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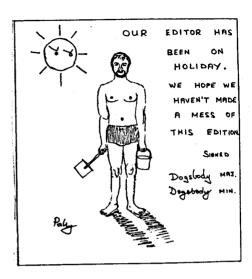
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Editorial

Situations Vacant

Within the next few weeks three of the more socially important members are leaving, namely Verina Horsnell, the Club Secretary, George Gunn, Executive Council member and Hockey Section Treasurer, and John Phillips, Bar Committee member.

Our thanks are due to Verina for helping out at a time when help was really needed, and to George and John for the enormous amount of work they have done while they have been here.

Now we need people to step into their places. Let us hope that plenty of new blood will be willing.

You remember the last pop dance? Great, wasn't it! There's another one soon. Good! When? On Friday 17th September. But how much will the tickets cost? Only 4/6d.! And can my friends come as well? Of course they can, the more the merrier. Will the music be on records? No, there will be a live pop group playing. Wonderful, then I'll come. Good, but you'd better get your tickets soon as they're selling fast! Then I'll go to Jim Neal in Chemistry, Eileen King in the Typing Pool or Tony Playle in Mathematics and get some! Good, I'll see you there.

DEBATE





The Honourable Proposition

 to r. Steve Mathews, Fred Irish and

Hugh Davies.

(plus an interested Chairman Cooper)

The Honourable Opposition

1. to r. Dave Page,

Barbara Smith and Doreen Blinko.

(plus a bored Chairman Cooper)

This house did not believe that the fair sex was not being fair. In other words, the motion was defeated, the actual figures announced by the Chairman being lost in a barrage of cheers from the audience.

The result was really unexpected, for although the organisers had taken a great deal of trouble to make sure that the sides were evenly matched, it was generally felt that the predominantly male audience would vote for the motion (which in view of the results shows how fair men are) and Dave Page, the opposition principal speaker, had not arrived at the commencement of the debate. However, with an enviable piece of good timing he marched in half way through the principal proposer's speech (Hugh Davies), his female associates on the opposition team (Barbara Smith and Doreen Blinko) looking more than relieved.

By any standards this was an entertaining debate, and it was only a pity that more members of the audience did not speak from the floor when the opportunity arose.

We all feel, in view of the all round success of this venture that a debating evening at selected intervals would be welcomed in the Social Club.

Anyone who feels they may be able to suggest a suitable subject for the next debate should contact Dennis Cooper or Alan Fenwick both on 280.

LEGACY PROBLEM

Our apologies for not printing the answer to this problem last month as promised but, like our American and Russian cousins, we too have space problems from time to time. Here is the correct solution:-

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From The Council Table

Mr. P.C. Farthing was unanimously elected to replace Miss. V. Horsnell as secretary of the Social Club and was welcomed by the Executive Council.

The Dance Sub-Committee has decided to hold two dances this autumm, the first to be a Pop Music Dance on Friday 17th September, with a live beat-group and a buffet; and the second the normal annual Halloween Dance, to be held this year on Friday 29th October.

The Small Functions Sub-Committee gave a report on the Miniature Golf competition (a more detailed and accurate (?) report can be read elsewhere in this edition of B.T.) and announced, to the delight of the other members of the council, that they are organising a Wine-Tasting evening, to be held at the end of November.

There was much discussion about the newly reformed Chess Section, the new Football Section, the purchase of a cabinet for trophies and shields and the new debating section.

The committee was also informed that the Children's Christmas Party would be held on Saturday, 11th December.

Childrens' Christmas Party

The Children's Christmas Party is financed by the profits from the football pontoon run by the social club. If you have not received your pontoon card will you please contact F. Irish (207) to rectify the situation.



Since last month's report three games have been played and the results were as follows:-

St. Bernards Hospital	away	0-3
Lyons	away	1-2
Milk Marketing Board	away	1-1

B.I.C.C. were without captain Ron Arekion and centre-half Des D'Cunha for the St. Bernards game, but the score is hardly a true reflection of an encounter in which both sides performed rather raggedly. The team became a little dispirited after some unfortunate umpiring decisions had helped to sway the game, and the match is best forgotton. Performances improved for the next two games where our goal scorers were Ron Arekion (v Lyons) and Tony Prins(v Milk M.B.)

