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Mr. P. A. FILLEUL



# SCHOOL NOTES AND NEWS

In July the School said goodbye to Mr. J. G. Bird, who was retiring after twenty-seven years as Headmaster. Tributes to his work in the School appear in the following pages, and with them go the kind wishes of us all to Mr. and Mrs. Bird for a long and happy retirement. A portrait of Mr. Bird, painted by Mr. John Chirnside, has been added to those of his three predecessors in the New Hall, and a photograph of the portrait is reproduced later in the magazine.

Mr. P. A. Filleul, M.A., our new Headmaster, comes to us from Cardiff High School, where he has been Headmaster for six years. He was born in Jersey in 1929, and spent the War years at Bedford School. He returned to Jersey in 1946, and thence to Oxford until 1952. He spent three years with the R.A.F. Educational Branch, ten years at Portsmouth Grammar School and three years at the Stationers' Company's School. Mr. Filleul is married with one young daughter, Alise, and numbers among his hobbies enthusiastic but inexperienced fishing and shooting "of the non-u variety"!

At the end of last School year Mr. D. Heap, Mr. P. V. Bailey, Mr. M. E. H. Barnes, Mr. G. Wappett and Mr. P. May left the teaching staff. We thank them for their many contributions to the School, and wish them all well for the future. In September we welcomed six new members of staff, Dr. D. G. Barnes (Physics), Mr. D. R. Clark (Modern Languages), Mr. D. F. Daniels (Mathematics), Mr. D. M. Fisher (Modern Languages), Mr. J. R. Holland (Classics) and Mr. A. J. Percival (P.E.).

We record with great regret the death in June of Mr. A. O. Gatley, one time Second Master of the School, and in August of Mr. Eric Barnes, for many years the Secretary of the Old Hulmeians' Association and a past President of the Association. Obituaries to both appear below.

The Founder's Day service for last year was held at Manchester Cathedral on January 29th. The address was given by the Right Reverend R. P. C. Hanson, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Manchester and Professor of Theology at the University of Manchester.

Fourteen Sixth-formers gained entrance to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge last year, of whom the following were awarded Scholarships and Exhibitions: B. Gosschalk, Exhibition in Modern Languages at Keble College, Oxford; P. D. Massey, Exhibition in Natural Science at Brasenose College, Oxford; A. C. Niven, Exhibition in Natural Science at Pembroke College, Oxford and R. J. Peel, Scholarship in Engineering at Brasenose College, Oxford.

During last year R. W. D. Potter was Head of School for the Michaelmas and Lent terms and P. C. Holmes for the Midsummer term. The Prefects for the year were B. R. Clayden, N. I. Greensmith, J. L. Hindley, M. H. Lomas, I. Dickson, S. Balcombe, C. P. Bunnage, W. B. Collier, S. J. I'Anson, R. J. Morello, I. Stockley, P. R. Summersgill, T. Sydney, R. O. Boardley, P. S. Dodd, B. Gosschalk, R. J. Hall, G. I. Hawes, C. W. Hodgkinson, P. J. Kettlewell, R. D. McCulloch, P. Yates and M. J. Hannah.

Preparations are in progress for the presentation of Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar" as the School Play at the end of the Michaelmas term.

The Editor acknowledges with thanks the receipt of magazines from his counterparts in many other schools, and welcomes this opportunity of maintaining contact with them





MR. J. G. BIRD, from the Portrait by MR. J. CHIRNSIDE.



Mr. Bird came to us in 1947 after a distinguished academic and military career and valuable experience as a Housemaster at Denstone College. He has led the School through a period of social, economic and political turmoil, preserving all its traditional virtues, and leaves it with an enhanced reputation.

This could not have been done by maintaining the status quo. A School, as a living organism, must change to meet changing circumstances and opportunities. Mr. Bird has done more; he has anticipated and led the change.

Before the 1914 War, the School was small, though growing, and only a few boys stayed into the Sixth Form, and fewer still went on to Universities. The whole of the Science Department was contained in three rooms, Numbers 15, 16 and 17.

After that War, there was considerable development. The academic standard rose, numbers increased and new buildings were erected. The New Hall, started by Dr. Hall, was completed, a new Science block, Gymnasium, Art and Manual Rooms and, later, a new Dining Room appeared. The Shell and 4D were abolished and all 5th Forms were entered for what was then the School Certificate. The Sixth Form grew and many more boys went on to Universities. Music and Drama, on which Mr. Trevor Dennis was very keen, flourished.

After the Second War came the 1944 Education Act, and soon after, Mr. Bird. The Act established Direct Grant Schools, of which we were one, and made it possible for any boy, however limited his circumstances, to enter the School. At the same time Government Grants opened the Universities to all who could qualify, not only to those able to win Scholarships or having wealthy parents. Competition for places at School and University raised the academic standard required for both.

To Mr. Bird this was an opportunity and a challenge which he gladly accepted. The School was expanded, but not to unmanageable size, and the number in the Sixth Forms greatly increased. New buildings were needed, but there was also new and original thinking. Young people were becoming more independent everywhere and questioning established authority. Mr. Bird considered that this was natural and right, and that the answer was not repression but responsibility. Hence the completely new idea of the Sixth Form Centre. This was not just a sudden inspiration but a carefully thought-out plan, with all the possible consequences considered. There could be no guarantee that it would succeed, because it had never been tried before, but Mr. Bird's faith in the principle, and in the boys, whose reaction could make or mar the whole scheme, convinced everyone. The plan went ahead, and has been so successful that it has been copied in many other schools. If Mr. Bird had done nothing else, this pioneering work would have made his Headmastership outstanding.

But this was not all. The new building which holds the Sixth Form Centre includes a number of modern classrooms and a Music Department, as well as a fine hall. The Science Block has been considerably extended, and a swimming pool built. The Dining Room has been enlarged, and beyond the Gymnasium is a large Sports Hall. Far away in the Yorkshire Dales, Seniors and Juniors pursue various activities above and below ground.

The interests available to boys out of School have been very much widened, so that no boy should be unable to find something in which he can share. The academic standard has continued to rise, and Masters and Boys have been able to count on the wholehearted support of the Headmaster in their efforts.

The Old Boys too have cause to thank Mr. Bird. He has supported all their functions and has been most helpful in General Committee Meetings, which have



been held in his study. It was by his invitation that the very much enjoyed Reunion Dinner at School was instituted. He was elected President of the Association in 1961.

Mr. Bird has won and deserved the confidence of all, Governors, Parents, Staff and Boys. He has done everything quietly and calmly, but this is the mark of the real artist, whose technical mastery is such that his performance seems simple.

Only those who have had the privilege of working with him know how much thought, care, and nervous energy have gone into his work. He has been equal to all the calls made on him, and has served his day and generation well.

We wish Mr. and Mrs. Bird a long and happy retirement.

### MR. A. O. GATLEY

Many generations of Old Boys and Masters will have heard with great regret of the death of Mr. Gatley on June 18th, 1974. He was in his 86th year and had been in failing health for a long time, so his passing should be less an occasion for sorrow than of gratitude for all he did and was.

Mr. Gatley came to us in 1916 from Pannal Ash School, Harrogate, after achieving distinction at Manchester University, where he took a First Class Degree in Geography and won the Cobden Prize in Economics. The School was passing through a difficult period, and found in Mr. Gatley a man of quite exceptional quality. His work in the classroom was so good that a former Headmaster, Mr. Trevor Dennis, described him as a superb teacher. In his room there was always perfect order and a very happy atmosphere. His first room was Number 6, in the Old Hall but in 1927, when the new Science Block was opened, the Geography Department, now much larger and doing more advanced work, moved to Rooms 16 and 17. Mr. Gatley uncomplainingly climbed all those stairs for many years.

Though he was so effective a teacher of Seniors, Mr. Gatley was very happy with Juniors and they were very happy with him. Many Old Boys still remember his wonderful mnemonics, such as "Can a monkey have blue whiskers?"—and even remember what it meant.

As a Form Master (5B and 4Y) and a Housemaster (Whitworth) he expected his boys to set a standard for the whole School, and they did not let him down. He ran some very enthusiastic Under-14 Lacrosse teams, but his greatest work out of School was at the various camps, where he was a most efficient Quartermaster. He started at the Harvest Camps run by Mr. Barber at Wooler during the First World War and went on at all the Corps Camps at Grange in the Whitsun holidays. When Mr. Barber started Harvest Camps again in the Second War, the first person he asked to help was, of course, Mr. Gatley, who carried on as before.

Mr. Gatley became Second Master in 1932 and held the post with distinction until 1953. His loyalty, efficiency and tact made him an ideal man for the position. When parents brought their sons home from evacuation at Hutton, Mr. Gatley was asked to return to Manchester and re-open the School within the permitted hours and conditions. This he did so successfully that when the School returned everything was ready. When Mr. Dennis's health broke down, Mr. Gatley took over without fuss, gained the willing support of everyone, and was able to hand over to Mr. Bird a flourishing school.

The Old Hulmeians as well as the School were greatly helped by Mr. Gatley. He served on the General Committee and was the founder and first Worshipful



Master of the Old Hulmeians' Masonic Lodge. In 1948 he was elected President of the Association.

Even more important than all he did was what he was. He had a natural and all-embracing kindness, given to the undeserving as well as the more worthy. He had a lively sense of humour, but what he said never hurt. It was one of the joys of his retirement that so many former pupils and colleagues whom he had helped kept in touch with him.

To his niece, Miss Phyllis Gatley, who was his faithful companion for many years, we offer our sincere sympathy.

## ERIC BARNES

By the death of Eric Barnes, which took place at his home in Jersey on August 17th, 1974, the Old Hulmeians Association and the School have lost one of their most illustrious and loyal Old Boys. It will be difficult for those who knew him over many years to realise that the friendly smile and cheery greeting will be no more.

Entering School in 1919, Eric soon became involved in its various activities which were then expanding under the energetic guidance of the School's new Headmaster, Mr. Trevor Dennis. His skill on the games field was such that he represented the School at all levels, playing for the 1st XI at Cricket and captaining the 1st XI at Soccer and the 1st XII at Lacrosse; to his captaincy of the School Lacrosse team he added the leadership of Lancashire and of the North Schools. He was also Sergeant Major in the Cadet Corps and took an active part in many other aspects of School life, not least in School plays. It was a fitting climax to his School career when he was appointed Head Boy.

Leaving in 1926, he commenced his business career in Manchester with the then Calico Printers Association, with whom he was associated until retirement. Concurrently with leaving School he joined the Association and was soon taking part in its administration and becoming a keen and active member of the Lacrosse Section as well as of the flourishing Musical and Dramatic Section of the thirties.

His interest at Manchester was interrupted in 1931 when business requirements took him down to London. This was to be the scene of continued energy and drive in so far as he played a major part in helping to revive the affairs of the London Association and at the same time identify himself with Lacrosse in the London area.

Following service in the Armed Forces, Eric returned to London, but for a short time only, as in 1947 business brought him back to Manchester. It is the period from 1947 to 1969 that most Old Boys will probably recall as Eric Barnes's most active years. Appointed Secretary of the Association in the early fifties, having held that office jointly with the late Ken Rains until his untimely death, he brought the full weight of his experience and organizing ability to bear on guiding both the Association and the Lacrosse Section through a period extending over almost twenty years. His election to the Presidency of the Association during 1955/6 was a tribute to his devotion to the O.H.A. and to the School over many years, and his year of office was marked by the same conscientious zeal that governed all his efforts on behalf of the Association. It was indeed fitting when he finally retired from the office of Secretary that the Association should honour one who had served the cause both loyally and unstintingly over the years; at the 1969 Annual Dinner, at which his wife Irene was present (the first lady ever to be invited), suitable presentations were made.





ERIC BARNES



Eric involved himself not only in Old Hulmeian Lacrosse, but also in the wider spheres of Northern Lacrosse, earning for himself an enviable reputation as an administrator of the game at all levels.

Throughout all these years Eric's loyalty to the School never wavered and he always displayed the keenest interest in all aspects of School life as they developed under the guidance of two outstanding Headmasters. This interest was deepened as his three sons passed through the School, thereby forging even closer links between School and family. It was a tremendous disappointment to him that illness necessitated the cancellation of an invitation extended to him to present the prizes at this year's Speech Day.

Time, at this stage, has not permitted more than a general outline of the service which Eric gave to the Association, but it is hoped to enlarge on this in the next issue of the News Letter.

Meanwhile the Association extends its sincere sympathy to Mrs. Barnes and all members of the family in their bereavement.

### SPEECH DAY, 1974

Speech Day was held on July 12th, 1974. Mr. D. Ll. Griffiths, the Chairman of the Governors, explained that it had been planned that Mr. Eric Barnes should be the speaker and present the prizes, but a serious deterioration in his health had made it impossible for him to be present. In his place, Mr. Bird, whose last Speech Day this was to be, would present the prizes.

Mr. Bird began his report by paying tribute to Mr. Eric Barnes, whose life and energies, he said, had always been interwoven with the School. He expressed his great regret that Mr. Barnes' health had prevented his distributing the Prizes, but said that he felt it a privilege to stand in for him.

