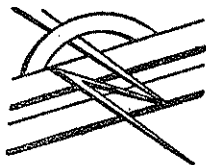


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## SCHOOL OFFICERS

SUMMER TERM, 1963

*Head Boy* : R. J. Crittenden.

*Deputy Head Boy* : J. M. Crocker.

### *Prefects :*

E. J. Banks, N. C. Boreham, A. J. C. Brazier, R. A. Burgess, M. D. Chandler, D. E. Esau, J. Evans, D. L. Gent, R. F. Gill, A. S. Gorman, R. E. Gravestock, I. P. Jackman, N. Johns, R. W. Jones, S. G. Lewis, S. J. Mawer, J. R. McGaw, J. Nisbet, R. G. Osborne, A. D. Robinson, J. Sinfield, R. J. Smalley, B. J. Spanos, I. Taylor, R. C. Uden, D. Williams, G. H. Windsor, M. J. Woodhall.

*Captain of Cricket* : M. J. Woodhall.

*Secretary of Cricket* : I. P. Jackman.

*Captain of Athletics* : K. E. Jackson.

*Secretary of Athletics* : B. J. Spanos.

*Captain of Tennis* : I. Taylor.

*Secretary of Games Committee* : I. Taylor.

*Prefect of Library* : J. M. Crocker.

*Prefect of Hall* : S. J. Mawer.

## HEADMASTER'S NOTES

At the end of this summer term we have a regretful goodbye to say to Mr. Kilburn. He has spent six years with us, as ready to jolly along the second former reluctantly doing Latin as to assist the university aspirant in the VIth with his own fine scholarship, which is fresh and up-to-date. And besides this, on games, on expeditions to Verulam or to Rome, over plays, in all our musical activities, he has made a cordial and invigorating contribution to the School's general life. We cannot begrudge him to Battersea Grammar School, where he will head a large department, but we shall miss him much and often.

We shall also be sorry to lose Mrs. Goût who came as a friend in need to the rescue of the Mathematics department eighteen months ago, when Mr. Courtney was taken ill. She has given ready and friendly help to mathematicians at all stages, including (in the past year) the VI form. At Garden Party and otherwise she has been no part-time worker and while we hope that she finds teaching girls at least as enjoyable, we hope she will recall her classes here with affection, as they will her.

In their stead we shall, by the time this is published, have welcomed respectively Mr. D. E. Johnston, with a degree in Classics from Cambridge, who has been teaching at Northampton Grammar School, and Mr. L. F. Rogers, with a B.Sc. in Mathematics from London. May their stay here be happy and prosperous — and long.

T.H.P.

## EDITORIAL

The school's gradual growth has inevitably led to an increase in the number of official 'out-of-hours' activities, as witnessed by the variety of the reports appearing in this magazine. Whilst this widening of horizons is undeniably beneficial in creating a closely-knit community of responsible, viable and socially acceptable people, it simultaneously generates the problem of trying to find adequate time for maximum personal participation. An unfortunate result of this seemingly irreconcilable conflict was the virtually arbitrary way in which the 1962-63 Cock House Competition was decided — perhaps, however, it is accurate to say that participation is paramount; victory merely provides superficial satisfaction.

Periodically, complaints are voiced that *The Spur* both wallows cumbrously in its traditional form and is published so that the literary prowess of the editorial body may be subtly displayed: whilst the latter accusation is definitely false, the authors of the former defamatory statements are themselves rarely prepared to forward constructive suggestions. *The Spur* is your magazine — please do not grumble, but voice your ideas. As an initial step in the campaign to vary *The Spur* a two-page photographic section has been introduced.

### COCK HOUSE PLACINGS, 1962-63

	Cobbs	Gibbs	Halliwell's	Miltons	Newsoms
Cricket (not to count)	10	9	7	9	5
Rugby ... ..	12	11	7	6	4
Hockey ... ..	10	12	6	10	2
Athletics ... ..	3	10	1	6	—
Swimming ... ..	6	10	1	—	3
Cross-country ...	7	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	—
Chess ... ..	7	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	—
Debating ... ..	7	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	2
Dramatics ... ..	7	$1\frac{1}{2}$	—	$1\frac{1}{2}$	4
Tennis ... ..	7	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Gymnastics ... ..	2	7	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	—
Music ... ..	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	2	7
Junior Shield ...	$\frac{1}{2}$	7	—	3	3
Total ...	$72\frac{1}{2}$	$70\frac{1}{2}$	$23\frac{1}{2}$	$37\frac{1}{2}$	$25\frac{1}{2}$

The Games Committee decided that if, at the end of the Competition, the margin between Cobbs and Gibbs was reduced to two points (excluding the Cricket points), then the Cock House would be shared. This was because Gibbs' unplayed senior cricket house match could have swayed the final decision. This situation, in fact, did arise, but Gibbs conceded Cock House.

