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EDITORIAL

Last year we called the magazine "Amalgam" to symbolise the coalescence of the old County Grammar School and the old Wymondham College, During the past year that integration has continued inexorably, and its success seems to justify our reverting to the old title for the present issue, as day-pupils and boarders alike feel themselves to be corporate members of the College, with the ability to look to the future much more than back to the past. It is obviously not easy for day-pupils to take as full a part in the life of the College as it is for boarders, but their participation in House events, their mixing in the Tutor Groups, their lunching every day with the boarders, the encouragement they are given to stay for after-school events and Saturday socials, and particularly the enthusiasm of their parents in promoting the welfare of the College through the Parent-Staff Association, have all contributed to the increasing unity of the College. "May wisdom flourish" is the College motto; the events of the past year that have moulded a large and complex organisation from the two smaller units have shown that the aspirations that prompted Sir Lincoln Ralphs to choose "Floreat Sapientia" have not been debased. We look forward to 1974 as a year of consolidation of the present achievements.

De Personis Rebusque Scholasticis

THE WARDEN WRITES

In the 1971 editions of the County Grammar School and the Wymondham College Magazines, I indicated the way in which I envisaged the future development of the two schools on the site and in September 1971, the two schools were merged and co-educational boarding was introduced. In the academic year 1971/72 we experienced teething troubles in the merging of the two schools due to the introduction of Saturday morning school for the day pupils but the benefits of the merger were clearly seen by the vast majority of parents and pupils. In the academic year beginning September 1972, the majority of these problems were solved and Saturday morning school is now accepted by all but a handful of people and the advantages of giving all pupils on the site equal opportunities are even more obvious. The mixed boarding proved to be popular and successful and so two more houses became mixed in September 1972.

Next September, all six boarding houses will be mixed and all pupils in years 1, 2, 4, & 5 will be attending for the full 5½ day week. I am hoping that the dozen or so pupils of the new third year, at present on a 5 day week will be willing and able to take advantage of all the opportunities offered to commit themselves to full attendance. Thus the two years of transition will be over and the plan I envisaged will be fully operational. I am grateful to parents, pupils and staff for all that they have done in supporting this development plan and we are all grateful to the Norfolk Education Committee for being so generous in providing the transport involved in creating the new united Wymondham College.

The introduction of exeats and longer half term breaks have also helped to relieve unnecessary pressures on staff and pupils and next year, there will be a week's break during each term.

Last September, about 900 parents attended meetings to consider the introduction of a Parents-Staff Association and this Association, now established, has also assisted in the development of Wymondham College.

Many members of staff both teaching and nonteaching have recently accepted challenging responsibilities in administrative, academic and pastoral aspects of our work and without their co-operation and indeed enthusiasm, these two years of transition would have been difficult indeed, but because of their devotion to Wymondham College and our policies, we shall welcome the new academic year with confidence in the plans we have made for the benefit of all our boys and girls here. At the time of writing, we are rejoicing in the Knighthood bestowed on Dr. Ralphs our Chief Education Officer who more than twenty years ago had a vision of a co-educational boarding school on this site of an American wartime hospital and who now is rejoicing with us now that the Department of Education and Science has at last recognised our worth by announcing that a minor replacement programme may begin in 1974, and that a more extensive programme may begin in 1975.

It appears that the Nissen huts are not preventing parents from appreciating the work we do here, as is evidenced by the increasing demand for places. Next year there will be approximately a hundred more pupils at Wymondham College and we have been fortunate in securing the services of additional highly qualified staff to help us to achieve the standards we are setting for ourselves.

R.W.

WINTER TERM, 1972

The term was not more than two hours old when the cricket pavilion was gutted by fire. Before the war this little architectural gem was the clubhouse of the golf course that zigzagged over the Park. Then it stood beside the lane, and for a time after the war was occupied by squatters. After they left, Mi. Metcalfe initiated its removal to the cricket pitch site, the work being carried out in those pioneering days by staff and boys under the direction of Mr. Mullenger and Mr. Seeley. This was in 1953. A plinth had been prepared for it by College bricklayers, and an extra room added to give it symmetry. Later, when the Norwich Union gave us an old but valuable clock, Mr. Mullenger designed the perfectly-proportioned tower to house it, and supervised its erection. The sturdy benches with the College arms were also his work with successive generations of boys. Those, and many others who have used it as players or spectators -or as tea-helpers will remember it nostalgically. That so much loving care and inspired workmanship should be destroyed by imbecile vandalism or criminal carelessness is distressing to record.

The obliteration of the noble avenue of beeches and limes that led from the lane to Morley Hall must also be recorded. More than eighty trees that could hardly be less than 150 years old were cut down in about a fortnight halfway through the term. Not a good preparation for 1973 national tree year. In



earlier decades these trees gave pleasure to the privileged few, but for the last thirty years they had been the common joy of pupils, staff, and visitors to the College. Moreover, the huge gap left by their demise had put the shallower-rooted copse trees into the front line, and in the great gale of April 2nd 1973 a further 34 of them were laid low. Let us hope that the new avenue of limes at the bottom of the park will give future generations as much simple pleasure as those now lost to us.

On December 1st we found the laboratories and the area around Tomlinson wired off and declared out of bounds to all. A chemical kept in the two labs had been reported possibly unstable and potentially explosive. A disposal firm could not dispose for another 18 days, so Mr. Rutherford, with the ambiguous words, "At least we'll have it all in one place", carried one bottle of the stuff from the school labs to join the other in the County lab in Hut 19. Mr. Rutherford's determination to pursue his chemistry teaching was not unnoted by his pupils, nor was his disregard for his own safety unapplauded by the staff, who voted unanimously that the College Lion be awarded posthumously if necessary - for devotion to duty. Full colours could only be awarded if it was felt he would continue this activity at a high standard after leaving the College.

SPRING TERM, 1973

At a meeting in the Games Hall of the Parent-Staff Association on February 14th, Dr. (Now "Sir". Congratulations.) Lincoln Ralphs addressed an audience of nearly a thousand on "What they are doing about Wymondham College". He reminded them of the early days of the College and the origin of the nissen huts, first built as a bospital for Americans wounded in defence of our liberties. These huts were now no longer adequate or in good repair, and he told of his efforts in recent years to acquire money for their replacement. We had now been granted a sum running into six figures which would be used for the first priority, a new dining hall.

Later in the term we were given the news by the Warden that Wymondham College was among a list of 49 schools to be given priority for funds for new buildings, and that erection of these could be expected to start in 1975/76.

On the first day of term B.B.C. television cameras covered the arrival of pupils back from the holidays, and in particular took pictures of the decrepit state of many of the nissen huts, with interviews with the Warden and some of the pupils. These appeared on the "Look East" programme the following day.

In his end of term address the Warden referred to the B.B.C. visit as part of the publicity campaign to force action on new buildings for the College. He warmly commended the efforts of parents, over 500 of whom had sent letters of protest to the Department of Education and Science. The Parent-Staff Association also had announced their intention to consider the possibility of providing new buildings themselves, hoping to shame the Department into activity. The result of all this energetic action may well have been the decisions about new buildings referred to above.

The Warden also, in the same address, praised the performers in the Mair Cup Competition and the Sunday Concert, and those who had produced and taken part in the production of "East Lynne", All these are reported more fully elsewhere in the magazine. He also referred to the good work being done by the College Social Service workers at Hellesdon Hospital, Kett's Lodge and St. Edmund's Home, and for old people in the villages nearby. A number of sponsorship schemes had raised money for charitable purposes; Winchester House - £40 by learning and reciting passages from Shakespeare; Kett Hall 2nd year - £40 from a ten hour dance; Peel Hall girls - money for the Samaritans by doing odd jobs; fifth year girls - money for handicapped people; finally, money for retired donkeys raised by a carrot-eating contest!

Round the Halls

FRY HALL

Out of the ashes of Wells and Salisbury rose the lame phoenix of Elizabeth Fry Hall, possibly to be returned to cinders if the fire alarm isn't repaired soon! Seriously though, the mixing of the houses at the beginning of the year went more smoothly than anticipated.

On the boy's sports field we failed to retain ground gained last year — we lost all the cups! Rugby was affected badly this season as many of our players were attending interviews, however a big surprise came when we achieved second place in the senior sevens tournament (we played our trump card on that occasion!). A determined effort has been made by the boys in every sporting sphere this year, except by the upper sixth in the cross country run — yes, we admit 'it, but everybody needs to rest sometime!

Many superlative performances were offered by the soccer and basketball teams, and the House now holds a comparative monopoly of the College Rowing Club's first crew! As far as the girl's sports are concerned, we achieved better results – narrowly missing a victory in the hockey tournament. Two of our best players, Ann Jones and Peppy Metson, were awarded Lions for their efforts in the school team. The swimming gala at the end of the Spring Term proved to be a strongly contested event between us and New Hall – the cup is now shared. Well done, all those who have represented Fry Hall this year, and the Captains, proving that it is not the winning but the playing that really counts.

We have welcomed to the House Staff Miss Cott, Mr. Tuohy and Mr. Wheeldon (Hic) who have settled easily into the house atmosphere. The school's most eligible bachelor, Mr. Davies, ended his 'playboy' career with his marriage to Miss Ashall – we wish them every happiness. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Brand on the birth of their second son, Aidan Edward, during the Easter holidays.

At Christmas we said goodbye to Miss Mann, but welcomed the new girl's matron, Mrs. Harrison, who has proved very helpful – we hope she will stay with the house for a long time to come. Needless to say, the boys are still able to rely on Miss Dolan at all times for almost everything.

With encouragement from Miss Colls, the girls knitted a blanket which was gratefully received by a certain charitable organisation.

We are all very sorry to be losing Miss Colls at the end of the the year. It is astonishing to realise that she has been a housemistress for seventeen years, beginning in East House and then in charge of the girls of Wells. With a firm but gentle hand she has encouraged and loyally supported all aspects of House life. It is in this way that she has gained our respect and affection. We will all remember her, especially the older girls, as a sympathetic listener and a helpful adviser in all matters. We wish her every happiness in her retirement.

Penultimately, our sincere thanks to Mr. Brand, Miss Colls, the Matrons and Staff for making our first year as the 'real' Fry Hall such a smooth and happy one. Finally we hope that all examinations taken this summer prove to be successful and those students that leave the house find much wealth, health and happiness (among other things!) in their futures.

> Wendy Hill Joanne Bassingthwaite David Woodhouse Kevin Emmerson

GLOUCESTER GROUP

Once it became evident that the Integration Dream was not to be immediately realised, the group resigned itself to yet another year of isolation. Now at last we are ready to live under the same roof but very much regret that this move resulted in the great loss of Mr. Seeley. Many of the staff and pupils outside the house agree with us that he is the best housemaster the College has known We are sure that the 'clubs and societies' will flourish next year. We also lament the loss of Mrs. Seeley and her celebratory suppers and thank her on behalf of many generations of hungry sportsmen.

Last September Mr. Sanders replaced Mr. Hall, bringing his own brand of friendliness to the house. At Christmas the enthusiastic and sympathetic M/S Tyler and her menagerie replaced Miss Harden, who followed her fiancée to the sun, having given four terms of much appreciated service to the girls. Mr. Wood found himself on the other end of Miss Rootes' fishing line and we wholeheartedly wish them happiness in their new positions. Miss Pickering returned to her homeland after two terms and Miss Chenery is leaving to be retrained as a teacher of Scripture.

Indicative of the enthusiasm instilled by Mr. Seeley was the Group's success in inter-house competition. The intermediate cricket team carried off the trophy in 1972 while we also kept the athletics standards and Sports Day cups from the clutches of our close rivals, York, The senior rugby team gave three tremendous displays, reaching the final against all expectations, while the girls went one better by winning the senior hockey tournament. A sadly depleted mixed handball team came very close to winning the new junior competition and thanks largely to Peter Robinson and Steve Barfield the senior soccer eleven repeated last year's success in the knockout. As the Gloucester Shield for chess was retained for the eighth time in ten years the trophy shelves were already well populated when the music competition was held. But Pelvis Parsley and the Shufflers (not forgetting Boogie Woogie Sam and Stevie Wonder) stole the show, and Steve Larwood, 'Mike' Evans and Judi Harwood injected enough finesse into the rest of the programme to win the Mair Cup for the first time.

Several individuals excelled as well, Steve Spencer and second-year Gary Billing coming second and first in their respective cross country races and Jackie Green collecting two tennis cups, Moira McLellan, Trevor Wadlow, Richard Barfield, Jimmy Ditch and Andrew Counsell represented the county in their own sports while Ian Rippon, Mike Evans and Andy Rowland played County chess. Terry BarLer won his section of the County Chess Congress and Ditch broke another pole vault record in winning the event at the Seven Counties meeting. Steve Spencer, Lloyd Cross, Cheryl Few and Ian Rippon were soloists in the opera.

A dedicated band of girls managed to regurgitate enough Shakespeare to earn £40 for the elderly of Ketts Lodge. Attendance at the Motor Cycle Show was boosted by a house trip, which included a visit to the Science Museum. A number of boys also went to get drenched by Carrow Road rain at the Texaco Cup Final and thanks are also due to Mr. Seeley for arranging the League Cup Final trip.

Cavell Hall has sound foundations and with the cooperation of everyone from the beginning, Mr. Hiscox should be able to build a united body with a strong sense of self-determination. We wish it well.

Jacqueling Green	Andrew Rowland
Carolyn Head	Peter Robinson

KETT HALL

This year we have seen Kett Hall further develop into a community with wide talents and interests. Our combined efforts as day and boarding pupils have produced several worthwhile achievements.

At the beginning of the year the junior and intermediate boys showed their ability on the games field by winning their respective rugby competitions. The juniors added the football cup to this in the spring term, and are now aiming for the hat-trick. For the first time in Canterbury's and Kett's history the boys won the swimming gala, the girls also putting up a commendable performance with the first year winning all their events. All the training before the boys' crosscountry paid off with two thirds and a second in the three age groups. Our congratulations go to Mandy Jacobs and Alan Rutherford, who were awarded College Lions.

Although the girls were beaten by the boys in the enjoyable mixed hockey match, the former gained their revenge in the house quiz, where they were the only girls in the school to prove their superior intelligence, winning by 73 to 55.

Just after Christmas a party from the house invaded the Boat Show at Earls Court. The other house trip, however, to "Carmen" at the Theatre Royal, ended up as a survey of the Norwich Police Station canteen, owing to a bomb scare interrupting the performance.

Within the house itself activities have also flourished. In the spring term the second years put up a commendable performance, raising over £40 for charity in a sponsored marathon dance. Other notable events included the mixed table-tennis doubles and the annual model competition, the winners in the former being Mary Weston and Richard Bailey, and in the latter Peter Smith.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the cooperation between the staff and pupils. A true hall spirit has emerged, and we hope this success will continue. Our thanks go to the matrons, Miss Curzon and Mrs. Hill, to all the staff, and especially Mr. and Mrs. Norton for their everpresent and helpful guidance.

Anne Warner,	David Bowyer,		
Linda Sheldrake,	Andrew McKelvey		

NEW HALL HOUSE REPORT

With the departure of Mr. Worrall last July, we started this school year under the guidance of Mr. Garrard as housemaster. We also welcomed Mrs. Tyler and Mr. Sunley as resident staff in the house.

New Hall started the year well on the sports field, with sixteen seniors representing the house in the first, second and third XV rugby teams. Our strength here was further emphasised by our convincing win in the rugby tournament, under the leadership of Tonks. Although the Intermediate and Junior teams did not achieve the high standard set by the seniors, they were not lacking in enthusiasm and drive. In spite of the determination and perseverence shown by the girls, particularly Sandra Partridge and Margaret Banks, their hopes in the hockey were not fulfilled.

Turning away from sport, we discovered some junior girls had quite a talent for singing, which was seen in the opera. Despite the early reluctance shown by the sixth form, the persuasive influence of Mrs. Tyler revealed hitherto unknown talents, this culminating in an evening of entertainment for the house at the end of the Christmas term. Following this we said farewell to Mrs. Tyler, who was appointed house mistress of Winchester.

For the second year running, New Hall excelled themselves in the cross-country, again winning all three cups. We would like to congratulate Dobson and Eve on winning their respective events. Where the girls failed to gain a high place in the netball competition, they amply made up for this in their win in the swimming standards. They also achieved first equal place in the gala, thanks to the encouragement and team leadership of Susan Rathbone. The boys, on the other hand, continued their tradition of sinking rather than swimming.

As a result of the efforts of Elizabeth Browning and Shoolbraid, New Hall gained a surprising third in the Mair Cup, whilst the unity within the house was emphasised in the winning of the hand-ball trophy by a team of first and second form boys and girls. Judging by the defeat in the senior football competition, we came to the conclusion that our capacity for winning lies in rugby, so we left it at that!

At the end of the Easter term we said goodbye to Miss Ashall as a resident member of staff, but welcomed her back this term as Mrs. Davies. We wish her and her husband every happiness in the future.

At the time of writing, with the athletics in progress, and the cricket soon to begin, we have every hope of adding two more cups to our "collection of silver".

On reflection, New Hall has achieved gratifying standards in all College events this year. School Lions were awarded to the following members of the house:- Booth, Dillon-lee, Glister, Hewitt, Tonks (Rugby), Janet Cobby (Netball) and Bussens (Football). The smooth running and high morale of the house was only made possible by the good nature and co-operation of the staff.

Finally, we would both like to wish New Hall the best for the forthcoming year.