The previous year's G.C.E. results had been good. At the Ordinary Level, out of one hundred and eighteen candidates ninety-nine had passed in six or more subjects, and only six had passed in fewer than four. At the Advanced Level, out of one hundred and nineteen candidates ninety-six had passed in two or more, mostly more. This represented a failure rate of 12.2% at "O" level and 15.5% at "A" level, compared with the failure rates of 40% and 30% built into the examinations. These results had been reflected in admissions to Universities: sixty-four boys had gone to University, five to degree courses in other establishments of further education and one to R.A.F. Cranwell.

In November a number of boys had attempted Entrance and Awards to Oxford and Cambridge. Fourteen had obtained entrance, of whom four had gained awards, R. J. Peel a Scholarship in Engineering at Brasenose College, Oxford, B. Gosschalk an Exhibition in Modern Languages at Keble College, Oxford, P. D. Massey an Exhibition in Natural Science at Brasenose College, Oxford and A. C. Niven an Exhibition in Natural Science at Pembroke College, Oxford. Though such success was to be expected in a school with highly selective entry and highly qualified staff, the Headmaster pointed out that it was not automatic: even clever boys had to be taught and had to work in a climate of opinion in which academic achievement was prized.

After having listed some recent distinctions gained by Old Hulmeians, the Headmaster turned to the Games side of the School. The Rugby 1st XV had been a pleasure to watch, though on occasions they had lost games which they had dominated throughout. The Lacrosse XII had been a good side who, although they had lost the





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Lancashire Junior Cup to the Old Hulmeians, had beaten both Oxford and Cambridge on tour. The Cricket side, though short of bowlers, was a strong batting side and was just coming into form, having recently defeated the Masters' 1st. XI by three wickets and their 2nd. XI by one wicket.

Three cups had been won during the year, the Centurions' Trophy by the Under-13 Lacrosse team, the Porter Cup for shooting by the C.C.F. and the Esso Cup by the Under-14 Cricket XI. The Sports Hall, the Headmaster reported, had come into full use handsomely equipped thanks to the generosity of the Parents' Association, so there was now a very wide range of physical activities in which a boy might take part.

Most parents would be fully aware, he said, of the opportunities offered for travel and adventure at home and abroad, for music and drama, from the C.C.F., the House system, the Sixth Form Centre and the Junior School. All of these were dependent on Masters whose vision of their mission extended fully into the whole well-being of the boys of the School.

The Headmaster mentioned with gratitude the work of three Second Masters, Mr. Gatley, Mr. Williams and Mr. Lowe, who had assisted him in the day-to-day academic administration of the School; the Heads of Departments, to whom the responsibility fell for arranging syllabuses, ordering books, planning and operating equipment and directing studies at all levels; the House Masters, in whose hands lay the pastoral care of the boys; the Form masters, the Careers Department, the Junior School, and the Assistant Masters. On the Administrative side, the Headmaster expressed his thanks to the School Office, which carried out an enormous variety of vital functions; to his personal Secretary, Miss Hillyard; and to the Bursar, Commander Potter and his two predecessors, J. A. Barber and W. Taylor. He spoke, too, of the co-operation and friendship of the Parents' Association and the Old Hulmeians' Association. The purpose of all of these had been the education of the six to eight hundred boys in the School at any one time, and the Headmaster said that his experience over twenty-seven years had been that few had disappointed and many had given real joy.

Finally the Headmaster said goodbye to the Masters who were leaving the School, Messrs. Heap, May, Barnes, Bailey and Wappett. Each of them, he said, had made his valuable and distinctive contribution to the life of the School. He left us with the motto which he had given to the School when he first came—play hard, work hard, think hard—and wished the School all success for the future.

After Mr. Bird had presented the prizes, Mr. D. Ll. Griffiths paid a final tribute to his work in the School. When, twenty-seven years previously, he had come to the School in the aftermath of the War, it had only had three Headmasters in the sixty years of its existence. Mr. Bird came into a situation devoid of political calm, with the idea of the Direct Grant School already being attacked politically. His early years, and indeed all his years in the School had seen rapid changes in the attitudes of youth and in educational and social thinking, but his singleness of purpose, foresight and vision had ensured his success despite many difficulties.

Among his tangible achievements, Mr. Griffiths mentioned the Sixth Form Centre, the first of its kind in the country, which was originally Mr. Bird's concept; the Cottages at Appersett and Hulme House at Hardraw, and the J. G. Bird Trust which administered them; the Science block, the Language Laboratory, the Swimming Pool and, most recently, the Sports Hall. All of these were available to widen the interests of the boys in the School because of Mr. Bird's enthusiasm and vision.



Of even greater importance, said Mr. Griffiths, were the intangible features of Mr. Bird's headmastership. Under his guidance the standard of scholarship in the School had improved and a happy School community had been developed and maintained. The stability of the academic staff, with a rate of change averaging only three each year, had ensured continuity of activity, and this had been achieved only because of the quality of the Headmaster and the confidence which his staff had in him.

Finally Mr. Griffiths thanked Mrs. Bird, who had always been a faithful helper and loyal friend to the School, and wished them both a long and happy retirement.

On behalf of the boys of the School, the Head of School, P. C. Holmes, presented the Headmaster with an engraved silver salver, and thanked him for those qualities which endeared him most to his pupils, his constant accessibility to them and his support for and interest in all their many and varied activities.

### PRIZE LIST, 1974

First Forms: English—N. C. Herbert; History—R. Jones; Geography—P. W. Loftus; French—R. Jones; Latin—J. P. Marland; Mathematics—D. N. Goodwin; Biology—R. Zemurs; Chemistry—R. Zemurs; Handicraft—D. M. Hainsworth; Music—J. P. Marland; The William Taylor Memorial Prize—N. C. Herbert.

Second Forms: English—J. P. Burden; History—I. R. Fishwick; Geography—I. R. Fishwick; French—H. S. Davies; Latin—G. J. Davies; Mathematics—J. D. P. Kissack; Biology—S. J. Clough; Physics—P. J. Needs; Art—M. A. Hallworth; Music—N. R. Pond.

Third Forms: English—A. H. P. Morton-Smith; History—J. B. Friedler; Geography—S. L. Donald; French—D. A. Campbell; Latin—C. P. Holmes; Spanish—K. H. S. Swanson; Third Year Mathematics—N. M. Mitson; Chemistry—D. A. Campbell; Physics—M. Standring; Art and Craft—A. J. McLaren.

Fourth Forms: English—D. R. Blagden; History—A. P. Waring; Geography—C. M. Lea; French—A. M. Mills and S. V. Tindall; German—A. M. Mills and H. P. Keeney; Spanish—C. R. Prince; Latin—S. E. Postles and J. I. Sherman; Greek—J. I. Sherman; Fourth Year Mathematics—C. J. Davies; Physics—S. V. Tindall; Chemistry—S. V. Tindall; Music—C. M. Lea; Art—D. Thompson; Handicraft—T. G. J. Allen.

Fifth Forms: Parents' English Prize—J. N. B. Bennington; Hewlett Geography Prize—M. S. Hamilton; History—N. Morris; French—J. D. Hannabuss; German—S. T. Foley; Spanish—S. F. G. Skinner; Latin—D. W. Hoey; Greek—S. J. Sherman; Chemistry—T. A. Simpson; Physics—C. J. Davies; Mathematics—T. C. Kwan; Art—D. J. Heine; Craft—M. J. Scovell; Music—N. Beasley.

Lower Sixth: English—C. R. Horsefield; History—N. D. Bankes; Geography—N. H. Clayden; French—A. D. Little; German—A. D. Little; Latin—D. J. Manifould; Ancient History—M. N. Hemy; Greek—D. J. Manifould; Mathematics—M. W. Raisbeck; Further Mathematics—R. M. Kerle; Physics—D. L. Jones; Chemistry—P. W. Needs; Biology—N. G. Fishwick; Music—P. A. Alfieri; Handicraft—J. Balcombe; Art—J. A. G. Southern.

Middle Sixth: The Knoop English—P. R. Cantrell; The Hewlett Geography—N. R. Withington; History—R. H. Yule; French—G. L. Steinsberg; German—C. R. Large; Classics—S. P. Arrowsmith; Ancient History—C. J. Martin; Chemistry—D. J. Singer; Physics—P. J. Marsh; Biology—P. Yates; Mathematics—P. J. Marsh; Further Mathematics—M. Haley.



Upper Sixth: The Dehn History—T. C. Wales; The Dorrington Classics Prizes—Latin—R. O. Boardley; Greek—C. P. Bunnage; Ancient History—P. C. Holmes; The Palmer Prizes for Science: Physics—A. C. Niven; Chemistry—P. Lancashire; The Lymer Mathematics—A. C. Niven; The Allman Prize for Further Mathematics—R. J. Peel; The O.H.A. Biology Prize—M. C. Bose.

Special Prizes: Vlies Modern Languages—B. Gosschalk; D. Ll. Griffiths Prize for Medical Subjects—I. Stockley; Aspinall Religious Knowledge—N. D. Bankes; Original Verse (6th Form)—Q. E. Deakin; Original Verse (Middle School)—J. N. B. Bennington; Powell Scripture Reading—T. Sydney; Anderson English Essay—A. J. I. Turjansky; Music Prize—S. J. Hawes; Watkins Prize—R. W. D. Potter; Graham Johnson Memorial Prize—A. J. I. Turjansky; J. A. Barber Prize (Proxime Accessit)—N. I. Greensmith; J. A. Barber Prize—R. W. D. Potter; The Woollam Scholarship—R. J. Peel.

#### LEAVERS, 1974/75

##### 6CU:

Boardley, R. B., University College, London, Classics.  
Bunnage, C. P., Pembroke College, Oxford, Classics.  
Gleave, C. M. S., Bedford College, London, Archaeology—B.A.  
Morello, R. J., Exeter, Politics, Philosophy and Economics.

##### 6CM:

Eccles, C., Manchester Polytechnic, Accountancy.  
Emmerton, T. J. G., Manchester Polytechnic, Accountancy.  
Martin, C. J., Birmingham, Ancient History.

##### 6CL:

Davies, G. M., To U.S.A. for 1 year.

##### 6LU:

Hannah, M. J., Reading, French and Economics.

##### 6LM:

Gosschalk, B., Keble College, Oxford, Modern Languages.  
Nance, M. S., Manchester, French Studies.

##### 6MU:

Greensmith, N. I., St. Catharine's, Cambridge, Law.  
Potter, R. W. D., Brasenose, Oxford, Jurisprudence.  
Wales, T. C., Queen's, Cambridge, History.  
Collier, W. B., Manchester Polytechnic, Public Administration.  
Clayden, B. R., University of York, English.

##### 6MM:

Burkitt, R. S., Leeds University, Economics/Politics.  
Young, R., Oldham Technical College, "A" Level Course.  
Hodgkinson, C. W., Sheffield, History.  
Morris, P. A. R., Warwick, Economics & Politics.  
Reade, R. W., N. W. Gas.  
Proudman, R. A., Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance, Professional Trainee.  
Read, R. D., Manchester Polytechnic, Accountancy.

##### 6ML:

Fairclough, J. G., H.M. Customs & Excise, Clerical Assistant.

##### U6M:

Crowther, S. J., Holloway College, London, Mathematics.  
Peel, R. J., Brasenose, Oxford, Engineering & Economics.



#### M6M:

Davies, G. M., Salford, Electrical & Electronic Eng.  
Haley, M., Oriel College, Oxford.  
Hall, R. J., Sheffield, Physics.  
Harris, C. G., Leeds, Civil Engineering.  
McCulloch, R. D., Downing, Cambridge, Engineering.

#### U6S (MPC):

Balcombe, S., University College, Oxford, Geology.  
I'Anson, S. J., Sheffield, Physics.  
Massey, P. D., Brasenose, Oxford, Physics.  
Niven, A. C., Pembroke, Oxford, Physics.  
Summersgill, P. R., Pembroke, Oxford, Physics.

#### M6S (MPC):

Davenport, P. K., Sheffield, Electrical/Electronic.  
Erskine, R. G., U.M.I.S.T., Chemical Engineering.  
Eyre, D., U.M.I.S.T., Building Technology.  
Gater, R. V., Keble College, Oxford, Chemistry.  
Howarth, P. J., U.M.I.S.T., Civil Engineering.  
Noble, D., Manchester, Mechanical Eng.  
Parkinson, I. D., Lancaster, Maths/Operational Research.  
Shiers, A. P. F., Salford, Building.  
Stead, M. J., New College, Oxford, Chemistry.  
Dawson, P. J., Allerdale Council, Cockermouth, Trainee Town Planning Technician.  
Meehan, J. B., Barclays Bank Ltd., Junior Clerk.  
Tomlinson, A. H., Newcastle, Economics & Accountancy.  
Walsh, M. J., Bristol, Geography/Geology.  
Boyling, P. J., Williams & Glyn's Bank Ltd., Clerk.  
Cowsill, E. J., Law College, Chester, Law Course.  
Greenwood, S. W., Hatfield Polytechnic, Business Studies.  
Scott, P. D., British School, Brussels, "A" Level Course.

#### U6S (PCB):

Bose, M. C., Sheffield, Medicine.  
Kettlewell, P. J., Manchester, Physiology.  
Lancashire, P., Manchester, Dentistry.  
Stockley, I., Sheffield, Medicine.  
Sydney, T., Manchester Polytechnic, Biological Sciences (Degree).

