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## EDITORIAL

The gossip columnist of the *Daily Express* recently commented on the new 'régime' at Stowe: Mr Turner, he wrote, "has clamped down upon youths lolling about in their studies . . . furnished with soft armchairs. Now hard desks have been moved in". The journalist continued; "Quite right, too. It's bad enough parents subsidising the comprehensive education of other people's brats, without paying £2,385 a year for their own to live the life of Riley".

These Spartan sentiments are no doubt shared by many of the parents, though the study holders themselves may consider them extreme. More significant, however, than the manner in which studies are furnished are the attitudes reflected in these furnishings. Perhaps one could consider the 'soft armchair' to be symbolic of the apathy and complacency (whether academic, social or political) which have, in the past, been complained of at tedious though always relevant length in the pages of this magazine as well as in other, 'unofficial', school publications. The problem is not that Stoics do not participate in school activities, but that many of them only participate half-heartedly.

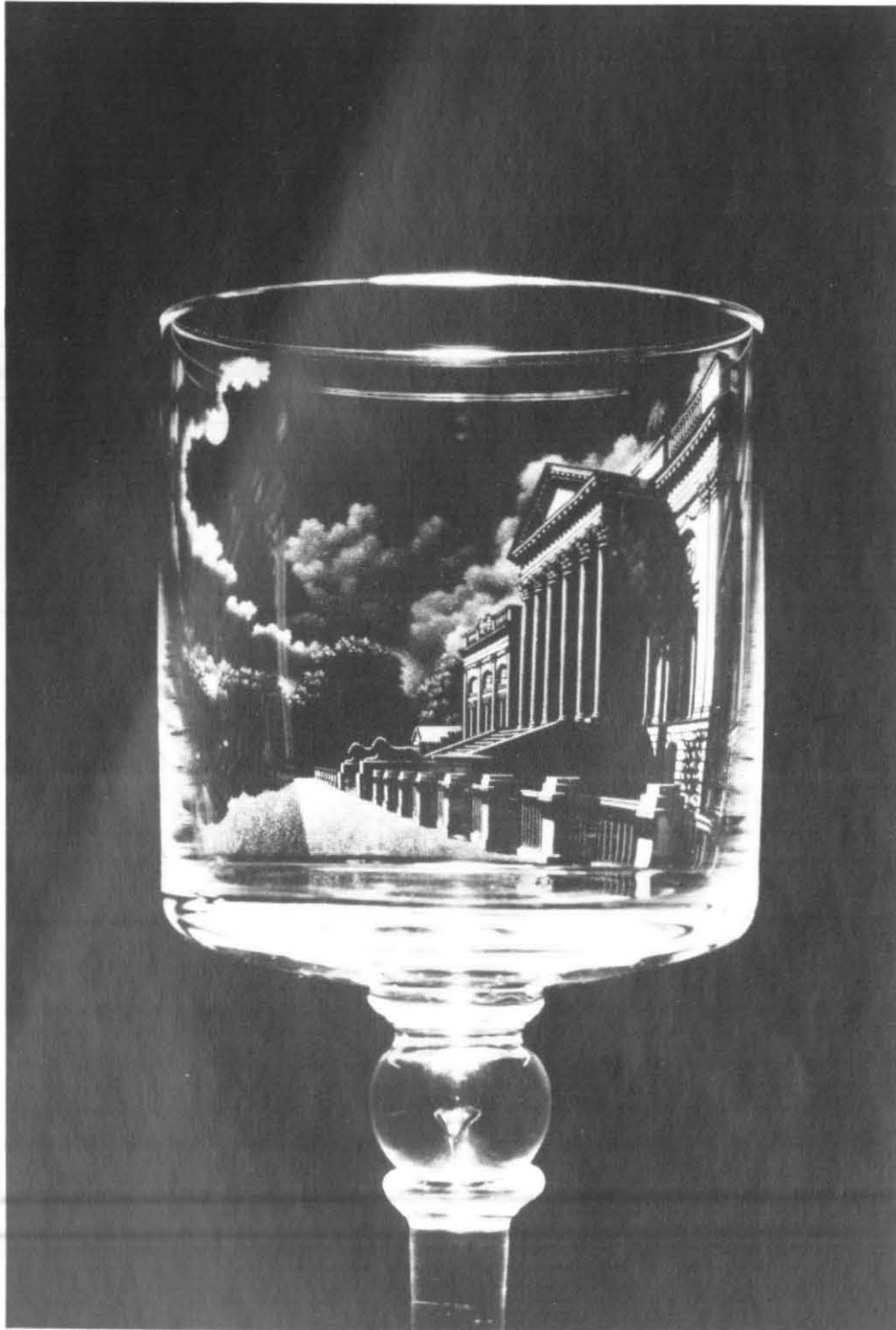
The Headmaster made it plain from the beginning that mediocrity would not be tolerated: the goal of any undertaking, from woodwork and athletics to grade eight music examinations and 'A' levels, must be nothing less than excellence. Mr Turner, illustrating his own enthusiasm, even said that Stowe has the potential to be the greatest public school. Sceptics may believe that this will be impossible to achieve; but this is unimportant: it is the pursuit of excellence which has greatest value.

Though good results on the sports field are essential as far as the public image of a school is concerned, revealing a healthy vitality, there is today a greater emphasis on academic excellence. With the number of places possibly reduced as a result of cuts in public spending, and increasing competition from the state sector, university entrance is becoming more difficult. To certain critics of the public school system, academic superiority is the only justification for the existence of institutions such as Stowe.

Hence the introduction of the 'hard desk'. Contrary to the belief of many indignant Stoics, this reform is not in the least revolutionary! It merely constitutes a minor shift in curricular emphasis, which may be seen to be a natural reaction to the more liberal and relaxed attitudes of the past ten or fifteen years (a reflection perhaps of the prevalent mood of austerity brought on by fuel shortages and economic and industrial troubles). But whatever the reasons for change, and though there are bound to be critics in a closed community such as Stowe, it at least shows that the school is not stagnating, but is alive.

**J. W. Aldridge**

View of the South Front by moonlight engraved on glass by Simon Whistler (6 1958). The glass is one of several designed by Laurence Whistler (4 1930).



# AUTUMN 1979

Head of School	<b>R. C. Appleby, ma.</b>
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Prefect of Library	<b>Belinda L. Hill</b>
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Prefect of Chapel	<b>M. J. P. Horlock</b>
Head of Chatham	<b>F. E. J. Law</b>
Head of Bruce	<b>J. C. Lloyd</b>
Head Girl and Head of Stanhope	<b>Rowena M. Marshall</b>
Head of Chandos	<b>R. R. Montgomery</b>
Head of Lyttelton	<b>C. H. Peacock</b>
Head of Grafton	<b>C. B. A. Ryrie</b>

The Autumn Term saw the beginning of Mr Turner's reign as Headmaster, and it is clear that he has every intention of keeping Stowe as one of Britain's leading public schools. In his first address to the School he announced that he hoped to make Stowe 'the best school in Europe'. Obviously any major changes in the School's structure will come gradually, but nevertheless changes have already been seen, and, pleasingly, they have mostly met the approval of the School. A tightening-up in the appearance of studies is perhaps the most important change we have seen so far; it was sometimes hard to envisage studies as places of work. Coloured lights are now forbidden: desks (supplied by the School) are compulsory. Other innovations range from an eagerly applauded week-end leave available to all to the appearance of the Headmaster in class-rooms to see the 'troops in action' and the re-introduction of a very enjoyable fireworks display.

After the departure of various members of the Staff in the Summer Term we have welcomed the following: Messrs. J. Blagden, B. King, L. E. Weston, C. W. L. Cain, M. E. Manisty, P. J. Stiff and R. H. Bedford-Payne. We say farewell to three members of the Staff: Mr Rawcliffe has been at Stowe for nineteen years, ten of them as housemaster of Chatham, a position which he now hands over to the capable hands of Mr Meredith. We are also losing Mr Panther, who has taught Biology with infectious zest for nearly three years, and Mrs M. M. Wilson, who has taught French this term. Our best wishes go with them all for the future. We offer our best wishes also to three men who have retired recently after very long service to the School in the Bursar's department. As painter, carpenter and engineer respectively, Louis Whitehead, Dennis Goodwin and Bert Lillistone have worked with patience and devotion to maintain the essential functions of the School, Louis Whitehead for fifty years, the others for forty or more.

The First XV has had a very successful season under Mr Weston's guidance of a spirited, malleable group of players. Of the eleven matches played they won eight, losing only to Radley, Oundle and St Edward's. A full report follows in the sports section. The Drayson Hall too has been in constant use during the term, as has the all-weather playing surface which has seen the robust activity of the girl's hockey and lacrosse let loose on it.

The Community Service with its habitual vigour organized its annual Christmas hamper campaign. Aiming at a target of £2,000 it had reached £1,300 before the end of the term, in fact, in under two weeks. Our warm thanks are due to parents for their very generous donations.

Stowe drama continues to flourish. Under Mr Meredith's direction the Congreve Club performed 'The Merchant of Venice' and Mr Jones' criticism of it follows later in these pages. The end of the term was enlivened by Nugent's customary contribution in this field, and by a highly original, witty version of 'Cinderella' presented by Mr Small's drama group, which delighted a Stowe audience somewhat jaded by the labours of a long term. On the musical side local talent excelled itself in the end-of-term concert given by the Stowe Orchestra, the Choral Society and the Queen's Temple Singers. The programme consisted of Mr Drayton's 'God's Anvil', 'Mars' and 'Jupiter' from Holst's 'The Planets' and Kodaly's 'Hary Janos'. By general agreement this was one of the best concerts heard in recent years. We note also that various Stoics took an active part in the Buckingham Musical Festival. Amongst other musical events we were fortunate to have a fascinating lecture recital by Alan Civil on the horn. Mr Drayton has been given a grant by the Arts Council enabling him to take two terms' leave to carry on with his composition. We wish him every success and look forward to hearing the results of his 'sabbatical' on his return.

In the last issue of 'The Stoic' the revival of the Political Club was mentioned, and it has certainly flourished this term. It has heard highly interesting talks from the Earl of Bessborough and Mr Anthony Quinton, and looks forward to a visit from Lord Home in March. Other societies have been very active, too.

On Friday, 5th October Emma Weiner spoke to a crowded Roxburgh Hall on her sojourn in Venice as winner of the Myles Henry prize. She illustrated her interesting talk with a number of excellent slides, and answered very knowledgeably the various questions prompted by her talk.

Older subscribers to this magazine will be interested to hear of the establishment of the William and Patience McElwee Travelling Scholarship, founded in their memory to enable successful candidates to travel abroad to study some aspect of culture, history or art.

We congratulate J. E. Hughes Clarke and J. C. Lloyd on winning Exhibitions in the recent Oxford and Cambridge examinations, the former in Natural Sciences at Magdalen College, Oxford, the latter in Geography at Trinity Hall, Cambridge. We are also pleased to hear of similar awards won by former members of the School: M. Al Turki has won an Exhibition in Modern Languages at St Edmund Hall, Oxford, and J. A. Macdonald an Organ Scholarship at Balliol College, Oxford. Fourteen other members of the School also gained places at Oxford or Cambridge.

Early in the summer holidays we learnt with great regret of the tragic death of Fiona Greenwood, who left in the Autumn term 1978, and this term of the death of Robert Squires, who left last Summer term. Our deepest sympathies go to their families. They will be greatly missed.

**N. E. J. Hedley**

## R.C.R.

Roger Rawcliffe came to Stowe in 1960 after practising as an Accountant in the City of London. As a Classics graduate of Trinity, Cambridge, he taught Latin and Greek throughout the School; an enthusiast for his subject, he was able to speak with experience and authority of the respect accorded to a Classical education in the world of commerce and the professions. He was always happier teaching older boys, and many generations of The Twenty (of which he was long Form Master) and Sixth Formers have good reason to be grateful for his firm guidance and careful attention to scholarship. In addition to Latin and Greek, he taught valuable courses in Ancient History and Architecture; his Accountancy expertise provided useful lessons on Taxation, and more recently a full examination course in Accountancy. He was for some time Careers Master and was responsible for the inauguration of the original Side X and a business course for those who found difficulty with normal academic subjects. Apart from these varied activities in the class-room, he contributed widely to the life of the School. Holding the rank of Major in the East Lancashire Regiment, he was for 17 years Section Commander and Contingent Commander for 3 years, during which time he was responsible for the building of the present armoury. He was the leading spirit in the initial organization of the Stowe Estates and Sports Club, audited the accounts of the Bookshop and presided over the flourishing Business Game. In 1969 he took over the Housemastership of Chatham from Walter Bradshaw, and showed in that capacity the same qualities and standards as in his teaching. The word which springs least readily to mind in describing Roger is 'compromise'. He had no patience with lethargy or woolly-mindedness, and did not suffer fools gladly; but his strictures would usually be modified by his characteristically quick, impulsive humour, and he was always scrupulously fair. About half of his career at Stowe coincided with the so-called permissive, rebellious decade of the '60s, but he never bowed to its pressures. Presented with a demand for 'reform', he might well have replied with the first half of Ovid's self-revealing comment: video meliora proboque. Roger is now resuming the practice of Accountancy, this time in the Isle of Man. We wish him and his wife Elizabeth every happiness there.

### RADIATION WAR

One day, that cloud will come,  
Creeping stealthily through the air,  
Approaching a notorious, un-abused city.  
The people think of nothing but themselves.  
Some rush, some creep the walks.  
The cloud casts a shadow on the city.  
Its altitude begins to decrease.  
It reaches the human bugs below.  
Heat,  
Irritation,  
Pain,  
A furnace,  
Agony,  
Death.  
It will be as simple as that.

R. T. E. Orr

## OBITUARIES

### MR MICHAEL EDMONDS

Those who knew Michael Edmonds and had the privilege of working with him sadly mourn his sudden and untimely passing.

He was a scholar at the Royal Academy of Music, where he won various prizes, and that august body eventually honoured him with an Associateship (A.R.A.M.), an award given only to students who they consider have distinguished themselves in the profession of music. Before joining the Music Staff at Stowe he had taught at Sedbergh and Oundle, and had been the 'Cellist in the University of Wales Quartet at Aberystwyth. During his nine years at Stowe he not only proved himself to be a very fine teacher of his instrument, but also a sensitive and meticulous player. He produced a number of young 'cellists capable of performing concerti at various school concerts, some of them continuing to study music as a profession on leaving Stowe. He also enthralled and charmed audiences at Music Society concerts with beautiful performances of chamber music, solo recitals and as a member of the Orchestra. He left Stowe in 1971 first to teach at Winchester and then to establish a private teaching connection in Oxford and to have more opportunity to play professionally in chamber ensembles and orchestras, but happily he often returned, to assist in the orchestral and choral concerts, or to play recitals. Although only a part-time member of staff, he always contributed a great deal to the life of the School, running both the Music Club and the Twelve Club. Many Old Stoice members of these bodies will remember pleasant meetings held at his charming 'Manor House' in Chackmore. Michael was not only a fine musician, but was also a kind and generous friend, a breezy and entertaining conversationalist, and a great enthusiast for all the Arts who could inspire interest from the most hardened philistine. He enjoyed life.

To Mary, his devoted wife and constant companion, who also contributed much to the life of the School, we all offer our very deepest sympathy, and, as much as is possible, share her great loss.

May he sleep peacefully, and may the music of Heaven be eternally with him.

W.B.W.

### MR DONALD BRIDGER

It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Donald Bridger on December 3rd, two days after he had given his last lessons for the Autumn term. He had been teaching Oboe and Clarinet at Stowe for about three years. Not only a fine Oboe and Cor Anglais player who had been a member of the Philharmonia, London Symphony and Royal Opera House Orchestras for many years, he was also a competent pianist and a composer. His pupils found him a man of charm and kindness, who was always interested and eager to help them to realise their musical aspirations.