Pamela Worsley	Christopher Booth
Jean Briggs	Andrew Davidson

PEEL HALL

At the beginning of this year Washington girls were again uprooted, this time with a change of name as well, to join Norwich boys as Peel Hall. To commemorate the occasion we changed our respective house colours to tangerine and the courtyard pond was filled in. This did not, however, change the boys' Bob Hope tradition, and a dirty smudge is now apparent on the Chapel corridor wall where one 'Reunion of the Saints' hung. Mrs. MacBeath and Mr. Sayer moved in as house warden and deputy. We welcomed Miss Fielding, Miss Round, Mr. Stilliard and Mr. Giles, later to be joined by Mrs. Manson as matron to the girls, and Mlle. Pons. And so it was with a house

Brian & Barbaratheir first year at National Westminster



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full of new faces that we commenced the new school year.

Our earliest achievement was to have Daryl Hughes and Duncan Lyons appointed among the four heads of school. We wish Andy Clarke all the best in taking over from Duncan.

To get acquainted, the staff and 7th year enjoyed a very pleasant evening meal at the Town House Hotel, Norwich, during the first half term.

The girls early on proved their worth on the sports field by winning the junior hockey competition for the fourth year in succession, followed by the thirds and fourths winning the intermediate competition. The boys meanwhile managed a creditable third in the rugby sevens, and retained the Harris Barbarian Rugby Shield yet again. James Alston obtained his rugby Lion. Jean Matthews, Lesley Breeze and Daryl Hughes were chosen to play for the County hockey teams, and Janette Norris represented South Norfolk in netball. The enthusiasm and organisation of our juniors won for them the knockout hammer for the first year of its presentation.

The 1st form boys staged an exhibition of model aircrafts painstakingly made during tutor periods under the guidance of W. MacBeath.

This year saw the first introduction of sopranos in the Norwich house carol choir, ably conducted by Simon Marfleet, and they undoubtedly accounted for the improved singing. We collected a record £7, which went towards social service bicycles, which put 'bicycle repair man' Wally Woodman into business.

Dwelling upon the charitable note, the 4th form girls raised money for a children's home in Diss by holding a sale of work of items they themselves made. Meanwhile the lower 6th girls collected old clothes for the Ugandan Asians. About £10 was raised for the Samaritans by the third form girls by doing odd jobs. A sponsored dance by the 2nd form girls raised another £10, this time for St. Edmunds Old Peoples Home in Attleborough. A 1st and 2nd form boys sponsored run raised £12 which has bought the house a second.hand quarter size billiard table -- our thanks also to Phil Dawson who ran with them.

'Eating' in the main dining hall was an unpopular innovation for the boarders, and the day pupils became a regular feature of the house.

Peel Hall Bird Club, run by Mr. Sayer, started an alarming increase in ornithological interest in the house.

Our build-up to the Mair Cup was aided by the introduction to the house of a piano (but as the recurrent strains of 'Mouldy Old Dough' are still heard upstairs as exams approach, its value is debatable). A varied and interesting repertoire did not go off quite as smoothly as we hoped on the night, but we finished a well-deserved second, so thankyou, Ossie and Marf.

It is worthwhile noting that Ossie the ostrich escaped during the Easter term, and evaded capture for several days! The best football performance came in the six-aside competition when we finished a surprising second. Thankyou to the day pupils who came to play for us on various days. Andy Clarke and Martin Keeley were awarded Lions.

The hot air balloon made by Mr. Giles' 3rd formers was successfully launched and was a colourful spectacle as it floated across the A11.

Our thanks to the heads of sport:- Rugby - James Alston; Hockey - Daryl Hughes; Football - David Smith, Andy Clarke; Netball - Janette Norris; Swimming - Kate Howard, Phil Dawson; Athletics -Stephen Nugus (also College running captain), Janette Norris; Basketball - David Smith; Cricket - Simon Marfleet; Tennis - Elaine Wardrop. Our special thanks go to Debbie Littlejohn who captained the day girls in all sports.

Unfortunately, Mr. Giles is leaving to go to Wroxham, and though the colourful and well-established faces of the 7th form are leaving, the house should continue to make its impact on school affairs next year, and we hope to see the Mair Cup back on its rightful shelf. In retrospect, it only remains to thank the staff and matrons for all their hard work.

Gillian Norman	Marion Marsh
Simon Marfleet,	John Street

YORK HOUSE GROUP

352 steps divide us but not for long, as we are going mixed next year after a healthy courtship. Unfortunately these steps will be taken with some sadness because Mr. and Mrs. Mullenger, and Miss Battye will not be joining us next year.

Throughout his office Mr. Mullenger has been the ideal housemaster, unreservedly devoting himself to the welfare and smooth running of the house, whilst Mrs. Mullenger has always been a source of constant support, and always provided for us with her excellent cooking on many festive and victorious occasions. We shall miss them both when they move to their house on the Park.

Miss Battye has consistently been generous with her time. After the girls had abandoned the traditional house carol service in preference for an evening of entertainment, which incidentally was very successful, Miss Battye held a splendid cheese and wine party for the sixth form. We would like to thank her for her geniality and supreme loyalty to the house.

Still on a sad note, Miss Shulver, the Worcester matron, will be departing this year. The 4th October was Mrs. Saunders' birthday and the day she chose to retire. We hope that both will enjoy the freedom away from their various charges. Mrs. Saunders' successor arrived nearly six months ago and is already proving her worth.

In the staff stakes, three outsiders joined the girls' stables – Miss Butts, Miss Osborne and Miss Ward-Jones.

Miss Rootes has already named Mr. Wood to maintain the marriage form, so perhaps there will be little trees springing up soon.

It was good to have some Welsh fire in the house; but Miss Ward-Jones also left to get married, organising a sponsored carrot-munch before she went. (Some of the third form now seem to have incredibly good after-lights-out eyesight!)

In an attempt not to provide the tenth stainless steel butter dish as wedding presents for the two couples, Worcester Upper Sixth (all two of them!) raided Norwich and arrived panting at the Rowing Club 'bus stop. The furious faces were funny and the laughs free as the 'bus forgot to stop and pick them up – but have you ever tried hitching with a wicker-work chair and a huge basket of dried flowers?

Mr. Anderson joined on the boys' side this year. From the time of his arrival it was always to form that he would found the controversial 'Bird Club'. It was also apparent his interest was not confined to British birds.

It was great to have Mr. Patterson (plus guitar) still with us and we appreciate both his and Mr. Anderson's spirit of involvement in house affairs. We would like to also say a big "thank you" to all associated day staff and tutors.

Not all the activity has been confined to the staff and so great was our determination to outclass the other houses in the Mair Cup this year that Chas. Jenkins and Donna Curtis, aided and abetted by pianist John Pearson, commenced work before Christmas. We were very good and will say no more.

Against insurmountable odds the recorder group have moved on to the Cromer Festival of Music and have been invited to perform elsewhere.

York Group featured strongly in the production of "East Lynne". Judy Hall, Liz Drummond and Chas. Jenkins played leading rôles with aplomb whilst Barbara Hainer and Hilary Garrard hopped around back stage with mouthfuls of pins.

We too have E.E.C. fever. Jonathan Green has played rugby (?) in Rouen, Pip Unwin skied in the Alps and Donna Curtis has not yet got over her trip to France. Ruth Palmer was selected as one of two students from Norfolk to attend a seminar in Oberwesel on the Rhine, Liam Dark, Niel O'Shea, Barry Hipwell, Judy Hall, Ginny Abbey and Liz Drummond have just returned from Germany after five successful performances of "The Silver Whistle". Nearer home Sara explored one of the more obscure British Isles, braving the elements on Coll Island. We conclude with the following sporting awards:--

Netball Cup, Rugby 7's Cup, Basketball Cup, Intermediate Football, Team Squash Cup, (A. Andrew Macdonald taking the Individual Trophy,) 'Lions' were awarded to H. Philpott, G. O'Shea, A. Macdonald, P. Gibson, J. Green and Sue Nunn. At the county netball trials Sally Lucas, Julie Lawson, and Debbie Love were selected to play for Norfolk.

> Hedley Philpott Sara Dearden Brian Rowles Ruth Palmer

STAFF

MISS M.E. COLLS: We are all grateful to Miss Colls, who has served Wymondham College so well for many years.

Miss Colls has not only guided the Art teaching at Wymondham College but has held responsible positions as House Mistress and in the last year has been a Senior Assistant House Warden in a mixed house. Many generations of girls have good reason to be grateful to Miss Colls who is unflappable and whose common sense and understanding of girls and their problems has been such a steadying influence in the boarding house. Miss Colls is hoping to find more time for her painting in her retirement from teaching and we all look forward to seeing an exhibition of her work in the Norwich Assembly Rooms in two years' time. May Miss Colls enjoy many years of good health and strength in a well-earned retirement.

R. Wolsey

AN INTERVIEW WITH MISS COLLS

I was given the job of interviewing Miss Colls, and I met her in her flat, a place familiar to many previous generations of Wells House girls, as is the ginger cat who came to see me. She gave me the best armchair and began to tell me about her career.

Miss Colls was born in Norwich, and after Norwich High School went on to gain a Teacher's Art Diploma at Norwich College. Her first teaching post was at the First Ladies' College in Guernsey, and before the Germans arrived she was evacuated with the school to Denby in N. Wales. It was from here that Miss Colls joined the W.R.A.F. and served with Bomber Command until 1945. After this she settled down at Maidenhead County Girls' School. She remained there until 1956 when she took up the post of arts and crafts teacher and housemistress at Wymondham College. She was in charge of East House Girls, who moved into a block in 1959 and became Wells House.

It is with much regret that we say goodbye to Miss Colls. She will be remembered by all, especially the girls in her own house, as always being cheerful and helpful, and ready to offer advice or guidance. She will be greatly missed by everyone, and we would like to wish her every happiness in her well deserved retirement,

Ruth Green

THE REV. R. PURCHASE. At the end of the Christmas term we lost the services of Roger Purchase, who was for several years Senior Master of the County Grammar School, and subsequently Day Warden of the College. One could hardly miss his imposing presence around the College during the years since his arrival in 1966, and a memorable feature of his relationship with the pupils was his intense interest in their welfare and happiness. His new post is not far from Wymondham, for he is now Head of Humanities at the Hewitt School in Norwich. At the end of the Summer Term we shall be bidding farewell to a number of colleagues, and we regret there is not adequate space to do them all justice.

The REV. E.J. BUCK has been a visiting teacher for many years, and we shall miss his geniality, sincerity and intellectual discourse. Although he is retiring from teaching, he will not be far away in his parish of Wicklewood, and we hope he will not fail to visit us in the future.

MISS A. CHENERY of the Maths Department has always been an unstinting and cheerful worker both on the secular and the religious side of College life. She has now decided to go to The London Bible College in order to gain further qualifications in connection with her future career, and we wish her well.

MR. J.A. DAVIES, an all-round sportsman and athlete, whose ebullient personality and good humour will be greatly missed, has taught Chemistry here for the last three years. He is now returning to the mountains of his Welsh homeland, and is going to teach at a school with the interesting name of Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan, Abergele.

MRS. DAVIES, who spent most of her career at the College as Miss Ashall, is of course accompanying her husband to Wales. Her talent for needlework and dressmaking has had considerable impact on the development of the department, and producers of school plays have been grateful for her skilful help with the costumes. We wish both of them a very happy and prosperous married life.

MR. C. DOHERTY has had a temporary appointment in the English department for the last two terms, and has impressed both by his teaching and his entertainment ability with the Folk Club.

MR. D. ELLIS is taking up the post of Head of the Languages Department at Hellesdon School. The Folk Club has owed a lot to his enthusiasm, and he has also been a great help on the games side of the College. His colleagues will remember his straightforward and forthright personality.

MLLE. PONS has been French Assistante for the last year, and will be remembered for her warm personality and Gallic charm.

MISS A. ROUND has been for the last year in the Modern Languages Department. The fluency of her German was of particular help on the recent drama trip to Mayen. We wish her happiness and success in the future.

MR. D. TUOHY has had a brief stay of two terms. His cheerful personality has made him popular, and the Maths Department in particular will be sorry to lose his services.

MR. D. WALKER has been a quiet and efficient member of the Physics Department for the past two years, and is now transferring to Thorpe St. Andrews. We wish him all success in his new post. MISS A. HARDEN. Also at Christmas Ann Harden left after nearly two years as Housemistress of Winchester, and Senior Girls' P.E. mistress. Her high standard of discipline and keen sense of humour are particularly remembered by those who knew her. She was married on Friday, 13th April, to Mr. T.A. Tinker, and is at present living in Florida, U.S.A. We trust that the date of her marriage will not prove inauspicious, and we wish her a very happy future.

MISS D. MANN, another who left at Christmas, had taught mathematics here since 1968. Conscientious and down-to-earth, she has been greatly missed – especially by her colleagues in the Maths Department. Her new post is at Lincoln High School, where we hear she is enjoying her new surroundings.

At Easter we said goodbye to MISS WARD-JONES, whose effervescent personality and Celtic panache added colour to the teaching scene for her five terms here as a teacher of English; to MISS PICKERING, (Creative Design), who is returning to New Zealand by the overland route, and is remembered by her colleagues as an excellent ambassador for her country; and to FRAULEIN S. BULACH, the German assistante, who has now returned to her own country.

MRS. H. DENNISON came to teach History in 1970, and within a term was appointed Housemistress of Washington. She was a much travelled teacher who has once more felt the call of the East, and is now on the administrative staff of the Brunei education authority. Her quiet efficiency was a notable feature of her stay at the College.

MR. I. GILES has been with the Creative Design Department for three terms, and is now moving to the Broadland School at Wroxham. We wish him success in his future career.

MISS M. KING has been a member of the English Department for the last 18 years, and is now retiring from teaching. For a number of years she ran the secretarial courses in Hut 13, and many girls have reason to be grateful for her quiet and efficient guidance. For a decade she was the girls' careers mistress, and recently has assisted in the Library. We shall remember her calm personality and keen sense of humour. She will not be far away from the College in her retirement, and we wish her every happiness in her notable Elizabethan house, where the exotic collection of birds is a feature of Morley village.

MR. R. NOBLE has been at the College as a member of the Geography Department since 1966. For 3 years he was a popular and efficient Housemaster of Norwich House, whose tradition of music and keen intellectual discussion greatly benefited by his fine tenor voice and outspoken opinions. He is a keen sportsman, and has been unstinting in the time he has given to the cricket of the school in particular. We are all glad that a difficult year for the Nobles – broken arm, fire in the kitchen! – has ended on a happy note with his promotion to the post of Head of the Upper School at St. Nicholas Comprehensive School, Basildon, Essex.

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"I just didn't know what I was missing when I worked in an office. I've got real prospects now. Prospects for a good career with a future and equal pay. Eventually I'd like to become a tutor at a Midland training college." Martina Sheil – 21.

Write to: The District Staff Supt., Midland Bank Ltd., Castle House, Castle Meadow, Norwich, NOR 02A. Midland Bank A Great British Bank At the beginning of the Spring Term MR. J.E. MATTHEWS arrived to take over the Languages Department left vacant by Mr. Boothroyd's move to Cheshire, Mr. Gooday having guided its affairs in the interim term. At Easter MRS. DALTON joined the Creative Design Department as a part-time teacher.

Next term we shal be welcoming Miss Burley (English), Mr. Chedgey (Senior Art Master), Mr. Dearden (Humanities), Mr. Edwards (Creative Design), Miss Higgins (English), Miss Hoyland (Science), Mrs. Jordan (Tutor Librarian), Miss Langley (Creative Design), Mr. Morrish (Mathematics), Mr. Neale (Creative Design), Mr. Pouliquen (Languages),

Mr. Sethna (Humanities), Miss Smith (Humanities), Mr. Woodrow (Mathematics), Miss Wright (Mathematics).

There have been a number of internal staff changes during the year. MRS. MACBEATH has been appointed Senior Mistress. MRS. TYLER became Housemistress of Winchester House, and next term will be Assistant Housewarden of Cavell Hall. THE REV. A.W. HISCOX becomes the Housewarden of Cavell Hall, MR. RUTHERFORD the Housewarden of Cavell Hall, MR. RUTHERFORD the Housewarden of Lincoln Hall, with MRS. RUTHERFORD as his Assistant Housewarden, MR. WILSON has been appointed Head of Humanities, and MR. SEELEY Warden of Societies, and MR. SAYER, The Housewarden of Peel Hall.

NEWS OF FORMER PUPILS

Congratulations to:

CHARLES SIMMONS: 1st Class Honours in Mechanical Engineering at Brunel University. He was also given the Institute of Mechanical Engineering Prize for the outstanding project of his year.

KEVIN IRELAND: Upper 2nd Class Honours in Psychology, Sociology and Economics at Brunel. P.J. HADFIELD: Bachelor of Technology in Applied Chemistry at Brunel.

D. BATCHELOR: 2nd Class Honours in Building at the University of Aston.

J. WARREN: 2nd Class Honours in Building at the University of Aston.

A. BELISARIO: Upper 2nd Honours in Production Technology at Brunel.

P. BLACKWELL: 2nd Class Honours in Chemical Engineering at Bradford.

ANN WRIGHT: 2nd Class Honours in Pharmacy at the University of London.

C. LANCASTER: Ordinary Degree in Electrical Engineering at Aston.

K. NOBBS: 2nd Class Honours in Chemical Engineering at Aston,

A. GEORGE: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering at Portsmouth Polytechnic.

N. DEXTER: 2nd Class Honours in Applied Chemistry at Lanchester Polytechnic, Coventry. He is to work at Cortaulds. C. THATCHER: 3rd Class Honours in Modern Languages, Oxford University.