#### M6S (PCB):

Atkinson, N. A., Nottingham, Agricultural Botany.  
Cumming, A. M., Stockport Technical College, "A" Level Course.  
Elliott, K. M., Leeds, Medicine.  
Sparrow, P. R., Birmingham, Biological Sciences.  
Wollas, C. J., Bangor, Marine Biology.  
Yates, P., Manchester, Medicine.  
Johnson, R. F. P., Bangor, Zoology and Marine Zoo.  
Marston, N. J., Sheffield, Integrated Biology.  
Newton, R. J., College of Education, Cardiff, Teacher Training Course.  
Peck, F. S., Salford, Building.  
Tute, D. R., Plymouth Polytechnic, Environmental Sciences (Degree).



# SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

## C.C.F. NOTES

Another year has been successfully completed, with the emphasis being on the general appearance of the contingent. We have now been issued with the new clothing and boys should now be able to parade in inclement weather without suffering from frostbite.

This year we were able to run three major camps, the first two being in the same holiday period, one to the Costa Brava by road, and the second to the Lake District. It turned out that the camp to the Lake District just happened to coincide with the one heatwave of the year, and the ones who went to Spain happened to catch the worst weather on that coast for a number of years. We had considerable rain, high winds, seas so rough that we were only able to water-ski for one day successfully. We were able to use the boat in rather choppy seas as a run-about, which caused a laugh on more than one occasion, mainly through our trying to get in and out of it in the high swell. Apart from the depressing news that everyone at camp in the Lakes was getting more sunshine than the Spanish party, I feel sure that an enjoyable time was had by all, and certainly it was a new experience for some who had never travelled abroad before.

The summer camp was at Penhale, Cornwall. This was a return visit, as the contingent had spent a previous camp there about five years ago. The camp was well organised and run by the Cadet training team, who also organised numerous trips to various military and naval establishments within the area.

This year we invited our potential recruits to camp, and they all seemed to enjoy the experience.

Sadly we say goodbye to Lt. Wappett who has moved on to Mount St. Mary's College. He will carry on in the corps at his new school, and with his departure we welcome Mr. Cornish as his replacement. A number of courses have been lined up for him, so he should have a very active year.

In the coming year our arduous training camps will be in Scotland and Spain, and Summer camp at Jurby on the Isle of Man. This will give us something to look forward to, and I hope that the coming year will be as successful as, if not better than, the one just completed.

J.F.C.

## C.C.F. TRIP TO SPAIN

The party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Wappett, Mr. Chudleigh, and ten boys, set out on the afternoon of Thursday, 4th April travelling by mini-van. The new corps speed boat was towed by car. The journey to the hoverport at Pegwell Bay was interrupted when one member of the party discovered he had left his wallet at a service station. However Mr. Chudleigh drove back in the car and luckily recovered it. Having crossed the channel we travelled south through France by autoroute stopping for one night in a layby. We reached Lloret del Mar, which is on the Mediterranean coast just inside the Spanish border, late on Saturday evening. We camped on a site with reasonable facilities very close to the town centre.

Despite the fact that we had arrived well before the main holiday season had started, Lloret proved to be quite lively. Most of our time was spent in the town only returning to the camp to eat and sleep.



We were awakened early on our second day on the site to discover that we had been burgled during the night. Incredibly somebody had slit the largest of our tents, apparently with us all asleep inside, and had lifted out various articles. A considerable amount of money was stolen, most of which was Mr. Wappett's, and a few articles of clothing also disappeared.

Unfortunately the weather conditions were far from suitable for water skiing. Only on one occasion were we able to try it out with reasonable success. Certainly with calmer conditions the speed-boat would be ideal for water skiing.

We left Lloret on Monday 15th April returning the way we had come. We spent two nights in France, crossed the Channel and arrived back exactly as planned.

We all thoroughly enjoyed the trip, and must thank Mr. Chudleigh and Mr. Wappett for the organisation, general supervision and in particular the driving, which must have proved very tiring.

T.A.

### A DAY AT THE PALACE

During July several thousand guests, including the officers of the C.C.F., and their wives, were entertained to afternoon tea at Buckingham Palace by Her Majesty, The Queen.

After a fair amount of consultation, and a great deal of frenzied shopping by the ladies, the plan of attack was decided. We made our various ways to London, and the appointed time arrived. We waited outside the Palace feeling slightly conspicuous in black morning dress, surrounded by a hundred or so tourists, dressed in varying degrees of casualness. Photographs were taken by many, so we can only assume that the William Hulme's C.C.F. will become internationally known!

At 3.15 the Palace gates were opened, and we made our way through the entrance into a large gallery lined with Old Masters and Yeomen of the Guard. The décor was scarlet and gold, the atmosphere quite awesome.

Promptly at four o'clock, The Queen, accompanied by Prince Philip, The Queen Mother, Earl Mountbatten, Princess Alexandra and her husband stepped out into the gardens. We noted the presence of "sharpshooters" on the Palace roof.

The guests had been marshalled into three double lines by a group of gentlemen-in-waiting, who with casual efficiency selected, at random, those who were to be presented; we were not, unfortunately, among them.

The Queen was dressed in rose pink, and looked charming. The female guests were dressed in every style imaginable from trouser-suits to African, Japanese and Chinese national costume. The gentlemen were fitting counterparts for the most elegant of the ladies. Tea was served throughout the afternoon, and military bands entertained us with popular music. The gardens were informal and we all enjoyed strolling through them, particularly the Flamingo park.

The party ended and we made our way out of the Palace, after having experienced a most memorable and enjoyable afternoon. We look forward to the possibility of yet another invitation, though I feel it will not come again for some time as it has taken a number of years for Hulme's C.C.F. to appear on Her Majesty's guest list.

In the evening we were entertained by the members of my old regiment, in the mess of the Household Cavalry at Knightsbridge Barracks, now one of the most modern barracks in the British Army. We had a splendid evening, but experienced



great difficulty in preventing Lt. Wappett from enlisting on the spot! The following morning we were taken on a conducted tour of the barracks, and saw the inspection of the mounted guard, prior to their going on a twenty-four-hour guard at St. James' Palace.

We returned to Manchester well satisfied with our outing, and delighted that it had been our fortune to receive the invitation on behalf of the School.

J.F.C.

## HOUSE PLAYS

Last year's House Play competition provided some of the best dramatic performances for some time. It may seem at moments, to a rather jaundiced school-master, that annual events in a school proceed under their own momentum, with no-one particularly questioning their purpose or value. The plays this year provided a complete cure for such jaundice, for the standard of production and acting was generally very high. It is a pity that two houses had to withdraw from the competition, and that so few people came on each evening, to give the actors support. Those who did come, or who did take part in the plays, each had two very rewarding evenings.

Gaskell's play, "On Dartmoor" was a bold attempt, with some good acting performances. The cast handled the material in the play quite well, but the production suffered from a degree of inaudibility. Hug and Leinhardt were fairly convincing "women", and managed most of the time to avoid the danger of inadvertent humour. Singer and Williams were quite sound "cop" and "robber", respectively. The main fault of the production was slowness of pace, and a certain difficulty in following the drift of the plot. Some judicious cutting might have helped.

Dalton gave us "Salt for Savour", a strange and not altogether convincing play. It is impossible to mention all the cast by name, perhaps a mercy, for some were very wooden and timed their lines inexpertly, but I must mention Bailey, whose leprechaun was a very good shot at a "character" part; and Paley and Burkitt both gave fairly persuasive performances. The last part of the production dragged badly, but it was a creditable affair, involving a large number of boys who tried enthusiastically.

"The Bet" was Byrom's entry for the competition. It was a strong performance by Deakin which really held this together. The cast as a whole gave a good effort, but suffered from woodenness of movement, bad timing of lines, and a degree of inaudibility. A play which has long periods of inaction throws a great responsibility on actors' quality, and the cast was basically unable to sustain the play. However, it was a praiseworthy attempt, and Deakin's acting was very convincing, as, indeed, was the set.

With Fraser's entry, "Man Without a Name", we had one of the best productions for some years. The moving spirit behind the play was A. J. I. Turjansky, whose expertise and gift for acting raised the morale of the cast, especially Halpin, to a performance which made criticism irrelevant. Almost every aspect of this production was given a virtually professional finish, and the storm of applause at the end found a ready echo in the minds of the adjudicators.

The final order, then, was

1. Fraser
2. Byrom
3. Dalton
4. Gaskell



The adjudicators would genuinely like to thank all those who worked so hard, often under adverse conditions, to give so much pleasure. We would like to encourage as many people as possible to attend future competitions. The rewards are great.

D.E.B.G.

## MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

The School year 1973/74 brought a full musical programme. The first event was a Concert given in the Upper Hall on October 25th 1973. The programme was made up of solo items mainly, though the Recorder Band was also performing. The first half contained solos by M. Hargreaves (horn), N. Bester (piano), G. Fishwick (trumpet), C. Baldwin (violin), and M. Holland (clarinet). The Dorian Consort of Recorders began the programme with a spirited performance of the 'Capriol Suite' by Peter Warlock.

In the second half the Dorian Consort was heard again in a performance of Canzona in 5 parts by the seventeenth century English composer, Brade. Solos by P. Alfieri (bassoon), P. Barnsley (recorder), J. Carter and C. Colgan (piano), and S. Hawes (trumpet), were coupled with two piano duets, and the Recorder Band ended the concert with a performance of "La Scalabrina" by Vitali.

Problems beset the Junior School Christmas Concert. This concert was first instituted by Mr. Callaghan in 1972 and this second concert was to have been given in the Upper Hall on the evening of December 17th. The power crisis, however, prevented this and the Concert was given in the afternoon of December 17th to avoid the use of too much power. In spite of this major change the concert was a great success. It was a much more ambitious programme than the previous year's effort. More solos were presented showing the performing skills possible in the Junior part of the School. The large choir made its mark with excellent presentation of words and a fine musical performance of a wide variety of pieces closing with the Christmas Jazz by Kenneth Cartwright. Solos were played by R. Brindley (trumpet), A. Sidebotham (guitar), J. Kettlewell (cello), and J. Odum (piano).

The annual Carol Recital given at St. Ann's Church, Manchester attracted possibly the largest congregation we have known in recent years. The whole church was full, which helped to put the School Choir on its mettle. The singing was of a very high standard and the organ was capably played as usual by Mr. Golder.

Mr. Golder was also at the organ for the Founder's Day Service held in Manchester Cathedral in January. The Choir was again in evidence when they performed the "Bell" anthem of Purcell with D. Read, J. Heaton and D. Kettlewell, soloists, as part of the service. The final amen was specially composed for the service by N. Beasley 5A.

The power crisis affected rehearsals for the main School Concert which was held in the New Hall on March 6th, 1974. The chief work performed was the Gloria by Antonio Vivaldi. Rehearsals for the choir were normal but the orchestra had to rehearse, without artificial light, on Saturday afternoons in order to make the performance possible. In the event the evening was a great success.

The School Orchestra opened the programme. Mr. Golder conducted four pieces: a German Dance of Beethoven, an Indian Lament, "Progression of the Pilgrims" by Jurey and a March in C Major by Czerny. The orchestra acquitted itself very well in these pieces and it was evident that a really firm nucleus of a good orchestra was not far from being achieved.



The Junior Choir presented "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber. This work they had done at a previous concert but on this evening it had much more sparkle and fire than previously; Mr. Callaghan (conducting), managing to draw on the obvious popularity of the musical settings to present an extremely professional reading of the piece. Mr. Bamforth was at the piano.

The Military Band made its first public performance of the year in this concert. It was pleasing to find a much enlarged ensemble with almost a full range of instruments. Three pieces were played under Mr. M. Thompson, the band's conductor: March, "Blaze Away" by Holzmann, the Suite No. 2 in F Major by Gustav Holst and finally the ever-popular march "Colonel Bogey" by Alford.

In the second half of the programme the whole time was taken by a performance of the Gloria by Vivaldi. This was the first time that Choir and Orchestra had been drawn into a performance of a work of major proportions. Choir was in fine form and achieved a high standard in all its pieces. The orchestra had a major rôle to play throughout and under the leadership of Miss R. McSparran the playing was of a very high standard. The School was fortunate to obtain the services of two excellent solo singers from the Royal Northern College of Music. Miss Susan O'Keefe sang the soprano solos with much musical feeling and Miss Louise Bailey, mezzo-soprano, proved to be an equal in her solos and the duet with Miss O'Keefe.

Throughout the year many boys have been entered for, and have passed, examinations in music with the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music. This was the first full year with these examinations and it is pleasant to record that a 97.5% pass rate was achieved. This throws great credit on the boys concerned, and on the teachers who work with them. It is hoped that many more boys will want to take examinations in music and that they will have success in the future.

It is also pleasant to record that P. Alfieri (6CL) was successful in the music diploma of L.T.C.L. This achievement follows his earlier successes in winning an exhibition in recorder playing from Trinity College of Music, London and the Hannan-Clark prize for his performance at Grade VIII level in 1973. The Hannan-Clark prize is offered by Trinity College to the person gaining the highest marks in any musical subject for a whole year. P. Alfieri achieved this with marks of 94% at Easter time 1973.