W.B.W.

# DRAMA

## THE CONGREVE CLUB

The twentieth century has seen a reappraisal of *The Merchant of Venice*, not unrelated to actual twentieth-century events, of course. If you prick us will we not bleed: if you gas us will we not die? Superficially there is a wicked, revengeful Jew versus generous, merciful Christians, but a more sophisticated interpretation—and now, I think, the conventional one—is that Shakespeare is not so anti-Semitic as at first he might seem. Shylock remains a villain, but we are invited at times to pity him, persecuted and lonely as he is, and to despise the worldly, frivolous, maybe homosexual Venetians—Christians in little other than name.

In their production the Congreve Club chose to re-emphasise the good-evil, Christian-Jew conflict. No harm in that, perhaps. But were they really entitled to cut those ambiguous parts of the text which suggest that Bassanio is less interested in Portia than he is in her money, or that Portia cunningly and against the spirit of her father's will hints to Bassanio which casket to choose? And, even more serious, were they entitled to pervert Shakespeare's text by introducing new speaking characters, girlfriends for Salerio and Solanio? I think not.

All that said, however, the performance itself was very fine, and most impressive of all was the remarkable attention to apparently trivial details—giggling servants, prissy gentlewomen and so on—which is the sign of the director's fertile imagination and painstaking efforts. There was no elaborate set, and the audience's attention was fixed firmly upon the characters themselves, so that the excellent performances of messengers, guards, suitors (especially the very powerful performance of Morocco by Matthew Street) and such other less characters as Salerio (Fred Taylor) and Launcelot Gobbo (Paul Calkin) were of particular importance.

Of the major characters, Antonio (Joe Pélissier) was probably the most impressive, acting his part with the quiet dignity the text demands, his words spoken clearly and with expression. Henry Hall's acting as Gratiano was beyond praise, though one wonders whether he was quite the man to play a loutish, foul-mouthed cad. Frankly, his promise to "swear but now and then" seemed to me rather unnecessary. I should have been very startled to have heard him swear at all.

Bassanio suffered most from the re-interpretation of the play. Vincent Hope was really magnificent as a dewy-eyed lover, and so far as he had to speak words which Shakespeare wrote for a spendthrift ne'er-do-well he spoke them very well indeed. Throughout the play his gestures were very natural, and, with Lorenzo (Ian Keith) he was a refreshing presence on stage. Shylock (Alex Lloyd) was wicked on Thursday and even wicked on Saturday. Shakespeare's lines make it impossible for this part not to be impressive. The disconsolate, defeated Shylock at the end made a memorable picture. Portia's character may be variously interpreted, and the part was interestingly played by Emma Weiner. She is a lady "richly left", says Bassanio, and, he adds, "she is fair" . . . and so she was. The love matches at the end were entirely convincing, and Nerissa (Katherine Cutler) coped splendidly with her broken leg so that the reviewer, try as he might, never caught a glimpse of the plaster!

The play was an ambitious choice, excellently directed by Mr Meredith. Lighting and other stage effects were faultless. As well as being entertaining it was, as the first two paragraphs of this review suggest, thought-provoking. Shakespeare's plays always should be. So perhaps Shakespeare wouldn't have minded the girlfriends after all.

P.D.J.

## NUGENT PLAYERS

*The Crickets Sing* this year took its honoured place beside *The Man with the Bowler Hat* and *The Crimson Coconut* as a play performed by Nugent. The Shakespearean title, the partially Shakespearean text and the genuine historical setting all indicate Nugent's rising cultural status. And most impressive of all was the acting. There were only nine junior boys in Nugent and the play should have had a cast of about sixteen, so whilst the principal actor (James Patrick) held the whole performance together splendidly, Tim Bliss effortlessly transformed himself from a buxom landlady to a soldier, and then to Imogen's maid. John Young acted well as a shifty, sly member of Oliver Cromwell's secret police, working (unsuccessfully) to rob King Charles II (Noel Durlacher). Jan Simmonds and Graham Strong were dignified but fearsome soldiers, and Damian Howell-Williams took to the part of an innocent drummer-boy as to the manner born. Richard Butson acted convincingly the part of a doddering academic, wearing the gown of one Stowe master, but reminding the audience of several. Jean-Pierre Gerbet, who unfortunately was unable to take part in the final performance, helped the settlers, Oliver Stone, John Spicer and Jonathan Bayntun, design and construct a simple but effective set.

P.D.J.



# MUSIC

We begin this survey of recent Stowe Music with a reference to the final concert for R.Q.D., briefly noted in the last issue of this magazine. Its predominant flavour was of strings and voices: Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on a theme of Thomas Tallis, the slow movement of Bach's D minor concerto for two violins (dark as Erebus indeed must his affections be who is not moved by this perfect piece of lyrical writing), Elgar's Introduction and Allegro for strings, the aria 'Ye now have sorrow' from Brahms' German Requiem, and — the climax of the evening—Tallis' forty part motet 'Spem in alium', performed here not very long ago but well worth the repetition.

The Autumn Term's musical offering was full and varied; two orchestral concerts, a chamber concert, a lieder recital, a concert by the R.A.F. Central Band and a lecture-recital on the horn. It was pleasing to note that on half these occasions Stowe musicians figured prominently. Indeed, the first concert, on September 23rd, was very much a home affair; Robert Secret conducted the Vale Chamber Orchestra, though only in Peter Warlock's wistful piece of nostalgia, the Capriol Suite, did the orchestra perform alone. In the rest of this charming, mainly Baroque concert, we heard Paul Drayton and David Gatehouse give a perfectly controlled performance of two of Bach's concertos for harpsichord, in C minor and C major, and Bram Wiggins displaying his versatility in two strongly contrasting works for trumpet and strings, Torelli's Sonata a cinque and Lars Erik-Larsson's Concertino.

On October 7th Timothy Rowe followed up his success in the Summer Term (with Schubert's 'Die Winterreise') with a performance of 'Dichterliebe' and 'Schwanengesang', with David Gatehouse again as his accompanist. As on the earlier occasion, his sensitive and expressive rendering brought out admirably the subtle changes of mood in the cycles, and David Gatehouse's accompaniment was extremely sympathetic.

The concert given by the R.A.F. Central Band on October 21st had all the vigour, the well-drilled expertise, to be expected of this well-known gathering of talented musicians. Their programme ranged from arrangements of familiar 'classical' or 'light classical' pieces to 'Jesus Christ Superstar' and various shorter pieces illustrating the versatile capabilities of the band and its ability to 'breathe through silver as well as blow through bronze'. Some remarkably adept playing on solo instruments and some vocal bravura performances were greeted with the rapturous applause they deserved. It was an evening requiring robust listeners; delicate ears may have found the sheer volume a little daunting.

Alan Civil's lecture recital on the horn on November 4th was a delight from beginning to end. Apart from the highly varied programme of the works he played, which included pieces by composers as different as Mozart, Chopin, Messiaen, Dukas, Gershwin and Arthur Benjamin, he was blissfully possessed of a warmth of personality and an unpretentious sense of humour that captivated his enthusiastic audience. He made his difficult instrument perform remarkable feats, and the climax of his demonstration was to show how a reasonably efficient horn can be made out of odds and ends with a little help from Woolworths. Those who attended this lecture may have learnt something not only about music but about the whole art of communication.

On Sunday, November 5th Nicholas Hedley provided a musical event of some rarity, an organ recital in the Chapel by a member of the School. His programme included works by Bach, Handel, Mendelssohn and Widor.

The concert given by the Choral Society, the Queen's Temple Singers and the School Orchestra on December 8th was one of the most enterprising and stimulating of recent seasons, and it was heartening to see it so well attended. The first part was devoted to a performance of Paul Drayton's 'God's Anvil', a song cycle in five parts for Chorus and Orchestra based on texts from the Psalms and Isaiah and poems by Rupert Brooke, G. K. Chesterton, Francis Thompson and William Blake. The settings are intended (according to the programme note) to 'illustrate some features of the natural world. At several points God is presented as the master-craftsman of creation, unique in His power to conceive and manufacture the creatures of the earth and their surroundings'. It would be presumptuous for the layman to pass any judgment on this work, beyond expressing delight in a vigorous and exhilarating performance of it. Particularly appealing were the powerful brass effects, the piano motif and string themes in Section 4 which sensuously evoked the delicacy and fragility of a snowflake, and the lively, syncopated rhythms which opened the final section. The audience responded enthusiastically to the splendid singing and polished playing of this uncompromisingly modern and eminently tuneful item.

The two movements from Holst's suite "The Planets" were not quite as successfully brought off. They were an apt, if ambitious, choice, as all sections of the orchestra get a share of the 'cake'. The strong brass and percussion writing came over sonorously, but tended to swamp the strings. To some extent the performance of these two pieces lacked the clarity of texture of the other items in the programme. In fairness it should be said that the leisurely structure of the work as a whole (including these two sections) produces unusual difficulties of performance. Particularly striking, however, was the crisp and convincing way in which the movements were cleanly concluded. The same comment could be made on the playing of the delightful "Hary Janos" suite by Kodaly. The wide variety of mood and tempo in this engaging series of musical pictures is a challenging test for any orchestra, and the verve and precision with which the various sections were executed were perhaps all the more remarkable as coming at the end of a long and arduous evening of music-making. We offer our congratulations in particular to those members of the School whose efforts contributed so much to the total effect.

It seems appropriate at this point to wish Paul Drayton every success with his composition during his two sabbatical terms.

J.A.B.  
B.S.S.

## THE ZEPHYR-SATANIC INSPIRATION

As breeze inspires the leafy tops, and slides  
Unheard between the moss-barked trunks below,  
The thin-stemmed summit sways and, wind-whipped, rides,  
Whilst rough-skinned roots feel not the silent flow;  
Amidst Platonic depths they stand and, blind  
To sparkling sun above, know only shadows.  
Bark regards bark in sombre stare; they find  
No trace of stranger amplified in shallows.  
But who perceives the turbulence above?  
Ignorant of a golden eye, trunks scorn  
An evil influx foul; know not the love  
Of that eye's face, in which boughs' sway is thorn.  
Reflect on loving twig-scratched bosom blue;  
Then choke lament when hideous head's slashed through.

T. J. Bayntun

# SOCIETY

## CHAPEL

We welcomed the following as preachers in Chapel last term:

The Revd M. H. G. Henley, L.Th., R.N., Staff Chaplain to the Chaplain of the Fleet; The Revd R. H. Lloyd, J.P., Chaplain of the Dragon School; The Ven J. H. Wilson, C.B., Q.H.C., M.A., Chaplain-in-Chief of the Royal Air Force; The Rt Revd G. E. D. Pytches, Vicar of St Andrew's Church, Chorleywood; The Revd K. W. Habershon of the Church Youth Fellowships' Association on Remembrance Sunday; The Revd A. Dow, Vicar of St Paul's Church, Leamington Spa; The Very Revd. L. Jackson, Provost of Blackburn; and Miss P. Schmiegelow, Secretary of the Inter-Continental Church Society. The Revd J. D. Morris, Headmaster of Handcross Park School, was the Preacher at the New Boys' Service in Stowe Church.

On the 15th November a Bring and Buy Sale was held in the Marble Hall to support the Blue Peter Appeal in aid of Cambodian refugees. This was opened by the actor Stephen Yardley and, together with a donation from the Chapel offering, raised nearly three hundred pounds.

During the term a party went to the London concert of Barry McGuire, the American singer. It was refreshing to hear this gifted communicator share the Christian faith in words and music that were as up-to-the-minute as his own Christian experience.

The pattern of our services from the Spring Term 1980 will be changed: the present unsatisfactory arrangement of an interrupted Series Three Holy Communion, in which non-communicant members of the congregation leave after the Ministry of the Word and Prayer, will be replaced by a regular pattern of 11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Holy Communion at 8.45 or 11.40 on alternate Sundays. On the first Sunday of the month, Holy Communion will continue to be celebrated at 8.15 a.m. in Stowe Church.

**N. W. Wynne-Jones**

## THE ART SOCIETY

The Society has had a successful term. Despite the poor season and the somewhat diminished membership, our two lecturers have excelled themselves and delighted their audience. The first, John Winter—Director of the Department of Objets de Vertu at Sotheby's—spoke to us, with the aid of a few illuminating slides, about the great jeweller Fabergé and his work at the Court of St Petersburg. The second, Sandra Blow, talked to us on a quite different level, about her paintings and the influences that have inspired her, from Fra Angelico to Duchamp. She showed us slides of a number of her fluorescent, abstract paintings which were in utter contrast to those delicate—if somewhat vulgar—works of Fabergé's.

The great sadness of the term, however, has been the absence of our President, Mr Stephan, from either of the meetings through his accident, but he has, as always, been a great help in the organization.

**H. N. Hall  
A. L. D. Hicks**

## CENTREPOINT

In a school Christian meeting such as Centrepoint it is always difficult to sense the needs and wishes of those attending. We have found the value of smaller discussion groups and question times over the last two terms, giving people a good opportunity to air their own views, question their faith and contribute to the whole meeting. Everyone has certainly responded to these challenges in a positive way.

This term our theme has been "The Christian Armour", our studies being based on Ephesians, Chapter Six. This contains a wealth of material and vividly depicts the Christian life as a real, exciting and compelling battle.

Our speakers this term have been very varied. Mr Andrew Dalton, a very young banker was able to visit us before flying to America and then Japan. Mr Alex Ribeiro, a Brazilian formula one racing driver, told us how he believes that Christ drives his car. The Revd Andrew Dow, a world expert on train noises, gave us a challenging questionnaire on prayer after preaching in Chapel. Mr Philip Tompson played us a tape about a young American girl who is paralysed from the neck down and is a real example to us all in her faith and courage. The term finished with a rousing talk from Miss Patti Schmiegelow, who also preached in Chapel, and a question and answer session from the leavers this term. We also had another excellent filmstrip that was very much appreciated.

Again, very many thanks to Mr Vinen for the use of his flat and to Mr Marcuse for his endless support and organisation.

**R. M. Coombs**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

1979 has seen a sizeable increase in the number of volunteers joining Community Service. We have, however, been hampered somewhat in our activities since our minibus was written off in the Spring. It is only recently that we have acquired another second-hand Ford Transit Minibus. The main difficulty was finding a vehicle in reasonable condition within our (limited) price-bracket. Unfortunately, the time is approaching when we shall have to replace an old diesel van, after close on ten years of very hard and faithful service, and it is for this reason that we are very keen to receive Covenants, or any other donations. Outings have, this year, among others, included a visit to the Congreve Club's production of 'The Merchant of Venice'. This was a tremendous success, and Community Service is very grateful to A.G.M. and C.R.H. for making it all possible.

Buckingham Rotary Club very kindly donated £150 towards the purchase of some much-needed gardening equipment.

The Christmas Party 1979 was a great success, and we are particularly grateful to guests Claire Fenn and Susan Coombs for providing the high-spot of the entertainment, and of course to Mrs Jill Dobinson and her tremendous team of helpers, who, as usual, provided the food and managed the catering.

Finally, the Hamper Campaign 1979, run by John Needham and Julian Haskard looks as if it was a great success too. We are indeed most grateful to parents for their generous support.

**D.A.T. Kerr,  
Chairman**

## THE LIBRARY

Thanks to W.St.A.R.D. the five busts are once more in place on top of the high bookcases between the windows. He cleaned up Horace and made a copy of Homer to sit in the sixth position and so complete the row.

Christopher Milne (2 1939) presented his latest book "The Path Through the Trees", Anthony Dickins (6 1932) No. 53 of 125 copies of his "Fairy Chess Problems" and G. P. Lewis (1 1946) "The Fifties". A complimentary copy of Sotheby Parke Bernet Annual Review "Art at Auction 1978-9" when published shortly will be coming to the Library. It is always pleasant to receive gifts of books, especially from Old Stoics.