SHARON SKEA has obtained the Royal Society C. of A. Bronze Medal typewriting certificate. She was equal 1st with two others out of 9,000 candidates. A. HOOD: 1st Class Honours, Diploma of Art and Design, at St. Martin's Art School, London. He is now working in commercial art.

We regret that news of former pupils is again in short supply, and realise that there must be many interesting items omitted. Please send to the Editor if you have news of former pupils of the College or C.G.S.

THE WYMONDHAM COLLEGE PARENT-STAFF ASSOCIATION

This Association was inaugurated on 13th November, 1972, less than two months after the overwhelming vote at each of the three very well attended meetings of parents, guardians and staff, in favour of forming a Parent-Staff Association. The draft Constitution was formally adopted on 7th May, 1973 at the first Annual General Meeting.

Primarily, the object of the Association is to advance the education of pupils, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities not normally provided by the Local Education Authority. In furtherance of this object, the Association intends to foster extended relationships between staff, parents, and others associated with the College, and organise fund-raising activities. All parents and guardians of College pupils are eligible for membership.

A balanced programme, forward to Spring 1974, has been planned, including informal lectures, social functions, and other fund-raising events. So far, the support from parents and guardians has been encouraging. Between the P.S.A. and the Norfolk Education Committee, the College has been provided with 5 overhead projectors, hopefully, the first of many. A regular Newsletter is produced and circulated toward the end of each half-term. Uniform and sports equipment exchange facilities have started. Future events include a Summer "Fayre" in July, a Wine and Cheese Evening in October, the first Careers Talk in November, and the Annual Dinner Dance in March.

The need of a re-building programme for the College classrooms has been actively pursued by the P-S.A., who were well supported by most parents and guardians. This matter was brought to the direct attention of the Secretary of State for Eduction and Science, as one meriting extreme urgency, and met with partial success. Wymondham College has now been brought forward to the 1975/6 programme for part-replacement. The P-S.A. will continue to press until a comprehensive plan for the complete replacement is agreed, and make every attempt to avoid a piecemeal plan. In the same way, the replacement of inadequate classroom furniture will be fully investigated by the P-S.A., and every means available used to effect these long-overdue replacements, in particular, those tables and desks too small for the fifth and sixth formers.

The P-S.A. is a vital and active extension to the life of the College. To be effective, and thus give the maximum benefit to the pupils, it must be supported. Funds raised by functions are too valuable to be used for the administration of the P-S.A., these funds being earmarked to provide new and replacement educational, sports, and leisure equipment for the pupils. Running costs must therefore come from the P-S.A.'s membership subscriptions.

Has your family joined yet? The cost per family is only 30p. annually, and covers the full period of any number of pupils attending the College. Alternatively, a once-only subscriptions can be taken out, costing £1.50. Application forms have been sent home, and others are available from the P-S.A. office during school times. Please help us to help the pupils by joining the Association now.

R.E. Bale, P.R.O.

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CHAPEL NOTES

The Junior Sunday Services have taken various forms and have been led by the Chaplains.

In addition to the Warden and Chaplains, the following have preached in the Senior Services:

Autumn Term: Mrs. Lincoln Ralphs, The Revs. C.D. Blount, H.T. Hughes, D. Melville-Jones, Canon G. Thurlow.

Spring Term: The Bishop of Thetford, The Revs. P.E. Turton, N.B. Marsh.

Summer Term: The Revs. H.T. Hughes, G.T. Eddy, D. Melvilte-Jones.

The Carol Service on the last Sunday evening of the Autumn Term was especially memorable. There was a large congregation and everyone entered into the spirit of the service.

We are grateful to those who contribute to our services in various ways; to Mr. McBeath, Mr. Saunders, J. Pearson and the choirs, for their help with the music; to the members of staff and the girls who arrange the flowers so tastefully week by week; and last, but not least, to Mrs. Whinnery who looks after the Chapel with such cheerfulness.

On Mondays Assemblies have been held in the individual Houses, while on Fridays Assemblies have been on a year basis. Pairs of Houses have met for Assemblies in the Chapel, Butler Hall and Tomlinson Hall on the other days.

A small committee consisting of the Chaplains and members of staff have chosen weekly themes and suggested readings, hymns and music, for the Summer Term. It is hoped to develop this further in the next School Year.

A.W.H.

INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The College I.S.C.F., over the past year, has seen and said goodbye to many faces. David Anderson, our chaplain, left us last summer, and in September we welcomed Rev. John Tanburn in his place. We have had the pleasure of many visiting speakers, in particular David Saunders, who gave an informal talk in the "Dip" last summer, attended by over eighty people. As many came to see the Christian Union film, "God and the Atom".

The "world-famous" Graham Kendrick appeared in the Rec-room in front of nearly one hundred spectators, after a surprise invitation from Miss Chenery the previous day.

I finish on a sad note, for we have recently heard that Miss Chenery, our leader, is leaving in July in order to attend a two year course for a diploma at a theological college. We all wish her the very best of luck and happiness in her new future.

Jeremy Betts (Acting Sec.)

SOCIAL SERVICE



FEELINGS AFTER A FIRST VISIT "When I am with someone mentally ill and distressed, I want to reach out, touch them, stroke them, reassure them. But somehow there is an indefinable barrier between him and myself; something intangible which cannot be touched or removed -- and yet it restricts me. It is this which breaks my heart."

HELLESDON HOSPITAL

There are over seven hundred patients at Hellesdon Hospital. Many have 'friends' and relatives in the near vicinity yet few have any visitors. The general excuses are "They live too far away" or "They are too busy".

The patients get up about eight every morning and the day's routine begins. After breakfast the morning is passed by sewing, knitting etc. Then comes lunch. During the afternoons it seems that the patients just sit around, many simply stare into space. A background noise is provided by the radio or television. The nurses encourage them to go out but many have lost the incentive and can no longer be bothered. Tea is about five o'clock and the majority are in bed by 8.30 p.m. The sheer monotony of this routine is enough to affect anyone. It is not surprising that visits from outsiders are so greatly appreciated and looked forward to. Unfortunately it is not possible to visit all seven hundred patients but it still helps to know that someone cares - and our reward is when patients remember our faces from week to week,

Many staff and pupils wonder just what we do at-Hellesdon. The answer: talk to people. It seems so little — yet it can mean so much.

About one in eleven people spend some part of their lives in a similar institution or hopsital. They are not abnormal, just ill. This one could be you and one day you might appreciate some attention.

This year Wymondham College has presented a musical concert, and a party of patients were entertained at the Junior Opera. Both these events were greatly appreciated and our thanks to all concerned. Saturday visits have been steadily maintained. We were invited to represent the school on the Hellesdon Hospital Voluntary Services Committee, and have attended meetings throughout the year. Thanks go to Tony Otway for his advice during the beginning of the year.

On behalf of the H.H.V.S. Committee and hospital staff, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those pupils who so readily give up their free time to help others less fortunate than themselves.

Hilary Garrard Janet Southwood

LOCAL VISITING

After a good response to the visiting at the beginning of the year, we have succeeded in bringing help and friendship to some of the old people in Morley and the surrounding areas.

Those we visited seemed genuinely to enjoy and appreciate our visits, where we did anything from chatting and making tea to gardening and interior decorating.

Early in January we were saddened to hear of the death of Mr. Norton, one of our old people.

We would like to thank Rev. J. Tanburn who organised and helped us with any of our problems; to John Woodman for time and services rendered in looking after our [dare I say it] trusty metal steeds, and to everyone else who made our visits possible.

We hope that the support and interest shown this year will be maintained in the years to come.

Virginia Abbey

KETTS LODGE - WYMONDHAM

Being old is being lonely. Everyday the life of an old person is exactly the same. The only news being something like, "Mrs. Jones in the next common room died last night".

Our aim in the social servicing group at Ketts Lodge is to bring light and more important – life, into the hearts of the old people. Chatting about everyday occurrences and local news makes the job seem really worthwhile when you see the change in the atmosphere. It is far more cheering to see a smiling face, rather than a despondent one.

We would just like to thank the Rev. Tanburn and Mrs. Mansfield for all their help and guidance over the past year.

> Deirdre Bewers Elizabeth Browning Sally Anne Derbyshire Diana Foreman

Music THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

This session has seen the withdrawal of the "teaching-room outposts" from various corners of the College, to a more compact unit situated mainly in the restored Block 17 where all the string, most of the piano, and the individual vocal teaching take place. Two rooms in Block 14 are, as formerly, used by the brass and woodwind teachers.

In September, Mr. Simon Sanders, a native of Norfolk, educated at Dartington Hall, joined the staff as Assistant Music Master, and as a brass player himself, he has taken over the direction of the School Band, After a great many years of piano teaching in the College, Mr. Evans retired at the end of last Summer term and has been succeeded by Mr. Roland Izzard, a former member of the B.B.C. Singers, now resident in Watton.

Our stock of brass and woodwind instruments has been augmented by the addition of an oboe, three clarinets, two saxophones, a double French horn and a tuba (to be delivered sometime in the Summer term). A new and sophisticated audio system has been acquired; this includes a tape-recorder, radio and record-turntable, and will provide the facility for reproducing school radio broadcasts.

The number of string pupils has increased considerably this session, and under the direction of Mrs. McBeath there are now two string orchestras, one Junior and one Semior, the latter making a very successful debut in the Easter Concert.

Another new activity is the Wind Chamber Ensemble which meets during lunch-time on Mondays – this Ensemble also made its debut in the Easter Concert.

A Junior Chapel Choir has been formed and now leads the singing at the 9.30 Sunday Services. The Senior Chapel Choir, last term, sang two anthems – Haydn's "The Heavens are telling" and a movement from Vivaldi's "Gloria".

EXAMINATION CANDIDATES:-

THEORY

July 1972		FEBRUARY 1973		
Anne Ashworth	Grade 5	John Pearson	Gd. 7	Piano. Meri
Angela Savage Judith Hipkin Tessa Wright		Penny Atkinson Carolyn Frost	Gd. 6 Gd. 6	Piano Piano
Lesley Breese Aliston Birchall Penny Atkinson Susan Wilkie Rachel Price Wendy Hill		Jean Kirby Donna Curtis Jeremy Betts	Gd. 5 Gd. 5 Gd. 5	Piano Trombone Trombone
		lan Jones Andrew Watson Laureen Clifton	Gd. 3 Gd. 3 Gd <i>.</i> 3	Trumpet Cello Piano
Susan Caddy Jan Turner		Stacy Henderson Nicholas Hughes Jane Ashworth	Gd. 2 Gd. 2 Gd. 2	Piano Piano Piano

DECEMBER 1972

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Sarah Burghart Eliz. Browning Sheila Beck		Grade 6 '' 5
Christine Mallett Felicity Parrott Susan Jeffs		Grade 4
Julie Belcher Louise Wigg		" 1
February 1973		
Eliz. Epps Jeremy Betts Helen Little Rosemary Hill Hilary Clay Eliz. Lambert		Grade 5
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Susan Wilkie Mary Weston	Gd. 5 Gd. 5	Piano Piano
Gillian Trollope	Gd. 5	Clarinet. Merit
Jean Kirby	Gd. 4	Piano. Distinction
Sarah Sheppardson Lesley Breese	Gd. 4 Gd. 4	Piano Piano
Alison Birchall	Gd. 3	Clarinet. Merit
Debby Scotton	Gd. 3	Piano
David Scotton	Gd. 3	Piano B:
Eliz. Lambert	Gd. 2	Piano
K. Somers-Joce Lindsay Farthing	Gd. 1 Gd. 1	Piano Piano
NOVEMBER 1972		
Judith Harwood	Gd. 7	Viola
Wendy Hill	Gd. 6	Violin
Joanna Bassingthwaighte	Gd. 6	Violin
Rachel Price	Gd. 6	Piano
Rosa Ainley	Gd. 5	Piano
Andrew Moll	Gd. 4	Piano
Ann Muncilla	Gd. 3	Piano
Anne Ashworth Francis Moll	Gd. 2 Gd. 2	Piano Piano
FEBRUARY 1973		
John Pearson	Gd. 7	Piano. Merit
Penny Atkinson Carolyn Frost	Gd. 6 Gd. 6	Piano Piano
Jean Kirby	Gd. 5	Piano
Donna Curtis Jeremy Betts	Gd. 5 Gd. 5	Trombone Trombone
lan Jones	Gd. 3	Trumpet
Andrew Watson Laureen Clifton	Gd. 3	Cello
	Gd. 3	Piano
Stacy Henderson Nicholas Hughes	Gd. 2 Gd. 2	Piano Piano

LET'S MAKE AN OPERA

For the first time, Juniors were able to take part in an opera production when the College presented Benjamin Britten's "Let's make an opera!" — an entertainment for young people, on Wednesday 29th November, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December. The first two acts are in the form of a play, and illustrate the preparation and rehearsal of "The Little Sweep", a

Drama

children's opera which is performed in Act 3, the whole action taking place in neighbouring Suffolk at the beginning of last century. The choice of opera, very different in style from the College's traditional productions of Gilbert and Sullivan, met with rather a mixed reception, but as Disraeli said over 100 years ago,

"Change in inevitable. In a progressive country, change is constant."

CHARACTERS

Anne Dougall	Juliet Brook	CHERYL FEW
Pamela Wilton	Rowan, nurserymaid to the Woodbridge cousins	ROSEMARY JACOBS
Max Westleton	Clem, <i>Bob's son and assistant</i> Alfred, <i>gardener at Iken Hall</i>	IAN RIPPON
Norman Chaffinch	Black Bob <i>, a brutal sweepmaster</i> Tom, <i>the coachman from Woodbridge</i>	STEPHEN SPENCER
Gladys Parworthy	Miss Baggott, housekeeper at Iken Hall	JOANNA BASSINGTHWAIGHTE
OF THE PLAY	OF THE OPERA	

CHILDREN

Bruce Monica Peta Mavis Ralph John Gay Brook Sophie Brook Jon Crome Tina Crome Hughie Crome Sam, the sweep boy MARTIN YOUNG LYNNE WHITE SUSAN EVANS LYNNE POWLES DAVID CHAPMAN LLOYD CROSS

FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN

Rosa Ainley; Julie Belcher; Lyn Dobson; Gillian Emmanuel; Jacqueline Harte; Allyson Hawksworth; Joy Hooi; Richard Martin; Jonathan Watts; Linda Truluck; Tania Mallows; Margo Stone. *Also singing Juliet's aria:* Kathryn Timbers; Heather Skea; Ruth Green; Jacqueline Wren.

CONDUCTOR: MR. BARRY M. McBEATH.

PRODUCER: MR. R.J. ELLIOTT.

THE MAIR CUP

From the very first week of the Spring term, Sunday 4th March was the vital date which created excitement and caused many an aspiring heart to miss a beat — this was the day when each House would present to the rest of the College, the results of their weeks of hard work, and challenge for the honour of winning the coveted cup.

Last year, I complimented the House Music Captains for their high degree of enthusiasm and optimism, for they deserved such praise. This year they were even more enthusiastic and optimistic, more adventurous and imaginative, producing performances of great variety and polish, with an incredible amount of talent. It was very encouraging to see the high proportion of pupils per House, involved; indeed, one House boasted 100% involvement — full marks to those House Music Captains for their exemplary powers of persuasion! I am full of admiration for all those who took part in the House Music Competition, for their industrious and enthusiastic approach, and for their integrity in striving for as high a standard as they could achieve. Congratulations to the winners, WINCHESTER/GLOUCESTER and to the runners-up, PEEL HALL.

THE MAIR CUP COMPETITION Sunday 4th March 1973 in The Sports Hall

Adjudicator: Mr. Michael Nicholas, M.A. (Oxon)., F.R.C.O. (CHM), Organist and Master of the Choir, Norwich Cathedral.

PEEL HALL ELIZABETH FRY HALL 1. Mixed Choir 'My Lord What a Morning' --Where I'm Bound 1. Folk Song Golden Sonata (Adagio & Spiritual 2. Violin Duet 2. Folk Group 'Poem on the Underground Canzona) — Purcell Wall' - Paul Simon Lonesome Valley - White 3 3. Clarinet Duo 'Cherry Ripe' - Horn Spiritual 4. Girls' Choir 'Tod und Schlaf' – Havdn Melancholy Man 4. House Choir/Solo 5. Violin Bourrée – Handel Wipe Out 5. 6. Madrigal 'Fair Phyllis I Saw' - Farmer House Music Captains: Joanna Bassingthwaighte 7. Choir with Christopher Parnham 'Feeling' Groovy' - Paul Simor Accompaniment YORK/WORCESTER GROUP House Music Captains: Rosemary Jacobs Simon Marfleet Beguine – Brian Bonsor 1. Recorder Group 'All in the April Evening' Commere: Katherine Howard 2. 2 Part Vocal 'Knights in White Satin' 3. Folk Group KETT HALL 4. Piano Solo 'Waters of Babylon' 5. Senior Choir 1. House Choir 'I'd Like to Teach the World 6. Wind Ensemble Canada March to Sing' 7. House Choir Maxwell Silver Hammer Skip to my Lou 2. Recorders/Flute House Music Captains: Donna Curtis 3. Folk Group Train in G Major 4. Choir 'I am a Rock' **Charles Jenkins** 5. Clarinet/Piano Air - Muffat GLOUCESTER/WINCHESTER GROUP 6. Boys' Choir 'Ah! Me' The Surprise Picnic - arr. House Music Captains: Mary Weston 1. Gloucester Brass 4 Sanders **David Bowyer** 2. Piano

Moonlight Sonata (1st Move-NEW HALL ment) - Beethoven This is the Day - Anon. 1. Junior Choir 'Yesterday' - Lennon & Mc-(c.1600) Cartney Czardas – Monti 2. Piano Duet Moon River - Anon. Death Cab for Cutie - Stan-5. Parsley and the 3. Senior Group 'What Could be Nicer' – Shufflers shall and Innes Gilbert O'Sullivan Go Down Moses - Spiritual 6. House Choir 4. Vocal Solo 'Without You' Melody from Symphony 40 -7. Organ & Flute 5. Senior Choir 'Part of the Union' Mozart House Music Captains: Elizabeth Browning House Music Captains: Judith Harwood Colin Shoolbraid Steven Larwood

3. Madrigal

4. Organ



'EAST LYNNE' or 'LADY ISABEL'S SHAME'

The term 'Melodrama' means a combination of music (melo-) and drama. When the conventional melodrama originated during the nineteenth century, it was accompanied by a musical score just as a feature film is today. This music underlined the emotional qualities of the scenes and helped in achieving the desired response from the audience. In the Senior Theatre Workshop production of 'East Lynne' one tune was evident, and although the play did not follow the precedent of continuous musical accompaniment, it was difficult not to leave Tomlinson Hall either singing or humming the theme, realising that the lyrics of the song have proved tragi-comically true.