The winter season starts in earnest on Sept. 18th with a home match against Firestone, and any newcomers who would like to be considered should contact Ron Arekion (372).

GEORGE GUNN

At the end of August we were sorry to see the departure of George Gurnwho is returning to his native Canada.

George was one of those primarily concerned with the foundation of the section three seasons ago. He was elected treasurer at the start and devoted his spare time and cheerful energy to carrying out this responsibility. In common with many new enterprises the section experienced its teething troubles, but George's understanding of people contributed enormously to the maintenance of initial enthusiasm. His sense of humour will be missed most by the team in the dressing-room, where spirit was always high regardless of the match result.

After his last game the team presented him with an inscribed tankard as a memento of his association with the section and as an appreciation of his efforts. All members of the section wish him success and happiness in the future.

Our photo shows $\tt George\ in\ action\ against\ the\ Milk\ Marketing\ Board\ with\ Gordon\ Smith\ in\ {\tt close\ attendance.}$

Also on a personal note the section offers its congratulations to John Hargreaves on the occasion of his recent marriage, and its thanks to Des D'Cumha for his past support. Des won't be available for the forthcoming season.

DONT FORGET THE 1965 DANCE PARTISANS FRICHY SEPT 17th 8pm-12pm TICKETS-4/6 LICENSED BAR ON BUFFET

B.T. Guide to Good Drinking Places

Three more public houses, all in the same part of London, are well worth a visit. If you like a happy musical evening then two of them are right up your street.

Two of us tackled these three pubs quite recently (all in the cause of public relations!) in the following order.

First we headed for the Elephant & Castle where the first (and newest) of the three pubs is located. This is called the CHARLIE CMAPLIN and was only opened a few weeks ago at the same time as the new shopping centre of which it forms a part. Named after the great comedian who spent the early part of his life in this area it has an unusual lay-out with plenty of Chaplin Film Posters as a part of the decor. Up stairs there are food bars. For those anxious to know - its a WATNEY'S HOUSE.

A ten minute walk down the New Kent Road brings you to the second pub on the list, namely the KING'S ARMS which stands at the junction with the Old Kent Road, and opposite another public house called the Bricklayer's Arms.

The King's Arms is a Trueman House which also sells a good selection of whiskies. The main bar is very large and long and, if you don't get there early you'll find it full to capacity. Top class groups play here most nights and the pub boasts a very expensive loud speaker and echo-chamber system. Service is good.

A bus ride is required to meach our third port of call, namely the 188 route heading for Greenwich. The bus goes down the road opposite the King's Arms (Tower Bridge Road). It is about a seven minute journey to the alighting point at St. James Road. The pub is called the GREGORIAN ARMS and the bus stops opposite it, in the Jamaica Road, Bermondsey.

This house is a COURAGE and again very good groups play there during the week. At the weekend, cooler, modern type music is played. Monday night is "guest night". When we were there, the group consisted of seven musicians and they played a fair cross section of music. It's a comfortable pub and less crowded than the King's Arms.

Well, that's three more to the list. Who's next??

Ladies Hockey——

The Annual General Meeting of the Ladies Hockey Section was held on Wednesday 4th August. New Section Officials were elected as follows:-

Secretary - Barbara Smith to continue

Treasurer - Jennifer Eggleton (Bloomsbury Street) to continue

Captain - Ann Glanville (Bloomsbury Street)

Vice Captain - Ena Prendergast

The meeting concluded with two films, the first a most amusing cine film of two of our games last season, and the other an instructional film illustrating the rules as seen by the umpire.

At the meeting it was decided that fitness training and coaching would take place at Kidbrooke on Friday evenings during September. Any girls interested in attending, or in playing for us this season would be welcomed. Phone Barbara Smith (293) for details. 7

TENNIS TEAM FOILED

A highlight of the 1965 Tennis Season was the great challenge match between Wood Lane and B.I.C.C. London Offices.

This was played on Sunday 25th July at Kidbrooke Sports Ground. Each side was divided into two teams, A and B, composed of four men and two ladies. Each team then played nine games of two sets, resolving themselves by some method understood only by a select band of intellectuals into four mens doubles, one ladies and four mixed doubles.

