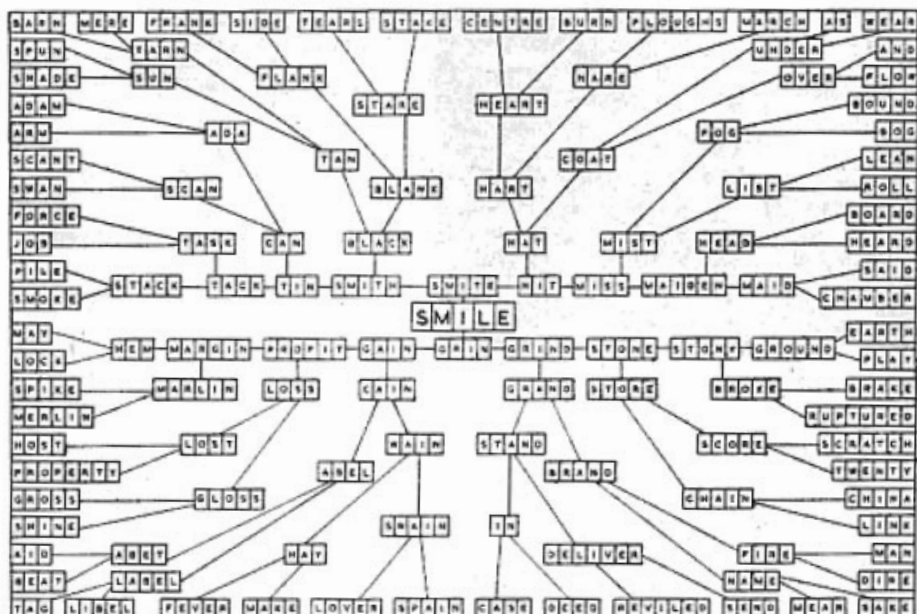
Mrs. B. Smith (293)

A. B. Fenwick (280)

M. J. Squelch (249)

Family Tree - Solution

Entries this time reached well into double figures, though fewer than last time. Was it harder, then? Several people came unstuck on the "catch" words (CAN and ADA, PLOUGHS and HARE, for instance) but the first all-correct solution was that sent in by Mr. F.G. Townson of the Chemistry Department, who will therefore receive 10/-.



FOR SALE

Second hand Ascot water heater

Apply: L. Panasiuk (249)

Dr. L.G. BRAZIER *retires.*



Dr. Williams presents Dr. Brazier with a retirement gift, bought with contributions from Management and Staff of Wood Lane.

HOCKEY

Two summer fixtures were played last month against J. Lyons and B.B.C. and the results were as follows:

B.I.C.C. 2 - J. Lyons 3

B.I.C.C. 1 - B.B.C. 3

September sees the beginning of the regular Saturday afternoon fixtures which continue up until the end of March. The following fixtures have been arranged for September:

September 19 Firestone Home

September 26 Hershaw Home

All the home games will as usual be played at Wormwood Scrubs park and spectators will be most welcome.

Some of the team members (the unfit ones) are hoping to start training in the next few weeks at Wormwood Scrubs and anyone interested in joining them should contact the Secretary, Dai Davies, Tel. 293.

WHERE IS IT?

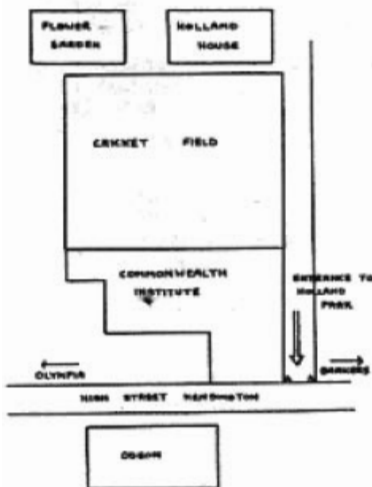
Answer (a) 1 mile.

The photograph is of Holland House, which is, of course, in Holland Park.

The house is now used as dressing rooms for the Court Theatre, which played for two weeks on the open air stage (see below) in Holland Park. Attendances were excellent, and the Court Theatre may play for six weeks next summer as a result.

The house itself has recently been restored by the L.C.C., having suffered extensive bomb damage during the war. Originally built in 1605, the gateway, which is in front of the house and was the main object of the restoration, is reputed to have been built by the famous architect Inigo Jones. The house is not yet open to the public.