The world depicted by melodrama is one in which deeds and characters are separated by clear-cut moral distinctions and for the audience the emotional appeals are basic: the arousal of pity and indignation at the wrongful oppression of good people, and of intense dislike for the wicked oppressors. Francis Levison proves the Machiavellian in this plot and his evil designs upon Isabel Carlyle show us that unfounded jealousy and revenge can bring about the downfall of even the most demure and almost perfect. In the conventional melodrama the characters do not change psychologically or morally, and this is so with all the characters in 'East Lynne' except Lady Isabel, who in order to make the point of the play complete, must realise her gross mistake and accept the ensuing punishment.

'East Lynne' is not a well-written melodrama in that it fails to make the distinction between the 'larger than life' quality of true melodrama and the naturalism of the Theatre of Reality – a technique which is deliberately used in Black Comedy with success, but is unsuccessful in this genre as it confuses the emotions of the audience – and the actors – in good melodrama the audience know exactly what is expected of them. However, despite the failings of the play itself, the Senior Theatre Workshop reached a high standard of performance which made good use of the talents of the cast.

Martin Liddament proved very masterful as Archibald Carlyle the infallible solicitor, who dealt calmly with his piercing sister Cornelia, ably played by Elizabeth Drummond. Janet Slater as Lady Isabel demonstrated a wide acting range in a very demanding role. Barbara Hare, the young lady not-so-secretly in love with Archibald was given elegance and style by Judith Hall, and Stephen Goymer as the arch-villain Levison, was well worth the hissings and booings which are the just deservings of such a rogue. Richard Hare was portrayed as a Norfolk country-bumpkin by Charles Jenkins, Simon Perkins was Lord Mountsevern, and the two maids Joyce (Teresa Wilson-Pepper) and Wilson (Stacey Henderson) were also wellacted.

In creating the right atmosphere for a period play the costume, scenery and make-up are very important, and in this production this atmosphere was given by only a minimum of detail - the subtle art of these theatre studies. Productions are seldom successful without an efficient backstage crew and this was under the control of Lynette Cann: David Smith and Ralph Purvis controlled the lighting; Barbara Haines and Hilary Garrard maintained the costumes, and made them when it was impossible to acquire; Catherine Howard and Rosemary Jacobs were 'dab-hands' with the make-up; and the pianoforte was ably played by John Pearson, Mr. D.J. Pugh was the Producer who made the whole venture possible, bringing 'East Lynne' to Wymondham, and 'Lady Isabel's Shame' as a good lesson to all those who may be tempted to listen to the words of the wicked.

R.J.E.

DRAMA TRIP TO MAYEN, WHITSUN 1973

Thursday May 17th saw the cast of "The Silver Whistle", plus "dogs-Bodies" effectively disguised as 6th Form girls, setting off for Germany aboard a Spratts coach. A slight detour to collect Mr. Mitchell's forgotten passport added interest to an otherwise uneventful drive to Harwich. We sailed at ten. Unfortunately the sea was rough, and several members of the troupe spent some of the night head-down over the side. At 6-30 we boarded a train with an overenthusiastic driver, which luckily took us to Koblenz while we ate breakfast and dozed fitfully. Herr Wyrwohl, the headmaster of the school which was to be our headquarters, took us by coach from Koblenz, and we were collected by our hosts in Mayen.

On Saturday rehearsals began in earnest; a few problems arose when we tried to instruct the Germans in improvisation, but on Monday most of them were responding well and progress was made. The coming days saw us on German television, in German newspapers, on the Lorelei rock, sailing on the Rhine and Mosel in the rain, entertaining adults, teenagers and infants, visiting beautiful villages and viewing magnificent castles, and enjoying ourselves hugely. In no time at all we were giving our last performance, after which we were presented with a Mayen medal and a print of Mayen. On May 30th we left the town, having been given a souvenir each by Herr Wyrwohl. We boarded the ferry to Harwich, and the coach took us to the deserted College.

The trip was the first of its kind, and can only be described as a great success. I am sure we helped the Germans a great deal, and they certainly repaid us with their hospitality. I sincerely hope that there will be other similar trips. The thanks of all the party go to Mr. Elliott and his wife, to Miss Round, our invaluable interpreter, and to Mr. Mitchell, the County Drama Adviser, for initiating and supervising the whole enterprise.

Judy Walsh, 6th Year



Clubs and Societies



THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

As ever, the junior section of the society keeps on flourishing. We have a lot of new members from the First Year, which is a good sign for the society's future. We meet regularly in 28A at 1.20 p.m. on Thursdays, Meetings have been interesting. There has been a wide range of subjects covered, Especially enjoyable were: the lecture by Mr. Doherty and his different technique of delivery on the history of ancient astronomy, and also the high standard of talks delivered by Steven Cushion, Our most knowledgeable and enthusiastic speaker is probably Andrew Allen, Other willing and able speakers have been: Graham Connolly, Paul Hill, Christopher Chenery and Andrew Clough, not forgetting our 1st year lecturer, Richard Martin! Also without the continual support of our group of twenty-five regular members, the society could not exist at such a pleasing level.

At the time of going to press we are organizing a visit to the Planetarium and Madame Tussaud's in London which the committee hope the members will enjoy. We hope also to show the controversial film, "Chariots of the Gods" next term.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr. Paxton and two new members of staff, Mr. Doherty and Mr. Cuthbert, for their time and help.

Anthony Springall (34)



BIRD CLUB

Although this is probably one of the most successful societies in the school, the many activities of the Bird Club appear to go unnoticed by all but the members themselves, due, no doubt, in part to the unusual times of day we choose to pursue our interest.

The society was founded by Mr. K. Anderson, who has a good working knowledge of most species but whose main interest lies in waders, being an active member of the Wash Wader Ringing Group. Bird watching being the main aim of the club, the emphasis has been placed on field work and a number of excursions have therefore been made. The first, on 28th September, was to Shropham Fen where a Little Owl was spotted; and an early flock of Redwings was seen at Hargham Heath at the beginning of October.

On 18th November Mr. Anderson, Mr. Poulton and five boys travelled the North Norfolk coast from Cley to Titchwell seeing mostly waders and wildfowl, including Oystercatcher, Redshank, Wigeon and Shoveler. Some other interesting species seen were Golden Plover, Snow Bunting and the less common Shore Lark at Cley, and Bar-tailed Godwit at Titchwell.

A visit to the acclaimed R.S.P.B. reserve at Minsmere, Suffolk, in December, proved to be worthwhile in that we saw, amongst the more usual waterfowl, three Avocets – one of our rarest breeding birds, and a pair of Stonechats.

In January Mr. Charles Cuthbert joined us and the benefit of his ornithological experience has been felt on all occasions.

More interesting birds were seen on visits to the North Norfolk coast this year. Mr. Poulton took a party of ten boys to Hunstanton on February 4th, where a Red-throated Diver was seen. At Titchwell some Twite and a Black-tailed Godwit were seen. On subsequent dates a Water Rail and three rarities, Spoonbill, Temminck's Stint and Wood Sandpiper were seen at Cley.

Other pursuits of the Bird Club have been the making of ten nest boxes which have been nailed on various trees throughout the College site. Mr. Mullenger kindly constructed for us a Tawny Owl nest box. Made of oak, this box measured three feet by seven inches square. It was wired onto an elm tree in the woods by Jonathon Green, who daringly climbed to a height of over thirty feet by means of ropes and a ladder, and with the help of Mr. Anderson and Ben Aldiss he almost attached himself to the tree, but came down one and a half hours later, victorious.

Various lectures and slide shows have been held throughout the year, subjects including "Birds in Iceland" and "Kittiwake colonies near Aberdeen." A visit was made behind the scenes at Norwich Castle Museum, and a "Common Bird Census" for the British Trust for Ornithology has been carried out. The census was taken on two Saturday mornings in the Spring term and on most Saturdays of the Summer term. In command was Mr. Cuthbert, who conducted the survey in the grounds of the College with the help of Mr. Anderson, Mr. Poulton, B. Aldiss, J. Green and R. Harding. The results of the survey will eventually be published.

The future plans for the club include, amalgamation with the Natural History Society, the ringing of birds on the site and construction of more nest boxes.

The number of people interested in bird watching is encouraging but the lack of girls in the Club is rather a disappointment. New members are always welcome. Finally, on behalf of the Bird Club, I would like to thank Mr. Anderson for running the society so well, and also Mr. Cuthbert and Mr. Poulton for giving up so much of their time in driving us to all corners of East Anglia.

Ben Aldiss

THE BALLROOM CLUB

Members of the sixth and seventh years met for an hour, weekly, to learn the art of ballroom dancing.

At the outset, any onlooker may well have questioned what he saw: for although the atmosphere within was casual and friendly, the visual scene from without would have resembled the "dodgems". Not to mention the physical brutality; toes being stamped upon, shins kicked, and partners dragging one another around the room!

However, a great deal of effort was made by all and the standard attained was clearly shown at the culminating feature of the term's programme, a formal social. This event was attended by thirty pupils and six staff who together spent a most enjoyable evening dancing, conversing and consuming the buffet.

Next September it is hoped that membership will increase and that ballroom dancing will become more firmly established within the College.

E.M.F.

CHESS CLUB

This has been one of the most successful seasons ever. Both teams did well in the "Sunday Times" competition. The seniors were runners-up in their league and 2 players won prizes at the annual congress.

In addition 7 players have played for the Norfolk Under 19 team, viz:

L. Leach (3 times), M. Evans, I. Rippon, A. Rowland (twice) and D. Carlyle, R. Stanton and J. Woodman (once).

Also Evans and Mr. Poulton played once for the Norfolk Senior team.

Our performance in the National "Sunday Times" competition was our best ever; the 2nd team deservedly reaching the zone semi-final and the 1st team being unfortunate to draw Lowestoft (zone winners) in the quarter finals. Our 1st team were almost certainly the 2nd best in the zone.

This year's Congress at Wensum Lodge coincided with the Canaries' appearance at Wembley and with the Mair Cup (chess-playing shufflers in particular). Nevertheless, 12 players attended.

Symes finished 4th in the Junior County Championship, Barber won the Junior Major and Beck surprised everyone, himself included, by finishing runnerup in the senior championship. In doing so he defeated highly-rated players.

Within the school Gloucester retained the House Championship with New Hall again runners-up.

Early in the season the club was very well attended

with meetings of 35 and over (due either to the Fischer-Spassky match or to some rather gay advertisements). Unfortunately the early enthusiasm was not sustained and attendances accordingly slumped (as low as 4 at one time). The result of this is that the knock-out competitions are still not complete and may well have to be abandoned.

During the season 2 successful lightning tournaments have been held and on one occasion an evening of simultaneous chess was enjoyed by all who took part. If numbers had been more consistent after Christmas other such evenings could have been arranged.

Next year we shall need to strengthen the junior team, so, anyone interested, come and see us next year.



RESULTS

THE NORFOLK AND NORWICH SCHOOLS CHESS LEAGUE

	Senior	5	Junior	5
Hellesdon S.M. (H)	won	5-0	won	5-0
Thorpe G.S. (H)	won	3½-1½	lost	1-4
Eaton (C.N.S.) Sch.(H)	drew	21/2-21/2		
Norwich Sch. (H)			lost	1-4
Hewett Sch. (A)			Lost	2-3
Fakenham G.S. (A)	won	5-0	lost	11⁄2-31⁄2
Greshams Sch. (H)	won	5-0	won	4-1
Dene's High (Lowes-				
toft) (A)	lost	1½-3½		
Thetford G.S. (A)			lost	2-3
Framingham Earl (A)			won	5-0
Hamond's G. (Swaff-				
ham) (H)			won	5-0
Town Close (H)			drew	2½-2½
Gt, Yarmouth G.S. (H)	won	5-0	won	3-2
Earlham S.M. (H)	won	5-0		
Sprowston S.M. (A) "SUNDAY TIMES" ZC	NAL		drew	21⁄2-21⁄2

1st Team

Round 1		Bye
Round 2	v	Earlham (A) : won 5½-½
Round 3	v	Framlingham Col. (H) : walk-over
¼ finals	v	Dene's (Lowestoft) (A) : lost 1-5

2nd Team

Bve

- Round 2 v Culford (H) : drew 3-3 (won on handicap)
- Round 3 v Norwich Sch. (A) : won 4½-1½
- ¼ finals v Thorpe G.S. (H) : won 3½-2½

Round 1

Semi

finals v Soham V.C. (A) : lost ½-5½

Those who played were:

Senior League: D. Carlyle, L. Leach, M. Evans, I. Rippon, A. Rowland. Junior League: R. Symes, S. Higginbottom, L. Green, T. Barber, A. Hooper, M. Johnson, S. Roberts. "S.T." 1st team: D. Carlyle, L. Leach, M. Evans, I. Rippon, R. Symes, M. Johnson. "S.T." 2nd team: A. Rowland, J. Goodyer, J. Woodman, R. Stanton, P. Beck, T. Barber, L. Green.

During the season the following also represented the school in friendlies or at the Congress: N. Charrington, T. Copland, P. Marples, A. Wolstenholme.

The senior team can look forward to another successful season next year and there is plenty of hope for the juniors who recorded some commendable wins this year.

Finally, I would like to extend a vote of thanks to the following: Mr. Poulton and Mr. Wheeldon for supervising both club and matches, Evans for his sterling work as secretary, Carlyle, who captained so well in his own way, and Dene's H.S. for preventing us from becoming conceited.

L. Leach



THE JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

The Society's meetings this year were held in 7E. There has been a regular attendance of 30 and on a few occasions this figure rose to about 50. Motions ranged between "This House believes that ping-pong balls should be turned inside-out" and "This House believes in life after death". At times we could not find suitable motions and instead had a "Call my bluff", "Hat debate", "Balloon debate" or a "20 Questions". I would like to thank Mr. Paxton for helping us in hours of need by suggesting motions and chairing our meetings. Special thanks also to those brave people who spoke regularly at the debates, notably Cushion, Springall, Wright-Nooth, Paradise, Rutterford and Richard Martin, Earlier in the year Springall attempted a programme of speaking at all the debates, but sadly, owing to illness, he did not succeed.

Andrew Allen (39)



ECONOMICS SOCIETY

As we economists would say, the marginal propensity to consume the services of the economic society has shown some sensitivity to exogenous factors this year, but aggregate consumption has, at times, been increased by the multiplier effect.

Nevertheless it proved possible to produce diverse activities throughout the year which were generally well-received by members, undoubtedly encouraged by the excellent advertising material provided by Messrs, P.D. Robinson and Sons.

The film secretary was reasonably successful in choosing apt films, although certain Barclays Bank cartoons did not prove the most profitable. However, with additions to Society funds we hope to be able to improve the quality of the service next year.

The Society would particularly like to thank a friendly local bank manager, Chief Supt. Bennett, and Mr. L.J. Prance, the area secretary of the N.U.A.W., for sparing us their valuable time to give informative and interesting lectures. The C.I.S. meetings to which we were generally invited were of particular interest.

Linked with Economic Society activities were the three national business games in which members of the 6th and 7th years took part with great enthusiasm and varying degrees of success.

The Economics Association Conference for Sixth Formers at the U.E.A. provided an unusual opportunity to hear from university lecturers and to discuss economics with students from other schools and colleges in East Anglia.

There is no doubt that the practical market research experiment was the most successful meeting of the year, attracting record numbers to try their epicurean skills in defending Heinz against "inferior" brands of baked beans, and butter against margarine. The result - Sainsburys by far the the most economic buy, a combination of maximum satisfaction and minimum price being the deciding factors.

ENGINEERING SOCIETY 1972-3

Chairman: Vice-Chairman: Treasurer: Secretary: Film Secretaries: J.N.S. Herring. R.N. Tuck. K. Emmerson. M.M. Greenlee. R. Keeley and S. Mason.

After a late introduction to our programme the society was not disappointed with the lectures and films that were arranged.

The first lecture, from Mr. B.K. Day of "Crane Fruehauf Trailers Ltd.", accompanied by films and unexpected publicity, got the society off to an enthusiastic start.

After rather a hectic beginning to the "Philips" engagement, Mr. R.S. Smith gave an extremely competent lecture about the Hi-Fi equipment he brought along with him. A lively interest was shown by the number of people who remained to delve further into subjects he had raised, and for a closer look at the equipment.

Due to the interest shown in Philips, it was decided to invite them back to give a demonstration of their range of tape recorders. The informal atmosphere was welcomed by those attending.