D.R.F. recommended a variety of books for the Geography shelves, which have been in constant use all term, and the Scott-Gall Fund has given the Library an extra grant of £100 to buy Modern History books, which was most welcome, in addition to the £12 a term already granted. By popular request we have bought an amount of light reading in paperback, but how disappointing it is when these and other books are taken away unrecorded in the Register, and are therefore untraceable. The termly check usually reveals about 50 books missing not recorded.

Rachel Curwen stepped in as Deputy Prefect when Belinda Hill left the School, proving herself conscientious and successful in the job, and in picking up and returning lost or abandoned books. Grateful thanks go to both girls from Mrs McDouall and me for their help, and to the House Monitors, without whose constant distribution of reminder "Chits" the Library's retrieval system could not function.

C.R.H.

**Monitors:** S. M. Carroll (2), J. T. Gaines (3), A. R. J. MacKinnon (4), R. D. H. Taylor (5), P. H. Jones (6), J. D. Rees (7), M. C. W. Turner (8), A. H. Ritchie (9), R. H. V. Curwen (0), T. J. Bayntun (N).

## THE ENGLISH SOCIETY

At the first of the Society's two meetings, on October 3rd, Mr Nicholas Kaye (O.S.), spoke on Victorian poetry. The Society found many of his views provocative and stimulating, and his talk inspired some interesting questions about the relationship of music and painting to the poetry of this period. On November 7th a huge audience, overflowing into the aisles of the A.V.R., came to hear Mr Stephan give his long-awaited talk on 'Myth and Vision'. Citing examples from early fertility rites, classical mythology, the dialogues of Plato and more recent works of literature, he came to the conclusion that myth and vision were in many ways closely inter-related. Mr Stephan's challenging lecture certainly provided food for thought, as was demonstrated by the many questions which he subsequently answered.

J. W. Aldridge

## THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The Society has been fairly active this term although it has suffered from a declining membership and I hope this situation will be rectified in the near future. The junior part of the Society has met regularly on Friday nights and there have been two 'Stamp Marts' this term with the participation of the Buckingham Stamp Society. We look forward to further success next term.

Mark A. Partington

## THE CHESS CLUB

The Junior Chess team has as usual played in the Oxford League this term. The results have been mixed in losing outright to Magdalen College School, Oxford and winning very comfortably to the Harlow School. The influx of new boys this term has greatly increased the quality of the junior squad, with a number already in the junior team. Unfortunately, as new boys progress up the School interest in the game diminishes quickly and this has led to there being no Senior School matches. The House matches have, however, managed to get a number of people to play and again it is a very close contest, with Chandos and Temple in the final. We would like to thank Mr Jones for his help in arranging the junior fixtures and supporting the Club.

The following have played for the Junior School team: Critchley (2), Cathcart (2), Hobday (4), Berner (2), Hopley (1) and Cox (3).

P. J. Satow  
S. C. Pledger

## HAIKU

### 1. Society

We are unperturbed  
By hatred, murders, killings,  
Till it comes to us.

### 2. Echoing Spirits

Our echoes sing strong,  
And then fade in the distance.  
But, where do they go?

### 3. Shadows

Silently stalking,  
They are forever with us.  
Suddenly, they're gone!

### 4. Death

He carries his scythe,  
Watching all over the earth,  
Reaping the careless.

### 5. Mirrors

Looking in the glass,  
The visage is beautiful.  
They can't get inside.

M. S. Emery



## THE SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Science Society has had a full term's activities—seven films, three lectures and one trip to a research institute. The films, on such diverse subjects as "The Chips are Down" and "Marvellous Things—Bottles" were mainly attended and enjoyed by the Lower School members. The lectures, which have to be restricted to the Upper School because of lack of space, were much appreciated and enjoyed. For the more mathematically minded, there was  $2 \times 2 = 3.99?$ ; for those interested in white elephants there was "The Humber Bridge"; finally, for those worried by prospects of mass unemployment, "Microprocessors" proved fascinating. The trip to the Plessey Research Establishment near Towcester, to see how microprocessors are actually made, was again a success. We look forward to next term's programme.

P. J. Macdonald

## THE FORESTERS

The boy foresters and the Wednesday estate party have spent much of the term completing work begun by the professionals. One of the group of three elms in Home Park finally succumbed to the beetle, in spite of being injected for several years, and had to be felled this autumn; nearby, in the Lyttelton rough, the copper beech which has been ailing was also felled. Then we burned and axed out the stump, so that it can be grassed over and replanted.

Between the Eleven-Acre and Jubilee Avenue the boys again followed the professionals, who had removed the dead and unsightly trees from this strip of woodland. The whole wood was raked through and cleaned, and by the Hermitage a dozen stumps were hacked out to restore the grassy foreground to Kent's building.

In the open woodland north of Stowe Church, where a show of spring bulbs is planned, we have started to demolish one of the surviving air-raid shelters.

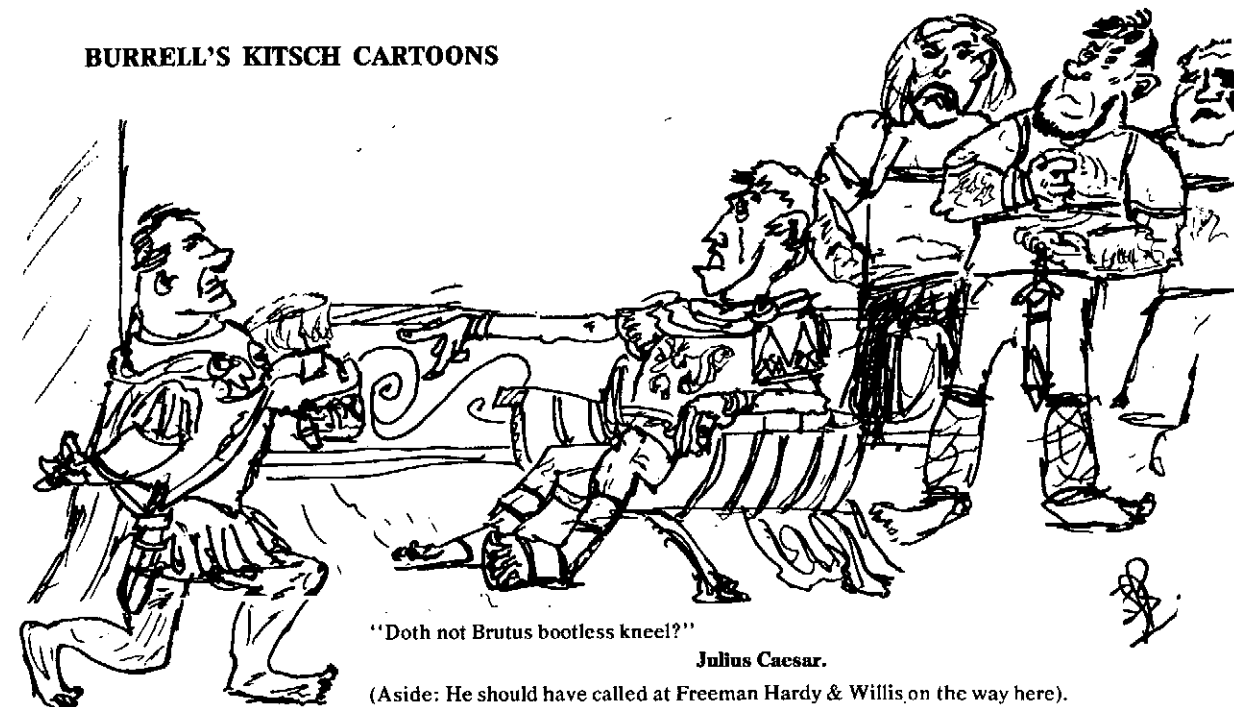
G.B.C.

## THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

At the first meeting of the term, on October 10th, Mr David Champion (O.S.), gave a very enlightening talk on the subject of "Tacitus on Tiberius". As clearly a highly knowledgeable student of this complex topic, he was able to provide valuable information for those members of the Society who were studying Tacitus as part of their 'A' Level syllabus. On November 1st Mr Clarke gave the Society a characteristically erudite lecture on the Concord Medallions. After referring briefly to the School's treatment of the Temple of Concord, Mr Clarke outlined its early history, describing how Cobham's Grecian Temple was later modified into a scholarly and correct Neo-Classical building. He then examined the sixteen plaster medallions, which were sculpted by James Lovell and placed there in 1761-2 to commemorate the victories of the Seven Years War, showing that many of them were taken from medals of the day struck by the Society of Arts, while others were inventions based on Roman prototypes and probably designed by 'Athenian' Stuart.

S. M. Carroll

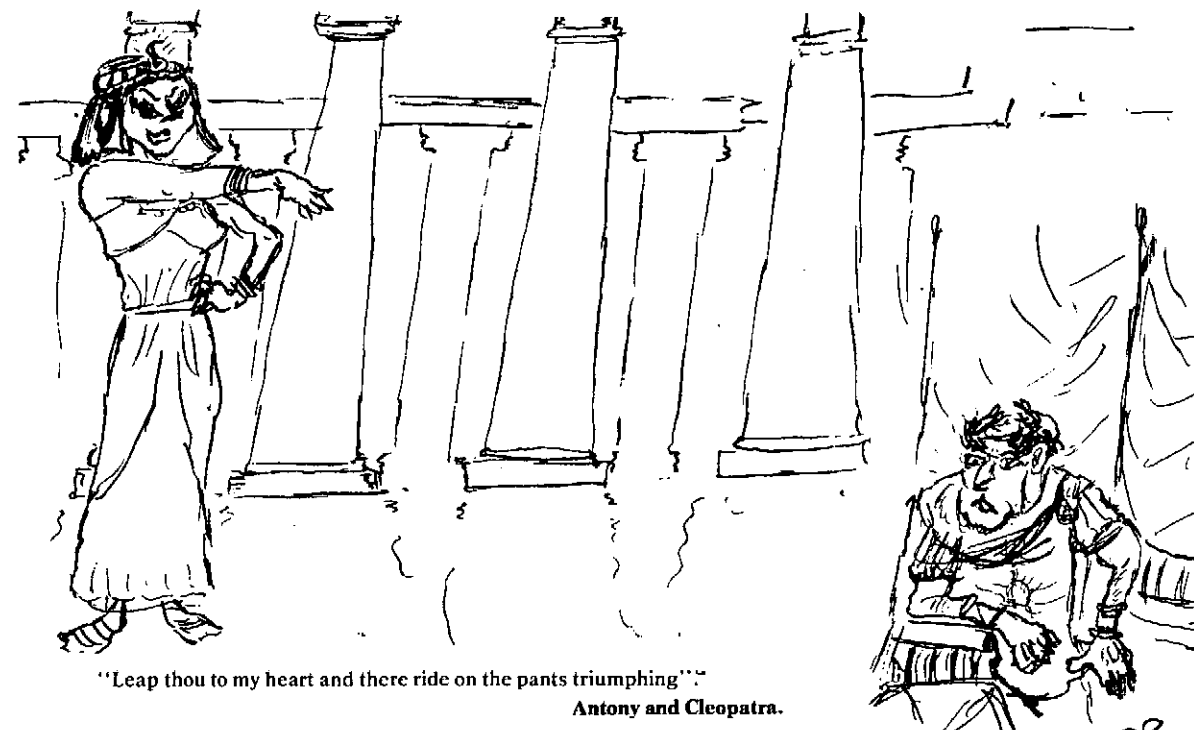
## BURRELL'S KITSCH CARTOONS



"Doth not Brutus bootless kneel?"

Julius Caesar.

(Aside: He should have called at Freeman Hardy & Willis on the way here).



"Leap thou to my heart and there ride on the pants triumphing!"

Antony and Cleopatra.

(Aside: But only after I've been to Marks & Spencer's Lingerie Department).

## THE BRIDGE CLUB

As Eric Bowtell wrote in the *Oxford Times* of 15th June, 1979, "The results Stowe have produced in recent years speak most highly of the splendid training given by Mr Colin Juneman, who has run their Bridge Club for many years". No doubt Bruton will be the school to beat in five years time. We miss him.

Meanwhile the Bridge squad has continued its run of successes. Their Senior team beat Harrow, St Edward's and Bedford. Although they lost narrowly to Radley on aggregate this was not the fault of the first two pairs. The Junior team won all four matches most convincingly, with Gray and Morley emerging as one of the strongest combinations this year.

The Masters won a close match, perhaps because of their Mystery Star Guest Player C.S.J. who visited us at a convenient time.

We have done well in County events also. Dutton and Mersey came sixth in the Lederer Salver and eighth in the Bucks and Berks Schools Pairs Championship, being closely followed in the latter event by Gray and Morley (tenth) and Hobday and Yeats Brown (eleventh). Gray and Morley took first place in their half of the Oxfordshire County Pairs heat, with Dutton and Mersey in third. I am most grateful to R.A.B. and to M.J.F. for sharing the driving with me on these occasions. I do not know how Colin managed to do them all.

I have learnt a lot of Bridge while setting up the hands for the Tuesday duplicate sessions, occasions which have been enlivened by the Stanhope pair, the Misses Cunningham and Zoghbi, who were delighted not to come bottom of the league. That was won comfortably by Gray and Morley. The House Pairs was won by one of the seeded Chatham teams, Gray and Lloyd, with Wolstenholme, ma. and Salmon (Grenville) not far behind. The cup was an appropriate final offering to put before the Rawcliffes. They and A.M.V. will be sadly missed from the Masters' team next year.

Kelly has been an efficient and kind Captain this term, teaching me all the movements and scoring and pointing out errors in my analyses. Mersey takes over as Captain next term with Knowles as his Secretary.

**G.M.H.**

The following have represented the School at Bridge this term: I. Dutton (6), T. F. Ellemann, ma. (5), J. S. Gray (6), J. T. Hobday (4), H. W. Jennings (4), A. G. P. Kelly (1), J. S. Knowles (3), S. T. Lunt (7), C. D. Mersey (6), C. S. Morley (5), Q. B. D. Peppiatt (8), A. A. Salmon (3), R. D. H. Taylor (5), R. Vohora (5), P. H. Wolstenholme, ma. (3), E. N. Yeats Brown (3).

## THE AVIATION SOCIETY

Over the past three terms we have developed from an idea to a Society with a reasonable number of interested members. In this time we have had a variety of interesting films and an illustrated talk on the Royal Air Force.

Also two visits were made to the International Air Tattoo and R.A.F. Brize Norton. Both of these were enjoyed by all. Next term we look forward to some more films and visits.

Thanks for their support go to Messrs. S. Townley and M. J. Fox.

**A. Stirling, Chairman  
W. Smith, Secretary**

## REALITY

Glisteningly dangerous,  
Death to the unwary.  
Stretching between prominent blades,  
The web hangs,  
Undaunted by Nature.  
Its keeper and mistress  
Watches,  
Greedy alert on thread,  
Bloated body grossly distorted.  
A blind whisper of wings.  
Entanglement.  
Suddenly the peace is shattered  
By a mental scream of pure malice.  
Ecstatic.  
A rush of hairy legs  
Heralds the hunter's approach.  
The net gives,  
But still clings with one tenacious finger  
To its struggling prey.  
Desperate effort jangles  
The ropes.  
Hunter leaps,  
Hunted falters.

Later, the body is wound  
In resilient silk  
And is host to  
Dreadful gorging.  
Satisfied, the green spite of hunger  
Evaporates from depthless eyes.  
She climbs to wait once more.