Another success can be recorded. Colin M. Touchin has now graduated with a second class honours degree in Music from Oxford University and is to take up a Course in teacher training at Manchester University in September.

D.A.B.

## FOLK CONCERT

There are very few events in the School year which bring staff and pupils, their families and friends so close together as a Folk Concert. The shared enjoyment of live music, professionally performed and interspersed with genuine humour makes for a most happy and rewarding evening. This year's concert on July 6th achieved this and the audience of 450 went away happy. The proceeds from the concert amounted to over £55, after expenses and fees had been paid, and this will largely finance the work of the School Community Service Group for the next twelve months.

The most difficult task of any folk evening is to warm the audience up and at the same time to earn praise for one's own material and presentation. Iain and Mike



Shaw did this excellently and surprised many of the pupils in the audience by producing Malcolm Booker to accompany them on his English concertina. Iain compered the evening expertly.

Ad Hoc, John Bardsley and Tony Redmond, showed very quickly that rapport with their audience is one of the main reasons for their popularity in the folk clubs of Manchester. Most of their material is now humorous with "National Westminster Deep Magenta Overdraft Blues" perhaps typifying the style of their humour and their musical invention. The quality of Tony's guitar playing should not be overlooked nor his amazing vocal range which enlivens even their most hilarious songs. The folk purist might look for more "folk" and less "cabaret", but if sheer entertainment is what is needed Ad Hoc take some beating.

Present Tense inevitably looked less assured and professional in their humour and their introductions to songs but even so performed a very competent set. The addition of an electric bass guitar holds their songs together well and the range of Jones' voice has increased noticeably. Their performance of Steeleye Span's "Edwin", including a well-executed flute solo by Roberts, was impressive. Their hard work over the last three years has not been for nothing.

An unusual interlude was provided by the Bury Pace Eggers whose origins lie a long way back in the mists of Lancashire folk lore. Their Pace Egging play, normally performed around the streets of Bury at Easter time, was perhaps too short for an uninitiated audience. Their blackened faces, colourful costume and jangling clogs remain in the memory more than the plot of the play but some at least had an interest awakened in some of the many similar traditions of the Lancashire cotton towns.

Mike Harding epitomised all that is good in folk music. He was professional, well rehearsed, and yet was able to bring in local jokes and allusions, all with a style which made his whole performance seem completely impromptu. His joke rate rivalled that of Ken Dodd and in cold black and white the jokes seem obvious and ordinary: "There was these two lions walking down Market Street and one said to the other "Hey up", he said, it's very quiet for a Saturday afternoon": obvious and ordinary, but there's a wealth of expression and timing in Mike Harding's telling of jokes which reduces most audiences to hysteria. Impressively, however, he was able to quieten his audience in an instant for his moving "King Cotton". He concluded with the "Hattersley Lament" and then for an encore "Goodnight Irene". The audience, forgetful for once of their image, joined in, young and old together, united in their appreciation of real live music.

P. J.W.

### SKI-ING IN AUSTRIA, 1974

Continuing their Michelin Guide tour of Alpine resorts, the William Hulme's skiers last year chose Neustift, a picturesque village at the foot of the Stubai glacier. After a night's rest at our comfortable hotel, the novices in the party of twenty-five were soon taking to the nursery slopes with varying degrees of apprehension, while the "old hands" moved about purposefully, discussing the intricacies of double parallel stick turns—"Mit ze neese bent"! Meanwhile Messrs. Bailey, Olszewski and Fitt looked on with interest, amusement and at times sheer astonishment, before themselves submitting to the hypercritical examination of the boys, a hurdle which they naturally surmounted with some aplomb—in the end!

Despite a moderate fall during our stay, snow was again unfortunately in short supply in the valley, though conditions never actually prevented us from ski-ing. Under the guidance of our long-suffering and genial instructor everybody made at



least some progress and all the boys took advantage of a long and well-situated chair-lift, which opened up magnificent views and mountain walks, and enabled the more experienced skiers to enjoy extensive and beautifully-planned runs.

This year's trip will, we hope, take us to Innsbruck; if it provides as much enjoyment as its predecessor, then we will have no grounds for complaint. Our only regret is that we will no longer be able to draw upon Mr. Bailey's unflappable organisational expertise, or his and Mr. Olszewski's constant good humour.

J.J.F.

### VISIT TO PARIS, 1974

The Modern Languages Department this year completed twenty successive years of visits to Paris.

A change of policy by the French Ministry of Education, designed to make their Spring and Summer terms of equal length, has meant that the French Easter holiday no longer necessarily coincides with the Religious Festival. Since we stay in a Boarding School in Paris we have to go during their holiday; so it was that this year a party of twenty-six boys, accompanied by Messrs Timm, Langford and Slater, had to miss the last four days of the Lent Term, leaving Mr. Collings at home for the first time since he started these visits in 1955.

The tour followed its customary pattern. The outward journey was by coach to Folkestone, then by boat to Calais, followed by a train journey to Paris, where we were met by a coach and taken to our accommodation at the Ecole Pascal, which is conveniently situated within comfortable walking distance of the Eiffel Tower.

The return journey was by train to Dieppe, giving boys an opportunity to see something of the Normandy countryside and to enjoy the longer sea crossing to Newhaven on a calm and very warm day.

We were fortunate to have eight delightfully sunny days in which to complete our programme of visits and excursions. The only real disappointment to the party was that the Official Reception for foreign school groups at the Hôtel de Ville took place on the morning following the death of President Pompidou. The Paris Police Band, which we had all looked forward to hearing was not playing and the occasion was appropriately solemn.

The welcome given us by the domestic staff at the Ecole Pascal was as warm as ever and the quality of the cuisine lived up to its high reputation.

Plans are already going ahead for the twenty-first visit next Easter and details about it are available from any member of the Modern Languages Department.

H.W.T.

### NORFOLK BROADS, 1974

Forty-five of us, boys, sisters, parents and staff had a magnificent week of sunshine and fresh air this year; one of the best Broads trips for many years. We used five cruisers and dinghies from Hearts Cruisers, Norwich and enjoyed superb weather as we passed down the River Yare to Yarmouth and up the northern rivers and broads to Wroxham, Stalham and Potter Heigham including Malthouse and South Walsham broads.

As usual, the vast majority have booked again for this year and if the weather is only half as good we shall enjoy ourselves immensely.

R.A.H.



Each summer for the past fifteen years, Mr. and Mrs. Haynes have taken a party from the School to Italy, and many Hulmeians, Old Hulmeians and parents must share the present writer's gratitude for the thorough and informed introduction which they have thus been given to this fascinating country. This year, once again, the trip was all planned when, in late May, it became clear that Mr. Haynes' health would not permit him to undertake the strenuous tour. So it was arranged that Mr. and Mrs. Worth, who had each been several times with Mr. and Mrs. Haynes, should lead the party in their place.

The party left Manchester on Sunday, July 28th, and arrived in Venice thirty-three hours later, on the evening of Monday, July 29th. Our hotel was well-situated, close to the church of Santa Maria della Salute, only one stop on the vaporetto from St. Mark's Square. By the time we had had a shower, a change of clothes and a meal, we were ready to start exploring this unique and beautiful city. Our first evening was spent in and around St. Mark's Square and the next morning found us back there again to look at everything more thoroughly by daylight. We went first on a whirlwind tour of one of the many glass factories, and saw a small model horse being made from glass rods. Then, for a panoramic view of the whole of Venice, we went up the Campanile, and enjoyed a bird's-eye view of the Venetian rooftops. For a less lofty viewpoint, several of the party went up the Clock Tower and then, having seen the exterior from several angles, we went to look inside the Basilica of St. Mark.

In the afternoon we went to see the inside of the Doges' Palace where, in addition to the usual attractions of the State Rooms, the Bridge of Sighs and the Prisons, there was an exhibition, "Venice and Byzantium", showing, through many priceless exhibits, the debt of Venice to the Byzantine culture. Finally we walked across Venice to the Rialto Bridge and then returned to our hotel on the vaporetto down the Grand Canal. For our final evening we returned to St. Mark's Square to say goodbye after all too short a stay.

The last day of July saw us on our way to Rome, where we arrived in the late afternoon. Again our hotel was conveniently situated, only five minutes' walk from the Terminal Station where most 'bus and Metro routes converge. On our first evening most of the party only managed to walk as far as the Piazza Nazionale to watch the hundreds of international travellers come and go. The next morning, however, our sightseeing began in earnest with a visit to the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel. A single morning is woefully inadequate to see so many treasures, but at least we were each able to select a few items of interest and have a good look at them. In the afternoon, by way of a change, we went to the Olympic Stadium where, though it was too expensive to go into the Swimming Pool, we had a look at the Mussolini memorial slabs, and some of the more energetic members of the party ran a lap or two of the warming-up track. For an evening stroll we went to the Spanish Steps, where the lamps of the sellers of jewellery and trinkets on the steps made an intriguing sight of a spot which has been a favourite with visitors to Rome for several centuries.

Our second morning saw us on a route-march to Santa Croce in Gerusalemme to see the relics of St. Helena's True Cross, a thorn from the Crown of Thorns and part of the cross of the Good Thief; then on to St. John in Lateran, the Cathedral Church of Rome, and the Scala Santa; and finally to Santa Maria Maggiore, where, despite the scaffolding obscuring much of the panelled roof, we were able to enjoy a



good view of the mosaic of the coronation of Mary by Christ. Then in the afternoon we went by 'bus along the Ancient Appian Way to the Catacombs of St. Sebastian, burial place of many early Christians, and, a little further along the Appian Way, to the Tomb of Cecilia Metella, wife of the Triumvir Crasso.

We were now half-way through our stay in Rome, and still had much to see. Saturday morning was spent in St. Peter's Basilica, where most of the party went up to the Cupola to see the panorama of Rome which it offers; and then we moved on along the Via della Conciliazione to the Ponte and Castel Sant'Angelo. The afternoon too was a full one, including the Victor Emmanuel Monument, Trajan's Forum, Michaelangelo's Campidoglio with the famous equestrian statue of Marcus Aurelius and then the Forum and Capitoline Hill. On our final day in Rome we went by Metro to St. Paul's Outside the Walls where the cool cloisters were a particularly welcome sight, and then to the Colosseum. Large-scale renovations are in progress here, and visitors are only allowed access to a small part of the ground floor, but this glimpse was enough to give the more imaginative an idea of what the place once was. From the Colosseum we moved on to the church of St. Peter in Chains, to see Michaelangelo's magnificent Moses. Our last afternoon was spent at the Trevi Fountain, where it was pleasing to see that most of the party had enjoyed their stay in Rome sufficiently to want to throw in a coin, and on a daylight visit to the Spanish Steps. It being a Sunday, our final evening was spent with the crowd of Romans and tourists in the Piazza Navona, and eating the best ice-cream in the World from Tre Scalini.

Our second week began with the journey south via Naples to Sorrento. Here we found ourselves very comfortably accommodated in the Hotel Tourist, and most days the party was divided between the swimming pool at the Conca Park Hotel and the bathing beach beneath the cliffs. There were two excursions during our week in Sorrento: on the Wednesday the whole party went to the island of Capri, where we saw Capri town, Anacapri and Axel Munthe's Villa San Michele. A few of the more affluent took the chair-lift up to Monte Solaro, the highest point of the island, while others explored around Anacapri. We returned to Sorrento in the afternoon in good time for a swim before dinner. Two days later, most of the party took a conducted tour to Vesuvius and Pompeii, and for many the latter was one of the highlights of the holiday. For those gifted with a vivid imagination it is certainly a strikingly evocative place. Two more days of swimming and sunbathing saw the holiday to its close, and, at the unspeakable hour of three o'clock on the morning of August 12th, we boarded a coach on the first stage of our forty-one hour journey home. Two coaches, five trains and a boat carried us all safely back to Manchester by eight o'clock on August 13th, rather tired, but with a fund of pleasant memories.

The thanks of the party were very generously expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Worth on the last evening in Sorrento, but a special word of gratitude is also due to Mr. and Mrs. Roffey. Their readiness to help in every possible way did much to enhance everyone's enjoyment of the holiday.

J.W.W.

## CAVING CLUB/NORWAY EXPEDITION

The usual range of weekend caving trips based on "Hulme House" was held: many Juniors were introduced to the sport, while the older members gained more experience prior to the Norway Expedition. In fact, bad weather on many of the weekends chosen rather limited the scope of our activities. Similarly bad weather pursued us to Norway, where we were favoured with only three fine days out of thirty!



This year's expedition was of a very different type from that of 1972, when we had gone with the specific aim of completing the exploration and survey of one major cave, Lösvannhola. In 1974, the principle task was the discovery of new caves—there being no absolute guarantee of being able actually to explore any. Therefore, mobility was of great importance, and instead of enjoying the luxury of travel by coastal boat, we used the newer School Van. Its performance was excellent, and three thousand miles, a quarter of this on dirt roads, was completed without any faults.