The last lecture of this year was presented by the "Amoco Oil Company". Although not of the same depth as the other lectures, it gave a useful insight to the oil industry in the North Sea.

In addition to the lectures there were a variety of films, including ones about polyolefines and motor cycling.

The committee would like to thank members and visitors for their support of the W.C.E.S. in 1972/73, and wish is every success for the future.

Penny Start (Secretary)



FENCING CLUB

This year saw the reformation of the College Fencing Club, using the old equipment which was saved from the gymnasium.

Some thirty budding Errol Flynns (and Flynnesses) met in the Sportshall each Monday under the tuition of Mr. Saunders for an hour and a half of prod and slice. We were at first severely handicapped by lack of equipment, but Thorpe Grammar School kindly allowed occasional performances. Plans for next year include us the loan of their redundant foils and clothing until their own club was reformed.

After the 5th and 7th years were called away for mock G.C.E.s the dozen of us remaining benefited greatly from the increased individual coaching and were soon sufficiently competent to enter for the Amateur Fencing Association Bronze Award. Unfortunately, just before the testing we had to return Thorpe's equipment as they had secured a new instructor and so the award attempt was called off. In fact, Fencing Club was closed as it was completely

supported by subscriptions from the participants who were, naturally, unable to raise enough money for new equipment

However, in May we managed to borrow equipment from Kings Lynn Tech, and it is hoped that we will be entering some fencers for the Norfolk Open Foil Championships this term. Hopefully this will excite fresh interest in the College and there will be made available ample equipment for the many pupils keen to learn the sport. If equipment were available we should be able to field a strong team to take part in local competitions next year.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking Thorpe G.S. and Kings Lynn Tech. for their generosity and Mr. Sanders for his time, patience and encouragement.



FOLK CLUB

A brain child of Mr. Patterson, the Wymondham Daryl Hughes (Chairman) College Folk Club was founded at the beginning of the year. The first night proved to be a tremendous success and the club has been gathering momentum ever since. From the start, one of the chief aims has been to create an informal and friendly atmosphere and the audience has helped to achieve this by its excellent participation. A surprising amount of talent spilled from the staff room in the forms of Mr. Patterson, Mr. Doherty, Mr. Stilliard, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Wheeldon and Mr. Sanders, and we would like to thank them all for providing such an interesting variation of folk songs.

> Many potential artists were unearthed and "encouraged" to perform. Of these we would particularly like to thank our regulars Martin and Liz, Ginny, Chris, Simpy, Jo, Ossie, Caryl, and Marf, and also Rob, Jayne, Donna, Liz B., and Phil Hillier for their invitations to outside singers, but we also particularly look forward to hearing new noises from our present fourth year.

Finally, we would like to thank Mr. Patterson for the organisation, Chris for the lighting (or rather the lack of it!), Rob Tuck for furniture moving, Sally, Babs and Judy for posters and all others for their help and support.

> Lynett Cann Hillary Garrard



GAVEL

With the decline and fall of the once flourishing Semicircle Society, the need for a platform for dissent became apparent. To meet that requirement a new debating society has been moulded beneath the patient hands of Mr. Usher. Regular meetings of a small nucleus group enabled a wide range of topics to be discussed, S opinions aired and arguments expounded, on subjects T ranging from mysticism and religion down to education. T It was at the few 'public' debates, however, that the controversies really raged. With "hot potatoes" like racial discrimination and "the death of God", violence seemed always incipient, order only being maintained through the gavel of our illustrious chairman.

The society has taken on a vague shape this year, but only if the cloud of apathy clears from the college sixth forms can it hope to achieve the reputation and popularity of its predecessor.

I would like to extend the gratitude of all the speakers to Mr. Usher, for his encouragement (both dutch and otherwise), and also to Mrs. Usher for providing such delightful refreshments and moral support throughout the year.

Michael G. Evans



THE MUSICAL APPRECIATION SOCIETY

Every Tuesday afternoon the Musical Appreciation Society has met in Mr. and Mrs. Paxton's chalet to hear such enjoyable music as Grieg's Norwegian Dances and Piano Concerto, Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite, Rimsky-Korsakov's Scheherazade or Khachaturian's Spartacus – to name a few tongue twisters!

Chief among the attractions (and distractions!) for listening to such music have been Wendy, Snowball and Joanna Marie — a few of the chalet's inmates. Biscuits, occasional exotic home-cooking and frequent drinks of tea and coffee, supplied by Mrs. Paxton, have continued to aid considerably in "helping down" the recorded music!

A society like this thrives on having a low number of members, but even so, new members who are willing to brave rain, wind, snow and scorching summer suns. and who also possess a keen sense of direction in order to find chalet 65 amongst the labyrinth of college buildings and numbers, are made extremely welcome upon their arrival.

Diane Payne, Course 38



ROWING CLUB

1	st crew	2nd cre	ew.
Cox	Linsdell, M.	Cox	Kirkland
Stroke	Otway, T. (Capt.)		Pettit, G.
Three	Eves, C.		Philpot, H.
Two	Martin, D.		Postle, R.
Bow	Goldsworthy, A.		Emmerson, K.

This year the club has continued its activities, although the loss of both Mr. Metters and Mr. Conners at the start of the year made us feel somewhat lost. However, the club has prospered under the continuing guidance of Mr. Stavely, without whom it is unlikely the club would continue.

The loss of the college gym meant that our usual circuit training was impossible and our thanks extend to Mr. Norton for preparing us a weight training substitute and to Mr. Belmont for supervising it. We were surprised to find the girls crew willing to participate in the training and wish them the best in competitions.

The greatest setback of the year occurred during the "hurricane" shortly before Easter when to our dismay we found the boathouse and boats strewn around the banks of the river. On closer inspection we discovered that all but two of our boats had been destroyed, including the club's best four. Needless to say. the club's two sporting crews have not been able to continue their normal twice weekly training. Despite this the club is entering two crews for the Norwich, Cambridge and Peterborough regattas this year and are hoping for encouraging results.

T. Otway & C. Eves (Secretary & Capt.)



This year the college sailing club moved its moorings to Filby Broad, where it could make use of the Norfolk Education Committee facilities.

OLD AGE

It crawls up so quietly You don't notice it It starts on yourface. Like a grey sheet

Of net It envelops its victim Occasionally the victim May look through the holes In the netting and see The old days Complete and beautiful Not a blemish on Those "good old days".

But now the creature has arrived.

It has cut the dwindling threads Of hope So that there is no more.

It has wrecked Bodies and joints Faces and character.

Now only grumbles Emerge from between Thin hard lips Where once joyous Laughter and witticisms Had come to the ears Of listeners.

Ugly veins have claimed. The once sensuous Legs. Crevasses have distorted

The once attractive features.

Jellies and Horlicks Have stolen the body And Brillo has taken The once delicate Hands,

The New Age Has perforated the thin covering That had once protected the Mind against ugly things And it can now only churn out Gossip, groans, and grumbles.

Its work done The creature selects another To disfigure To wreck, distort and blemish To add one more to Its infinite collection.

Jo Dearden, Year 4



FAME

Image-reality Mirror-world Of magic and fantasy, A kaleidoscope Of warning beacons – Gradient ahead, Up – down, Fame – anonymity.

Fame,

Pretentious transparent demi-gods Erotically gyrating hips to satiate a crowd Of bopping virgin lusts. Cosmetic personality adorning Bedroom walls In a million dreary Suburban homes. Dylan is God. Dylan is Zimmerman.

And a balding figure, With a now unfamiliar face Lined with distant memories, Shuffles down the street Into the darkness.

"PEACE IN OUR TIME"

In the rain The soldiers came, Set up their position In defence of their nation.

And one by one Battles were won. Bodies in the mud, Coagulated blood,

Violations, amputations, Shell-shock, insanity, Political propaganda — Who is your enemy?

The night that peace came There were fireworks in the sky. The dead found fame. The living breathed a sigh.



TO THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM

To the people of Vietnam (divided as you are in politics) Israel and Egypt (hostile as you are across the waters) to the black free-slaves of South Africa, and the storm-war-torn rebels of Bangladesh; this is your epoch, and we are writing your names in blood across the areas of the atlas shaded by our great-grandfathers.

We of the West would like to extend our chequebooks and deepest apologies.

LIBERTY

Free the slaves from the chains, And hang them round their necks To remind them of the past.

Free the chains from the slaves, And hang the freemen by their necks From ancient trees To remind them Of who gave them liberty.

And in the name of liberty Let us suppress Those who are free, And with the sword Strike down the pen, And leave the hearts of men To lie bleeding.



SHOULD INSECTS WEAR CLOTHES?

Should ants wear pants, With lots of spots? Should pests wear vests, With lots of holes? Should mites wear tights Which are welnut brown? Should gnats wear hats? If so — why?

When a spider is an outsider, And is not sure what to wear, Should he wear a jacket of real pig's hair? Should files wear sies When out to tea? Should the centipede wear shoes? He's got many to choose! If so — why?

Should the bee wear socks That reach the knee? If so, he's copied the flea. Should the worm, in its toil, Wear a suit of foil? Or will it be ruined. While he slithers in the soil? If so — why?

All these questions, either big or small, All the insects, short or tell, Can all be found in the insect world. So ask the snails, if all else fails, Should ants wear pants? If sn = why?

Steven Carriage Year 1







THE FALL OF NIGHT

The town sleeps unconcernedly, Unheeding to the point of death. The night falls, majestic in robes of black, Its carpet-dullness closing round, Beautiful in its deathly simplicity.

Stars blaze challengingly, Safe and proud in their isolation from the hell beneath, The night comforting in its inscrutability, Undisturbed in its serenity, Pure in its intangibility.

Dawn peeps beneath its mask of obscurity, Breaking the piercing silence, Returning the stolen jewels' shape and colour, Revealing and reassuring. Fantasies disperse. The black banner is torn down by slim golden fingers,

Bringing with them the unrivalled glory of a new day. Christine Butler, Year 3

FADING BEAUTY

It was only the other day I gazed across the open fields;

Now, my eyes twist through sturdy pylons, Lifeless and dull, but here to stay.

It was only the other day I strolled through country lanes;

Now I stride by a main highway, Full of bustle and noise, and here to stay.

It was only the other day I picked blackberries along rustling hødgerows; Now, my hands brush hard, cold walls,

Motionless and mute, but here to stay.

It was only the other day I was free. Now the world is enclosing me in its prison of darkness.

> Nature's beauty whispers its last farewell, Fading, as the years descend.

> > Nicola Gigg, Year 3

SUMMER

The field of golden glowing hay, The smell of new-mown grass, The sound of a child laughing Watching a butterfly pass.

The cry of a hungry seagull, The whisper of waves on the sand, The sun-kissed body of a young girl, Holding her lover's hand.

The feeling inside of passion, That grows of a need for love, The happiness you feel Reflected in blue above.

You know that summer has come When you find that all is real, From the meadow of golden beauty To the wonder that you feel.





SPRING SONNET

Winter's grey coat has been silently shed, And the world is donning a new array; Celandines rise from the dark earthy bed, The cold winter winds have all blown away. The sun's early rays are staining the sky, We hear the dawn chorus welcoming spring. What's that in the distance? A lark's first cry. What pleasure and joy these signs can bring!

To ordinary humans who live and die There's never a chance to live once again. We just stand and watch as the seasons go by, Our efforts for youth for ever in vain.

But glorious spring then returns to remind us Dull thoughts and dull days can be left behind us

Anne Frost, Year 4





THE AEROPLANE

(With apologies to Virginia Woolf)

The plane roared as it scraped a white line across the blue sky, the rooks wheeled above the tree-tops, and an old man in his garden looked up and saw a shining spot in the sky trailing the long cloud behind it.

He turned back to his garden and thought for a while about the distant airport that the plane was bound for — Johanesburg perhaps, where his daughter Julie lived. What was it she had said to him as she left? "I'll be back," she said, gathering her bags together, "next year perhaps" — but five years had sped by since their last parting. His neighbour had been good to Julie after her mother's death — she had made her special treats at the week-ends back from college at Cardiff (he had a friend who lived in Wales) — she made her cheesecake. "Her own recipe, mind you, handed down through the family." (Her grandmother used to make a lovely gingerbread) and the prices in the shops, she couldn't imagine how some people managed. She was a kind-hearted soul, his neighbour, but then most people were good to him (was it too late to plant another row of lettuce?) Millie, his sister-in-law, had decorated the kitchen last week, and there was still a smell of paint through the whole house now, six days later. (He *would* plant another row of lettuce).

He remembered how his wife had decorated their first house, by herself, not long after they were married. "Later," she had said, "we'll have professional decorators in." But they never did. (He picked up the packet of seed) They always seemed to be scrimping and saving, they'd had a hard life, and what for? His wife had gained nothing — except an early death.

But count your blessings, he said to himself, standing up straight, rubbing the small of his back with the palm of his hand. He shaded his eyes with his other hand, just in time to see the head of the vapour trail disappear behind the copse on the hill.

Elizabeth Mouncer, Year 6




If you are interested—in flying, engineering, logistics or administration—now is the time to do something about it. Your careers master has full information and, if you like, he can arrange for you to meet your RAF Schools Liaison Officer; this is quite informal, and an excellent way to find out more about the RAF.

Two more ideas: Write to Group Captain F. Westcott, MBIM, RAF, Adastral House (25ZD1) London WC1X 8RU, giving your date of birth and details of your present and expected educational qualifications; or pick up some leaflets at the nearest RAF Careers Information Office—address in phone book.



We managed to get in some very good sailing during the fine weather conditions which prevailed for the most part of the Autumn term, and were forced to lay the boats up for the winter when the weather finally turned foul.

During the winter weeks the Gloucester contingent of the club proved their skills as craftsmen by doing excellent renovations to the two college boats. Although the boats were not quite ready for the beginning of the season, it was well worth the wait to have the boats in such immaculate condition.

Consequently the start to the season was slow, but picked up as the fleet once again mustered, now with the addition of two N.E.C. Wayfarers, and three privately-owned boats. An inter-house regatta is to be arranged later this year, two trophies to be contended for.

Our plans for next year include the formation of a competitive sailing team, as well as our present instruction. It is also hoped to acquire another craft, to add to the fleet.

Our thanks go to Mr. Belmont, not only for the loan of his own dinghy, but also for the time and effort he has put in to get the sailing club established once more.

> S.J. Mason R. Keely



It was only with the hiring of a first-class horror film that the society managed to draw a capacity crowd. The film, entitled 'William Harvey and the Circulation of the Blood', was certainly morbid but was at the same time enlightening, the analogy between firemen extinguishing a fire and blood spurting from a cut artery being particularly entertaining. 'The Chemistry of Water', and 'Fusion' also numbered

amongst the better films capably screened by our projectionist, 'Tiny' Trevethick. Lecturers from the U.E.A. visited the school on two occasions, giving talks on Mathematics and Fusion, the latter being especially commendable, elucidating as it did the problems of harnessing the energy from thermo-nuclear reactions. Lectures given

at the Norwich City College included 'Polymer Chemistry' — a fascinating insight into the production and properties of synthetic fibres; and a talk on the controversial theory of the proliferation of organs.

A number of excursions were arranged throughout the year, all of which proved thoroughly worthwhile. The first was an outing to the Cavendish Laboratory, University of Cambridge, when, on a dull but otherwise far from boring day, a small 'bus set out from the school containing 20 more or less avid physicists and a rather small deputation from the Physics department. On reaching Cambridge we were shown round the Cavendish Laboratory and the adjacent museum, both of which were very interesting, and served to crystallise the ambitions of some of our more learned members.

For the biologically inclined a trip to the John Innes research station clarified any doubts about electron microscopy and genetics, and the renowned Doctor Bar Josef explained the difficulties inherent in the isolation of the citrus tristeza virus, loosely referred to as Bar Josef's 'long wiggly one'!

A visit was arranged to Texas Instruments, makers of integrated circuits, which proved rather technical but nonetheless instructive. The final trip organised by the 'S.S.' was to the Mullard Radio Observatory, where the highlight was an exciting ride on one of the 'one mile' telescopes, upon which we travelled the most accurate 37 metres of our lives. Who said scientists were over-sophisticated?

The committee this year comprised Bennett Aldiss, Michael Evans, Jonathon Green, Simon Mills, William Trevethick, Hedley Philpott and Michael Warnes, and we would like to thank ourselves for our cheerful attitude and pleasant conversations, and particularly Mr. Timmins for the efficient running of both the: committee and the society. What began as the inconspicuous Physics Society has grown to include every possible aspect of science in the school, (out of little acorns?) and although there may possibly be more successful societies on the site, they had better look to their laurels; the 'S.S.' has been casting the covetous eye on the artistic clubs. Who knows, we murmur, perhaps there is room for expansion yet.

Bennett Aldiss, Michael Evans, Hedley Philpott



YORK RECORDER GROUP

This year the York Group formed a recorder set to play in the Mair Cup. This proved so successful that we were asked to perform at the College concert, and subsequently the recorder piece was entered on behalf of the College at the Cromer and Norfolk Festival of Music and Drama. Our entry was the "Beguine" by Brian Bonsor. Later the group also performed at a concert at Attleborough Methodist Church.

The performers were: Donna Curtis (tenor), Julie Sargent and John Pearson (treble), Cheryl Anderson, Susan Pearson and Joanne Mills (descant), Sheila Beck, pianist, and Jeremy Betts, conductor.