In case anyone is interested in the house, here is a rough map of how to get there.



Animal Life

Film Show

The August Film Show was cancelled, due to lack of support on the two previous occasions. However three of the films arrived very early, and were retained long enough for a private viewing. These three films are excellent material for screening in an organised show, and we hope to do this when we get sufficient support.

The films were "Beyond the Tides" showing the fish and bird life around our shores, "Roses & Vitamins", on growing roses and producing vitamin syrups from them, and "Around East Africa".

Coach Tours

It has been suggested by several members that the poor response to arranged tours was due to the distance involved. In this case it may be possible to arrange trips to closer places of interest, suggestions including Chessington, Whipsnade or Hanstead. Anyone interested in these possibilities should contact the secretary.

Magazines

The magazines "Fur & Feather", "Our Dogs" and "Dog World" have now been cancelled, as they were found to be poor quality. It is now proposed to purchase "Animals", a weekly edited by Armand Dennis. This is a high quality magazine, and if enough support is received it will require a membership fee of 6/- each per annum. Those interested ring

John Lyford (256)

Football Pontoon

A football pontoon has been organised by the London Offices, and tickets are on sale at a shilling per week. For every ticket sold at Wood Lane threepence will go into Social Club funds. Anyone who has not already joined can do so by contacting Barbara Smith (293)

Whist

The August Whist Drive took place on the "Glorious 12th". There was a turn out of 23 players who had their usual "grouse" about their bad luck. The prize list consisted entirely of males which showed that the ladies "shooting" was slightly off target. The prize winners were as follows: 1st Mr. Baacke (talc and perfume), 2nd Mr. Mackie (scarf), 3rd Alf Fish (gas lighter). 1st half-Gordon Smith (beads) 2nd half-John Thomas (socks) and Booby-John Hargreaves (tie)

The next Whist Drive will be on Wednesday 16th September at 7.30 pm.

FILMS

As well as organising film shows at Wood Lane the committee have made arrangements giving Film Section members the opportunity to see the programmes of the National Film Theatre and of Richmond Film Society. To take advantage of these facilities you have to be a member of the Film Section, so please fill in the application form below if you have not yet done so.

THE NATIONAL FILM THEATRE

Film section membership cards which have been endorsed by the British Film Institute have to be produced when purchasing tickets for the N.F.T. If you would like your card endorsed please send it to J.T. Rubens, (Diffraction & Microscopy) by September 16th.

Richmond Film Society

Film section members may purchase guest tickets (price 3/6d.) for Richmond Film Society programmes. These are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Community Centre, Sheen Road, Richmond at 8 p.m. The first show, on September 15th, is "Zazie Dans Le Metro" with "The Saturday Men", which should interest anyone who missed our last show in May.

The October film will be John Huston's "Beat the Devil", and films to be shown later in the season include "Accatone", "The Balcony", "The General" and "A Night of Horror". Tickets and further details from J.T. Ruben (212)

To: J.T. Ruben	X-ray Diffraction
I wish to become a member of B.I.C.C. Athletic and Social Club (Wood Lane) Film Section for the 1964-5 season.	
I wish/do not wish* to become a free Associate Member of the British Film Institute and avail myself of the facilities of the National Film Theatre:	
NAME (Block letters) _____	Signed _____
*delete DEPARTMENT _____	Int. Phone _____

ADVANCE NOTICE

The October show will be a double feature presentation comprising the blood chilling mystery "Village of the Damned," together with the Halas and Batchelor cartoon version of "Animal Farm."



From The Council Table

At the last meeting of the Executive Council, held on Tuesday, 18th August, it was agreed to affiliate the Animal Life Section to the London Natural History Society. The secretary informed the meeting that the sale of B.I.C.C. Football Pontoon tickets would bring in extra revenue to the Club. A sum of £8 was granted for the tennis festival. A request by the table tennis section for the purchase of new equipment was passed.

A proposal was put forward that Miss Amor should be granted Life Membership of the Social Club and this was agreed upon. Arrangements are now under way for the Annual Dinner and Dance which will be held in the McPadzean Laboratory on Friday, 11th December.



Sept. 9th

Wed.

Lecture Room

ONLY TWO CAN PLAY



Peter
Sellers
Mai
Zetterling