For the purposes of obtaining a result in the Cricket, the remaining unplayed senior matches were declared to be drawn, but the cricket points were not counted in the Cock House placings.

I. Taylor.

[N.B.—We wish to apologise, especially to members of Gibbs House, and rectify an error which occurred in the Spring Term edition of *The Spur*. Gibbs' House Play, "The Prisoner," was in fact placed third, equal with Milton's "Last Post," and not fourth as stated.—Ed.]

## HOUSE NOTES

### COBBS

*House Captain* : J. M. Crocker.

#### *Prefects* :

E. J. Banks, A. J. C. Brazier, D. L. Gent, R. F. Gill, A. S. Gorman, R. W. Jones.

This term we have, regrettably, to say farewell to Mr. Kilburn. He joined us six years ago and in the intervening years has really set a fine example of what a House Master should be. We are greatly indebted to him for his enthusiastic assistance and guidance in several spheres of activity, and we all wish him every happiness and success in the future.

This year has been outstanding for Cobbs. At last the Cock House Cup is back in our possession! We have been too long without it. Our successes culminated last term in the winning of five competitions out of six—four counting towards Cock House. This term we have had to fight hard in every contest, but have succeeded in holding our own against all the stiff competition we saw ahead of us. The last few weeks of term have been a hectic pile-up of competitions, exhibitions, and concerts which have kept leaders of activities running around themselves in ever-decreasing circles. Anyhow, we have come through on top to receive the cup, which compensates for the greying hairs many of us have acquired in the process!

The series of competitions began with Athletics. This year has been the first in which heats have taken place before the finals at Motspur Park. As a result this year's Athletics Championship has been more a test of "House Spirit" than of "House Ability." Although level with Miltons before the relays on the actual Sports Day we finished in a close third position, this being mainly due to the co-operation of the many, though sadly not all, members of the House who turned out after school to run heats. We are especially grateful to Cottrell and Chapman, who had joint leadership in Athletics.

For the first time, House Music, now in its second year and having presumably passed the experimental stage, was added to the list of Cock House items. We came a close second after a desperate last-minute effort in the choral class, in which we had the most collective talent but the least enthusiasm. I am grateful to those who turned up regularly to practices without complaint and to all the instrumentalists who showed a pleasing keenness, and wish to mention in particular R. C. Cottrell, who played a very active part in the competition, and was especially helpful in rehearsing the choir while forgetful boys were being rounded up. G. Fleming must also be mentioned for his assistance in treble and alto practices.

Tennis this year has for Cobbs proved to be their most successful activity, in that we won the cup so convincingly. Ventham played the singles winning 6-1, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4, against Halliwells, Gibbs, Miltons, Newsoms, respectively. He is to be praised on a high performance. The first pair consisted of Banks and Phillips who won 6-1, 6-1, 6-1 against Gibbs, Newsoms and Miltons, having received a walk-over from Halliwells. This was indeed a creditable performance. A third pair was Warren and Heaton or Raison; although they were not needed we must not fail to thank them for their support.

In Swimming we again did an immensely fine job. We were at one point well in sight of the Cup, but eventually came a good second. It can only be stressed that more qualifying during the term could have guaranteed us this Cup and we ask for still more enthusiasm next year. Individual first placings were Anderson, Page, and Rutter, and our relay team did excellently well, winning three out of the four races. Everyone who participated for us in the Gala must be congratulated on a fine show.

One wonders how Cobbs managed to win the Cricket Cup this year, especially when one remembers that there were no outstanding performances in the Seniors, and that the fielding could hardly have been worse. Nevertheless, Cobbs seemed to be the only team to produce 11 men and there was at all times a tremendous will to win. The Seniors won two matches, in which Ventham, Quilliam, and Tickner played notable parts, whereas the Colts, to whom most of our success is due, won three matches under the leadership of Fleming and Anderson, and thanks to the consistent performances of Anderson, Bloomfield, Colombo, and Pottinger. J.M.C.

To the many Seniors who are leaving and who have done so much for the House go our warmest thanks and good wishes. We are losing in Crocker a House Captain who has done his utmost for us, unobtrusively and well. G.J.A.

## GIBBS

*House Captain* : I. P. Jackman.

*Vice-Captain* : P. L. Cox.

*Prefects* : R. A. Burgess, J. Evans, R. E. Gravestock, R. Uden, D. Williams.

The term has been unbearably full, and it is just that we should all take pride at having achieved so much under very great pressure.