**T. R. Phillips**

## ZYMASE

This term has seen a major upheaval for the wine-making society: the change in command and arrangement of the biology laboratories that occurred at the beginning of this term have regretfully necessitated a change in residence to the Duke of Edinburgh store room, above the Careers Centre. Our accommodation is much appreciated and is also particularly well-suited to our needs, although the sink seems rather crowded at times.

Despite setbacks, our production remains high, and enthusiasm abounds: our total stocks are about 65 gallons of wine at the moment, in spite of the usual pre-Christmas rush to bottle the wine. The annual mammoth brew of elderflower wine, which was started last term, now smells as if it has developed well over the summer: for this a ten-gallon jar, previously owned by the Chemistry Department to keep concentrated sulphuric acid, is used.

Once more, we must express our greatest thanks to Dr Hornby, without whom the Society would not survive: his valuable time and effort are the core of the Society, and the Zymase garden party at his house last term was especially appreciated by those who attended.

**M. Houghton Brown**

**Thoughts, inspired by the theatre, by Pasternak and Pélissier.**

### HAMLET

The excited chatter has faded. I have sauntered out onto the stage.  
Lolling against the frame-work of the fake doorway  
I probe in the distant echo, searching  
For what will come to pass in my life-time.

Eyes peering through a thousand opera-glasses  
Rivet the intensity of the blackness on me.  
If only it is possible Abba Father  
Let this cup pass from me.

I cherish Thy unswerving purpose,  
And am content to play this role.  
But now a different play is unfolding—  
So for this time leave me in peace.

But the sequence of events is determined,  
And the end of the road is inescapable.  
I am alone; everything is drowning in Pharisaism.  
To live one's life is not just to cross a field.

**B. Pasternak**

### THE THEATRE

A false, unhappy and isolated world.  
A world full of strange and confused people.  
A world full of people clinging onto luck.  
A world full of those trying to impress.

A writhing mass of bodies,  
Desperately trying to crawl through the mud to  
..... the top.

But what is the top?  
A struggle to maintain what is achieved.  
A struggle to maintain lost beauty.  
A struggle to remain noticed.  
And when it doesn't work?  
What then . . . . . Depression.  
A feeling of despair . . . . .  
Till all is lost.  
All that remains is a hazy mist of that which was,  
but is no more.

And what's at the bottom?  
A feeling of failure.  
A feeling of poverty.  
And what is throughout?  
Marriage.  
Tumbling down like a pack of cards,  
Time after time after time  
It's all insecurity.  
"Who am I?" they say.  
"We are people who ran from ourselves  
And we hide  
We hide behind something we shall never be".

**A.M. G. Pélissier**

## THE C.C.F.

Since our last report there have been several important changes in the staffing of the CCF. Not only have Messrs Sparshott and Collins left after only a short while with us but, in the last two terms we have lost all three Commanders of the Service Sections: Mr Bowden to Mill Hill after 7 years with the RAF Section, Mr Mead to Shoreham after 20 years with the RN and Mr Rawcliffe to the Isle of Man after 19 years, which included 3 years as Contingent Commander. We shall miss their enthusiasm and experience sadly, and thank them for all their hard work. However, their successors are fast making their marks on the contingent.

Camps and courses having included winter mountaineering in the Cairngorms in December and Adventurous Training in Snowdonia in March, which was nearly as wintry, as well as the normal Annual Camps during the summer holidays. Leek was the Army Section's first experience of a Central Camp for some years and, although the training facilities offered were good, we did not feel that we had achieved as much as we do when we attend a self-help camp.

The inspection was carried out by Air Vice-Marshal D. C. A. Lloyd, A.C.A.S. (Ops), who reported most favourably on his impressions and the training he saw. All concerned, from officers and masters in charge of sections to the newest recruit, deserve the highest praise for and heartiest congratulations on the effort they put in and the results they obtained.

M.J.F.

The picture is of the R.N. Section visiting H.M.S. Fin Whale on Field Day, October 1979.



## THE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

The Autumn term saw the start of the Stowe Mountaineering Club, perhaps a rather dubious affair because of our distance from rock or mountain peaks. Nevertheless, it has been very successful and the response has been warm, membership now standing at thirty-three.

The term opened with the inaugural meeting, at which the future constitution and policy of the Club were laid down. The first meeting was at Stanage, and opened very wet and misty with no enthusiasm by anyone to perform at all. Miraculously, it cleared, the rough gritstone drying to yield some superb climbing for the day.

The usual Field Day two-day meet took place, pre-Brecon Beacons, in the Wye Valley. The weather was perfect, although the arrival time was 4.30 on the first day. This resulted in a night grope up the dusty limestone of Wintour's Leap. The second day was spent pleasantly at Taf Fechan quarry. The Snowdon trip was as wet as it could be: it poured, but this did not damp the spirits of those present, who happily splashed over Tryfan.

At home the Club invited Commander Burley to talk about the expedition he led in South Georgia, including retracing the route taken by Shackleton. This was a really excellent lecture, beautifully illustrated, which gave us all a fascinating look at the type of mountain found out there. A general rope techniques exercise was also held in the quarry, which was very successful and valuable all round.

The Club hopes to fulfil many more engagements next term, when things are a lot more firmly established. Meanwhile a joint CCF/D of E expedition, containing some Club members, risked their toes in the Cairngorms at Christmas in search of such delights as snow hole bivouacs!

F. S. M. Taylor

### DEMETER LAMENTS PERSEPHONE

As joyful Summer weeps her uneasy end  
And lonely Winter creeps on us at last,  
I think 'tis time my wounded soul did mend,  
For future hopes reflect the dreams long past.  
The leaves of love that clothed my naked tree  
And covered up my sore and guilty soul  
Are blown away, estranging you from me,  
And so two parts we be, and not one whole.  
As the bright sun is seen in summer's sky  
So I saw you, not hidden by dark clouds;  
But as the stormy Season gives his cry  
My heart gives way and falls beneath his shrouds.  
But to the new-born Summer I shall look  
To grow again the leaves that Winter took.

M. J. P. Horlock

## THE POLITICAL CLUB

The Political Club held two important meetings this term. At the first the speaker was the Earl of Bessborough, a former Vice-President of the European Parliament and for six years the Deputy Leader of the United Kingdom's Conservative delegation. In his talk he spoke mainly of European affairs and of the difficulties which Britain has faced since entering the E.E.C.—difficulties for which in many cases he blamed the policies of successive British governments. His belief that proportional representation was desirable seemed to be shared by a large number of the audience, who were genuinely interested to hear the well-considered ideas of a man whose experience of international affairs stretched back to his work with the League of Nations in the 1930s.

The largest audience for a long time was won by Mr Anthony Quinton (O.S.)—a testimony to his oratorical *tour de force* on Speech Day. His subject was the trade unions, and his speech was full of sound and fury. His main thesis was unexceptional: Things should be seen as in themselves they really are. They should be called by their right names before they can be properly understood. Only then can wrongs be righted.

Not everyone, maybe, was wholly persuaded that Mr Quinton's comparison of the trade unions with the Mafia was a fine example of the attitude of disinterestedness he seemed to be recommending, but on the whole his talk was well-received, and it stimulated many questions and lengthy discussion.

At the A.G.M., T. K. W. Hodgson was elected to succeed A. G. P. Kelly as Chairman; A. A. Salmon was elected Secretary, and T. A. Lester was elected Assistant Secretary.

P.D.J.

## BUSINESS GAME

This term the Business Game was split into two halves. There was a preliminary round (the result of which did not matter), which was intended to give us experience in how the game worked. This was very instructive and almost amusing with Stowe making the greatest loss in the second week. The second half of the game was the first round of the knock-out competition. The administrator laid down some new conditions such as a fuel shortage, and it was slightly difficult to adapt to these. We thought that as a democratic board in which everyone's argument had some say we had done this. Unfortunately we found that when the next week's results arrived we had over-reacted compared to the other three companies. This only goes to show that man is not an island and in the making of his decisions many things must be taken into account. At this stage the final result is still not known, but we had to take desperate measures when in the situation of being last with only two out of five weeks remaining.

This term the Business Game will very sadly be missing Mr Rawcliffe, whose accounting skills have made him an invaluable major shareholder, taking Stowe to their winning year in 1971, and many other years when we have done well or been unlucky. We all wish him well when he plays his live Business Game from the Isle of Man.

Lastly we are very glad that Mr Barker has agreed to take on the Business Game in the future, and we wish him the best of luck.

P. H. Wolstenholme, Chairman

## AVERAGES

### Batting:

Name	House	Inns.	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Av.
T. A. Lester	Chandos	13	2	256	42	23.3
M. J. C. Gull (Capt.)	Bruce	13	3	225	50	22.3
C. R. Lloyd	Temple	11	2	127	49	14.3
M. J. P. Horlock	Walpole	11	2	120	24	13.3
A. R. J. MacKinnon	Chandos	9	0	119	37	13.2
C. A. Wadsworth	Lyttelton	11	0	131	51	11.9
F. E. J. Law	Chatham	14	1	153	29	11.8
M. P. Staheyeff	Cobham	11	0	87	23	7.9

Also batted: G. F. de Chambure (5), M. M. Berger (7), J. A. G. Bird (2), S. C. Andrews (1), A. H. Ritchie (9).

### Bowling:

Name	House	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
T. A. Lester	Chandos	78.2	31	196	15	13.2
M. P. Staheyeff	Cobham	102.4	30	205	15	13.7
M. M. Berger	Grafton	170.1	47	448	30	14.9
F. E. J. Law	Chatham	46.0	7	150	10	15.0
S. C. Andrews	Bruce	50.4	15	105	7	15.0
C. A. Wadsworth	Lyttelton	133.2	38	286	16	17.9

Also bowled: A. H. Ritchie (9), C. R. Lloyd (2), G. F. de Chambure (5), M. J. P. Horlock (8), M. C. Gull (1), J. A. G. Bird (2).

Played in Festival Games: A. B. McLellan (5), P. K. E. Steward (4), J. N. Anderson (4).

## THE COLTS

The last three matches of the season gave a colourful variety to the overall picture of the Summer term. The victory against Oundle at Oundle was the most exciting contest of all. With 165 runs to score at a demanding rate, it seemed that the game would be a draw. Spirited batting and good concentration won the day and it was a credit to each player that such a win was achieved. Against Radley we were set a similar challenge but somehow the keen edge had left the side and the result was a stalemate. The last fixture against Rugby gave a nail-biting finish of a rather different kind. Stowe started the game promisingly but the pressure was not sustained after getting Rugby to 24 runs for 3 wickets. Our batting produced one solid partnership and then the lower order batsmen just survived against some tight spin bowling.

The performance of the team varied considerably during the term. There were examples of outstanding fielding on some days only to be contrasted with very sleepy attempts at other times. The batting ranged from some gritty and determined efforts to rather indifferent endeavours. The success of a side does not depend on the mood of the day or the luck of the bounce, but on the application of talent during the ordinary moments of a game as well as during the absorbing moments. It has been a cheerful group of players who have contributed to an enjoyable season with mixed results and many useful lessons learned.

J.M.L.

### Results:

v. Oundle—Won  
 Oundle 165 for 6 (Merewether 2 for 41 in 11 overs)  
 Stowe 166 for 8 (Steward 51, Allen 40, Anderson 31 not out, Howe 20)

v. Radley—Drawn  
 Radley 180 for 4 in 31 overs  
 Stowe 115 for 6 in 41 overs (Steward 54)

v. Rugby—Drawn  
 Rugby 186 for 7 (McLellan 4 for 55)  
 Stowe 107 for 9 (Anderson 48, McLellan 33)

		Inns.	Runs		
<b>Batting Averages:</b>	P. K. E. Steward	26.8	7	161	
	J. N. Anderson	26.3	7	105	
	A. B. McLellan	25.1	8	176	
	M. M. Ivison	20.5	8	164	
	J. A. R. Allen	17.5	5	70	
		Overs	Wickets		
<b>Bowling Averages:</b>	W. J. Lord	11.8	32.4	118	10
	C. A. Boxall	17.7	23	53	3
	A. B. McLellan	24.8	77	248	10
	H. A. H. Merewether	39.4	54	197	5

The most catches were taken by Lord and Steward took two stumpings.

Colours were awarded to: M. M. Ivison (37), A. B. McLellan (5) and P. K. E. Steward (4).

## RUGBY FOOTBALL

### THE FIRST XV

In the few days before the beginning of the term the "pre-season training brigade" put in hours of hard work and effort, seemingly very willingly and conscientiously, and helped create an atmosphere in the "50" which has remained throughout the term. The results have shown, and the North Front has witnessed, how a side willing and eager can win rugby matches and play extremely attractive and entertaining rugby football. The talent in the side has been considerably well illustrated by the high standard of play in the Second Fifteen. Indeed several players there have been unlucky not to have kept a regular spot in the First.

Basically, the team set out to run with the ball as frequently as possible, as possession allowed, from all positions on the field, using the speed and confident handling of the three-quarters, supported by the fast-moving back row forwards. This policy must inevitably go side by side with a very tight defensive system which puts pressure on the opposition either to drop the ball, with hurried passing, or to kick it away from lack of room and time. At this we were extremely effective. Only on one occasion, with St Edward's, did we meet a side capable of out-manoeuvring us in this department. As well as having a highly efficient pack giving them about 85% possession of the ball, they were able to be constructive in their use of it in the backs. We had five tries scored against us all the season—two of those in this match. In English and Appleby we had a brick wall defence in the middle of the field as it was on them that the whole of the defensive pattern in the side was founded. English was a threat to the opposition whenever he had the ball, frequently making the outside break, a thing seen rarely nowadays with the influx of modern "technology" in threequarter play.

We were unfortunate to lose the services of Furlonger with a broken collar-bone after five matches. His weaving pace earned him as many tries. In his replacement Barker we had a player who gained in confidence and penetration in every match. Horlock on the other wing played with his usual pace and determination finding that the minimum amount of room was enough for his jinking zig-zag runs. Lineham at full back provided the threequarter line with ample opportunity and confidence to run with the ball from defensive counter-attacking positions with his willingness and thoughtfulness in lending support.

Our scrummaging was steadfast thanks to a very solid front row. Thomas at tight head proved an exceptionally strong player in the tight and loose. Burgess and Allen gained

## THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme Summer Camp was held in the Isle of Man, where Commander Hornby kindly offered us the use of his land, his tap and his stream, the last being used indiscriminately for washing and trout fishing without conspicuous success in either direction.

The main object of the Camp is the Award Expedition, which for the Bronzes is a mere two days, but for the Golds (and girls) a four day marathon. Therefore it was with a huge sigh of relief that they crawled back to camp to recuperate before starting off on some other mad adventure.

There was a large selection of activities once each person had finished his expedition, and these included rock climbing, sailing, mackerel fishing, pony trekking and exhausting walks. The rock climbing was rather novel, being mainly on sea cliffs of wet, slimy slate, the pleasures of which were not enhanced by the ever-dropping seagulls, more intent on making sure one fell off than looking after their own affairs. They did inspire some amazing speed climbing. Mark Fenwick gave a demonstration of considerable skill on "Torque Test" (HVS), but "Commander Cool" (XS) in the end proved the coolest. However, the most popular of the activities was the trip around the Brewery. There was room in the minibus for fourteen, and about seventy-five boys wanted to go. Naturally, the staff had priority, and that left six seats. By a totally unbiased selection procedure, two of these were filled by girls, who would like to express their thanks to Dr Hornby.

Apart from this slight relapse into drunken revelry, there was the party at the end to which everyone was invited. Mr Haslam worked extremely hard opening tins of mushy peas, and Mr Potter, Mr Barker and the rest also added sparkle to the festivities, so we wish them all a very hearty thanks for the laborious work they put in to give us a good time. Thanks must also be extended to Commander Hornby who put up with our devastating presence in spite of being roofless and beset by builders and black Labradors. We are very grateful for the brief glimpse he gave us of the untamed beauty of his island.