Expeditions



PARIS VISIT, APRIL 1973

It is a well-known fact that every Easter the French hand over their beautiful capital to parties of English schoolchildren who follow each other from point to point devouring the sights like voracious culturecaterpillars. Leaving immediately after the end of the Spring term, the Wymondham College party, forty eight strong, was able to get first munch at the Paris scene this year, before the eager hordes descended, and found it still fully French-flavoured, all garlic and Gauloises with an aroma of petrol-fumes. What a snarlup! Still, it was nice to enjoy a free coach-crawl up the Champs-Élysees on arrival, on our way to the Hôtel Confort. A very Parisian hotel, it looked no more than one room wide, rose to seven floors and claimed about fifty rooms in all. And three of the girls had a bath in their room. Meals were taken in an improbably small restaurant nearby. As Christopher Ventham assured Madame La Propriétaire in an eloquent speech as we left -- "on a très bien mangé ici,"

Paris is expensive and the france did not go far. Mr. Ellis had devised a busy, exciting economy-tour and value for money was the watchword. We were all grateful to him for his work on our behalf and thought of him often, unable to share in the fun. We all walked well, saving the Métro tickets. Miss Battye and Mr. Matthews walked for about four kilometres along opposite banks of the Seine, looking for S----, last seen studying second-hand prints in a bookseller's box on the embankment and in fact safely back at the hotel. We even walked up the Eiffel Tower. One or two impressions have been recorded for posterity in journals and project-notebooks. There was a memorable climb up to Montmartre and the Sacré-Coeur "to see artists, people and fish - alive in tanks". From there the party ambled down to the famous Flea-Market, "a lovely place full of interesting things and people". At Versailles it snowed and the President of Mexico was also having a look-round. The cold weather lingered on during the second half of the week. Half-way up one of the towers of Notre-Dame,

Wendy Lee had a nasty moment thinking of Quasimodo, the Hunchback, "swinging crazily on the bells that had deafened him for life". We all had cultural treats, great and small, though the Mona Lisa in the Louvre was generally found disappointing, "not half so large and splendid as it was made out to be". The sight-seeing trip on a river-boat was a great success, all spring sunshine on ancient golden stone. The "grands magasins" and other flesh-pots absorbed a lot of spare time and money.

It's the little things that stick in the memory as much as the three-star spectaculars: three at once in a photo-machine; successfully buying a litre of Coca-Cola in French; lighting a candle for granny in Notre-Dame; getting pushed out of bed; a dip in a French swimming-pool; lan's half-metre hot-dog in the posh cafe on the Champs-Elysees where we spent the money left in the kitty; shutting the door of the hotel-room with the key inside ...

There's an awful lot of Paris left intact, for future visits, of course, but it was a good trip. Fantastic! — most of the travel diaries say. The only ones who might have thought otherwise were Mr. and Mrs. Belmont, because little Alison developed a colourful attack of measles and had to be smuggled back to England in a shaw!! As Liz Lea-Cox put it: "I think most people didn't want to come home".



SECOND YEAR CAMP

It's certainly not a holiday – up at 7.30 a.m., wash (?), cook your own breakfast, wash-up, make sandwiches for lunch, work all day, cook tea, and try to sleep on a rock hard ground sheet with the rain dripping onto your nose – but it is different.

Why sit in a stuffy classroom with flies hovering over your exercise book, when you can be by the River Ant with midges taking bites out of your nettlestung legs as you try to remember the difference between a sedge and a grass! The projects camp held at How Hill in the heat of July certainly does make a change. Last year eighty confident second formers spent three days under canvas. Cooking was not amongst the most popular activities but most people enjoyed the studies made of the flora and fauna of How Hill, the village of Ludham and the town of Wroxham. More popular was the opportunity to canoe on the River Ant and the evenings around the camp fire.

Let's hope the next camp is equally successful.

GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP:- SOUTH WALES 1973

The annual Geography Field Trip in the Easter Holidays was attended by 23 Sixth Form Geographers. We were based at Cardiff University Hall of Residence, and during the week we examined three basic aspects of the region – the geomorphology, the major cities of Swansea and Cardiff, and the industries.

The first excursion was to the Brecon Beacons to study particularly the glacial features. It certainly added realism to the scenery to find snow covering the hills we were about to cross. Despite wet feet and frozen hands the party succeeded in battling its way through to Brecon.

Fortunately the weather was kinder for the rest of the week and on the Monday Swansea was studied and a guided tour of Swansea docks proved very interesting. The port was working at full capacity, so we were told, although it was difficult to spot anything happening! A study of the Swansea urban pattern was undertaken in the afternoon, and in the evening we were given a very stimulating lecture by Dr. Humphries at Swansea University.

An intensive study of the Central Business District of Cardiff was then made, giving the party a chance to do some of their own fieldwork.

We had excellent weather for our day studying the coastal features of Pembrokeshire, though everybody agreed that the National Trust were certainly rather thoughtless in providing such a narrow, steep coastal path!

At Treforest Industrial Estate we were given a lecture by the Manager, who pointed out some of the Industrial problems of South Wales. In the afternoon, the party carried out interviews with the people of the Rhondda Valley. Despite approaching with trepidation the response was friendly, and some were lucky enough to sample Welsh cakes and strong tea.

On the last day one group made a careful study of Cardiff's spheres of influence, while the remainder returned to Swansea to a limestone valley on the Gower.

We would like to finish by recording on behalf of all the members of the party our thanks to the staff – Miss Bryanton, Mr. Noble, Mr. Baumohl, and Mr. and Mrs. Jones for organising and participating in a most enjoyable and rewarding Field Trip.

Major, Clarke and Seaman

YOUTH HOSTELLING IN YORKSHIRE

After a wholesome breakfast in the M.D.H. a group of 5 boys and 5 girls from New Hall 5th form set off at 9.00 a.m. on the Monday of Half Term not knowing quite what was to come! The aim of the expedition was to conquer the Three Peaks of Yorkshire, that is to say Pen-y-Ghent, Ingleborough and Whernside. The first stay at Stainforth Y.H.A. took us up Pen-y-Ghent and Ingleborough, the latter not being conquered by some of the weaker members of the group; or should we say some of the more sore footed!

After several other interesting walks we moved onto Ingleton. Our first trip was to the Lake District and on reaching the top of Langdale Pikes we expected to see a tarn but due to the abysmal weather conditions the mist made it impossible.

During our stay Mr. Taylor and Miss Ashall suffered some of our delicious concoctions, namely our sandwiches. But they were saved from the fate of eating our "petit-déjêuner" by staying elsewhere in a more comfortable establishment, leaving us to fend for ourselves in the Hostel kitchens!

We would like to thank Miss Ashall and Mr. Taylor on behalf of the whole group for such an adventurous expedition, despite the many blisters.

> M. Banks K. Dubock



MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

After months of preparation the departure day finally arrived. There were over 70 of us from the College, accompanied by the Warden and Mrs. Wolsey, Mrs. Dennison, Miss Bryanton, Mr. Brand and Mr. Beaumohl. We left Wymondham early on Friday the 13th October by a special train which carried all the Norfolk pupils to Swansea in South Wales.

The journey was tedious, and by later afternoon we were all very pleased to reach Swansea. At the quayside we saw our abode for the next seventeen days, a large white ship, the s.s. Uganda. We waited for all our party to assemble before boarding the boat. (Being the largest party we were always the last.) Directly on board we were shown to our dormitories and our muster stations, and given a demonstration on how to wear our life-jackets. We were then left to our own devices, principally to explore.

The Uganda was late sailing, due to a bomb scare which we were not told about until we reached Venice sixteen days later. Exhausted, we were all sent to bed armed with our sea-sickness pills.

Our days at sea were very well regulated. Every morning we were awakened by "Good morning, students. The time is now seven a.m., and all students should now be getting up." Then followed some music just to make sure that we were all awake. Breakfast was followed by a period in which we tried to tidy our dormitories. Lessons started at 9.30 – three each day consisting of: assembly room, a film and/or a lecture; classroom, doing work set by our teachers; games, or a free period (not often).



On Tuesday 17th we reached Gibraltar to be greeted by their worst rainstorm in twenty years. Keen tourists, we paddled ankle-deep through water, kindly assured by the locals that it was the worst rain they remembered. So much for Gibraltar's water-shortage!

Malta was our next port of call, on the 20th. We were taken on bus tours in the morning to Medina and around the famous palaces of the Knights of St. John in Valletta. In the afternoon we were left to shop, but the native population were not very friendly.

The journey from Malta to Gythion was rough and many people were sick, so that we were all thankful to reach our destination. Gythion is a small town, and although it was Sunday, the shops were all opened for us. It is there that Paris is said to have taken refuge after seizing Helen of Troy. Unfortunately we had only half a day there, and by lunch-time we were on our way to Izmir in Turkey.

From Izmir we had a seventy mile coach journey to see the various sites of Ephesus and the famous amphitheatre. We also visited the Basilica of St. Paul on the outskirts of modern Ephesus, where he is said to have written his Epistles. Before reaching Itea (Greece) we sailed through the Santcrini Island, a volcanic cone flooded by the sea. On Wednesday 25th we reached Itea to visit the ancient sanctuary of Apollo, where the celebrated **Pythta** had dwelt, whose ambiguous prophecies, delivered in oracular form, were respected over all the Mediterranean world. The site of Delphi set in beautiful scenery managed to subdue even the noisiest of our tourists.

Sailing up the Adriatic, we found the sea again rough. On the 27th we arrived in Venice to dock very near St. Mark's Square. We were able to see all the famous places, though unfortunately in the pouring rain, and spent the last of our money. On Sunday we flew home to Gatwick all very tired.

In retrospect I think we all enjoyed ourselves, although many of us found the cruise too organised, and we did not have enough time to ourselves. But really this discipline was necessary, with nine hundred children on board. I also feel that the members of staff who came with us worked very hard, but a good time was had by all.

Alison Bailey



THE CANAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY ANNUAL INDUSTRIAL TRIP

This year a small, but dedicated group of 6th formers, under the guidance of Mr. Moss and Mr. Wood, spent the half-term holiday in the autumn term studying the Midland Canals and their role in modern life. Mr. Wood decided that the only way to appreciate 'canal life' was to participate; so a 50 foot barge was duly hired, and we set off with some misgivings from our base on the Oxford canal. The barge, however, soon proved to be the major attraction of the trip, being built to accommodate 8 people full time, and the first day or so was spent by the menfolk in learning how to master our first 'ship of the realm' whilst the girls tried (with little success) to master the complexities of cooking while the ship was steaming at full speed down the narrow canals.

Although we found little of industrial importance, (the voyage taking us through remote Oxfordshire countryside), the canals themselves were extremely interesting, with their many locks (one can only truly appreciate the number of locks when one has to open them all), their tiny lockkeepers' cottages, and the hinged wooden road bridges which were lifted by hand to allow the canal traffic to pass beneath.

The whole exuded an atmosphere of serenity to be found in few other places in the industrial Midlands. Life seemed to have slowed down, with the few cargo barges chugging slowly to their unknown destinations, fisherman smoking lazy pipes on the green banks, and bridges and locks that were primitive to the point of obsolescence. Progress seems to have left England's canals behind, with the exception of the modern dredgers that are keeping the canals alive; and perhaps it is this 'olde worlde' flavour that makes them such an attraction to the modern city dweller.

The trip itself was extremely varied; pastimes ranging from playing 'conkers' on the 'ship's bridge' and football in neighbouring pastures, to trips to deserted villages, a detailed study of the architecture of Banbury and discussions in the evenings on entropy and high energy physics. The operation of the locks and maintenance of our ship (Ra III) were full time jobs in themselves, but in the dull moments we amused ourselves guessing at what the meals were supposed to be.

In all, the trip was a highly educational and gratifying experience, and if, as a result, we know little of Midland Industry, at least we can all manipulate 50 feet of barge, operate locks as if we had spent our lives at it, and can pinpoint with alarming accuracy every public house between Oxford and Banbury! What is more to the point, we all feel that now we can understand more easily what once made the canals a way of life in their own right.

It is with some regret that I report that our

Ship's company were:-

founder-member, Mr. A.S. Wood, is moving on next year, and so this little known society will be no more. I therefore use this opportunity to give our thanks to our able and dedicated captain, Mr. D. Moss, without whose leadership and brilliant seamanship, the trip would never have been possible. (We only went aground twice); and finally thanks to Mr. Wood, the organiser of the affair, who never flinched in the face of fearsome financial losses, never panicked unduly when his crew were lost overboard, (which they regularly were) and for his devotion above and beyond the call of duty at mealtimes when, instead of raising a cynical eyebrow and complaining (as was the ship's custom), he finished every 'meal' with a forced smile and "Very nice, that", a fitting epitaph to the whole historic voyage.

Combined Cadet Force

C.C.F. Adventurous Skiing Training - Feb. '73

In view of the success of last year's ski-training, it was decided that we should go again. The response this year was even greater in that twice the number of cadets attended, including for the the first time, five female cadets. Also present were 44 Army Youth Team who had learnt to ski during the previous month and consequently acted as our instructors.

Accommodation was in a small hostel near Blairgowrie, Perthshire, where we had to cook for, and generally look after ourselves. The skiing was done on the Glenshee ski slopes which were about fifteen miles from the living quarters, and although this entailed a long drive in a rather cramped Land Rover, it was well worth while.

At the beginning of the week the snow was of reasonable depth. However, as the week progressed, so the snow diminished; then it rained and on the penultimate day skiing had to be cancelled. Instead, a visit to the Perth ice-rink was arranged and we spent a few hours falling onto a different type of cold surface. Fortunately, that night it snowed again and on the last day five brave lads went up the slope to finish their training — in spite of heavy sleet and visibility being down to about fifty metres. The others, meanwhile, visited Balmoral Castle.

Overall the week was a great success and we would like to thank the 44 Army Youth Team for their help, and Mr. Moss and Mr. Singh for organising the trip and for keeping us so amused on the slopes.

> M. Longhurst J. Haward

Steve Wood, Ruth n'Jane Pearson, Jacky Green, Dave Armstrong, Mike Evans, Andy Rowland. Michael Evans

Derek Moss,



Air Force

This year has been a rather restless one for the section, and we were pleased to have the help of Mr. Sheppard in picking up loose ends left by P/O Hall's sudden departure.

Activities, then, have been somewhat minimal for the section as a whole, as far as weekends are concerned. However, Sgt. Southwood attended a ski-ing camp in February and arduous training at Easter, while Sgt. Sandwell and myself went gliding at Swanton Morley. If the weather had been better we would have eventually gone solo, so I am not sure whether the high winds were a curse or a blessing.

Mr. Shuter was a welcome newcomer, and within a short space of time had made arrangements for a trip to Cambridge. We are very grateful to him for the work he has done in such a short time.

I would like to thank Mr. Moss for letting the R.A.F. section have places on Army weekends at Pakefield, etc., Miss Fielding for managing the new concept of a female section in the C.C.F., and Mr. Stavely for his continual support.

Sgt. Kirkland

Army Section

This year started with the arrival of Rev. Singh, who joined the unit with the rank of captain.

The first main training event of the year was in September when all three sections took part in a field day. Little tactical value was attached to this, but it did provide a good opportunity to get back into shape after the summer holiday.

On March 16th a team from the section came first in a competition, organized by the Regular Army, involving a night exercise, range firing and a gruelling assault course, which took place on the Stanford P.T.A. The team consisted of Cpl. Durrant and cadets Harding, Artherton, Hubbard, Staines and Pope. Congratulations.

Next came a visit to the Headquarters of No. 2 Cadet Training Team at Waterbeach.

Proficiency proved no obstacle for cadets taking it this year — there was a 100% pass, rare in part 1 of the exam.

The miniature range has not been neglected since its opening a few years back, and twenty one cadets currently hold classification for the .22 rifle.

A signal section has recently been formed under Sgt. Larwood, and it is hoped that we soon get improved equipment and increase the scope of this section.

At the time of my writing we have only completed two thirds of the academic year; however, during the summer term the training programme is to include activities such as: — canoeing, assault course work, shooting, sailing, signals, battlecraft, an R.C.T. maritime visit, static and live displays from the Queens Division at Bassingborne Barracks, camping, orienteering, various exercises with blank ammunition, helicopter flights, the annual inspection and, of course, the backbone of the military tradition Drill.

The annual camp this year is to be held at our favourite haunt of Caltybraggan in Scotland. I hope we can again succeed in displaying supremacy over other cadet units by winning the Commandants' Cup as we did on our last visit.

My thanks to Cpt. Staveley, our O.C., Capt. Moss, our training officer (who provided the unit with a shield for the best competitive shot on the miniature range), and Capt. Singh, for making the section operate as smoothly as it has this year.

The senior N.C.O.s this year were, beside myself, Sgts. Parnham, Longhurst, Marples, Barley and Larwood; and, long hair or not, I trust the section will continue with its present trend of improvement in the future.

K.M. Emmerson, C.S.M.

Congratulations to C.S.M. Emmerson on gaining a place at R.M.A. Sandhurst, and to Cdt. Arnott on winning the Moss Shield shooting competition. Runner up was Sgt. Larwood.

D. Moss, Capt.



Navy Section

The year started with an influx of new cadets and a new officer, Mr. Sanders.

During the autumn term we sent a team down to Chatham to take part in the CCF regatta. This is the first year we have entered this competition, and against strong opposition we came away with the Admiral-Commanding-Reserves' Cup for dinghy sailing.

After Christmas we came back to a term of naval exams, and had a 75% pass rate all round. Eight cadets obtained Able-rate classification, and another five passed the Proficiency examination and were rated Leading Seaman.

Canoe training in the swimming pool played a major part in our work during the spring term, and at the time of writing we are practising for a canoe display at the Inspection this year.

We are looking forward to many more outdoor activities such as canoeing and sailing during the summer term. We have a team entered for a cadet shooting match at Colchester during May and are hoping for a favourable placing.