The main hope for a major discovery was a hydrological system near the Swedish border, east of Rös Vand, with a potential fall of 700 ft. and straight-line distance of nearly three miles. After an approach of 15 km. by inflatable boat on Rös Vand, and a walk-in of 25 km., the system was found not to "go". Such are the tribulations of a reconnaissance expedition! Several other possibilities near Rös Vand and in the region of Bleikvassli produced only a few minor caves, after much hacking through "Arctic jungle".

The main discovery was made in an area which had not been regarded as especially promising. Once again, the maps (first made in the 1890's) proved seriously wrong in places. High up on Brygfjeld, near Korgen, a large sink was found, which we proved by dye-testing to resurge some 6-700 ft. lower. This hole, which begins with a 30 ft. wet pitch, was named Ytterlienhuilet, after a helpful farmer. It proved to be a sporting and exciting cave, which took over a week to finish. There are eight pitches requiring tackle, and several short cascades, as well as a tight crawl and a "duck". Sharp rocks, susceptibility to rapid rise in water-level, and the extreme wetness make this cave most challenging, and one of the harder Norwegian systems. Although the survey is not yet complete the depth seems to be about 600 ft. and the length a kilometre: another important contribution to underground Norway.

Several members of the party spent much time walking, and a few good mountains were ascended. However, the abysmal weather interfered seriously with the mountaineering programme. Good peaks were done early in the expedition from our base on Rös Vand, but our stay in Leirskardal, to the north of Okstind and the best approach to this Ice Cap, was wasted because of rain and low cloud. This is a delightful camp site (for future reference), but we were eventually driven south to Hatfjelldal. Here, an earlier cave discovery, Stor Grublandsgrotten, was visited, and a couple of reasonable days enabled us to camp near the Löypskartind glacier. This very attractive mountain, nearly 6,000 ft. high, was duly climbed, by the easy north-east ridge, after crossing the glacier. Touring then became the order of the return journey. Party: D.H., C.P.L., Mr. L. Cowle, Mr. J. Capstick; S. Balcombe, S. M. Bentley, R. Erskine, R. B. Kilby, D. J. Heine, C. H. M. Petch, J. Bennington, C. Timmins, G. Jefferies, M. K. Kohn, P. Maddocks.

My thanks to these, and all Hulmeian cavers past and present, for many happy hours underground. I hope that neither the W.H.G.S.C.C. activities, nor my own, will end here.

As usual, our thanks are due to many sponsors, too numerous to mention here, through whose generosity it was possible to keep the cost down to £70 each for 5 weeks, and 3,000 miles travel. Of especial importance was a grant from the Young Explorers' Trust. We did not succeed in using quite all of the 3 cwt of biscuits donated by McVities & Price of Stockport! Full acknowledgements will be made in the official report, due to be published early in 1975.

D.H.



The School's Fourth Norwegian Expedition, organised, as were its predecessors, by Mr. D. Heap, left Manchester on July 15th and travelled by the Bergen line ship *Venus* from Newcastle to Bergen, arriving, in showery conditions, on the afternoon of July 16th. Once the several tea-chests of food, designed to keep fifteen members at a peak of physical condition for a month, had been transferred to the Norwegian coastal steamer—the idea of getting them into an already crowded transit was quite impractical!—the long journey north by road began.

The key to this journey north is the E6, known as the Arctic Highway, and this major artery of Norwegian transport was duly reached following an exhilarating day's drive through the fjord country inland and to the North of Bergen. Another full day's drive along the E6 brought us to within reach of our first planned destination, the village of Bleikvassli, which proved to be quite a large settlement, boasting two supermarkets (one soon learns in Norway to look for Sam's!), and two garages in addition to a wealth of wood-built, golden-looking farmsteads. It was hoped that we might obtain some base-camp building, preferably a deserted shack, near the village. However the hospitable Norwegians evidently know of the high standards of living we British enjoy, and the provided cottage accommodation was somewhat luxurious for our uses; it was decided to move further inland after collecting our supplies from the local port and allowing ourselves some rest from the journey.

The expedition was, of course, primarily speleological, and whilst the immediate area of Bleikvassli was prospected for possible cave discoveries to match the major achievements made by previous School expeditions, a small party of non-cavers set off to establish a main base-camp at the south-east extremity of the Okstind ice-cap and towards the Swedish frontier, from which further exploration could be carried out. An ideal site was found. Granheim, a deserted farm on the shores of the 30-mile long Rös Vand lake and about 1,000 ft. above sea-level, had every facility we could have wished for, including a fairly dry and comfortable cellar for storage and, if necessary, shelter. It was also infested by mosquitoes.

The main party arrived at Granheim some two days later in heavy rain. Those already in residence had prospected the lower slopes of the Okstind, finding impenetrable woodland, dense scrub, marshes in the valleys, and more mosquitoes, and had devised a primitive method of weather-forecasting by use of the direction and height of the breakers on Rös Vand; they could tell, in fact, if torrential rain, or merely heavy showers might be expected in the immediate future. Over the next week various prospective cave sites were explored by small groups, who reached their remote destinations with a maximum of discomfort on foot through the woods and marshes, and, if more fortunate (and courageous) by Mr. Heap's inflatable boat across the afore-mentioned breakers. All sites explored in this area, however, proved to be unsatisfactory as caving material, and many cavers took to the mountains which provided unfailingly rewarding sport on the snow slopes and rock ridges once the initial belts of vegetation had been surmounted. Artfjelldet, on the Swedish frontier, was climbed in thick cloud, and members of the party reached all the tops of the Okstind within reasonable distance; one particular day on the Svartfjell ridge, punctuated by snow showers but mostly in brilliant sun, must remain in our minds as long as we have any interest in mountains left in us.

Our next camp-site for a few days was to have been a short distance north of Bleikvassli at Bleikvand, and it appeared from the map (published in 1896) that a road there might be quite practicable. Having negotiated two fallen trees and a quantity of water, however, it was decided that even such an admirable vehicle as a



Ford Transit could not reasonably be pressed further, and a swift switch of plans brought the main group of us to Brygjelldal, an area of more agricultural nature than the remote Rös Vand site.

Here, of course, due to the proximity of a number of farms, there were easily negotiable paths through the forest to the upper grazing grounds, facilitating exploration both of possible cave sites and of access to the Okstind from this side (the West). The weather was still less than ideal, but we were able to explore exhaustively the limestone plateau of Tverfjelldet at the head of the valley, only to find, however, that the caves are not sufficiently developed at this stage to offer anything interesting. The north side of the valley, however, was more rewarding, and a convenient acquaintance with a local farmer led us to a fine entrance high up on Brygfjell with a splendid waterfall pitch at its entrance and a sequence of excellent passages to a depth of some 500 ft, before a sump made further progress impossible. Ytterlienhuilet—the name derives from our helpful farmer—has now been completely surveyed and a full technical report will appear in due course.

The main Okstind massif proved to be further away from this site than we had expected, but from walking on the east slopes of Tverfjelldet and the ridge of Björneskolten—"The Bear's Skull"—it was obvious to us that the key to the ascent of the major peaks on the range was the valley of Leirskardal, and here it was that we made our third camp-site. A precarious platform of moss and bilberries below overhanging cliffs and waterfalls at about 2,800 ft. sounds splendid as a high-fell camp-site but since the solid cloudbase remained at about 3,000 feet we were able to appreciate little of the sequence of rock peaks between 4,000 and 6,000 feet with magnificent icefalls and snowfields which some of us had seen a day or two previously whilst encamped in Brygjelldal. After three days we fled from the cloud and rain—and, of course, the sun emerged immediately... but at least we were leaving the Bleikvassli region with a substantial discovery.

It was decided to move South for our final week and establish a camp-site somewhere in the Hatfjelldal region, where again both cave-exploration and mountain-walking could occupy our time. A positively idyllic setting by the Vefsna river and the nearest we experienced to perfect weather combined to make this yet another ideal situation, and the walkers found Kvalpskartinden and its ridges a challenge as great as that of the Okstind ridges if not quite as exciting. A lightweight camp made it possible to attack also the remote Löippskartinden, on which the glacier climbers were successful, the rock-ridge enthusiasts less so, but all rewarded by magnificent views of this particularly fine peak.

The return journey to Bergen was enlivened by another map-promised but non-existent road, the superb Vöringsfoss, promising material for future journeys in every direction, and the unfortunate necessity of staying on a three-star camp-site in Bergen, found by all of us a crushing anti-climax after so many excellent roadside sites but at least providing material for our sense of humour... after all there were no American golfers by Rös Vand!

This report would not be complete without some mention of the debt the School, and in particular those members who enjoy their outdoor pursuits, owes to David Heap, who has now left us to become Headmaster of Handsworth Grammar School, Birmingham. He has not only organised four expeditions to Norway, taking full responsibility for all of the arrangements, but has also run innumerable caving trips for small groups of all ages, as well as the much-famed Sutherland and Scottish Highland walking-trips at the Spring Bank Holidays over his seven years with us. We all hope that he will not, in his typically self-effacing manner, object to this



“formal” expression of our thanks, as also that he will not, in his new-found official capacity, forsake the “real” world of the high-fells and caves in this country and abroad.

C.P.L.

### LAKE DISTRICT WALKING, 1973-74

Though various School walking trips to the Lake District have taken place every year since I can remember, they do not appear to have been reported upon on a regular basis for “The Hulmeian” for a considerable time. I hope now to start to correct this omission, and give some idea of the activities of the last twelve months.

Crowds and weather usually combine to make August the least suitable month to visit at least the well-known parts of the National Park. Judicious choice of destinations can lessen the first inconvenience, but against the second there is, of course, no valid weapon. Though this year’s Middle School trip started in splendid conditions on High Spy and Dale Head and continued well on Brandreth, the Gables and Kirkfell, the usual monsoon conditions set in in Ennerdale and persisted on the next day’s crossing to Wasdale. We were then rewarded, however, by as fine a Summer day as one can remember and spent it well on Scafell where we found ourselves almost alone, the majority of walkers, as usual, having selected Scafell Pike as the summit to climb: the scree of Hollow Stones and the Lord’s Rake presented the most enjoyable climbing of the week, but if you ever think of descending from Slight Side on a beeline for Burnmoor Tarn, we do not recommend it, in spite of the additional interest of one of Lakeland’s least-known crashed aeroplanes.

The Elterwater Youth Hostel has been the scene of many junior trips over recent years and was so again in September and October, in contrasting weather conditions. Early September gave us the very best in autumn conditions; strong winds, heavy, high clouds and sudden, brief showers made a day on Blea Rigg, Sergeant Man and Tarn Crag particularly memorable, and Lingmoor Fell and Holme Fell, two of the area’s many smaller fells, provided interesting exploration grounds with their many subsidiary summits, small crags, tarns, streams and mine and quarry workings. This second-form group succeeded in falling in almost as many streams as the first-form group which followed a similar programme in October but was far less fortunate with weather; grey autumnal mists and sluggish streams gave a generally dull impression rare in the area.

December found a small party based on Keswick, a town unrecognisable in winter from its garish, noisy summer disguise. Ullock Pike, Long Side and Carl Side provided a good day’s entertainment before thick mist again set in, and though this gave us some interesting views of Grisedale Pike from Barrow and Outerside, its attendant rain soon drove us home. This rain, however, was hardly rain at all compared with the deluge which fell in the first week of January.

There are those who say that the very presence of a School van on a Lake District trip positively attracts rain and their views were well and truly vindicated on this occasion. Only on the day of our arrival, when snow and ice made the Helm Crag to Calf Crag ridge-walk and return down Far Easedale a splendid experience, and on the day of departure, when a violent gale and a large herd of red deer made Place Fell an exciting place to be, did we manage to keep dry. Other successful features included the ascent of the Dungeon Ghyll ravines, the second formers’ cooking (much better than that of a party of students at Longthwaite), the comforts of Patterdale with its huge log fire, and the invariable high spirits of a somewhat soggy party. Less successful was the flooding of the Patterdale showers by Jefferies, who also had a traumatic



experience with a spin-dryer—alas! these modern inventions do complicate a simple hostelling holiday!

Finally, at Easter in glorious weather we returned to Keswick for four most interesting walks: the north ridge of Glaramara must be one of the last uncharted deserts of the Borrowdale area and would well repay a day's exploration in the future, and we would also recommend to those seeking solitude on Skiddaw an ascent by Whit Beck, although the guide book is not encouraging. Though more crowded usually, Grange Fell and Bleaberry Fell were quite deserted and offered pleasant, fairly easy walking.

By the time "The Hulmeian" appears we hope to have enjoyed an ambitious round of the Western fells in August and a return to camping activities in early September, before the familiar sequence of trips starts again. We thank all those who have made this year's trips a success and in particular our two "regular" wardens, Ivor Harrison at Keswick and Alan Grant at Elterwater, for their continued tolerance and help.

C.P.L.

### HULME HOUSE, HARDRAW

The school and house at Hardraw have been occupied on 75 days this year and Mr. Manning has recorded 1008 bed/nights in that period.

The following staff have taken trips: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Heap, Mr. Chudleigh, Mr. Wood, Mr. Booker, Mr. Cornish, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Murray. A number of different interests have been catered for including walking and caving but also athletic training, biology sixth field work in conjunction with the Education Department of Manchester University with Mr. R. W. Crossland and six of his biology student teachers. Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar School have also had a biology field trip and two church groups from Romiley and Hale have made use of our facilities for their youth groups.