Anthea Chorlton  
F. S. M. Taylor  
A.J.W

## THE STOWE BEAGLES

The showing season in the summer was once again extremely successful, culminating in the winning of the Peterborough Bitch Championship with Willow. Other notable achievements included the winning of the Points Cup at the South of England Show for the best overall performance. This earned a headline in the *Horse and Hound* saying "Stowe Takes Points Cup".

The hunting season began with a nine day visit to Northumberland arranged kindly for us by Colonel Gibson of the Newcastle and District Beagles. We found hares hard to find, but accounted for two brace altogether.

Down South the season has been good with an average of 7 brace killed by the end of term. Although this is low, there have been some memorable if not particularly successful hunts at Lillingstone Lovell, Finmere and Hillesden. Of the hunts which ended more successfully, our opening meet at Weston provided good sport watched by a large field of over 100, and at Water Stratford the hunting was even better.

Hunt staff are Joint Masters: P. F. Burditt and N. E. J. Hedley. First Whip G. Hemsley; Second Whips: C. Bilborough, A. Dangar, C. Nash and F. Houghton-Brown, mi.

N. E. J. Hedley

# “PUSH ON THE DOOR”

## AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY — RICHARD CARR-GOMM

Richard Carr-Gomm left Stowe in 1939, joined the army, and lived the life of a conventional soldier until 1955. But by 1957 he had appeared on *This is Your Life*, a celebrity, “The Scrubbing Major”, as the newspapers called him, who had become a home-help scrubbing floors in Bermondsey. Yet in 1957 his principal and most surprising achievements still lay ahead. Now, December 1979, Richard Carr-Gomm has written his autobiography.\*

The story he tells is of a remarkably varied and unusual life. First of all, from his floor-scrubbing activities emerged the Abbeyfield Society, an organisation which establishes homes for the elderly and lonely. One house was bought in Bermondsey, then another . . . then others in Brighton, Macclesfield, Oxford, and eventually all over the country. Today Abbeyfield have over 750 houses and the society opens a new one every fortnight. “PUSH” was written on the unlocked front door of every house, for Carr-Gomm believed that loneliness could only be overcome by neighbourliness.

But Abbeyfield dismissed Carr-Gomm amidst accusations of egotism and lack of realism. The Carr-Gomm Society for all types of the younger lonely, and the Morpeth Society for the “lonely rich” were formed by Richard Carr-Gomm after his dismissal, and after he had returned to Bermondsey to scrub floors. Both societies are expanding slowly. The Carr-Gomm Society has houses in many parts of the country. (A house was opened in Buckingham after Mr Carr-Gomm’s visit to Stowe in 1976). The first Morpeth Society flat is a former home of Sir Winston Churchill in Westminster, and since opening in 1972 it has housed millionaires, baronets and retired judges—hardly the usual beneficiaries of charity, but people whose loneliness qualifies them for help.

Meanwhile Carr-Gomm remained a close friend of the Kabaka of Buganda, King Freddie (Sir Edward Mutesa), with whom he had served in the army, and so adventures in Africa compose the extraordinary sub-plot of an already extraordinary life story. When President Milton Obote expelled the Kabaka from Uganda in 1966 it was to Carr-Gomm that the exile came, and it was in one of Carr-Gomm’s London flats that the ex-King met his mysterious death.

These African interludes emphasise Carr-Gomm’s feeling for the importance of personal relationships, and it is notable (and not, in my view, entirely creditable) that for Idi Amin, who was personally kind to him and who professed respect for the dead Kabaka, Carr-Gomm has only words of praise.

In a plain, even pedestrian style Carr-Gomm recounts his adventures almost as if he failed to appreciate how remarkable they all are. He leaves the reader to decide for himself how valuable are the achievements his book details. Perhaps unwisely he exposes himself to the charge that his achievements are merely of the drop-in-the-ocean variety. He does not emphasise so strongly as I think he should the philosophy which underlies his work and which may well prove of even more lasting value than the actual societies which that philosophy has encouraged him to found.

We live in an acquisitive society, and an acquisitive society sees hardship in monetary terms. The needy must look needy—ill fed, ill clad, telegenically poor. So when Carr-Gomm asserts that loneliness rather than poverty should be the criterion of need, that the rich may need help as much as the poor, he is exposing and challenging the materialistic assumptions of the Welfare State, of socialism as well as of capitalism—the Oxfam fallacy that money is the root of all good. “PUSH on the Door” may give more happiness than the pound in your pocket, he believes, and man cannot live by food parcels alone. This challenge deserves to be heard. It cannot be answered.

P.D.J.

\* *Push on the Door* by Richard Carr-Gomm, published (1979) by the Carr-Gomm Society Ltd., 38 Gomm Road, London, SE16, priced £6.95.

## SPORT

### CRICKET

#### THE FIRST XI

Four lost matches out of the first five of the season was a poor start and, under very wet conditions, runs were at a premium. The only brighter moments were Wadsworth’s 51 runs in fifty-three minutes against Cirencester; de Chambure and MacKinnon’s tail-end partnership of 55 runs (out of the team total of 98) against Bradfield; and some good bowling from Berger, Wadsworth and Law to dismiss the Authentics for 73.

Thereafter the weather and the standard of cricket improved and, although neither reached sensational heights, there were some very memorable moments. Berger’s 7 for 30 in seventeen consecutive overs against Oakham was mainly responsible for the first victory in a school match and was one of the best bowling spells seen on the North Front for some time. 200 runs were exceeded for the first time against Oundle—Lester and MacKinnon contributing 80 between them. The game with Colchester was officially an ‘A’ XI fixture but, fittingly, Lester used the opportunity to record the season’s best individual batting performance—he was out for 73 “going for a win”. The Radley Match brought the sensation of the season—after we had them struggling at 69 for 6 and 122 for 9, they contrived to put on 33 for the last wicket. Gull and Lester scored 60 for the first wicket but the next six wickets fell for only another 57 runs. The tide then turned again in Stowe’s favour with Horlock, in aggressive form, and Bird lifting the score to 148 before both were out. It was left to numbers 10 and 11—de Chambure and Berger—to make 8 runs in four overs. Five runs came immediately followed by two maidens and then, amid the overwhelming excitement of spectators and players alike, Berger struck the ball over the “umbrella” field to bring Stowe victory by one wicket with only 2 balls of the match remaining!

The festival games also had their excitement. Stowe had Repton on the run for 78 for 8 but a ninth wicket stand of almost 80 allowed the opposition back into the match. Another stand, this time by Bedford batsmen, was almost our undoing—at 104 for 7, chasing Stowe’s 168, Bedford looked out of the game. But a stand of 60 brought them within four runs of victory only for the cup to be dashed from their lips by Staheyeff who took their last three wickets for only one run.

In the end, therefore, it was an enthralling season. Gull’s captaincy was as astute and thoughtful as any in the writer’s experience and obviously contributed greatly to the successes achieved. Berger emerged as an outstanding bowler and Staheyeff’s gully catching was quite sensational. But if lessons are to be learnt, consider the following: the highest individual batting average was only 23 runs per wicket; the XI scored over 150 runs in only 4 out of 14 matches and then rather slowly; the large majority of wickets fell to catches. On the bowling side, apart from Berger, 16 wickets in a season was the best performance. Such facts underline the problem of achieving victories. On the other hand, the fielding was generally of a high standard and the running between wickets improved with the example set by Gull and Horlock. It is also significant that Lester, still of Colts age, came top of both the bowling and batting averages. His promise together with the experience of Law, MacKinnon and Wadsworth will form a strong nucleus for the season of 1980.

C. J. G. A.

**Results:** Won 4; Lost 5; Drawn 4.

**Details:** v. Free Foresters—Won by 9 wickets  
Free Foresters 59 (Lester 6 for 15)  
Stowe 60 for 1 (Lloyd 34)

v. Cirencester A.C.—Lost by 2 wickets  
Stowe 106 (Wadsworth 51)  
Cirencester 107 for 8 (Andrews 4 for 13)

v. **Mill Hill**—Lost by 8 wickets  
Stowe 57  
Mill Hill 58 for 2

v. **Bradfield**—Lost by 5 wickets  
Stowe 98 (de Chambure 37)  
Bradfield 99 for 6

v. O.U. Authentics—Lost by 12 runs  
Authentics 73  
Stowe 61 (Eddington 8 for 18)

v. Stowe Templars—Drawn  
Templars 167 for 4 declared (Goodchild 50 not out; Stephens 42)  
Stowe 123 for 5 (Gull 50 not out; Lester 32)

v. **Bedford**—Drawn  
Stowe 170 for 7 declared (Lester 42)  
Bedford 128 for 4

v. **Oakham**—Won by 7 wickets  
Oakham 62 (Berger 7 for 30)  
Stowe 64 for 3 (Gull 38)

v. **Oundle**—Drawn  
Stowe 209 for 6 declared (Lester 42; MacKinnon 37)  
Oundle 147 for 5

v. M.C.C.—Lost by 21 runs  
M.C.C. 152 for 9 declared (Berger 4 for 44)  
Stowe 131 (Lloyd 49)

'A' XI v. Colchester G.S.—Drawn  
Colchester 170 for 9 declared (Berger 4 for 49)  
Stowe 162 for 9 (Lester 73; Wadsworth 43)

v. **Radley**—Won by 1 wicket  
Radley 155 (Berger 4 for 61)  
Stowe 156 for 9 (Gull 31)

v. **Repton**—Drawn  
Repton 155 (Lester 4 for 24)  
Stowe 114 for 7 (Lester 31)

v. **Bedford**—Won by 2 runs  
Stowe 168 (Law 40; McLellan 30)

v. **Wellington**—Drawn  
Wellington 181 for 7 declared  
Stowe 78 for 9

in confidence and technique in leaps and bounds during the season. At second row Robinson and Coombs played extremely hard and competitively and won us a good deal of lineout ball. In the back row we had strength and experience, Edgerley proved a constant danger in attack and a rock in defence. The Captain, Gull, as open side wing forward (a knee operation delaying his inclusion in the side) played his very useful roving role, appearing behind the full back in times of crisis, never flagging in his encouragement and example to the team. Boyce and Boyd both played hard and determinedly, deputising in the Captain's absence, the latter remaining as blind side when the Captain was fully fit.

Behind this pack Rees made an admirable Vice-Captain in his capacity as full back, scrum half and Captain, with telling breaks, strong defensive work and voluble encouragement. Baring and Markham shared the work of fly half, both playing with commitment and courage.

Well done the "50". We look forward with eager anticipation.

**The following have represented the 1st XV this term:** J. J. Lineham\* (1), M. J. P. Horlock\* (8), H. J. N. English\* (7), R. C. Appleby, ma.\* (9), S. A. Furlonger† (3), M. Barker† (9), E. R. P. Baring† (9), J. Markham† (7), J. D. Rees\* (7), C. A. I. Clarke† (5), W. T. Allen\* (2), D. C. Burgess, ma.\* (9), J. R. L. Thomas\* (9), R. M. Coombs, ma. † (4), G. W. Robinson, ma.† (2), M. J. C. Gull\* (1) (Captain), W. J. N. Edgerley, ma.\* (4), R. J. Boyd\* (9), A. R. Boyce, ma.† (4), A. J. Cattle† (9), A. R. J. MacKinnon, ma.† (4), M. C. Turner† (1), S. M. Carroll† (2), R. J. Fullman† (1). L.E.W.

\* 1st XV Colours. † 2nd XV Colours.

<b>Results:</b> v. Old Stoics	Home	Won 7—4
v. <b>Mill Hill</b>	Away	Won 7—4
v. <b>Eton</b>	Away	Won 24—0
v. <b>Oakham</b>	Home	Won 25—0
v. <b>Radley</b>	Away	Lost 3—6
v. <b>Rugby</b>	Home	Won 30—10
v. <b>Bedford</b>	Home	Won 18—0
v. <b>Royal Latin</b>	Home	Won 22—0
v. <b>Oundle</b>	Away	Lost 0—6
v. <b>Cheltenham</b>	Home	Won 16—9
v. <b>St Edward's</b>	Home	Lost 6—17

**Summary of Results:** Played 11; Won 8; Lost 3; Points for 158; Points against 56.

## THE SECOND XV

The team can justly feel proud of their season's record, with only one match lost. They have played with a splendid spirit and determination which have more than compensated for a lack of giants in the side. Ironically, one of the best team performances was in the match lost against a powerful Oundle side. Great credit must go to the Captain, Boyce, who for the second year running set a very fine example and showed no outward disappointment at failing to secure a permanent place in the 1st XV. One recalls the superb covering tackle of his on the wing in the dying moments of the St Edward's match. This was indeed a memorable match to close the season, with the unbeaten Oxford side drawing level with a magnificent conversion after at least forty minutes had been played in each half!



In the back division, Turner showed particular promise in the full back position; our wings always looked dangerous (with Barker scoring a remarkable try against Eton, skimming the touchline for many a yard), and Bennett looked a transformed player this season. In the centre MacKinnon proved to be a sound, stabilizing influence and his defensive play was very reliable. Baring, the fleet of foot, must have been an infuriating elusive fly-half to play against, with his safe hands and lightning bursts of speed.

The forwards worked so well together that it is difficult to single out individuals for comment. Carroll looked a promising prop, supported by a powerful second row combination of Gentle and Winstone-Partridge (until the latter tripped over a tree stump). The back row trio of Hughes-Clarke, Cattle and Boyce always appeared speedy and menacing, and would not have disgraced a 1st XV side.

If the players have enjoyed the season as much as I have, then I believe it has been a very worthwhile three months, and we look forward to the return of several of the team next year—some to play for the 1st XV, others possibly for the Old Stoics.

H.D.M.

**Team from:** J. A. Fanet (9), M. Barker\* (9), J. H. Bennett\* (7), M. C. Turner\* (1), M. C. Fenwick† (1), A. R. J. MacKinnon, ma. \* (4), R. J. Fullman\* (1), E. R. P. Baring\* (9), J. Markham\* (7), C. A. I. Clarke\* (5), P. N. Taylor† (5), M. J. L. Shirley\* (9), A. W. P. Cooper\* (6), S. M. Carroll\* (2), A. G. R. St. Clair-Burke† (3), H. W. A. Gentle\* (1), N. S. Winstone-Partridge\* (1), J. K. Taylor† (5), J. E. Hughes-Clarke\* (4), A. J. Cattle\* (9), A. R. Boyce, ma.\* (4).

**Also played:** N. H. J. Ferris† (2), C. N. A. M. Antonaropoulos† (4), A. C. Bird† (9), E. J. L. Donne (9).

\* 2nd XV Colours. † 3rd XV Colours.

<b>Results:</b> v. Old Stoics	Home	Won	23—6
v. Mill Hill	Away	Won	20—4
v. Eton	Away	Won	18—15
v. Kettering	Home	Won	46—0
v. Radley	Away	Won	25—4
v. Rugby	Home	Drawn	10—10
v. Bedford	Home	Won	28—15
v. Sponne	Away	Won	22—13
v. Oundle	Home	Lost	0—7
v. Cheltenham	Away	Won	27—6
v. St Edward's	Home	Drawn	12—12

**Summary of Results:** Played 11; Won 8; Drawn 2; Lost 1; Points For 231; Points Against 92.

**Summary of Results—1st and 2nd XV Combined:**

Played 22; Won 16; Drawn 2; Lost 4; Points For 389; Points Against 148.

## THE HUNDRED

This was a cliché-ridden season; "despite the team's poor record . . .": "after a promising start . . ." etc. We did start well—good victories over the Old Stoics, Mill Hill, Eton and Kettering: we did play well—gritty defence against Bedford and Oundle with only 14 men (should we play substitutes?) we did have a poor record—defeats by Rugby, Bedford, Oundle, Cheltenham.