> C/Coxn. Farrington L/S. Bryan

Navy Section Sailing Report

Saturday morning saw the arrival of eight cadets and four officers at the Norfolk Education Committee's sailing base at Ludham. Five boats were taken, and after a quick lunch we quanted down river to Thurne. During the afternoon the wind freshened slightly and the five boats then set off tor Acle Bridge, but had to turn back through lack of wind. While the two boats helmed by N.C.O.s manfully quanted back, the officers hitched tows off passing cruisers.

On Sunday we sailed from Thurne in the direction of Horning. As the occupants of Hustler V were laboriously tacking near St. Benet's Abbey, they were asked by the female occupant of a hired cruiser, "Why not keep to one side of the river?" No comment.

On Monday we left Ranworth, sailed down the dyke and headed for Ludham Bridge, Hustler III having to return to Ranworth to retrieve a quant-pole. We then sailed up the River Ant; while tacking through we were hit by another boat and Longhurst had his hand crushed. We finally reached Neitishead that evening.

The following morning we sailed and raced round Barton Broad, and later set sail for Ludham Bridge. That evening we had an exercise over the fields around the bridge. One party, looking for St. Benet's Abbey, overshot by three miles, ending up at Thurne.

We left Ludham for Potter Heigham, stopping at Thurne to put a reef in the sail. It was here that our resident parson showed us how not to walk on water. When all the boats finally reached Potter Heigham it was decided to stop for the night.

Thursday was too windy to sail, so a few cadets hired a day boat and went up to Hickling. All boats, on Friday afternoon, sailed down river to Thurne, returning to Ludham Womack when the boats had been cleaned. Thus ended an energetic, satisfying and amusing week of sailing.

C. Farrington, Cdt/Coxn.



Sport

HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Cricket 1972 1) Senior (30-overs) 100 New Hall Kett Hall 88 New Hall won by 12 runs. 2) Intermediates (20-overs) New Hall 57 for 7 wkts. Gloucester 61 for 3 wkts. Gloucester won by 7 wkts. 3) Juniors (20-overs) Frv Hall 32 York 33 for 1 wkt. York won by 9 wkts. Rugby Football 1972 1) House 'Sevens' 1. York 25 pts. 2. Frv Hall 13 pts. 3. New Hall 12 pts. 2) Senior XV's New Hall 36 pts. Gloucester 8 pts. 3) Intermediate XV's 18 pts. Kett Hall York 6 pts. 4) Junior XV's Kett Hall 12 pts. New Hall 10 pts. Squash Rackets League 1972 1. York 10 pts. 2. Fry Hall 8 pts. 3. Kett Hall 6 pts. Individual Squash Rackets Tournament 1973 Won by MacDonald (York). Basketball League 1973 Won by York. Cross Country Races 1973 1) Seniors Won by Dobson (New Hall) 31m.41s. Houses 1. New Hall 247 pts. 2. Gloucester 249 pts. 3. Kett Hall 286 pts. 2) Intermediates Won by Eve (New Hall) 22m45s. Houses 1. New Hall 132 pts. 2. Kett Hall 192 pts. 3. Gloucester 278 pts. Juniors Won by Billing (Gloucester) 18m.32s. Houses 1. New Hall 117 pts. 2. Gloucester 215 pts. 3. Kett Hall 264 pts.

Association Football 1973

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ASSOCIATION FOOTE	BALL			

1st, 2nd and 3rd ELEVENS

22 games played, 10 won, 5 drawn, 7 lost.

It was encouraging to note the general improvement in skills and appreciation of the movements about the field during the second spring term of the game here in the "Seventies" at the College. Two aspects, however, which must receive our considered attention next season concern (i) developing the ability to seize chances more often, and (ii) making positive movements towards the ball or an opponent in "open" situations. For although there was less hesitancy of approach this season, we shall win more games by adopting a more decisive approach towards our playing the game.

In this respect games which were drawn could have been victories in view of the possession which our teams obtained. Nevertheless, with added playing experience through our internal competitions, games practices and our outside competitive involvement, we have high hopes that further successes can be achieved more readily. The 1st XI, captained by Peter Major, played some effective football but lacked the allimportant finish which must be forthcoming in front of the goal. However, both Robinson and Gibson have thrust and persistance which will produce goals if they continue with the game elsewhere. The defence was a particularly workmanlike unit; the steadiness of Clarke was often evident, whilst newcomer to the XI, Barfield, added his flair for tidying up situations and moving the ball into attacking positions in the later games.

The midfield work was dominated by Major, Rutterford and Bussens, the latter taking over the captaincy during Major's absence through injury. Bussens in fact has a tremendous work-rate, but he must use his energy more purposively about the field. In concluding the 1st XI notes mention must be made of Macdonald, who has kept goal throughout two seasons. Though capable of making simple yet costly errors on



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occasion, he has kept goal well. His position will be filled by someone else next season; fortunately the next 1st XI will be built around many of those who played this season, so the experience gained should prove invaluable.

The 2nd XI, captained by Glister, produced some good football and obtained six victories out of the seven matches played. Read shone in defence, while Turtle and Piggin formed the basis of an attacking combination whose penetration produced the winning goals. The matches with R.H.S. Holbrook, Eaton School and Cambridge G.S. were particularly exciting games, and the example set by the captain through his work-rate and general demeanour was commendable.

One of the purposes of the 3rd XI fixture list is to develop a fifth year team with an eye to the future. Several players emerged from this group with definite promise, and although only three matches with other schools were possible, O'Shea, Counsell, Mills, Johnson and Sharpin showed increasing confidence in their ability to play the game at a higher level.

RESULTS

1st XI	Ramsey Abbey	(A)	lost	2-3	
	Diss G.S.	(H)	drew	1-1	
	Gorleston G.S.	(H)	drew	1-1	
	Diss G.S.	(A)	drew	1-1	
	Thetford G.S.	(A)	won	1-1	
	Thorpe G.S.	(A)	lost	1-3	
	R.H.S. Holbrook	(H)	drew	1-1	
	Eaton School	(H)	lost	1-3	
	Cambridge G.S.	(H)	won	6-3	
	Gorleston G.S.	(A)	won	8-1	
	Old Boys	(H)	won	4-0	
	The Staff		lost	1-5	

Team from: P. Major (capt.), C. Bussens, M. Keeley, A. Clarke, S. Barfield, A. Lund, A. Macdonald, M. Ellis, C. Parnham, C. Carroll, A. Rutherford, P. Robinson,

P. Gibson, G. Perkin, Linesman, J. Booty.

RESULTS 2nd

XL	Diss G.S.	(H)	won	5-0
	Diss G.S.	(A)	won	3-0
	Thetford G.S.	(A)	won	5-2
	Thorpe G.S.	(A)	won	5-0
	R.H.S. Holbrook	(H)	lost	3-4
	Eaton School	(H)	won	5-4
	Cambridge G.S.	(H)	won	1-0

Team from: M. Glister (capt.), P. Waymark, G. Perkin, S. Turtle, S. Barfield, S. Read, D. Worsley, M. Ellis, D. Woodhouse, J. Alston, Philip Robinson, I. Almond, D. Piggin. Linesman, R. Bailey.

RESULTS

3rd XI	Heartsease School	(A)	lost	0-3
	R.H.S. Holbrook	(H)	drew	2-2
	Downham Market			
	Sec.	(H)	lost	1-2

Team: G.O'Shea, D. Piggin, Johnson, H. Philpott, T. Sharpin, M. Ellis, G. Kett, A. Counsell, S. Wigney, S. Mills, O. Howe.

UNDER 15 XI

The season started with great hopes for the team, but, unfortunately, they rarely played to their full potential. The best football was produced in the first game against Cambridge, but although we dominated the play, two breakaway goals by the opposition defeated us.

Napier performed consistently well throughout the season, always working constructively and running postively at the opposition. Bowker, Balls and Eve played soundly in defence, whilst Mayer in attack proved to be a good finisher. However, his work rate must increase to match his goal-scoring ability. Overall a disappointing season, but the team has plenty of potential which will be revealed in the future as the boys knowledge and experience of the game increases. RESULTS

vs.	Cambridge	lost	0-2
vs.	Heartsease	lost	1-2
vs.	R.H.S. Holbrook	won	4-3
vs.	Eaton	lost	3-6

Boys who played:- Bowker (Capt.); Ditch; Eve; Balls; Watts; Howe; Martin; Mayer; Sadd; Lamb; Tate; Napier; Griffiths; O'Shea. UNDER 13 XI

Unquestionably this side is a very talented one. As well as winning their games, they played clever, enterprising football in a manner completely in sympathy with the spirit of the game. Captain and centre forward Graham Sewell certainly knew where the net was and scored many fine goals. A very mature player, he always looked too much for the opposition defences. The rest of the forward line, Flood, Dennis, Palmer and Golding, all showed considerable ball skills, but they are rather small and light, and seemingly easily bustled off the ball by more robus opponents. However, skill will always pay dividends and these four had plenty of that. Peter Carr, the goal keeper, showed courage and good anticipation, and at fullback, Barratt's nimbleness and ball skill was an interesting contrast to Hogg's strength and speed. We had a powerful half-back line in this team with Woodhouse and Coe giving opposition forwards no room to manoeuvre. Booty was energetic and determined in the way he won and distributed the ball. Lund and Cullingford, our two subs, who both served the side well when they were called upon, completed a formidable squad who will do a great deal over the next few years to establish a soccer reputation for the College.

Team from: P. Carr; J. Barratt; A. Hogg; N. Coe; R. Booty; P. Woodhouse; N. Dennis; W. Palmer: G. Sewell (Capt.); G. Flood; R. Golding; S. Cullingford; R. Lund.

RESULTS

vs.	Heartsease	won	4-2
vs.	Thorpe G.S.	won	8-2
vs.	Cambs, G.S.	won	1-0
vs.	Eaton Sch.	won	5-2
			J.C.L.



UNDER 12 XI

Having only two games, the first years showed themselves to be as energetic as College sides usually are but obviously they are not imbued with as much talent as their immediate predecessors. Prouty, Howes, Booty, Cattermull and Boldero all showed clear ability records were set up and the general standard of perand the work rate of Horrex and Young, leaves nothing formance was high. to be desired.

The following played for the Under 12 XI: T. Prouty; S. Howes; S. Cunningham; M. Chapman; K. Horrex; R. Booty; M. Cattermull; K. Sketcher; P. Edwards; M. Young; N. Boldero; G. Hunt.

RESULTS

VS.	Thorpe G.S.	lost	2-5
VS.	Downham Mkt.	won	3-2
			J.C.L.

School teams depend a great deal for their success not necessarily associated with victories or defeats on the enthusiasm and interest shown by the members of staff who coach and generally look after them. In this respect, the P.E. department has been particularly fortunate in having had the assistance of Mr. Rutherford (1st XI) and Mr. Davies (3rd XI) to help with the running of Association Football.

R.N.

ATHLETICS

MONDAY MAY 21st, 1973

This year field events were included in the programme and the fine weather on the day was perfect for both performers and spectators. A number of new

With the early timing of the occasion the Standards Competition was made a separate one to be run throughout the term, allowing the interest in Athletics to be maintained beyond Sports Day.

Only one cup was presented this year, with the points of the boys and girls events being totalled together for the first time. The winning House was New Hall with 477 points - we offer them our congratulations. Other results were as follows:-

2nd	Gloucester	408	pts.
3rd	York	3991/2	pts.
4th	Kett	388	pts.
5th	Peel	3741/2	pts.
6th	Fry	349	pts.

With over one hundred events in the programme. space will not allow all results to be published. However, outstanding performances were shown by the competitors listed below:

The following competitors came first in three events:-

- B. Elliot (4th Yr.) High jump; 200m; 100m. C. Longhurst (3rd Yr.) - High jump; 100m. 140m. Fawcett (1st Yr.) - Long jump; High jump; 200m. Sanders (3rd Yr.) - 400m; 800m; 1500m. Clack (3rd Yr.) - Shot; Discus; 200m. Booth (7th Yr.) - Triple jump; Javelin; 200m.
- The following competitors came first in two events:-R. Price (5th Yr.) - 100m; 200m. Cunningham (1st Yr.) - 400m; 800m. Hogg (2nd Yr.) - 100m; 200m. Wainwright (3rd Yr.) - Long jump; Triple jump. Gray (4th Yr.) - Long jump. 200m.

 - Balls (4th Yr.) High jump; Triple jump.
 - Dillon-Lee (7th Yr.) High jump; 100m. Congratulations to all these pupils.



BASKETBALL

Senior Team

For the first time the Senior Team played in Norwich League Division Two and had a most successful season in it, finishing second to the Eaton School. The achievement is made even more remarkable by the fact that the team lost one of its leading players, K. Hewitt, who at the time of his leaving held the record for most points in one game, viz. 34 points. All the players performed consistently well, but particular mention must be given to Pettit, Philpott, O'Shea and Turtle, whose standard was always of the highest quality. Only the League winners, Eaton School, managed to defeat the college in the League. The most exciting game was against the U.E.A. where the college eventually won 44-43. The highest standard of play came from the first round Norfolk K.O. Cup Competition Match against Greenacre B.B.C. After a tremendous battle the College eventually lost to their more experienced opponents, but it was a game to remember. Finally, a word must be said about Philpott's captaincy. The quality of his leadership both on and off the field was always of the highest order, and this was noticed and commented on by the opposition on a number of occasions.

Overall the Team had a very good season indeed.

U.16 Team

The season was rather a disappointing one as the side had quite a lot of potential. The best spell came either side of the Christmas Break, but for the remainder of the season the team lacked the "killer instinct" required to win games. However, there are one or two young players in the team, who with this year's experience behind them should do well next season. Lund led the side very ably and was leading

scorer, whilst Mayer and Clarke worked together quite soundly in defence.

U.14 Team

The Team played four matches and came through with a good deal of credit. All the players performed most satisfactorily and the future looks promising.

	Drawn
3	0
6	0
2	0
	3

Teams selected from:

Seniors:- Philpott; Pettit; O'Shea; Turtle; Tonks: Carlyle; MacDonald; Parnham; Hewitt; Bussens. Intermediates:- Lund (Capt.); Clarke; Gooch; Mayer; Cavell; Perkin; Watts; Wadlow.

Juniors:- Sparks (Capt.); Wainwright; O'Shea; Dunn; Cairns; Bird; Wardrop.



CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

This is the second year that the College has had a running team, but having lost last year's excellent first eight except for Aldiss we had limited success.

Our first meeting was at Gaywood Secondary School, where only three schools out of an invited thirty turned up to promote the interests of crosscountry running. In the junior section Wainwright came third, Sanders and Sparks fourth equal. The Seniors took second to eighth places inclusive with Wigney second and Lund third.

At the Norfolk A.A.A. Meeting Wigney came ninth in the intermediate group. After a meeting at Loddon Secondary School the following went through to the County Meeting: Wainwright, Sanders, James, Wigney, Campbell and Dobson. At the County Meeting held at Dereham most success came from the Intermediate team, where Dobson came eleventh (third reserve for the Norfolk team which competed at the All-England Championships.)

Again the College had a private meeting against Norwich School. Unfortunately we lost by one point. Dobson ran very well, coming in first, with Wigney third.

It was a pity that our enthusiasm was not rewarded by greater success, I would like to thank Mr. Auckland for his enthusiasm and all his help in coaching and arranging meetings.

> Steven J. Nugus, (Capt.)



HOCKEY

The hockey teams have had varied success this season. The 1st XI started well, but because the season was long, their efforts were not maintained throughout thus accounting for the disturbing number of defeats towards the latter end.

They began the season with a defeat of our rival school.— Diss Grammar. The players attacked from the opening seconds and the hard work from the forwards, helped by sound moves in defence, paid off with a 2-1 victory.

They again entered for County Trials and 9 of the 1st XI were selected to play in the final trials. However, only 6 were able to play due to this fixture clashing with the Educational Cruise. Moira McLellan was selected to play for the U.18 2nd XI with Peppy Metson, Judy Hall and Daryl Hughes as reserves. Jean Matthews and Lesley Breese were selected for the U.15 XI with Claire Wolstenholme as reserve. Our congratulations to the girls chosen.

Having already beaten our rivals the team were prepared for them when they found themselves drawn in the same section in the U.18 tournament. Although the girls drew with Diss, Diss won overall on goal average and went on to become eventual winners along with Downham Grammar School.

Several senior girls have expressed the wish to gain an umpiring qualification. Although we have not been able to get the course off the ground yet, next season will see the introduction of a course of practical and theory sessions, working towards an examination and a 'C' Umpires Awards.

On behalf of all the hockey teams, I must say 'thankyou' to Liz Browning, Diana Foreman, Deidre Bewers and Sally-Anne Derbyshire for the amount of time they have spent in organising match teas and satisfying weary, parched players. All your efforts are greatly appreciated.

The juniors have maintained a very pleasing and encouraging standard throughout the season. Their enthusiasm has helped tremendously, particularly in the U.14 XI and U.13 XI squads who have lost only 1 and 2 matches respectively.

However the last word must go to the 1st XI who really took their lives in their hands when playing a Rugby XI. The girls did very well to draw 1-1 and break the traditional victory by the boys; and of course the experience of the 1st XI showed when playing a very young and inexperienced staff XI who gallantly fought but lost by the narrow margin of 0-3.



NETBALL

This is the second year that school netball teams have been officially organised within the College. Unfortunately, the 1st VII results do not show the definite improvement that was made during the season. However, the junior team results do show great promise. Lions were awarded to Susan Nunn and Janet Cobby.