School camp was also held at Hardraw and if ever the wisdom of the Trust's move from Appersett to Hardraw needed justification, it certainly got it this year. Seven days and nights of nearly continuous rain would have flooded us out at Appersett, but the facilities Hardraw offered, with the possibilities of drying out sleeping bags and clothing, and the real esprit-de-corps which developed amongst the campers in such conditions, made it one of the most enjoyable camps we have had. Nevertheless, I hope the sun shines next year and that the same boys come back to camp.

After much work on many visits Mr. Richard Thompson has completed the hot water showers and an excellent shower unit is now available for wet, cold or tired walkers when they come off the fells. We are grateful for all the work that he and Mrs. Thompson have done for us throughout the year.

I would like to thank the many parents who have given us presents of beds, chairs, kitchen equipment and a cooker and also those who have contributed with hard work cleaning up the premises. We are now fairly well off for furniture and carpeting but would still like more bunk beds to make use of vertical space if any parent has such beds to spare. The school interior has been painted and damaged plaster repaired. We are expecting to put in a fire escape from the house bedrooms and may get a telephone in the near future.

Many groups have already booked for next year and I hope many more will reap the benefit of the excellent facilities offered by Hardraw for people who enjoy



their leisure in Wensleydale. Much of what we have there is due to the generosity of parents and I hope more boys will make use of the place and, where they can possibly help with trips, their parents too.

R.A.H. (Warden)

## COMMUNITY SERVICE GROUP

This has been a year of re-thinking and refocussing for the Community Service Group. The nature of the group's activities tends to bring one face-to-face with uncomfortable and fundamental questions about the structure of society and about the purpose of our educational system. It also brings us face-to-face with people, often old, infirm or handicapped, who place a stress upon our time, our emotional resources and our self-understanding. At the School we are in a "privileged" position and it is all too easy to avoid these awkward questions and difficult situations simply by not engaging in so many Service Group activities—this we have tended to do this year, though we have nearly always managed some feeble rationalisation of our inactivity. It is to be hoped that our thinking will be a springboard to renewed activity in 1975.

Possibly the most dangerous situation of 1974 occurred when we took a group from Old Moat Junior School to Manchester Airport and were nearly swept away by rushing Osmonds fans. At Christmas we assisted, particularly with transport, at the High School party for old people where several of our boys showed their total inability to dance. The M.Y.C.S. shopping expedition to Woolworth's had a number of organisational flaws but the old people whom we accompanied survived unscathed and enjoyed themselves enormously. This particular group from an Abbeyfield home in Whalley Range may be well suited to our assistance in the future. M.Y.C.S. ran a most successful weekend residential conference in February which P. C. Holmes and S. White attended to their benefit and enjoyment.

The newspaper collection scheme continued unspectacularly but usefully during the year, though it is a pity more voluntary help is not forthcoming to put the papers in sacks. Nearly £125 was earned by resale of paper—prices went up by 300 % during the year. Ecologists will be pleased to hear this represents a saving of over 500 trees! Some of this money was used to finance the group's projects but the majority remains ready for distribution during 1975, partially as gifts to charities, partially as prizes in a holiday competition open to boys at the School. Mike Harding, ear-rings, concertina and jokes, packed over 430 people into the Upper Hall in July and the profit from this folk concert of over £50 will ease our financial problems for the coming year.

Personally I attended two thought-provoking conferences during the year. The first, at Manchester Grammar School, had twenty delegates from Direct Grant and Public Schools in the north west. It was clear from this that the problem of pupils living a long way from the school is a common difficulty, one perhaps particularly affecting service group work. The second, at Haberdashers', Elstree, revealed that we are not alone in our re-thinking about the exact nature and function of Community Service in the School setting. Schools such as Rugby and Stowe are pioneering ideas of community education and community service linked to the curriculum, and it is important that we stretch our own thinking to continue to give a lead to schools in this area.

My thanks to all who have helped in many ways this year. I hope we may continue to look beyond the immediate cocoon of our lives in the coming twelve months.

P.J.W.



The Society continued its regular meetings and debates this year, under the Chairmanship of Messrs. H. W. Timm and E. W. Mitchell. The following Committee was elected to deal with the organisation of the Society's 1973/74 programme: Debate Chairman: P. C. Holmes; Honorary Secretary: A. J. I. Turjansky; Debate Vice-Chairman: R. H. Yule, B. Gosschalk; Publicity Officer: Q. E. Deakin; Committee Members: (Middle Sixth) R. J. Paley, C. W. Hodgkinson, (Lower Sixth) I. Halpin, (Fifth Year) M. R. Boyle.

The first debate of the year discussed the highly topical Motion "This House approves of the present Arab oil embargo", proposed by B. Gosschalk, and R. J. Paley, opposed by R. H. Yule and I. Smyth. This debate aroused much interest—both from the political, and the ecological points of view—and after some very strong arguments on both sides the Motion was finally defeated by eighteen votes to seven, with eight abstentions. The next Motion to be discussed was "This House believes that the Trades Unions should be put in their place", another very topical argument at the time of the coal miners' dispute early in the year. The Motion, proposed by E. H. Walker and P. C. Holmes, opposed by R. O. Boardley and T. C. Wales, was narrowly carried by eleven votes to ten, with three abstentions. What was unhappily the final debate of the season dealt with the Motion "This House believes that our society puts too much emphasis on sport", proposed by Q. E. Deakin and D. C. Bowers, and opposed by N. R. Withington and R. J. Paley. The final result was undecided, with six votes cast in favour of the Motion, six against, and three abstentions.

It was unfortunate that, due to a lack of popular support, Committee members were forced to shoulder so much of the burden in organising and taking part in debates; for once the academic work-load became too great, the Society was compelled to suspend its activities earlier than expected, well before the Easter holidays. This, as usual, was due in part to the difficulties of communication within a busy School, despite the continued efforts of the Secretary and Publicity Officer. The venue for all debates was the Sixth Form Common Room, and perhaps it was this which needlessly deterred fifth formers from supporting the events. All fifth and sixth formers are invited to join the Society, and to suggest subjects for debate to be agreed upon by the Committee. Inter-school debating was sadly missed this year, and the disappearance of the regular William Hulme's G.S./Whalley Range H.S. debates was deeply felt—attendance on previous occasions had risen as high as seventy!

Several other subjects were also considered for future events, including the Monarchy, the "Liberal Revival", and the rôle of the Historian in Society. Perhaps these will form the basis for the coming year's activities, when we hope to make up for last season's shortcomings. Probably the most pleasing and inspiring part of last year was the return of the Society's founder, Mr. J. P. Renny, to support our debates. Mr. Renny is always warmly welcomed, particularly by older members who recall with gratitude and affection his untiring efforts to resurrect the art of debating within the School.

Enquiries about the Debating Society and its activities will be welcomed by the Secretary, Debate Chairman, or any Committee member, and all members of the fifth and sixth forms are eligible to join. Details of meetings are published regularly in the Old Hall and the Sixth Form Centre.

A.J.I.T.



As a development of the Model Railway Society a new group has been set up, encouraged by Mr. Mitchell and led by D. Shabetai and P. Emsley.

A visit to the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway took place in September and all those on this trip were encouraged to take photographs which may be used in a display next year.

It is hoped that a more lively and interested attitude will exist in the Society and that "The Hovel" may be replaced by a cleaner, brighter meeting-place.

All boys in the Junior and Middle School who unashamedly are railway enthusiasts are invited to make a contribution to the welfare of the new Society.

E.W.M.

### PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The Philatelic Society was formed in October 1972 under the guidance of Mr. P. V. Bailey.

The past year has been one of great success, and the society has expanded as members of the Junior School joined us.

Last year culminated in a highly successful exhibition which was held on Speech Day. This displayed many facets of the hobby including First Day and event Covers, Philatelic Literature and many collections of Mint Stamps which were generously loaned to the Exhibition.

We hope that the coming year will be as successful as the last and we have ambitious plans under way.

We are hoping to expand the society further, and therefore anybody wishing to join should contact either I. S. Balcombe 5B or D. C. Bowers 6MM for further information.

I.S.B. and D.C.B.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

This year seemed rather a short one for the Society, since no meetings were held during the Summer Term because of Mr. Haynes' illness and the pressure of examinations on the committee members.

However, the lectures held during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms were well-attended, due mainly to a large influx of new members at Second Year level.

The only criticism that can be levelled at the majority of the Society was the absence of any quantity of good quality prints, but with some thought by the members this should improve dramatically next year.

I would like to thank J. Balcombe for his helpful support throughout the year, and wish the Society the best of luck for the future.

T.S.



The year began with enthusiastic discussion among the twenty-or-so members on some exciting engineering projects, but it was considered necessary to finish the work remaining from last year before attempting these. Such mundane tasks as fitting rubber feet to the trestles supporting the Speech Day platform in order to preserve the Sports Hall floor did, however, test the stamina of the members and the number was rapidly reduced to six particularly hard-working boys in the third and fourth forms.

After Easter we had agreed to convert the old Band part of the Careers Room into an interview room—which as it turned out was to be a future home for Mr. Mitchell. The tasks of moving partitions and erecting frames containing perspex windows and an extractor fan taxed fully the combined muscles and ingenuity of the whole team. Many a time were we urged to “hurry up” by some poor unfortunate left to “just hold it while we . . .”! The two projects mentioned proved in the end to occupy us for the whole year—both being completed in the last week of the Summer term.

Once again I am pleased to report that we enjoyed the work and that the boys involved have earned the gratitude of the rest of the School for providing an improvement in the facilities available whilst not overburdening the exchequer.

G.N.G.

### STAGE STAFF REPORT, 1973-4

Posts at the beginning of the year were:

P. C. Holmes	— Stage Manager
N. J. S. Kehoe	} — Assistant Stage Managers
A. N. Harvey	
M. Graham	— Chief Electrician
P. J. Marsh	— Sound Effects Manager

### MICHAELMAS TERM

Much time and effort was put into the School production of “The Long, the Short and the Tall”. The play is set in the Burmese Jungle during the Second World War. Most of the action occurs in an old, wooden hut in the jungle and this hut was to be our set.

However, thanks to the efforts of the miners, the production had to be postponed, as the Stage lights don’t work too well without electricity.

### LENT TERM

P. C. Holmes retired as Stage Manager at Christmas and thus N. J. S. Kehoe took up the reins. Our thanks go to P. C. Holmes for his years of unfailing service to the Stage Staff.

The School production was postponed until February but was then completely shelved. The set had only to be modified and painted for the House Plays later in the term. Whitworth withdrew from the competition at an early stage. Of the remainder, four Houses were happy with the basic set plus their own minor alterations, but Fraser House required a desert island! Thus we had to convert an office into a desert island in fifteen minutes during an interval.



One casualty during the House Plays—the ageing main curtain decided to leave the curtain rail by means of a rip along its top edge. Thus the curtains were taken down later to be cleaned and repaired.

## MIDSUMMER TERM

Once again this was no time for relaxing, with the Junior School's production of "Vice-Versa" and a folk concert within a week of each other.

The set was as for the ill-fated School production. Suitably daubed in light and dark brown patches, the set became a Victorian House and School. A wide variety of props. was required, ranging from a school cane to an iced cake and party decorations!

As on previous occasions the electricians were called upon to provide lighting for a folk concert in the Upper Hall and so a lighting tower was erected.

Finally to round off the year we built the platform for Speech Day—a job made a little simpler as the trestles have been standardized by the efforts of the Project Club.

Once again we wish to express our thanks to Messrs. Grant, Bennett, Furniss and Bonnick for their guidance and help throughout the year.

We are now preparing for the forthcoming production of "Julius Caesar", and the Stage Staff and Electricians are pulling their full weight to make the production a success.

N.J.S.K.

## THE DONNER LIBRARY

Our thanks are due to Mr D. Ll. Griffiths for continuing to supply copies of "The New Yorker" and "Punch" and to Mr. Renny for the "Illustrated London News"; also to Mrs. Bankes, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Thompson, R. S. Burkitt, P. D. Henshaw, P. E. Blackford, and the Model Aircraft Society for gifts of books.

The Librarian is grateful to those who assisted with stock-taking, and in particular to the Assistant Librarian R. P. Thomas for his help throughout the year.

F.J.S.

## THE JUNIOR LIBRARY

This year the Library has grown by another one hundred and three books, of which eighty-three were bought and twenty given. We have continued to take a wide range of hobbies magazines and have also purchased a set of strong metal book supports to keep the books in position on the shelves.

A highly efficient group of seventeen Librarians has handled the day-to-day running of the Library, and four of them, A. D. Bosworth, G. J. Davies, R. N. V. Tarr and S. R. Winstanley made a painstaking check of all the books at the end of the Midsummer Term. My thanks, and those of the whole Junior School, are due to these boys for the time and trouble they have taken to give this help. Thanks are also due to the members of Form 1D who gave invaluable help on several occasions during the year with cataloguing and covering newly-acquired books.

J.W.W.