We did have good players and we had them in depth, but we were not quite good enough for the more professional sides we met. Next season we hope to have more 4th XV fixtures and this should at least in part improve the standard of our Rugby at this level. Enthusiasm was high and team spirit was good: there is much to build on. Indeed the most memorable

aspect of the season is not the results but the tremendous spirit in which the games were played even in defeat. I enjoyed it.

**3rd XV Colours were awarded to:** C. N. A. M. Antonaropoulos, A. C. Bird, N. H. J. Ferris, A. F. Fulford, J. W. Jackson, I. A. Keith, A. B. McLellan, P. A. Marshall, M. R. C. Opperman, R. T. E. Orr, A. M. G. Pélissier, A. M. Roxburgh, J. K. Taylor, P. N. Taylor, J. M. Winsor, E. P. Good.

The 4th XV had a similar fate to the Thirds and here it was too often the case that scratch sides gave their all. It was a fair season and augurs well for the future.

C.W.C.L.

## THE JUNIOR COLTS

The style of rugby in schools changes as seasons come and go. This year everyone was conscious of the safety aspect of the game. We had clear instructions about the danger of neck injuries and the interpretation of particular laws relating to 'going over the top'. There has been a greater emphasis on making the ball more available after a tackle and preventing the ball being killed in a ruck. The approach to this season has been to go through the basic skills of the game and to spend time in learning central techniques rather than in countless games of rugby on those non-match afternoons. This has paid dividends, and we have seen more boys thinking about what they are trying to do and giving themselves more chance of achieving something as a result of an intelligent approach. Obviously there is no substitute for genuine physical fitness and a commitment of the heart and will in this game which is predominantly a physical contact sport. The quality of the group of Colts players this year has clearly improved throughout the season not only in comparison with their performance as Junior Colts but also with respect to the targets we set ourselves this term. The 'A' XV had the potential to win six matches outright and the 'B' XV to win two of their matches.

J. R. Todd has been a reliable captain in leading the side by example and constant effort. The forwards remained settled in the back row with Wetton using his height and strength to good effect and Mellor and Duff showing speed at wing-forward. The personnel in the rest of the pack changed frequently because of injuries, except for the hooking which was ably done by Taylor initially and by Roberts later with a better all-round performance. Hooper showed pace at prop, Whitmore and Pooley gave some aggressive support in the second row.

The half-back combination started with Calkin and Anderson until the former was injured and Howe took over at scrum-half. Calkin showed real promise and yet Howe adapted well to this new position. Anderson was full of ideas and exploited his abilities with verve. The centres had strength and talent in Nelson and untiring support in Graves but their defence was inconsistent. The wings showed some penetration but neither Pierre nor Andrews developed their full potential. Ivison at full back played some good attacking rugby and yet was beaten for pace against fast opposition.

It is invariably more difficult for a 'B' XV to settle quickly into a winning pattern with so many changes in selection between matches. The team put it all together in the last fixture when everyone played their part and previous disappointments were able to be forgotten.

Congratulations to Nelson, Anderson and Todd who have represented the School in County matches.

J.M.L.  
N. G. Taylor

**Teams:**

'A' XV: M. M. Ivison (3), C. J. H. Pierre (7), J. A. Nelson\* (7), P. T. Graves (7), D. F. Andrews (3), J. N. Anderson\* (4), A. R. Howe (5), J. R. Todd\* (Capt.) (7), S. J. Roberts (7), M. J. Hooper (4), J. D. Pooley (8), D. J. Whitmore (2), R. A. B. Duff\* (7), J. D. N. Wetton (1), L. B. Mellor (5).

\* Denotes Colours.

Also played: P. B. Calkin (9), F. S. M. Taylor (1), A. G. Walker (4), R. H. F. Stockbridge (8).

'B' XV from: P. K. E. Steward (4), L. S. Myers (3), R. M. T. Wilson (5), S. J. S. C. Pledger (2), T. J. G. Sparrow (2), J. Steinmann (6), C. E. Ansell (5), P. B. Calkin (9), S. M. R. Clarke (5), R. H. F. Stockbridge (Capt.), (8), D. R. Harvey (5), J. P. Stephenson (4), A. G. Walker (4), K. P. J. Deyt-Aysage (1), F. S. M. Taylor (1), S. J. L. Robertson (1), H. L. S. Carter (4), A. H. Berger (7), P. H. Mallinson (2).

**Results:**

'A' XV:	v. Mill Hill	Home	Won	14—3
	v. Eton	Home	Drawn	4—4
	v. Oakham	Home	Won	19—4
	v. Radley	Away	Lost	7—19
	v. Rugby	Away	Lost	12—19
	v. Bedford	Away	Lost	0—40
	v. R.L.S. 2nd XV	Home	Lost	9—12
	v. Oundle	Home	Lost	6—10
	v. Cheltenham	Away	Won	10—4
	v. St Edward's	Home	Lost	3—22
'B' XV:	v. Radley	Away	Lost	0—10
	v. Oundle	Away	Lost	0—37
	v. Cheltenham	Home	Drawn	8—8
	v. St Edward's	Away	Won	26—3

**THE COLTS 'B' CLUB**

There was quite remarkable keenness for the game when competitive games were arranged both with other rugby sides in the school and with other schools. In addition, it was discovered that there was considerable depth in playing talent, although an embarrassing number of players volunteered for scrum-half position as opposed to the second row of the scrum.

C.A.L.

Team from: D. J. H. Charles (9), J. B. D. Hough (2), J. S. Pawsey (7), J. J. Riley (7), J. E. Burgess, mi. (9), J. B. H. Swanston (8), A. M. Edgerley, mi. (4), C. F. Beckford (3), C. C. F. Krabbé (1), J. C. Boyce, mi. (4), R. W. B. Western-Kaye (7), A. M. Morrison (5), J. D. H. Fenner (3), N. M. Wood, ma. (3), R. D. Caplan (6), H. D. Cathcart (5), R. A. W. Fraser (4), W. J. Lord (2), C. Economides (8), M. A. Weintraub (8), J. C. H. Walker (9).

Results:	v. Cheltenham	Home	Won	15—0
	v. St Edward's	Away	Won	36—3

**THE UNDER-FOURTEEN XV**

The success of the season at this age level is almost directly proportional to the size and weight of the participants. This year the Stowe players were small and light and most opposition sides were large and heavy. Injuries sustained by several promising players did not help our cause either. As a result, the Club's match record makes dismal reading but, on the other hand, some good rugby has been played and every member has battled courageously even when trailing by tens of points. Next season in the Junior Colts stature will mean rather less, and, thereafter, everyone is likely to have "caught up" his opposite number.

C.J.G.A.

The Team was selected from: C. la F. Jackson (Capt.) (8), E. Blagden (1), R. J. Batson (4), K. A. Coni (1), M. D. Downer (4), J. M. W. Howarth (2), D. G. Howell-Williams (9), H. R. P. Jarvis (8) E. R. Lewis (1), A. A. Lockwood (2), R. N. Lund (6), R. E. Mackenzie Hill (6), A. M. MacKinnon (4), R. S. Moorcroft (6), N. M. Roads (6), J. G. S. Robinson (2), C. J. Stopford (8), G. M. Strong (9), C. K. Williams (6), J. A. H. Woolley (2).

**HOUSE MATCHES**

**Senior**

There were four particularly strong Houses this year. Bruce narrowly defeated Grafton 8-7 in the first round and the powerful Lyttelton side defeated Chandos convincingly in the semi-finals. The final proved to be a very exciting contest, with Bruce leading Lyttelton 6-4 well into the second half.

Bruce had a stiff breeze at their backs for the first half, which helped Gull kick a fine penalty to open the scoring. After half-time Bruce added three more points with another penalty. Bruce were 6-0 ahead with twenty minutes left when the much heavier pack began to make its mark. Bruce were driven back for a push-over try scored by Cattle. Continual pressure led to mistakes in the Bruce defence and within two minutes of each other they conceded two penalties in front of the posts. The first rebounded off an upright but Fane made no mistake with the second, thus making the score 7-6 to Lyttelton. Lyttelton probably deserved to win, but full credit must go to Bruce for a very spirited effort: for the second year running they have had the coveted trophy snatched from them in the final.

**Teams:**

Lyttelton: J. A. Fane, M. I. Rutkowski, C. A. Wadsworth, R. C. Appleby, ma. (Capt.), M. Barker, E. R. P. Baring, P. B. Calkin, J. R. L. Thomas, D. C. Burgess, ma., M.J.L. Shirley, J. J. Scott, A.C. Bird, S. J. Herbert, A. J. Cattle, R. J. Boyd.

Bruce: M. C. Fenwick, T. M. Holland, R. J. Fullman, J. J. Lincham, J. M. Winsor, M. C. Turner, M. C. J. Gull (Capt.), E. P. Good, F. S. M. Taylor, K. P. J. Deyt-Aysage, C. W. N. Wetton, ma., S. J. L. Robertson, J. D. N. Wetton, mi., N. S. Winstone-Partridge, H. W. A. Gentle.

Chatham	Grenville 18—14	}	Temple 76 0	}	}	}	}	}	}
Grenville	Temple		Bruce 8—7						
	Bruce	}	}	}	}	}	}	}	}
	Grafton								
	Lyttelton	}	}	}	}	}	}	}	}
	Walpole								
	Cobham	}	}	}	}	}	}	}	}
	Chandos								

**Junior**

Three competent sides found their way into the semi-finals. Grafton played well to gain a convincing victory over Walpole, whilst in the other match play had gone well into extra time before Mellor scored the decisive try for Cobham against Chandos.

The final was something of an anti-climax, with Cobham gaining an eight point lead within the first five minutes of the game (both tries being scored by Wilson). Cobham then proceeded to reduce the possibility of errors by keeping the ball with their forwards. This they did most effectively, with Mellor, Bridgwood and Morrison prominent. On the few occasions that Grafton did serve their very talented three-quarters, Dakin and Nelson always looked threatening, but never had sufficient penetration to take the game away from Cobham.

**Teams:**

**Cobham:** M. J. P. Tombleson, W. J. Rossiter, mi., N. R. A. Sutton, A. V. Leto, R. M. T. Wilson, W. R. McLellan, mi., A. M. Morrison, J. E. Reynolds, H. D. Cathcart, L. B. Mellor, T. E. Smith, M. T. Thornber, D. P. Harvey, R. J. A. Bridgwood, J. D. Nelson.

**Grafton:** P. W. Harris, J. S. Pawsey, A. A. Lockwood, J. A. Nelson, J. J. Riley, J. A. Dakin, R. G. Rees, mi., S. P. G. Constantinides, S. J. Roberts, J. F. Mills, A. J. S. Renwick, M. St. J. Griffin, A. J. N. Coats, R. W. B. Western-Kaye, M. B. Walley, mi.

Grenville	Grenville 24—12	}	Chandos 18—0	}	Cobham 14—10 (after extra time)	}	Cobham 8—0
Temple	Chandos		}				
	Lytelton	}		Grafton 30—4			
	Cobham		}		Grafton 37—0		
	Grafton	}		Walpole 12—0			
	Chatham		}				
	Bruce						
	Walpole						

**H.D.M.**

## SQUASH RACKETS

A full report will be found in the next issue of **The Stoic**, by which time the season will have been completed, so that only a few brief comments are given below.

The First Team has met with varied success, having won three matches and losing two, with the team being represented by C. H. Peacock (Captain), F. E. Law, C. A. Wadsworth, P. J. Satow, R. C. Appleby, J. D. Beck and P. A. Marshall.

The Colts team has been extremely successful and contains some very promising players, who may well be in the First V by the time these notes are read. Four matches have so far been played, and all were won easily. The following have played for the Colts: T. A. Lester, R. C. Clifton-Brown, J. M. Bewes, M. M. Ivison and J. H. Claydon.

Junior Colts, Under 14 and Girls' matches will be reported in the next **Stoic**, as will the Felsted Festival.

**P.G.L.**

<b>Results:</b> v. Aylesbury G.S.	1st V	Lost	1—4
	Colts	Won	3—0
	Junior Colts	Won	3—0
v. Mill Hill	1st V	Won	3—2
	Colts	Won	3—0
	Junior Colts	Won	3—0
	U.14	Drawn	1—1
v. Pangbourne	1st V	Won	5—0
v. Hatfield College	1st V	Won	3—2
	Junior Colts	Won	5—0
v. Bedford	1st V	Lost	2—3
	Colts	Won	5—0
v. Cranleigh	'A' V	Lost	0—5

## FIVES

After a disappointing start to the season, when we appeared ill-prepared and ill-matched for our opposition, the team picked up, practised conscientiously, and the result was a string of fine performances during the second half of term. We now look forward to a rewarding time later in the season.

The team suffers from a lack of commitment, though certainly not talent, in the senior part of the school, and hence we are compelled to field young boys in our senior pairs. O. M. W. Thomas has played exceptionally well as partner to P. A. Marshall, and these two present a formidable challenge to any opposition.

It is encouraging to see that the house matches have aroused enthusiasm from many boys who had let Eton Fives slip by unnoticed for some time. As someone who is thoroughly enjoying the change from Rugby to Eton Fives, I find the game fascinating and highly rewarding.

The Junior School shows great promise for the future, and we aim to practise hard next term and perfect the obvious talent of many boys.

**R.H.B.**

**Teams:**

**Seniors:** P. A. Marshall\* (4), A. R. J. MacKinnon (4), N. D. Collins (9), W. J. Hanks (4).

**Colts:** P. K. E. Steward (4), M. I. Hooper (4), J. D. N. Wetton (1), J. A. G. Buchanan (4), M. A. Weintraub (8).

**Junior Colts:** D. M. W. Thomas (6), D. A. Steward (4), A. W. Todd (3), N. P. Watkins (1), J. N. A. Davies (4), H. T. Kinahan (2), S. R. Glennie (2), D. Hockley (9), D. J. H. Charles (9).

**Under 14s:** R. E. Mackenzie Hill (6), P. C. Andrews (3), F. K. Wylie (4), A. C. Macdonald (6), H. M. King (4), M. P. ap P. Stradling (7).

	Seniors	Colts	J. Colts	U.14s
<b>Results:</b> v. Edwardian Colts		1—0	1—2	
v. Wolverhampton G.S.			1—2	0—1
v. Harrow	0—2	0—1	1—1	1—0
v. Old Edwardians	0—3			
v. Westminster	1—1			
v. Old Stoics	2—1			
v. Uppingham				0—3
v. Jesters	0—3			
v. Oakham		1—0	2—0	

## ARCHERY

Last summer term's Archery finished with R. Squires winning the Individual Archery cup, and yet another unbeaten season. The standard of Archery both in the team and the other members of the Archery Club reached a high standard by the end of the summer and made the House matches an eventful occasion; the competition was tough but Temple managed to achieve its traditional victory to retain the house Challenge Cup.

We were all extremely sad to hear of Robert Squires' death; he was a valuable member of the Archery team and a friend to us all.

**M. P. W. Emanuel**

## SOCCER

This term has been rather a mixed season. There is no doubt in my mind that there is a great deal of talent in the school; but at times it has been difficult to maintain a stable team with members of the team playing various other sports. Boyce has kept goal well and MacKinnon, Montgomery, Markham, Rees, Edgerley and Turner have shown that with more practice they could become extremely useful footballers. I would like to use this opportunity to thank Mr Foster and Mr Taylor for all their support through this term.

**P. A. Marshall**

The following have represented the 1st XI; P. A. Marshall (Captain), M. Turner, K. Boyce, J. Rees, A. MacKinnon, F. Law, H. English, B. Edgerley, C. Clarke, J. Markham and R. Montgomery.