In spite of some rather inclement weather and a few individuals who had formed a strong attachment to the bar the match started on time, and Wood Lane team A were soon well into their stride. Keith Elder and Robin Wood, after an exchange of Geordo-Celtic pleasentries, winning their game 6-2, 6-2. The Welsh-Yorkshire pairing of Dai Davies and John Hargreaves had some trouble in establishing international co-operation, but grit and gamesmanship finally prevailed and they pulled through to win 6-4, 6-4.

Team B however, were not doing so well. The Michaels Hagger and Squelch were obviously upset by the early morning $\{2.00 \text{ p.m.}\}$ air, and lost 2-6, 0-6, but the position was retrieved by the craft and cunning of Terry Webb and Dennis Cooper, who won 6-1, 6-4.

After a short rest we were off again with Team A now racing away. Keith and Robin clicked to win 6-0, 6-0, whilst Dai and John fought hard to halve their match against a good pair 6-3, 4-6. Team B got a good start when the Mikes suddenly found form, and by judicious use of the famous Squelch disguised stop volley (off the frame), and the Hagger top-spin forehand at the head of the opponent they ran out 6-2, 6-1. Unfortunately Terry and Dennis were now suffering from mist on the glasses, and lost their game 1-6, 2-6, hunger pains also contributing in one case.

Now it was the turn of the ladies, and for team A. Carol Davies and Verina Horsnell, in spite of appearing on the verge of collapse, held out to win a marathon match by 6-3, 6-4.

Barbara Smith and Doreen Blinko, for the B team, fought one of the closest games of the match, eventually halving 9-7, 4-6, both sides obviously enjoying the game. This game got the most publicity of all being audible for at least a three mile radius!

The weather by now was extremely threatening, and there was some doubt if it would hold out over the tea break. However the interpid mixed players of Team B took the court, Terry and Barbara, by now in full cry (in both senses of the word), winning 6-3, 6-4, and Mike Hagger and Doreen coming through by the same score.

The match was now at an exciting stage, with both teams needing one set to clinch victory. Here the gods took a hand, & vast quantities of water were projected downwards at a high velocity. Keith and Carol were 4-0 up in their first set at this point, due to the fact that Keith's female opponent was slightly perturbed at his service, and needing only two games to settle the A match. In his disappointment Keith was heard to utter the immortal Celtic phrase. "OH - !"

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After half an hour the respective captains emerged from shelter to gaze on the flooded courts, and, clasping their pints to their bosoms, declared the match to be finished as an (almost) honourable draw.

Happy but tired the competitors retired to the bar to put the seal on the match with a remarkable display of Bacchanalian prowess.







- (1) Keith Elder gets full ecclesiastical backing for a "heavenly" shot.
- (2) Carol Davies fires away with a powerful service.
- (3) Dennis Cooper presides over a group of Wood Lane players and spectators. L. to R. Mike Hagger, Dai Davies, Mike Squelch, Doreen Blinko, Janet Hawkins and Gillian Hargreaves.

Puzzle Page

TABLE D'HOTE

At the local restaurant the price of the set lunch varies according to the main dish you choose. Last Saturday the choice was beef 5s.,lamb 5s. 3d., bacon 5s. 6d., veal 5s. 9d., chicken 7s. and salmon 7s. 6d., and it so happened that Messrs. Beef, Lamb, Bacon, Veal, Bird and Salmon each took his wife and daughter to lunch there.

Each of the six main dishes was served to one man, one wife and one daughter, but no two members of a family had the same dish and in no family did any of the dishes chosen begin with the same letter as the daughters name. Nobody was so indelicate as to choose a dish corresponding to his or her surname.

Vera, inquisitive child, noted that Mr. Lamb had the same as Charlotte, while Barbara had the same as Mr. Bacon, and Susan chose the same dish as Mr. Beef and Mrs. Veal.

Mrs. Beef's choice cost 40% of the family's bill and Lesley's chicken similarly accounted for 40% of her father's bill. The Bird family's bill was as small as it could be in the circumstances; Mr. Lamb's bill was the only one over £1; Mr. Salmon paid the average of the amounts paid by the other five. Mr. Veal gave his change out of £1 as a tip thinking it to be a generous 15% but actually it was nearer 14%. No two bills were for the same amount.

WHAT DID BELLA'S MOTHER HAVE?