# HOUSE LETTERS

## BYROM HOUSE

### MICHAELMAS TERM

At the beginning of the term, the following appointments were made:

Head of House: M. H. Lomas

Deputy Head of House: I. Stockley

House Prefects: J. P. Nicholls, S. J. Crowther, C. W. Hodgkinson, S. Adcott, R. J. Hall, P. Yates, R. V. Gater, I. D. Parkinson, R. D. McCulloch, C. J. Wollas.

I. Stockley was also appointed a School Prefect.

Following a somewhat disappointing record last year, it was hoped that the renowned "Byrom Spirit" might come to the fore after its long spell in hibernation, but this was not to be. Once again there was that general lack of enthusiasm and pride in the House, particularly amongst the Seniors, which resulted in a rather disappointing year.

In the House League we finished fourth. The House 1st XV, led by R. J. Hall, appeared to be rather inconsistent over the term, producing excellent performances sometimes and at others finding themselves struggling against relatively weak opposition.

In the first round of the Knock-outs, the Juniors were drawn against Dalton, and the Seniors against Whitworth. The Juniors, captained by G. Jones, were completely overwhelmed by superior opposition and lost 49—0. The Seniors soon realised that they were going to have problems with Whitworth's very strong and experienced pack and after a hard battle we found ourselves losing by 26—12.

On the academic side we congratulate R. J. Peel on gaining a Hulme Scholarship in Engineering at Brasenose College, Oxford; R. V. Gater on a place at Keble College, Oxford, and R. D. McCulloch on a place at Downing College, Cambridge.

The following played for School teams:

1st XV:—J. P. Nicholls, J. P. Whiteside.

2nd XV:—M. H. Lomas, N. Harrison, C. W. Hodgkinson.

U.16 XV:—M. R. Boyle, M. S. Hargreaves.

U.15 XV:—D. Coy, G. Jones, C. H. M. Petch.

U.14 XV:—M. K. Kohn, J. Raby.

Cross Country:—P. Yates (Capt.), R. D. McCulloch, W. M. Bolton.

Swimming:—I. Stockley, M. K. Kohn, J. G. Fairclough, P. R. Fairclough.

### LENT TERM

At the beginning of the term, R. J. Hall, C. W. Hodgkinson, R. D. McCulloch and P. Yates were appointed School Prefects.

The House lacrosse teams under the captaincy of I. Stockley (1st XII) and C. J. Wollas (2nd XII) were not very strong compared with those of other Houses and we finished fifth in the House League.

With a relatively large number of School team players in the House, we felt that we had a very good chance of winning both Knock-out competitions.

The Senior Flags had been in our possession for the last two years, and with seven 1st and 2nd XII School players in the team, hopes of winning them for the



third year running were high. The Seniors in the first round were drawn against Fraser. Our defence was very unsettled and we found ourselves three goals down after only four minutes. Although we fought back to 4—4, we never recovered and we ended up losing by 8—5 in a very close game.

The Juniors get a bye in the first round and were drawn against Whitworth in the second round. In a very exciting game we won by one goal, 12—11. For the first time this year it looked as though Byrom might win a trophy. On the day of the final, the Captain, G. Jones, was absent from School, which was a tremendous blow to the team and we lost to Fraser 7—10.

In the House Cross-Country competition we finished second, one point behind the winners, Fraser. The whole team ran well, but the following deserve special mention; P. Yates (who narrowly missed the individual trophy), P. J. Nelson, W. M. Bolton and N. P. Heron.

For the third time this term we finished runners-up to Fraser, this time in the House Play competition. The House Play marked a welcome return to the success Byrom has achieved in the field of drama in recent years. Chekhov's "The Bet", produced by Q. E. Deakin, who also took part in the play, was an ambitious choice which demanded a lot from both the actors and the stage manager, M. Boyle. The challenge was well met by all. Particular mention should be made of S. Kuzmanov's performance as the Banker—a long and difficult part; and of D. C. Bowers and C. Williams, who worked very hard and achieved good 'stage-presence'. House Drama Colours were deservedly awarded to a hard-working cast and producer.

The following played Lacrosse for School teams:

1st XII:—M. H. Lomas, R. J. Hall, C. W. Hodgkinson, E. W. Brunyee, S. Adcott.

2nd XII:—W. D. Aldridge, N. Harrison.

U.15 XII:—D. Coy, G. Jones.

U.14 XII:—J. Raby, J. F. Morton.

## SUMMER TERM

We did not expect to do very well in the House cricket competitions, as we were weak at this game.

The league cricket team under the captaincy of J. E. H. Hamilton played very well and we finished a creditable third.

In the first round of the Knock-outs the Seniors were drawn against Dalton, who won the toss and put us in to bat. We lost three early wickets, but M. H. Lomas and J. E. H. Hamilton batted very well and put on forty useful runs in a short time. We were eventually bowled out for 83. E. W. Brunyee bowled very well and broke the back of Dalton's batting to produce a fairly tight finish. At the finish Dalton were 84 for 6.

The Juniors had outstanding success in the Knock-outs and they won the trophy. In the first round, our opponents were Heywood. Heywood batted first and were bowled out for 64. N. J. Lord, 5 wkts and G. Jones, 3 wkts did the damage. Good batting by G. S. Burt (24) and D. Coy (21) ensured victory and we finished at 65 for 8, winning by 2 wickets.

In the second round, we were drawn against Dalton, who were bowled out for 41. (G. Jones 7 for 21). Very sound batting by D. Coy (21 not out) gave us a good start and we won by 7 wickets.



In the final, we met Whitworth. Byrom batted first and were 86 all out (G. Jones 23, G. S. Burt 21, D. Coy 24). Excellent bowling by N. J. Lord (6 wkts for 40) helped Byrom win their first trophy of the year! Whitworth were bowled out for 81.

In both the Swimming competitions, all age groups swam well and we finished in a very respectable third position in both events.

The House Music entry was again organised by Q. E. Deakin and we finished in fourth position. Lack of musical ability in the House prevented us from attaining a better position.

In the House Tennis competition both pairs lost to Fraser in the first round.

The House Athletics team handicapped by lack of standards points finished a good fourth. P. Yates and J. P. Whiteside achieved good positions in their senior events and N. Harrison won the middle individual trophy winning the long and triple jump and the 100 m. W. M. Bolton was also outstanding, winning the middle 800 m., 1500 m. and pole vault. In the Juniors, we were well represented by D. Coy and J. Raby, J. Raby winning the 400 m.

The following played Cricket for School teams:

1st XI:—H. A. Orton.

2nd XI:—E. W. Brunyee, R. M. Kerle, J. E. H. Hamilton.

U.15 XI:—D. Coy, G. S. Burt, G. Jones.

U.14 XI:—N. J. Lord, J. F. Morton.

Tennis 2nd:—C. W. Hodgkinson, M. S. Hargreaves, G. W. Neild.

Athletics:—R. D. McCulloch, P. Yates, J. P. Whiteside, N. Harrison, W. M. Bolton, C. H. M. Petch, I. S. Park, J. Raby.

Finally we welcome the new members to the House and wish every success to those leaving us.

I.S.

As Housemaster I would like to add a word of thanks personally, and on behalf of the House, to M. Lomas for his work and example these last two years as Head of House and to I. Stockley who has been an excellent deputy to him this year.

It has been most encouraging to witness the fine spirit amongst the Juniors, particularly in their extraordinary fight against the odds in their Lacrosse final and in their well-deserved success in winning the Cricket trophy.

A.M.B.

## DALTON HOUSE

### MICHAELMAS TERM

The following appointments were made at the beginning of the term:

Head of House: W. B. Collier.

House Prefects: M. J. Hannah, R. Young, R. Burkitt, I. R. Cooper, R. H. Yule, C. R. Large, R. J. Paley, D. Noble, A. M. Rocca, P. D. Sorensen, C. W. Warrell.

W. B. Collier was appointed a School Prefect.

After the good showing of the year before, this was a disappointing term for Dalton's House Rugby. The Juniors were certainly stronger than the Seniors, but despite their efforts we could only finish fifth.



In the first round of the Knock-outs the Seniors were drawn against a Gaskell side whose centres snuffed out the threat of I. R. Cooper surprisingly well. This led to the game's being a very tight one, with Gaskell just winning 6—3 after a good display from a very young Dalton pack.

At Junior level, the strength of the side was shown by the margin of their first round victory, 49—0 against Byrom, but drawn against Fraser in the next round, it was virtually the final with the two strongest teams facing each other. In a close, hard-fought game, we were again narrowly beaten 24—22.

Our congratulations must go to M. J. Stead on winning a place at New College, Oxford, and to M. Haley on winning a place at Hertford College, Oxford.

The following represented Dalton on School teams this term:

1st XV:—W. B. Collier, I. R. Cooper, R. Young, R. J. Paley.

2nd XV:—C. R. Large, D. J. Foster.

U.16:—R. D. Bailey, M. G. Holland, D. I. Binyon.

U.15:—M. S. Butterworth, M. K. Bradbury, R. A. Heaton, M. S. Hamilton, R. A. Cooper.

U.14:—P. Maddocks, P. Collins, A. Wilde, N. J. F. Warner, P. N. Kennerley.

## LENT TERM

W. B. Collier was appointed Captain of the 1st XII, and W. B. Collier and R. Young represented the Lancashire Open Age Schoolboys, including the match against the American touring team from Montclair High School.

In a fine season for House Lacrosse, we finished 2nd, but were most unlucky due to the fact that the 1st team, at full strength quite brilliant for a House side, lost a lot of players by injury and School team call-ups. With such a young side and such consistency right through the House, we can only anticipate better things to come.

Naturally the Senior Knock-out side proved to be formidable, and an excellent 13—3 win in the first round against Gaskell made us firm favourites to win. Again severely weakened through injury, we almost went out in the second round against a Heywood side, but after a very tight match, we scraped through in the last quarter to win 11—10. In the final against Fraser, a Dalton team back to full strength completely outclassed them with competent defence and sparkling attacking play to win 13—2.

The Junior Knock-out side also performed very capably. After beating Heywood 9—6 in the first round, they came up against Fraser in the second round and lost 12—8 in a most entertaining game in difficult conditions. They can remember with satisfaction that it was Fraser who went on to win the final.

The tremendous House spirit was displayed clearly in the Hewlett Cup six-a-side competition. All the teams produced consistent performances, but special mention must go to the 2nd team, and to the 4th, who won their group with only 5 players! Their efforts meant another cup on the shelf for Dalton.

The following represented the House on School teams:

1st XII:—W. B. Collier, R. Young, N. H. Clayden.

2nd XII:—R. J. Paley, J. C. Wozencroft, P. D. Sorensen.

3rd XII:—M. J. Hannah (Captain), D. J. Foster, R. G. Shelmerdine, W. A. Burt, M. G. Holland, D. P. Schofield, N. J. S. Kehoe, D. J. Manifould.

U.15:—M. K. Bradbury, M. S. Butterworth, M. S. Hamilton, R. A. Cooper.



U.14:—A. Wilde, P. Maddocks, P. N. Kennerley, N. J. F. Warner, N. Ashton.  
Cross-Country:—R. D. Bailey, R. G. Shelmerdine, P. M. Hall, C. W. J. Wilson,  
R. L. Allinson, S. L. Donald.

The House Play was once again a great success. In recent years, a Dalton play has always meant entertainment, with a great deal of hard work involved. Our enthusiasm has always given us a good placing, and this year our production, "Salt For Savour", finished a very creditable 3rd. The cast was R. Burkitt, R. H. Yule, D. I. Binyon, D. P. Schofield, R. J. Paley, and R. D. Bailey. Credit for the hard work behind the scenes must go to G. Midgeley and D. I. Binyon.

## MIDSUMMER TERM

A busy term brought us more success.

M. J. Hannah was appointed a School Prefect. I. R. Cooper was appointed Captain of Senior School Athletics, and M. S. Butterworth was appointed Captain of School U.17 Athletics. I. R. Cooper also represented Lancashire Schools in the All-England Athletics Championships.

After finishing only fourth in the House Cricket League the year before, it was a marvellous surprise to win it this year with M. Haley as Captain of the House 1st team. We had some very capable cricketers, and with consistent Junior results produced a win in the League that was our first for some years.

The Senior Knock-out side again lacked batsmen, but had a comfortable win in the 1st Round against Byrom. Batting first, Byrom were bowled out for 89, with especially good bowling from R. D. Bailey, who took 5 wickets, and R. Young with 4—8. Some steady batting on a tricky wicket, notably from W. B. Collier and M. P. Pemberton, saw us through to the 2nd Round against a Fraser team that was virtually a combined School 1st and 2nd team. Batting first against the School opening attack, W. B. Collier (58), solidly supported by M. J. Hannah, and then in a half-century stand with R. Young, gave the innings a sound foundation, 82—2 at lunch. But Collier's dismissal by the first ball after lunch started a collapse that reduced us to 99 all out. Despite some excellent leg-spin bowling from R. Young, Fraser got to 102—2, winning comfortably.

After receiving a bye in the first round, the Dalton Juniors were drawn against Byrom in the second round, and were disappointingly beaten in a close, low-scoring match on a difficult pitch.

Average performances in the swimming brought us a third place in the Individual competition and joint third in the relays.

In the House Tennis Competition, we reached another final despite the absence of a School 1st team player, R. J. Paley. Fraser, however, again proved to be too good for us with their extremely strong line-up, and we were defeated, though far from disgraced.