## BADMINTON

It is most pleasing to report that we have begun our second year of Badminton at Stowe with even more full-time players than last season, as well as an increased number of new recruits to the game. Because so many Badmintonians now throng the Drayson Hall, we have inaugurated two weekend sessions which are for squad members only—the squad comprising a nucleus of players from whom both Senior and Junior teams are chosen. Indeed our problem has been deciding not which players to select, but which to omit—an enviable situation.

All three matches played so far this season have been won. We opened our account with an away fixture at Eton who last year defeated us in our first-ever game. This time the tables were turned and the match won by 10 sets to 7. Victory was in large part due to the spirited play of the third pair, the ever versatile P. A. Marshall and W. J. Hanks, ably supported by J. T. Gaines and J. M. Needham, who have both improved considerably since last season, and have combined to produce some most inventive play. For the away fixture with Rugby our team was at its strongest, P. A. Marshall being reunited with T. J. Bayntun, the school No. 1, to form a redoubtable first pair. They vindicated their reunion with a vengeance, producing determined and incisive Badminton and dropping only one set. Their teamwork, exemplified particularly by their tantalising exploitation of the drop shot was indeed impressive. Gaines and Needham again supported this pair, and with Hanks and J. P. R. Naudi producing resolute play to win all three matches, a full house of 9 games to 0 was recorded.

Finally the Juniors played host to the Royal Latin School, Buckingham, whose team included two fine players of County standard. Stowe played solid rather than inspired Badminton to win 10 sets to 5. With these three victories behind us, we go into the second half of the season much encouraged.

**C.R.H.**

### Teams:

**Senior:** J. T. Gaines (Capt.), J. M. Needham, T. J. Bayntun, P. A. Marshall, W. J. Hanks, J. P. R. Naudi.

**Squad Members:** J. N. Anderson, M. A. Wallace Jones, R. N. Lockhart-Smith, M. S. Castle-Smith.

**Junior:** C. M. Ruddock (Capt.), A. W. Todd, J. I. Sinclair, M. J. Sanderson, J. W. R. Davies, W. R. McLellan, mi.

**Squad members:** J. B. Cunningham-Reid, M. P. ap P. Stradling.



The Bisley 1979 Team with the "Financial Times" Challenge Cup won by L/Cpl. J. A. Thompson-Schwab.

## SHOOTING

At Bisley this year two individual performances deserve special mention: J. A. Thompson-Schwab is to be congratulated on his excellent achievement of two 'possibles' with which he won the **Financial Times** Challenge Cup and Gold Medal for the highest individual score in the Public Schools Snap Shooting Competition; A. F. Savage won a Schools Hundred badge, being placed 39th, and also won £1 in the Iveagh. Our results in the team competitions, however, were disappointing. In general our Summer Term .303 shooting programme and training were severely hampered by difficulty in gaining access to a suitable range at the times available to us.

The Casualty Cup was won this year by Chandos; the Empire Test Challenge Cup was retained by J. C. Cunningham-Jardine and, on Field Day, the specialist shooting section's competition was won by J. G. Wheaton.

This term the .22 Team did well to reach the Final of the B.S.S.R.A. Team of Eight Competition, where we were placed sixth. This was particularly encouraging in view of the very high standard of this year's competition in which 62 competitors dropped only two points or less.

Finally, we would like to thank Mr Wynne-Jones for coaching and taking the teams to the competitions in which we have participated.

**J. C. Cunningham-Jardine**

**The Bisley VIII:** A. F. Savage (Captain), R. S. Nelson, J. N. Birt-Llewellyn, J. C. Cunningham-Jardine, J. A. Thompson-Schwab, H. G. J. Harkness, V. St. G. de la Rue, C. C. Neve. **Cadet Pair:** R. Bucks, M. J. Petley.

**The Team of Eight (.22):** J. C. Cunningham-Jardine (Captain), J. A. Thompson-Schwab, C. M. Gayford, J. G. Wheaton, A. J. de la Mare, V. St. G. de la Rue, R. E. Skepper, R. Bucks.

## FASTNET SURVIVAL

The Fastnet Race was quite an experience. I was sailing aboard an Ohlsson 35, recently taken over by H.M.S. Dolphin from B.R.N.C. Dartmouth, with the name changed from **Hindustan** to **Bonaventure**. The rest of the crew were all in the Royal Navy or the Royal Australian Navy—so we were well organised and well-provisioned. The first two days of the race were uneventful. On Sunday the 1750 forecast (which we heard after rounding Land's End) gave us Force 7, locally 8. We had a conference and decided to go on. I was off watch from 2000 to 2300, during which time we reduced from full No. 1 Genoa and main to storm jib (stage by stage). In the next hour the Genoa halyard parted; so I put the storm jib up again on the spinnaker halyard. At midnight the wind was blowing up to 60 knots and the 0015 forecast gave us locally Force 10. In the next hour we dropped the jib and trailed ropes and buckets over the stern as we drifted under bare poles. Mercifully we had plenty of sea-room—if we had turned back earlier we would have been finding our way around Land's End (not a happy alternative!)

The mate and I kept watch until 0400 as waves broke into the cockpit and the seas built up, and then slept below for a few hours. One big roll threw everyone out of their bunks and gear all over the place at about 0600. At about 0700 I was asleep when we rolled again—down to about 120° from the vertical. I was in the quarter berth on the down side, so all the cans of food, tools, etc. from under the other bunks, plus a fair amount of water, joined me in my bunk. I thought that was it, but we came up again.

We all turned out into the cockpit, with harness and life-jackets on. The wind had been blowing so strongly that the needle on the windspeed indicator was firmly pressed against the maximum of the scale (65 knots plus)—and it had been like that for the past five or six hours. With the dawn light we could see the waves—not as high as reported, but probably 20 - 30 feet from trough to peak. The real problem was that they were very steep. We were coming off the top of the waves at 5 or 6 knots, and cross waves were making it very difficult for the helmsmen to avoid knockdowns.

The second knockdown resulted in the forestay parting and the mast cracking level with the coachroof. A baby stay kept the mast up, but, with the break in the mast, there was no hope of keeping it up for long. With bolt croppers we reduced the standing rigging to single shrouds each side and waited for the next roll to bring the mast down. We were knocked down again. I'm not sure what happened but when we came up again, the mast was down and across the cockpit—it came to rest a few inches above my head, just missed the helmsman and broke the skipper's arm. Three other members of the crew were overboard, tangled up in the rigging, but their lifelines held. We had to cut the lines in order to get them back on board. We then cleared away the mast and let it sink, but, on the way, it fouled the propeller.

Without the mast the boat was a lot more stable. We had about 40 miles sea-room (off the South Wales coast), but the waves were still very dangerous. Apart from the skipper, two other crew members had slight injuries. We did not have time to weigh up all these factors because **H.M.S. Anglesey**, a fishery protection vessel, arrived on the scene, searching for another yacht. The skipper decided that, without any means of propulsion and with three injured on board, it would be unwise to wait and see if another chance of rescue turned up; so we abandoned ship. The ship could not come alongside in those conditions; so we got into the liferaft and drifted downwind and alongside **H.M.S. Anglesey**. Fifteen minutes later we were aboard and changing into dry clothes. But it was only 8.45 a.m.; so we had far less of an ordeal than most of the other survivors.

After three interesting days at sea we were landed at Falmouth. During the remaining stages of the rescue operation, the mate of **Bonaventure** and I joined the R.N. boarding parties which investigated abandoned yachts, secured them against the next gale, so that they could be towed into harbour in due course, and collected details of their crews. Our own yacht was towed into Falmouth by a naval tug and, I understand, is being repaired for next season.

I await the report of the R.Y.A. with interest; it is to be hoped that lessons will be learnt and blame not allocated to anyone in particular. When a Force 11 - 12 hits three hundred small boats very suddenly and lasts for 24 hours some fatalities are inevitable.

A. R. Kennon (3 1973)



# NEW BOYS AND GIRLS 1979

- Bruce:** (Spring) K. A. Coni, I. S. Jones, The Hon. J. F. Stanhope. (Autumn) V. T. Beresford, E. Blagden, S. D. Everett, A. J. Gee-Turner, \*H. Y. M. P. Gardner, A. V. C. Guthrie, A. M. S. Hood, \*E. R. Lewis, N. M. McAleer, D. G. Nicholson, mi., \*M. J. Prestwich, \*J. H. Snyder, H. H. Wong.
- Temple:** (Spring)\*J. L. H. Goodhart, D. G. S. Kennedy. (Autumn) J. P. Back, M. F. Berne, D. W. R. Carles, \*J. K. Davies, J. R. A. Glennie, mi., J. M. W. Howarth, J. G. S. Robinson, mi., \*G. S. Tetlow, A. W. Venables, mi., J. A. H. Woolley, mi.
- Grenville:** (Spring) R. V. Aswani, mi., C. D. Castell, E. H. R. Johnson, T. J. Priestley, R. M. Wheaton, mi. (Autumn) P. C. Andrews, mi., D. J. Q. Boardman, R. B. Carruthers, R. O. Davies, R. P. Dutton, \*F. G. Foster, C. R. Hamilton-Russell, R. G. Verney, J. C. M. Wood.
- Chandos:** (Spring)\*N. F. V. Ash (N), J. W. R. Davies (N), A. M. MacKinnon, mi. (N), A. C. Neve (i) (N), C. C. Neve (ii) (N), B. C. Savage, mi. (N), I. M. C. Stone, mi. (N), (Autumn)\*N. C. Argles, R. J. Butson, mi. (N), E. N. Coombs, mi., M. D. Downer, mi., J. P. Gerbet (N), J. B. H. Harris, \*J. T. Hobday, \*E. W. Jarrett, H. M. King, S. J. Walker, mi., F. K. Wylie.
- Cobham:** (Spring) J. A. Bell (N), M. J. P. Tombleson (N). (Autumn) M. R. Browse, S. C. Else, \*\*N. H. E. Durlacher (N), S. P. Chauveau, N. J. Glendinning, C. P. Hastie, D. A. Ladlow, J. D. Nelson, J. D. C. Simmonds (N), T. E. Smith, H. W. M. Taylor, P. van Engelen.
- Chatham:** (Spring) \*D. C. B. Ewbank, mi., \*J. S. M. Henderson, mi., R. S. Marcroft, \*J. E. F. Coleman, N. M. Roads, A. P. B. Sneath, P. H. M. Swire. (Autumn) S. V. Alexander, R. St. J. Burke, \*P. A. Campbell, H. R. P. Chelton, A. R. Claringbull, N. L. M. Farah, mi., \*B. Jenkyn-Jones, \*A. C. Macdonald, mi., \*R. E. Mackenzie-Hill, \*C. K. Williamson.
- Grafton:** Spring) M. H. Barnard, mi., S. R. Bucklin, J. A. Dakin, R. G. Rees, mi., O. M. R. Saville, R. R. M. von Treskow. (Autumn) J. G. D. Baker, N. A. Dangar, mi., \*S. J. Gilbey, \*T. A. D. Howard, H. C. Dent-Brocklehurst, J. C. O. Hutchinson, A. A. Lockwood, N. O. Pottinger, M. P. ap P. Stradling, W. J. R. White, S. G. Streeton, mi., A. W. L. Wiggins.
- Walpole:** (Spring) J. B. Cunningham-Reid. (Autumn) G. L. Adams, \*D. H. Arkell, \*H. V. Atkinson, C. la F. Jackson (i), N. la F. Jackson (ii), H. R. P. Jarvis, N. R. Nicholson, J. G. Stocks, C. J. Stopford, N. G. Tembe, R. D. J. Wilson.
- Lyttelton:** (Spring) P. E. Davies (N). (Autumn) T. J. M. Bliss (N), P. J. Boardman (i), R. J. Boardman (ii), S. J. A. Davies, D. G. Howell-Williams (N), \*M. W. R. Hunt, \*A. D. Stevens, G. M. Strong (N), M. B. B. Wood, J. R. G. Young (N).
- Stanhope:** (Autumn) Anthea Bentley, Elizabeth Bird, Caroline Board, Belinda Brown, \*Amy Chamier, Kate Cunningham, Katherine Cutler, Diana Hastie, Annabel Heseltine, \*Caroline Highwood, Gaenor Hollingworth, Heather Jarvis, Bronwen Jenkins, \*Susan Lloyd, Rachel McGuirk, Deborah Marshall, Antonia Mitchell, \*Sonia Nightingale, \*Caroline Sparrow, Annabel White, Gabriella Zoghbi.

\* = O. S. Son or Daughter. \*\* = O.S. Grandson. (N) = Nugent.



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## LEAVERS 1979

- Bruce:** (Summer) S. C. Andrews, J. E. Arnold, D. S. Bajpai, R. W. Beckford, ma., S. E. Cave, O. B. Gill, C. T. Highwood, A. J. Holland, ma., P. M. Joseph, M. A. Koska, T. W. B. Smalley, R. J. Squires, P. T. Stanley, J. P. Villiers. (Autumn) M. C. J. Gull, A. G. P. Kelly, D. R. Lindgren, J. J. Lineham, J. C. Lloyd.
- Temple:** (Spring) J. Henderson. (Summer) R. F. P. Bryant, ma., J. A. G. Bird, J. A. Carroll, ma., N. A. H. Clarke, T. J. Cooke, ma., J. R. Fanshawe, ma., C. F. Harrison, C. R. Lloyd, E. F. McConnell, R. S. Nelson, S. J. Richardson, P. Salariya, G. F. Wheeler. (Autumn) P. F. Burditt.
- Grenville:** (Summer) R. P. Aswani, The Hon. E. H. R. Butler, C. B. Booth-Clibborn, M. A. Donen, A. E. C. Edmonstone, ma., C. W. R. Kempe, R. D. Kleinwort, I. P. W. Knight, D. R. Marsden, C. A. Nickel, C. S. E. Romilly. (Autumn) P. J. B. Dunham S. R. Edwards, C. M. Gerrard, A. St. C. Millner, P. H. Wolstenholme, ma.
- Chandos:** (Summer) J. N. Birt-Llewellyn, G. R. Coates, T. A. Cressman, C. J. Dean, J. R. de Wesselow, D. W. G. Enderby, M. E. Farmer, J. N. P. Forbes Adam, J. C. Hammond, W. H. Latham, H. J. Marriott, ma., P. M. Neufeld, H. A. Roell, A. F. Savage, R. C. Skrine, K. S. Springer, A. T. Thornton-Berry, F. N. F. Timewell, S. Wallace-Jones, ma., S. V. Wylie. (Autumn) J. E. Hughes Clarke, R. R. Montgomery.
- Cobham:** (Spring) R. B. de A. Moore. (Summer) M. L. W. Bell, J. D. W. Bridgwood, ma., G. F. de Chambure, A. M. Gale, A. A. N. Gammidge, M. Hope, ma., R. J. K. McGill, D. H. Morgan, ma., J. M. Pike, P. W. Richardson, J. G. J. Scott, M. P. Staheyeff. (Autumn) C. A. I. Clarke, M. G. Street, R. D. H. Taylor.
- Chatham:** (Summer) G. N. Bennett, ma., J. A. Doughty, J. M. Hanson, P. R. G. Hornor, ma., J. E. James, ma., T. S. Maynard. (Autumn) P. D. O'Brien, Q. R. Wells.
- Grafton:** (Spring) R. R. M. von Treskow. (Summer) J. T. Arnold, M. M. Berger, ma., A. G. Bradstock, A. P. M. Dweck, J. S. R. Fulford, P. M. Ham, M. A. Henri, R. R. Lunt, ma., R. E. T. Sanders, S. J. E. Smith, E. G. Stammers, P. W. Talbot, R. A. J. Weatherbe. (Autumn) H. J. N. English.
- Walpole:** (Spring) D. I. Cookson. (Summer) J. A. Campbell, ma., N. G. Coldham, ma., C. M. Folland, J. P. Gilson, E. Hartington, N. Hartley, A. Heller, N. R. L. Heal, J. H. D. Kemp, G. N. Lancaster, R. P. A. S. Mitchell, J. W. Ogden, ma., D. L. Robinson, M. R. Thomas, S. L. Williams. (Autumn) J. W. Aldridge, J. D. Brocklebank, H. K. Goodliffe, M. J. P. Horlock.
- Lyttelton:** (Summer) R. M. R. Bannister, ma., A. P. A. Block, The Viscount Dawick, J. M. Gould, M. N. A. Jackson, R. A. Marston, J. E. Outhwaite, M. S. Tresise, G. J. J. Tucker, ma., O. R. S. Tucker, mi., C. R. P. Withinshaw. (Autumn) R. C. Appleby, ma., J. J. O'G. Cameron, K. R. Kelleher, C. H. Peacock, A. H. Ritchie.
- Stanhope:** (Spring) Marie-Jo Labbe. (Summer) Karen Campbell, Charlotte Clarke, Lucy Clegg, Avril Comery, Catarina Cowan, Eleanor Davis, Olivia Fennell, Paula Goldsmith, Nicola McGuirk, Dawn McLean, Serena Marshall, Amanda Mitchell, Carolyn Smith. (Autumn) Caroline Bennetts, Louise Bryan, Susan Harvey, Belinda Hill, Yioula Kyriacou, Camilla Leigh, Lucy Morley, Annabel White, Emma Williams.