The four boats Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Sark are based on these four islands, and also have skippers who bear the same four names, but luckily no skipper has the same name as his boat or his base, and no boat is based on the island which shares its name. Mr. Herm's boat has the same name as the skipper who is based on Herm - who, incidently, is not Mr. Alderney, a man whom everyone always calls John.

The owner of this fleet unfortunately uses each of the four names without making it clear whether he is referring to the skipper, the boat or the base - and often changes from one practice to another in mid-sentence. Recently, when every skipper was aboard his own boat and everyboat alongside at its own base, he sent a telegram to the local manager of the fleet: "Transfer nets from Sark to Alderney by fast launch".

Though the owner could not be referring to Mr. Alderney (always called John) this telegram had four possible meanings for the local manager of the fleet

WHICH BOAT IS BASED ON GUERNSEY, AND WHO IS ITS SKIPPER?

Slot Racing



Because of the success of the demonstration on 27th July a second event is to be held on 7th September 6.00 p.m. How about building a car for the event? It is hoped to have about 50 ft of track. Cars will also be available for anyone who will not have their own.

For further details contact Terry Gray 245 or Ron Arekion 372.

Football

Are you a fast and furious forward? a hale and hearty half-back? a will o' the wisp winger? or a gaunt and grabbing goalie? All these and many more should contact Richard Osborne of Physics (311) who is getting a team together for Saturday afternoon matches at Wormwood Scrubs.

p.s. Even fat and flabby full-backs considered.

Whist

The prize winners at the Whist Drive held in the Cafeteria on Wednesday 11th August were as follows:-

lst Barbara Smith (plates)
2nd Bob King (coffee pot)
3rd Mr. Digby (cups & saucers)

lst half Eileen King (cups & saucers) 2nd half Mrs. Parkin (cups & saucers) Booby Mrs. Dawson

Raffle Mr. Fuller (fruit)

Mrs. Pledger (chocolates)

The next Whist Drive will be held on Wednesday 15th September at 7.30 p.m.

MINIATURE GOLF

by + 4444

The climatic encumbrances to which the Editor paid his well saturated respects in last month's Editorial were at work to the ultra-Swithinarian extent of over 1" on July 21st, the day scheduled for the Wood Lane Miniature Golf competition. Despite a willingness to convert umbrellas for duel purpose usage the general body of opinion favoured an internal rather than an external soaking and the tournament was duly postponed until the following Thursday.

Your reporter understands that on hearing the news William Hill's immediately offered 85-40 on rain and 2-1 against fine weather, but the City Tote in Shepherds Bush captured all the business by laying thunderstorms at even money.

Thursday came and it was gale force winds that blew across the bleak vastness of Gunnersbury Park's bogey 27 white course and a spate of lost balls and level. 5s. was confidently predicted. Skirts and golfing jackets billowed in the wind and loose hair straggled over the tense and determined faces that gazed at the distant 1st hole all of 30 yards away. Wetted fingers gauged the swirling sirocco and subtle lofted shots drifted persuasively left of the green, struck a tree trunk with mathematical precision and rebounded softly to within inches of the hole.

Such elegant use of natural hazards was the main feature of the evening's play; the topped shot at the downhill 2nd allowing the ball to run gently along the ground on to the green, the low slice at the 4th with the ball ricocheting off the wire fence round the children's playground, the "divot shot" at the short 8th with the club digging powerfully into the ground thus ensuring that the ball didn't travel too far, and finally the almighty blow at the long uphill 9th giving the ball plenty of back-spin to make sure that the bounce from the club-house roof was towards the green and not the boating-pond.

In the final analysis the performances were a considerable improvement on last year with several of the 30 competitors returning better than level 4s. A tie was recorded in the pairs section with aggregate scores of 72 coming from Dai Davies (38) and Mike Hagger (34), and the all-Maths team of Dave Page (33) and Tony Playle (39). The Met. Lab. stole the individual honours with Charlie Thomas's round of 31, and newcomer Russ Kemp was runner-up a stroke behind. Tact and a keen desire to remain in one piece has resulted in a sudden lapse of memory concerning the owners of the evening's highest aggregate, a 98 (60+38), but your reporter feels confident that "38" would be only too pleased to offer "60" some advice and tuition.