Since Norfolk is such a large region, for the purposes of county organisation it was divided into areas. S. Nunn, S. Lucas and H. Little were selected to play for the Southern area U.18 team and J. Lawson, S. Beck, together with D. Love as reserve, played for the U.15 team.

The inter-house netball tournament was closely fought and won by Worcester. The Upper school section of the tournament was entirely umpired by the senior pupils. Next year courses in umpiring will be organised, with a view to pupils sitting examinations and thus becoming qualified umpires.

Throughout all years, there now seems to be a greater understanding of netball, the skills of the game being recognised as valuable in their own right, and no longer being compared to those of hockey.

RESULTS



RUGBY

FIRST FIFTEEN

The season got off to a discouraging start, when a strongest-ever Old Boys' gave us a thrashing. However, the side picked itself up, shed more blood, sweat and tears in training, and in a few days performed with real credit against a good Norwich Lions' XV, losing by the odd score. Thus right from the start this 1972 side showed considerable character.

Although we had no star players at the outset, I am sure that as a team they will be remembered as well as those of the past. The captain, Guy Pettitt, gave inspiration by his constant example of dedication and courage — he always led his team from the front — but at times, in the thick of the battle, making decisions seemed terribly burdensome to him.

With the notable exception of the Greshams' match, the pack performed with the usual thoroughness, and it was adherence to the basic ball-getting skills that proved too much for most opposition. Robinson hooked with as much certainty as his predecessors, and with the other front row players, Hewitt and Alston, also shining in the loose, we were as well served here as at any period of College rugby. When Steve Tonks jumped and caught the ball with both hands he looked a very good line-out player indeed, and against Colchester and Woolverstone he contributed greatly to our victories. He and Green certainly covered the ground, and the latter's total commitment to running, both in support of the backs and in defence, was an outstanding feature of his game. Up to half-term, Stephen Spencer looked to be the one forward in a class by himself. So positive in attack and defence, he seemed to be in everything. After half-term, alas, the pressures of an exceptionally full programme - head boy's duties, Oxford entrance, in particular a lead part in the opera – were bound to affect his rugby. Nevertheless, provided he gains a little more aggression, Stephen could have a very bright future in the game.

The back row of Pettitt and Spencer was completed by Gary O'Shea, who gave a fine account of himself throughout the season, his physical power and tremendous enthusiasm making him a real asset to the side. Next year his responsibilities as a first team player will be great, and I am certain they will bring out his full potential. I would like to thank him for being a most efficient secretary.

Outside the scrum, the rest of the team were capable of a high standard of running and handling, but, as is often the case with Wymondham backs, they were erratic and their game tended to vary. In the early matches Michael Glister's progress was rapid both passing and kicking were good, and as vice-captain he showed plenty of leadership. But under pressure, as I think Gluey is aware, he sometimes takes his eye off the ball, a disastrous fault in a scrum-half. As I anticipated, Allan Rutherford started the season nervously and somewhat reluctant to demonstrate his many ball skills, but by the end he had surely shown himself as the fly-half with the most class yet seen at the College. His handling and kicking leave little to be desired, and his sidestepping runs were a delight to watch. With probably two seasons ahead, the future looks exciting for him, but if Allan is to take any honours from playing this great game he must tighten up his defence. Although he scored or inspired many fine tries, several were scored against us as a direct result of his reluctance to tackle, in the modern game no longer a fly-half's privilege. Total commitment to defence as well as attack must be Allan's resolution for next season.

Trevor Wadlow was another Colt who made the 1st XV in his first season as a senior, and he too emerged with flying colours. Two factors underline this player's qualities; his tackling, which never leaves anyone in doubt, and the superb timing of his pass, which so often puts a team-mate in the clear. Roger Scase

unfortunately pulled a groin muscle in his first training spell, and subsequently never seemed to get into top gear, playing well below what I know to be his best, but it must be said that his tackling throughout the season was first-class.

The wings, Booth and Dillon-Lee, ran and tackled with as much determination as any winger I have seen in a College shirt. Their healthy competition as to who would score the most tries ended. I believe, in a draw, Dillon has always shown potential as a runner, and my only problem was to get him to concentrate; he really could fall asleep at any time in any game. Chris Booth's effort was remarkable when one realises that he never played for a school side until he made the thirds last season.

The number 15 jersey was shared by David Carlyle and Chris Parnham, each player serving for half a term. David was very useful at joining in with the attack, but his hesitancy in defence, particularly when fielding the high ball, made us somewhat vulnerable. At half term he gave way to Parnham, whose subsequent contribution was remarkable. Sheer strength and determination saw him carry the ball from his own 25 deep into enemy territory on many occasions. In fact he became our secret weapon for counter-attacking, and amazed both opposition and spectators with some of his astonishing runs. By next season I hope to have taught him to pass!

Resultswise this was another good season, marred by losing unexpectedly to Greshams and Framlingham.

With all respect to the players and coaches of both teams, I still find it hard to believe that we managed to lose. One must mention St. Josephs and Haberdashers and thank them for giving us such fine close games. As usual I look forward to next season with optimism. Wigney and Rutherford should make themselves felt when they resume their half-back partnership, Wadlow and Parnham will be running with experience as well as their other qualities - and all we need is to find seven other forwards to join Gary O'Shea in the pack. There it is then; forwards at a premium for next season, particularly big ones.

Finally, thank you to Turtle, Wigney, Johnson and Bawden, who all served the team well when called upon. Of course I must end with the memory of our fine win in the Woolverstone match, when the supporters throughout the game gave the side the lift they always deserve but so seldom get. I would like to think that this is to be a permanent feature of our home games from now on.

J.C.L.

The following boys played for the First Fifteen during the 1972/3 season.

G. Pettitt (Capt.): M. Glister (V-Capt.): G. O'Shea (Secretary): D. Carlyle: C. Parnham: M. Dillon-Lee; R. Scase; T. Wadlow: C. Booth: A. Rutherford: K. Hewitt: P. Robinson: J. Alston: M. Tonks: J. Green:





RESULTS

v	Old Boys	Lost	4-30
v	Lions	Lost	20-23
v	St. Josephs	Won	10-6
v	Haberdashers	Won	24-22
v	Kings Ely	Won	68-0
v	Colchester	Won	20-6
v	Cambridge G.S.	Won	48-0
v	Greshams	Lost	20-29
v	Norwich	Won	29-13
v	Framlingham	Lost	15-18
v	St. Mary's	Won	15-0
v	Woolverstone	Won	42-0
v	Royal Hospital Sch.	Won	22-7
S	ECOND FIFTEEN		

The 2nd XV had another enjoyable and successful season winning ten of their eleven games. Their success stemmed undoubtedly from their well organised and generally hard working pack where the speed and stamina in the loose of the two front row forwards, Southwood and Rippon, was an important bonus to be added to that of the trio at the back. The tactical play of the back row was one of the major improvements in the performance of the team. As a result Johnson, who captained the side efficiently in Turtle's absence, Rowles and Ellis, were responsible for many of the points scored.

The line-outs were generally well catered for by Grant with one or two oustanding performances. The assistance in this capacity of Turtle, together with his general leadership and personal ball-playing skills, completed a formidable second row.

The team was fortunate in having two useful tighthead props in Younger, before his unfortunate injury, and Philpott, and in having capable standbys in the forwards in Wolstenholme, Flatt and Derry. In the set scrums the hooking of Southwood was of very high quality.

The half-backs, Wigney and Perkin, though lacking a little in confidence at the start, made rapid improvements as the season progressed becoming an efficient link pair between forwards and three-quarters. Counsell and Gooch played in these positions on occasions. Each played commendably and would seem to have the ability to prosper well in future years.

The centres, Macdonald and Carlyle, were of contrasting styles; the former a ball-playing 'director of operations' and the latter a hard-running, fierce tackling type. By playing inside and outside centre respectively the combination succeeded on most occasions, none more so than when they were able to make use of their full-back in penetrating attacking moves, particularly with Parnham and to a lesser degree with Gibson, who came into the side in the latter half of the season and played with much enthusiasm and more than a degree of success. Lyons played in this position in the early games but poor eyesight caused him to discontinue. Out thanks for trying! The wingers too had their moments of glory. Bawden, though plagued with a leg injury, played with his usual tenacity and the elusive running of Dawson was enjoyable to watch. The latter was coaxed into playing after Davison who had put in some creditable performances early in the season, found it impossible to continue. Dawson's admission at the end of the season to having really enjoyed it, helps to convince one of its value.

Well played 2nd XV.

K.W.R.

RESULTS

v	Northgate G.S. (H)	Won	32-8
v	St. Josephs (A)	Lost	14-4
v	Langley 1st XV (H)	Won	70-0
v	Haberdashers (H)	Won	16-0
v	Colchester R.G.S. (A)	Won	26-12
v	Cambridge G.S. (A)	Won	58-10
v	Greshams (H)	Won	20-3
v	Norwich School (A)	Won	43-0
v	Framlingham (H)	Won	71-3
v	Woolverstone Hall (H)	Won	58-6
v	Royal Hospital School (A)	Won	21-0

The team was selected from the following: Gibson, Parnham, Bawden, Macdonald, Carlyle, Dawson, Gooch, Perkin, Wigney, Johnson (V.Capt.), Ellis, Rowles, Grant, Turtle (Capt.), Philpott, Younger, Southwood, Rippon, Lyons, Davison, Counsell, Wolstenholme, Flatt and Derry..

Thanks are extended to Wren for his capable performance in running the line.

THIRD FIFTEEN

This was another very successful season for Mr. Davies's 3rd XV, with wins in all matches. A large 3rd 4th tem squad enabled us to select a strong XV, even when sapped by call-ups to the Seconds. We had a particularly strong pack, both in the set pieces and the loose. Abbott and Vinall provided good power from the second row, and Read was particularly useful in the line-outs. The whole pack was very mobile, and gave excellent support to the backs. We had difficulty in evolving a fluent half-back combination, but variations on Almond/Counsell/Gooch/Cavell generally gave satisfaction. The ball usually got quickly out to our penetrative wings from Charrington/Howe/ Dwornik. Andrew and Lund covered and tackled well at fullback.

Our thanks to Mr. Davies for his valuable and enthusiastic coaching, and to all those in the squad who gave up their Monday evenings to practise.

The team was chosen from the following: Derry, Mills, Jenkins, Flatt, Vinall, Abbott, Armstrong, Read, Marfleet (captain), Wolstenholme, Counsell, Almond, Cavell, Howe, Charrington, Dwornik, Lund, Andrew, Worsley. The following also played for the 2nd XV: Philpott, Perkin, Gibson, Macdonald, Dawson, Gooch.

UNDER 15 FIFTEEN

On the whole the team had a very successful season, winning ten of their twelve games. The two point defeat at the hands of Greshams proved to be the best match of the season, although the spirit of the team was fully shown in the Colchester game where a nine points deficit at half-time was changed into a nine points win.

The forwards, most ably led by O'Shea, played soundly throughout the season, with new boys Bray and Balls showing steady improvement as the season progressed. As usual T. Perkin always played well and enthusiastically, his hooking and tackling being of a high standard. He looks a very good prospect for the future.

The following boys played for the team:- K. Page; G. Wilson; J. Ditch; T. Mayer; T. Howe; C. Watts; A. Bryan; V. Ball; T. Perkin; N. Harding; S. Gray; K. Balls; N. O'Shea (Captain); S. Betts; D. Bostock; M. Sadd.

RESULTS

HEUVEIV			
Heartsease	(H)	W	37-0
Langley	(H)	W	42-3
St. Josephs	(H)	W	34-10
King's, Ely	(H)	W	80-7
Colchester	(H)	W	24-15
Cambridge G.S.	(H)	W	56-0
Greshams	(H)	L	24-22
Norwich	(H)	W	104-0
Heartsease	(A)	W	21-20
Framlingham	(A)	W	22-0
Woolverstone	(A)	L	40-0
R.H.S. Holbrook	(H)	w	8-0

UNDER 14 FIFTEEN

Ably skippered by O'Shea, the Junior Colts had a splendid season. Their loose rucking was particularly successful: noteworthy forwards in this respect being Irving, Cairns and Symes. The fluent combination of Tilbrook S. and Mace behind the pack gave the backs time to run with the ball and demonstrate their handling ability with devastating effect on most occasions. However, after the Woolverstone game, the score of which was 4-all until well into the second half, the need to control the game more tightly became apparent. This feature, coupled with relentless cover and determined tackling, particularly by the forwards and Palmer the full-back, ensured successes against Colchester, Greshams and Norwich.

Team: Dunn, Irving, Reeve K., Symes, Campbell A. Derry, Reed B., Cairns, Tilbrook S., Wardrop, Mace, Wainwright, Howell, Artherton, Sparkes, Palmer, O'Shea M. (Capt.). Moore: Touch Judge.

RESULTS

Heartsease School	(H)	w	64-0
St. Joseph's, Ipswich	(A)	W	52-0
Woolverstone Hall	(A)	L	24-4
Colchester R.G.S.	(H)	W	20-10
Cambridge G.S.	(H)	W	38-4
Greshams School	(A)	w	10-8
Norwich School	(H)	w	12-10
Heartsease School	(A)	W	80-0

UNDER 13 FIFTEEN

The team had a good season, although they did not produce their best rugby against strong opposition from Woolverstone and Greshams. It says something of the spirit of the team that such defeats were soon put behind them. They closed the season, as they started it, against Heartsease, and their opponents will testify to the improvement in the standard of their play.

David Powell showed himself to be an inspiring captain and scrum-half and linked well with John Barratt, a stand-off with excellent hands and fine distribution. Both show great promise for the future but would no doubt appreciate an increase of a few inches in height before next season! The pack proved to be very mobile, with the back row of Andrew Hogg, Graham Sewell and Nigel Coe outstanding - these three must have an excellent future in Wymondham College rugby. Robert Herron used his strength and power to good effect and produced some devastating runs in loose play. The centres, Stephen Boland and Philip Woodward, showed individual promise and I hope that as they mature they will feel more inclined to pass the ball to one another! All in all a promising team.

The following played: Sadler, Gabriel, Lund, Brown, Wolsey, Herron, Youngs, Hogg, Sewell, Coe, Powell, Barratt, Boland, Booty, Woodward, Griffiths, Warren, Hunt, Randall, Golding.

RESULTS

Heartsease	8-0
St. Joseph's	30-14
Woolverstone	8-46
Colchester	18-6
Cambridge	50-4
Greshams	0-37
Norwich	28-4
Heartsease	32-8



SWIMMING

Girls

Opportunities for swimming have increased greatly during the past year. All house sessions in the P.E. block include swimming. Some lunch hours and between 4-6 p.m. have been made available for various aspect of this activity. Beginners, improvers, teams, and survival swimming awards have been catered for. As a result the standard has improved generally and the numbers of non-swimmers is very small.

The swimming team has followed a very strenuous training programme this year. Their consistent efforts have been well rewarded with decisive wins over all opposition. The closest match was won by only six points over Thetford Secondary Modern School.

The team reached the finals in the Winter League with two other schools. The competition was closely fought, but two disqualifications gave first place to Thorpe St. Andrews and the College was second.

GALA 1973

For the first time, the gala was run entirely by Senior girls. This experiment proved to be most successful, all officials being very much in command of their jobs. Our thanks to them for their contribution.

This year, Standards were run as a separate competition. The results were as follows:-

	1st	New Hall	956 points
	2nd	Gloucester	951 points
	3rd	Kett	875 points
RESUL	TS		
	1st	Fry Hall and New Hall	152 points
	3rd	York	148 points
	4th	Kett	136 points
	5th	Gloucester	125 points
	6th	Peel	102 points

Finally, the swimming team and all those who have been able to take advantage of the increased swimming opportunities this year, wish to thank Mrs. Belmont for her constant hard work and supervision.

Debra Littlejohn

PERSONAL SURVIVAL

The number of boys and girls taking their Bronze and Silver Personal Survival Awards has increased steadily over the past two years.

Unfortunately, however, the interest has remained firmly with the lower school. We have yet to see a 4th, 5th, 6th or 7th year in the water. I hope another year will not pass without having at least one senior pupil in our midst.

Up to date all pupils taking their Awards have passed first time. Regular attendance and training have helped these boys and girls achieve a satisfactory standard in their swimming.



It is hoped before too long we will be able to add Gold Medallists to our Award Sheets. Several girls attended practice sessions, but owing to lack of time to organize practices at St. Augustine's pool, these girls have not had the chance to try for their Awards. However, next term a trip to Norwich will be arranged.

On behalf of all the girls and boys who have taken and passed their exams, I want to extend my thanks to Mr. Shepperd and Mr. Little for both helping and examining the candidates; and special congratulations to four of the Staff children, Catherine Little; Richard Belmont; Mark Shepperd and Ruth Shuter who have taken and passed their Bronze and Silver Awards respectively.

Awards have been gained by the following:-

- BRONZE: Sarah Tanburn; Isobel Coe; Carole Blower; Ann Jones; Judith Best; Joanne Pegg; Alison Livingstone; Anne Cleverly; Ian Cairns; Tim Copland; Nigel Wainwright; Joanne Bowers; Anita Stone; Clare Ellwood; Tania Mallows; Susan Evans; Clare Dellino.
- SILVER: Lesley Cleverly; Barbara McNay; Ian Cairns; Terence Chapman; Steven Thompson; Carole Blower; Isobel Coe.

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Francis Wright (Gloucester)	1st Hons, Physics, Cambridge
Hugh Brayne (Durham)	1st Hons, Law, Keele
Mark Brayne (Norwich)	1st Hons, Russian, Leeds.
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