## OLD STOIC NEWS

**S. R. Ayre** (3 1973) has started his own P.R. and Event Organisation firm — Simon Ayre Associates (1978).

**R. Bendre** (6 1975) gained a First Class degree (PPE) at Keble College, Oxford (1979).

**N. Broackes** (6 1951) was elected Young Businessman of 1978 and has published his autobiography "A Growing Concern".

**J. M. Budden** (8 1942) won the "Yorkshire Post" Music Award in 1978 for his work "The Operas of Verdi", Vol. 2.

**The Viscount Buckmaster** (6 1938) was awarded the O.B.E. in the Birthday Honours List 1979 for services as First Secretary and head of Chancery at San'aa.

**P. C. Bullock** (1 1968) is playing Rugby for Kent County XV (1979).

**J. M. Burnell-Nugent** (7 1967) is commanding H.M.S. "Olympus" (1979).

**J. F. Burns** (7 1962) is a foreign correspondent with the "New York Times" at present covering African affairs including the London Zimbabwe Rhodesia Conference (1979).

**P. V. Clegg** (6 1952) is Assistant General Manager (Scheduled Services) with Dan-Air Services Ltd. (1979).

**M. D. Cobham** (3 1949) produced the feature film of the life of **Gavin Maxwell** (6 1930) shown on B.B.C.2 on 9th September 1979, part of which was filmed at Stowe.

**J. A. Dashwood** (3 1928) is an administrative officer with Euroconsult in Nairobi working on the Jonglei project.

**M Deeley** (1 1950) has been Managing Director of British Lion Films since 1973 and Chief Executive of E.M.I. Films Inc. from 1978. He was awarded an OSCAR for the production of "The Deer Hunter" (1978) and was also responsible for "Death on the Nile".

**J. V. Doubleday** (5 1964) is working on a large bronze "Mary and the Child Christ" to mark the 850th anniversary of Rochester Cathedral and has been commissioned to make a life-size study of Dylan Thomas for the new Dylan Thomas Theatre in Swansea.

**A. M. M. Elliott** (8 1964) is proprietor of "Time Out" Magazines Ltd.

**R. B. English** (6 1965) is Senior Lecturer in Chemistry at the University of South Africa (1979).

**D. A. Fanshawe** (4 1959) is to have a second performance within three years of his "African Sanctus" at the Three Choirs Festival at Gloucester in 1980.

**N. J. Forwood** (3 1965) is specialising in Community Law as a member of a firm of English barristers in Brussels.

**A. W. Fraser** (4 1952) has been appointed Director of the Association of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (1979).

**H. L. Goodall** (9 1974) gained a First Class degree in Music at Christ Church, Oxford (1979).

**Sir Peter Hayman** (7 1933) won through to the semi-final of B.B.C. "Mastermind" contest (1979).

**J. S. B. Henderson** (6 1954) is a member of the House of Commons Select Committee on Scottish Affairs (1979).

**The Lord Hutchinson** (6 1932) is a Trustee of the Tate Gallery, Vice-Chairman of the Arts Council and has been selected to be Chairman of the Trustees of the Tate Gallery in the summer of 1980.

**G. D. Inge-Innes-Lillingstone** (4 1941) is a Crown Estates Commissioner and has been elected President of the Country Landowners Association (1979).

**A. G. Jessiman** (1 1941) is Associate Professor of Medicine at the Peter Brigham Hospital of Harvard Medical School. He was President of the Massachusetts Public Health Association for 1974/5. In 1958 he was made Hunterian Professor of Surgery at the Royal College of Surgeons.

**J. W. R. Kempe** (1 1936) was awarded the C.V.O. in the New Year's Honours List.

**A. R. Kennon** (3 1973) took part in the 1979 Fastnet race in the R.N. Yacht "Bonaventure" from which the crew were fortunately rescued.

**Sir F. E. Kitson** (4 1944) was awarded the K.C.B. in the New Year's Honours List.

**R. D. Lord** (2 1976) gained a Class 1 in Law Part 1 at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge (1979).

**K. A. Low** (5 1949) is Chief of Staff with the rank of Commodore at NATO HQ at Comberland (1979).

**J. A. Macdonald** (2 1978) gained an Organ Scholarship to Balliol College, Oxford (1979).

**D. C. A. Lloyd** (6 1946) was awarded the C.B. in the New Year's Honours List.

**N. W. Lyell** (7 1957) is Conservative M.P. for Hemel Hempstead.

**D. F. McDonough** (5 1971) has started his own Public Relations Organisation — David McDonough & Associates Ltd — with **D. W. Harland** (8 1968), **The Hon. D. W. E. Russell** (2 1964) and **C. J. Tate** (8 1971) as co-directors.

**R. P. Marshall** (4 1946) and **I. H. Marshall** (4 1948) are Principals in the Dalgleish Lindsay Group/Architects and Planners.

**S. J. Marshall** (4 1974) gained a First Class degree in Chemical Engineering at Cambridge (1979).

**R. J. Maxwell-Hyslop** (6 1949) is a member of the House of Commons Select Committee on Industry (1979).

**Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, Bt.** (6 1937) was appointed C.V.O. in the New Year's Honours List (1980).

**A. G. H. Melly** (5 1944) was given a £12,000 commission by the Arts Council to purchase "The George Melly Collection" for a touring exhibition which opened at the Icon Gallery, Birmingham (1979).

**C. R. Milne** (2 1939) has published "The Path Through the Trees" (1979).

**M. D. Mumford** (3 1946) was ordained in St. Alban's Abbey on 30th September, 1979.

**M. A. Payne** (7 1956) is Company Secretary to Messrs. Hill Samuel & Co. (Jersey) Ltd. (1978).

**The Hon. Sir John Sainsbury** (3 1945) was appointed a Knight Bachelor for Services as Chairman of Sainsbury's in the New Years Honours List (1980).

**D. T. M. Service** (8 1945) is Vicar of Mayfield, Derbyshire.

**B. G. de J. Thynne** (5 1965) is Managing Director of Grenville Hotels Ltd.

**M. P. Tobin** (3 1975) won the Institution of Civil Engineers medal and premium for a paper presented to the Institution on road design, construction and maintenance in the Arab Emirates. (1979).

**The Hon. Sir Peter Vanneck** (1 1939) is High Sheriff for the County of Suffolk (1979).

**R. A. Weston** (6 1965) has been appointed Organiser of the British Athletics League G.R.E. Gold Cup and Jubilee Cup Competitions for 1980.

**P. M. Whitfield** (2 1961) is Managing Director of Christies.



# OLD STOIC NEWS

**S. R. Ayre** (3 1973) has started his own P.R. and Event Organisation firm — Simon Ayre Associates (1978).

**R. Bendre** (6 1975) gained a First Class degree (PPE) at Keble College, Oxford (1979).

**N. Broackes** (6 1951) was elected Young Businessman of 1978 and has published his autobiography "A Growing Concern".

**J. M. Budden** (8 1942) won the "Yorkshire Post" Music Award in 1978 for his work "The Operas of Verdi", Vol. 2.

**The Viscount Buckmaster** (6 1938) was awarded the O.B.E. in the Birthday Honours List 1979 for services as First Secretary and head of Chancery at San'aa.

**P. C. Bullock** (1 1968) is playing Rugby for Kent County XV (1979).

**J. M. Burnell-Nugent** (7 1967) is commanding H.M.S. "Olympus" (1979).

**J. F. Burns** (7 1962) is a foreign correspondent with the "New York Times" at present covering African affairs including the London Zimbabwe Rhodesia Conference (1979).

**P. V. Clegg** (6 1952) is Assistant General Manager (Scheduled Services) with Dan-Air Services Ltd. (1979).

**M. D. Cobham** (3 1949) produced the feature film of the life of **Gavin Maxwell** (6 1930) shown on B.B.C.2 on 9th September 1979, part of which was filmed at Stowe.

**J. A. Dashwood** (3 1928) is an administrative officer with Euroconsult in Nairobi working on the Jonglei project.

**M Deeley** (1 1950) has been Managing Director of British Lion Films since 1973 and Chief Executive of E.M.I. Films Inc. from 1978. He was awarded an OSCAR for the production of "The Deer Hunter" (1978) and was also responsible for "Death on the Nile".

**J. V. Doubleday** (5 1964) is working on a large bronze "Mary and the Child Christ" to mark the 850th anniversary of Rochester Cathedral and has been commissioned to make a life-size study of Dylan Thomas for the new Dylan Thomas Theatre in Swansea.

**A. M. M. Elliott** (8 1964) is proprietor of "Time Out" Magazines Ltd.

**R. B. English** (6 1965) is Senior Lecturer in Chemistry at the University of South Africa (1979).

**D. A. Fanshawe** (4 1959) is to have a second performance within three years of his "African Sanctus" at the Three Choirs Festival at Gloucester in 1980.

**N. J. Forwood** (3 1965) is specialising in Community Law as a member of a firm of English barristers in Brussels.

**A. W. Fraser** (4 1952) has been appointed Director of the Association of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (1979).

**H. L. Goodall** (9 1974) gained a First Class degree in Music at Christ Church, Oxford (1979).

**Sir Peter Hayman** (7 1933) won through to the semi-final of B.B.C. "Mastermind" contest (1979).

**J. S. B. Henderson** (6 1954) is a member of the House of Commons Select Committee on Scottish Affairs (1979).

**The Lord Hutchinson** (6 1932) is a Trustee of the Tate Gallery, Vice-Chairman of the Arts Council and has been selected to be Chairman of the Trustees of the Tate Gallery in the summer of 1980.

**G. D. Inge-Innes-Lillingstone** (4 1941) is a Crown Estates Commissioner and has been elected President of the Country Landowners Association (1979).

**A. G. Jessiman** (1 1941) is Associate Professor of Medicine at the Peter Brigham Hospital of Harvard Medical School. He was President of the Massachusetts Public Health Association for 1974/5. In 1958 he was made Hunterian Professor of Surgery at the Royal College of Surgeons.

**J. W. R. Kempe** (1 1936) was awarded the C.V.O. in the New Year's Honours List.

**A. R. Kennon** (3 1973) took part in the 1979 Fastnet race in the R.N. Yacht "Bonaventure" from which the crew were fortunately rescued.

**Sir F. E. Kitson** (4 1944) was awarded the K.C.B. in the New Year's Honours List.

**R. D. Lord** (2 1976) gained a Class 1 in Law Part 1 at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge (1979).

**K. A. Low** (5 1949) is Chief of Staff with the rank of Commodore at NATO HQ at Comberland (1979).

**J. A. Macdonald** (2 1978) gained an Organ Scholarship to Balliol College, Oxford (1979).

**D. C. A. Lloyd** (6 1946) was awarded the C.B. in the New Year's Honours List.

**N. W. Lyell** (7 1957) is Conservative M.P. for Hemel Hempstead.

**D. F. McDonough** (5 1971) has started his own Public Relations Organisation — David McDonough & Associates Ltd — with **D. W. Harland** (8 1968), **The Hon. D. W. E. Russell** (2 1964) and **C. J. Tate** (8 1971) as co-directors.

**R. P. Marshall** (4 1946) and **I. H. Marshall** (4 1948) are Principals in the Dalgleish Lindsay Group/Architects and Planners.

**S. J. Marshall** (4 1974) gained a First Class degree in Chemical Engineering at Cambridge (1979).

**R. J. Maxwell-Hyslop** (6 1949) is a member of the House of Commons Select Committee on Industry (1979).

**Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, Bt.** (6 1937) was appointed C.V.O. in the New Year's Honours List (1980).

**A. G. H. Melly** (5 1944) was given a £12,000 commission by the Arts Council to purchase "The George Melly Collection" for a touring exhibition which opened at the Icon Gallery, Birmingham (1979).

**C. R. Milne** (2 1939) has published "The Path Through the Trees" (1979).

**M. D. Mumford** (3 1946) was ordained in St. Alban's Abbey on 30th September, 1979.

**M. A. Payne** (7 1956) is Company Secretary to Messrs. Hill Samuel & Co. (Jersey) Ltd. (1978).

**The Hon. Sir John Sainsbury** (3 1945) was appointed a Knight Bachelor for Services as Chairman of Sainsbury's in the New Years Honours List (1980).

**D. T. M. Service** (8 1945) is Vicar of Mayfield, Derbyshire.

**B. G. de J. Thynne** (5 1965) is Managing Director of Grenville Hotels Ltd.

**M. P. Tobin** (3 1975) won the Institution of Civil Engineers medal and premium for a paper presented to the Institution on road design, construction and maintenance in the Arab Emirates. (1979).

**The Hon. Sir Peter Vanneck** (1 1939) is High Sheriff for the County of Suffolk (1979).

**R. A. Weston** (6 1965) has been appointed Organiser of the British Athletics League G.R.E. Gold Cup and Jubilee Cup Competitions for 1980.

**P. M. Whitfield** (2 1961) is Managing Director of Christies.

The following were granted commissions from Sandhurst to the Regiments stated:

**J. G. Boldero** (5 1977) — Life Guards.

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### CONGRUITY

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People file out; dim church left dank, until  
High vaults are hushed; they've left a tramp . . . . .  
. . . . . He sits there still.

**T. J. Bayntun**

### MARRIAGES

**D. M. Atkin-Berry** (5 1968) to Penny Young on 24th November 1979.

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**D. A. Sharp** (8 1964) to Diana Jane Willerton on 11th September 1975.

**M. C. H. Vey** (1 1974) to Hazel Patricia Glave on 25th August 1973.

### BIRTHS

To the wife of:

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**H. G. J. Brooking** (5 1968) a daughter on 15th February 1979.

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## DEATHS

**E. H. H. Alington** (6 1929) in September 1978.

**J. M. Ashby** (1 1931) on 15th March 1979.

**The Hon. G. C. S. P. Butler** (1/3/5 1925) (1st 99) on 17th August 1978.

**J. A. S. Fitzmaurice** (8 1954) in January 1979.

**Fiona P. Greenwood** (0 1978) on 17th July 1979.

**J. H. G. Leask** (Staff 1934-1937) on 9th October 1979.

**G. T. Le Lacheur** (1 1933) on 27th June 1979.

**C. G. Sloss** (6 1949) in 1978.

**R. J. Squires** (1 1979) on 4th November 1979.

**P. F. Szeben** (3 1941) on 30th July 1979.

**George Turpin** (Maintenance Staff) on 23rd November 1979.



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