The thanks of all competitors must go to the Small Functions Sub-Committee who organized the event most admirably despite having to contend with the adversities of English Summer '65, surely a vintage year for water.

BADMINTON

The Annual General Meeting of the badminton section will be held in the Chem. Labat 1 p.m. on Wednesday 15th September. Anyone interested in playing during the coming season should try to be present. This meeting is particularly important as last season's match secretary, Pete Mills, is no longer at Wood Lane and another must be found if the team is to continue.

From the first week in September, providing support is forthcoming, badminton will be played in the Main Hall on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Everyone is welcome, and Robin Wood is willing to coach any beginners who care to contact him beforehand. For any information concerning loan of club rackets etc., phone Robin Wood (357) or Graham Taylor (285).

BAR-B-Q

A Chicken Barbecue is being held at Kidbrooke Sports Ground on Saturday 11th September. Dancing will be to "The Melody Makers". The number of tickets for this function will be limited, because of catering difficulties, to 200. Tickets, 4/-, including a chicken supper, are obtainable from Barbara Smith (293) or Tony Playle (342).

BRIDGE.

To start the season there is to be a pairs competition on Thursday 23rd September at which the trophy will be presented to the winners of the interdepartmental competition. Deal off will be at 7.0 clock and the 2/6 entry fee will include prizes and refreshments.

Will those wishing to play in the interdepartmental competition and/or a league please fill in the form below and return it to D 0'Sullivan (Physics Tel. 311).

INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMPETITION						
The following players wish to enter. Captain						
LEAGUE PLAYERS						
I/We would be interested in playing in league matches for B.I.C.C. Social Club REGULARLY/ OCCASIONALLY NAME						

BICC FILM SOCIETY.



THE WILD ONE

ALSO.

SOLO FOR SPARROW
- inspector Sparrows of Scotland Yard

GOWNS AND GEARS - women knivers.

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TENNIS

Because of the enthusiastic support for the Tuesday tennis nights it has been decided that when the numbers warrant it a section night will also be held on Thursday.

About 30 people have asked for tickets for the professional tennis, these will be distributed as soon as they arrive.

Some more matches have been played in the tournament and results are as follows, Mark Austin beat Alan Fenwick 6-0, 6-0 convincing win for Mark. Dai Davies beat Janet Mackie 6-3, 2-6, 6-4. Again Dai was taken to three sets before clinching the match. John Hargreaves beat Verina Horsnell 6-0, 6-2. A good win for John. Keith Elder beat George Gunn 6-4, 6-2. This is the greatest number of games Keith has yet conceded. Maybe George's tactics paid off to some extent. Robin Wood beat Dennis Cooper 8-6, 6-2. This was a close fought match and at 6-6 in the first set could have been anyone's match.

In the plate tournament, all but one of the matches in the first round have been played, results being:

M. Squelch beat N. Smith 6-1, 6-2 P. Raw bt. M. Arnett 6-0, 6-3 Barbara Smith bt. Gaynor Webb 6-2, 6-2 T. Webb bt. J. Reeves 6-1, 7-9, 6-0 Mari West bt. R. Menazes 6-1, 6-2 M. Hagger bt. A. Fenwick 6-0, 6-1 J. Baker bt. A. Ranicar w.o.

Unfortunately, because of contestants taking late holidays this year the winners of the two tournaments will not be known until late September.

A report of the Wood Lane tennis match will be found elsewhere.

"A Young Man's Fancy"

What! No pictures of little boys sucking ice-lollies? or of sporty types sticking pins in horses? or even of Grandad dashing into the saloon bar? We thought the scope was endless. Alsa no, only Brian Pledger found the offer of money attractive, and we found his entries likewise. Thanks Brian your efforts will be duly rewarded.

| Snooker |----

As the tournament seems to be lagging, would players please note that the first named persons in the draw are the challengers, and if they do not challenge their opponents before the final date for the round, they are in default, and forfeit the match.

The draw, and final dates for each round are on the notice board in the games room.

table tennis

Congratulations to Geoff Holder and Paul Stower on winning the Table Tennis Doubles Tournament, they beat George Kaminski and Melvyn Estherby by 3 sets to 2 in the final.

The section A.G.M. will be held towards the end of September when progress of the section and moninations for team captain will be discussed.