We must give special mention to C. J. Wrigley, who won the 3rd year tennis trophy.

After our shock Sports Day win last year, we finished a good 2nd this year, and would have got a great deal closer to Fraser if it had not been for our lack of standard points. As it was, we again produced an outstanding performance on the day. I. R. Cooper broke the School discus and 200 metres records, and was awarded the Individual Senior Trophy. There were also outstanding individual performances by M. S. Butterworth, R. A. Heaton and D. H. Perry.



General apathy meant that we were unable to gather together an entry for the House Music Festival, a situation we hope will be rectified in the future.

The following represented Dalton on School teams:

1st XI:—W. B. Collier, N. H. Clayden.

2nd and 3rd XI2:—R. Young, M. J. Hannah, A. P. Wilkinson, I. R. Cooper, R. D. Bailey, M. G. Holland.

U.15:—M. K. Bradbury, R. A. Cooper, C. Whitehead.

U.14:—N. J. F. Warner, P. Collins, A. Wilde, N. Ashton, C. J. Wrigley.

Warner and Wilde played in the side that won the Esso Colts Lancashire Final.

1st Tennis:—R. J. Paley, P. D. Sorensen.

2nd Tennis:—D. P. Schofield.

Athletics:—I. R. Cooper, M. S. Butterworth, R. A. Heaton, G. Jefferies, D. H. Perry, P. Maddocks, C. J. Wrigley.

Swimming:—M. A. Wooler, I. C. Dewhurst.

Thanks to the House Prefects, and congratulations to the whole of the House on a successful year. We welcome the new members to the House and hope they will maintain its success.

W.B.C. and M.J.H.

## FRASER HOUSE

### MICHAELMAS TERM

At the start of the term, R. J. Morello was appointed Head of House. R. J. Morello, S. Balcombe, and C. P. Bunnage were appointed School Prefects. The following were appointed House Prefects: C. M. S. Gleave, A. J. I. Turjansky, J. G. Heaton, P. J. Heaton, G. L. Steinsberg, P. R. Cantrell, P. S. Dodd, M. Phillips, R. A. Proudman, N. R. Withington, B. Gosschalk, M. S. Nance, P. J. Kettlewell, D. R. Tute, P. Lancashire, S. T. Burrows, P. J. Howarth, R. J. Newton, J. B. Meehan, D. J. Kettlewell, P. M. Sherring.

The following House appointments were also made:

Captain of House Rugby: R. J. Morello.

League Rugby Captain: C. P. Bunnage.

Cross-Country Captain: R. A. Proudman.

4th Year Rugby Captain: J. Beesley.

3rd Year Rugby Captain: M. O'Shea.

Both the Juniors and Seniors received byes in the first round of the Knock-outs. In the semi-finals the Seniors played a tight game to beat Whitworth 12—3, and the Juniors played beyond themselves to beat Dalton 15—12. The double was achieved at the expense of Heywood, the Seniors winning 38—3 and the Juniors 26—4.

In the House League, the first team was captained by C. P. Bunnage, and the second team by B. Gosschalk. Both the teams played very well throughout the term, and the League was really fought between Fraser and Gaskell. However, despite the consistently high standard of play by the House teams, the end of the term showed Gaskell to be top of the League, with Fraser finishing a close second.

House Colours were awarded to the following:

Senior: P. J. Rae, P. S. Dodd, J. B. Meehan, P. M. Sherring, S. T. Burrows, R. J. Morello, N. A. Milton, I. Halpin, N. R. Withington, G. L. Steinsberg, B. H. Stewart, N. P. Maxfield, P. J. Howarth, M. Chatterton, R. J. Newton.



Junior: D. N. Paton, I. Gosling, J. Beesley, S. G. Tarpey, C. J. Davies, S. N. Roberts, R. C. Higham, J. P. B. Sandy, P. D. Boyle, T. Hunt, I. D. Endlar, M. O'Shea, A. M. Mills, D. Fraser, M. C. Hallas, G. J. Weaver.

The following represented the House on School teams:

1st XV:—J. B. Meehan, P. J. Howarth, P. S. Dodd, P. J. Rae.

2nd XV:—M. Chatterton, N. R. Withington, G. L. Steinsberg, N. Milton, S. T. Burrows.

U.16 XV:—N. Milton (Captain), N. P. Maxfield.

U.15 XV:—J. Beesley, S. G. Tarpey, D. N. Paton, I. Gosling, S. N. Roberts.

U.14 XV:—I. D. Endlar, T. Hunt, M. O'Shea.

School Colours (Rugby) were awarded to:—J. B. Meehan, P. J. Howarth, P. S. Dodd, P. J. Rae.

## LENT TERM

At the beginning of the term, C. P. Bunnage was appointed Head of House; P. J. Kettlewell, P. S. Dodd, and B. Gosschalk became School Prefects and T. G. Emmerton and M. Graham House Prefects.

The term proved to be an outstanding one for Fraser, and we added four trophies to the two Rugby Knock-out Shields won last term.

For the second year in succession we won the House Play Competition with another David Shellan Play "The Man Without A Name". The four actors, A. J. I. Turjansky, I. E. Halpin, M. D. Turjansky and P. R. Cantrell were outstanding and conveyed all the humour and wit of the script. The hard work of the producer/director (A. J. I. Turjansky) and his colleagues was justly rewarded.

There was much success on the Lacrosse field too. The House League teams, captained by J. B. Meehan (1st), B. Gosschalk (2nd), D. M. Paton (4th forms) and A. M. Mills (3rd forms), played so consistently throughout the season that they won the League some twenty points ahead of Gaskell.

The Junior Knock-out team has some excellent players and plays with great skill and cohesion. They deserved their achievement in winning the final against Byrom 10—7. D. M. Paton was the Captain and J. Beesley Vice-Captain. Four members of the team—S. N. Roberts, J. P. B. Sandy, S. G. Tarpey and J. Beesley—played for Lancashire Under 15's while S. P. Kettlewell was reserve goalkeeper. Further congratulations are due to Tarpey and Beesley who were selected to represent the North of England, and the latter also achieved the distinction of being chosen for the Lancashire U.19's. Congratulations to N. R. Withington on being made Captain of both Lancashire and The North U.19's. and to R. J. Newton who was also selected to play.

The Senior Knock-outs were less successful: the side, led by Withington, played well to reach the final but was then outplayed by Dalton, losing 13—2. Dalton also took the Hewlett 6-a-side Cup, beating Fraser by three points, even though Fraser reached one more final, six out of a possible eight!

The House Cross-Country trophy was won by spirited running by all twelve members of the team. The Captain was N. R. Leak who worked hard in organising his fine team. The Juniors gave the House an early lead and although under pressure from Byrom, the Seniors held on to the advantage.

Congratulations are due to B. Gosschalk who won an Exhibition at Keble College, Oxford, and S. Balcombe who gained a place at University College, Oxford, and C. P. Bunnage, who gained a place at Pembroke College, Oxford.



We extend our best wishes to R. J. Morello, S. Balcombe and G. A. Stafford-Watson, who left at Christmas.

The following were awarded School Colours for Drama: I. E. Halpin, J. G. Heaton, D. J. Kettlewell. Lacrosse full colours were awarded to N. R. Withington and half colours were awarded to R. J. Newton, C. P. Bunnage.

#### House Colours (Lacrosse):

Senior: P. S. Dodd P. J. Heaton, D. J. Kettlewell, N. A. Milton, S. T. Burrows, P. J. Kettlewell, P. J. Rae, G. L. Steinsberg, N. R. Withington, R. J. Newton, J. B. Meehan, C. P. Bunnage, M. Chatterton.

Junior: D. M. Paton, A. M. Mills, I. N. Gosling, C. J. Davies, R. C. Higham, G. J. Weaver, A. K. James, S. N. Roberts, S. P. Kettlewell, J. Beesley, S. G. Tarpey, J. P. B. Sandy.

#### House Colours (Cross-Country):

N. R. Leak, I. N. Gosling, R. C. Higham, S. N. Roberts, R. S. Warrick, I. D. Tricker, I. A. Wadsworth, I. E. Halpin, A. C. M. Bowers, I. D. Endlar, R. N. Andrew, N. P. Maxfield.

The following represented the House on School Teams:

1st X:—N. R. Withington (Vice-Captain), R. J. Newton.

2nd XII:—C. P. Bunnage (Vice-Captain), P. J. Rae, N. A. Milton.

U.15 XII:—S. N. Roberts, S. P. Kettlewell, S. G. Tarpey, J. Beesley, J. P. B. Sandy.

### MIDSUMMER TERM

At the start of the term, P. J. Kettlewell was appointed Head of House. The following House appointments were also made:

Captain of House Cricket: P. J. Howarth.

Captain of Cricket League: P. R. Cantrell.

Captain of House Tennis: B. Gosschalk.

Captain of House Athletics: N. R. Leak.

Captain of House Swimming: P. J. Kettlewell.

4th Year Cricket Captain: P. D. Boyle.

3rd Year Cricket Captain: A. M. Mills.

The League Cricket team under the captaincy of P. R. Cantrell were unable to field the best team from the House, since many of the best House players were involved in the School teams. Consequently, Fraser finished fourth in the League.

In the Cricket Knock-outs, the Junior team suffered a surprising defeat at the hands of Whitworth, being all out for 33 and allowing the opposition a comfortable win for the loss of only one wicket. The Senior Knock-out team got a bye in the first round and went on to meet Dalton in the semi-finals. Dalton batted first and were all out for 99, thanks to a good catch from R. L. Wall, to take the wicket of Collier, and fine bowling from P. S. Dodd (5—28), B. H. Stewart (2—30), and P. J. Heaton (3—24). Fraser then went in to bat and went on to win comfortably, scoring 103 for 2. The chief scorers were J. B. Meehan (32 not out) and P. Lindsay (25). In the final of the Knock-outs, Fraser met Heywood, who were all out for 98, after some good bowling from P. J. Heaton (1—26), P. S. Dodd (3—20) and B. H. Stewart (4—35). Fraser then went in to bat and had soon scored 99 for 3, with P. Lindsay (48 not out) and J. B. Meehan (36) being the chief scorers.



In the House Swimming Galas, the relays proved to be our preferred events. In the individual events, the House could only manage fifth place, although this is not a true reflection of the overall performance of the House, especially the Juniors. In the relays, thanks to a fine performance of the Junior and Middle teams, we gained a well-deserved second place.

The House Music Competition, under the organisation of J. G. Heaton and D. J. Kettlewell gave Fraser yet another second place. The main contributors from the House were M. Cox, A. J. I. Turjansky, M. D. Turjansky and D. J. Kettlewell.

The Athletics Competition proved to be one of the House's strong points. The concerted effort which was put into the House standards proved worthwhile, having given us a large lead before the Sports Heats were started. During the actual finals, the standard of House performance was very high, and the House duly rewarded by finishing in first place, 44 points clear of our nearest rivals, Dalton. Congratulations to N. R. Leak on his good organisation and the enthusiasm which he has shown throughout the term in organising the House Athletics.

In the first round of the Tennis Tournament, Fraser were drawn against Byrom. Both the pairs won convincingly and thus we qualified for the semi-finals, to meet Heywood. Heywood put up a strong fight and won the first pair's match but since the second pair won convincingly, Fraser went through to the final. The House met Dalton in this round, who although they had two strong pairs, were beaten, giving Fraser another trophy.

House Colours were awarded to the following:

#### Cricket:

Senior: P. S. Lindsay, P. J. Howarth, J. B. Meehan, N. R. Withington, P. J. Heaton, B. Leach, B. H. Stewart, P. S. Dodd.

Junior: A. M. Mills, J. Beesley, S. G. Tarpey, P. D. Boyle.

#### Tennis:

Senior: B. Gosschalk, P. J. Howarth, P. M. Sherring, P. A. Howarth.

Junior: R. C. Higham, I. Gosling.

#### Athletics:

Senior: P. S. Dodd, P. J. Howarth, J. B. Meehan, P. M. Sherring, N. P. Maxfield, T. Whittaker, I. Halpin, N. R. Leak, N. A. Milton, S. T. Burrows, J. A. Wadsworth, R. Andrew.

Junior: I. D. Endlar, P. D. Boyle, D. Fraser, J. Beesley, C. J. Davies, G. Heads, S. G. Tarpey, R. S. Warrick, J. D. Tricker.

#### Swimming:

Junior: T. Hunt, J. S. Bradley, R. C. Higham, M. O'Shea, R. S. Warrick, R. K. Cox, C. J. Andrew, I. Gosling, J. Beesley.

Senior: J. A. Wadsworth.

The following represented the House on School teams:

1st XI:—J. B. Meehan, P. J. Howarth (Captain), P. J. Heaton, N. R. Withington, P. S. Dodd.

2nd XI:—G. L. Steinsberg, B. H. Stewart, P. S. Lindsay, N. P. Maxfield.

3rd XI:—R. L. Wall, N. P. Maxfield.

U.15 XI:—P. D. Boyle (Captain), J. Beesley, I. Gosling, I. J. Wood, D. N. Paton, J. P. B. Sandy, A. M. Mills.

U.14 XI:—A. M. Mills (Captain), T. Hunt.