Cricket has been the major sport of the term, and, although the competition remains unfinished, we have met with reasonable success. The Seniors began the season well by beating Miltons and then Cobbs. The match against Newsoms was in the balance almost until the last over, but we were finally defeated by a side that played more skilfully and deserved to win. The Halliwells game will remain unplayed. Like the Seniors, the Colts won two of their matches. They failed to beat Cobbs and Miltons, but had success in overcoming Newsoms and Halliwells. Uden and Ashworth

have proved to be efficient captains, and we hope that their successors, Castling and Marsh, will have equal or even greater fortune.

In the Music competition we were severely handicapped by the loss of all our Senior musicians, and consequently Williams had difficulty in disciplining and training people of his own age. Our lack of sufficient highly-talented musicians was obvious in the instrumental sections; the choir, however, excelled. With new recruits (especially from the Seniors) hard work and practice, our musical prospects for next year seem bright.

As usual, the Tennis has suffered from having to be squeezed into the last few weeks of term. Nevertheless, we have fared as well as we could have reasonably expected. Cobbs proved to be too strong for us, while our failure to provide a full side resulted in our conceding the match to Miltons. Newsoms and Halliwells were both overcome, the latter after a hard struggle. In this way we managed, rather surprisingly, to tie with Halliwells for second place. Evans, the captain, Bennée, Early and Castling all played consistently well.

The Juniors have shown us their worth once more by winning the Junior Shield. Having already won the Cross-country in the Spring Term, they proceeded to win the Cricket with ease. Next year, it is hoped, the Junior Shield will include activities such as Chess and Debating. If, then, the Juniors hope to do well, they must develop their skills with this in mind.

The Swimming competition this year has taught us two valuable lessons: firstly, that our supremacy in Swimming is gradually declining, and secondly that a lead in the qualifying points can be vital. In the actual Gala we obtained exactly the same number of points as Cobbs. The fact that we were ahead in qualifying, however, meant that we were able to win the Cup. It is fortunate that Bennée and Moffatt, our two most outstanding swimmers, will still be with us next year.

Our greatest success of the whole term is undoubtedly the winning of the Athletics Cup. A considerable lead in the qualifying points was nearly trebled on the Sports Day. Great House spirit was displayed by everybody in their willingness to qualify, to compete in the heats, and to do their utmost in the Sports. We have proved that our athletes are the best in the school, and it is this sort of display which augurs well for next year.

After a close fight throughout the year, we have been forced to concede victory in the Cock House to Cobbs, and thus it is that for the first time since 1958 Gibbs have failed to be Cock House. It is correct that we should all feel a sense of disappointment, but the fact itself need not give rise to despondency. This year has taught us many important lessons, which, in the future, can only be beneficial. During the Summer Term there has been a great improvement in spirit and keenness throughout Gibbs. The winning of three Cups in one term confirms my words, and it is on this knowledge that we may justly build high hopes for years to come.

I. P. Jackman.



## HALLIWELLS

*House Captain : M. D. Chandler.*

### *Prefects :*

R. J. Crittenden, D. E. Esau, N. Johns, M. J. Woodhall, A. D. Robinson.

With the House failing to win a single Cup throughout the whole year and finishing last in the Cock House competition, this term's activities have done little to relieve the despondent situation.

In the major competition of the term, Cricket, we did not disgrace ourselves. The Seniors, under the able captaincy of Woodhall, were strengthened by the presence of three 1st XI players, and started well with victories over Newsoms and Miltons ; but against Cobbs they failed to attain a sufficiently large total, and were beaten with several overs to spare. The Colts, as in Hockey and Rugby, lacked many school players, and it came as no surprise when they won only a single match (v. Newsoms) ; on the other three occasions their batting collapsed with depressing consistency. The Seniors were unable to play their match against Gibbs, and we finished fourth.

Mediocre qualifying in both Athletics and Swimming effectively handicapped our efforts to obtain a respectable position. The Athletics team performed courageously in the Sports : mention must be made of Bedford, Murphy, Lake, and Featherstone, who, as captain, deserved a better reward for his efforts. More disturbing was the fact that several people chosen to compete in the heats failed to appear. It was only good performances during the Gala by Lancaster, Robinson, Gilbert, and the Senior relay team, that prevented our finishing last in the Swimming competition. However, it is somewhat gratifying to report that the Seniors now seem to be contributing their share in both these competitions.

We had looked forward to success in the Tennis, but were again disappointed. Woodhall, the captain, spent much of his time rounding up people to play, and two games only were won ; the match against Cobbs had to be forfeited because only two players arrived, and our defeat by Gibbs was aided by the absence of a certain key player, who created an unpleasant record by also avoiding the other three matches !

Of the House choir and orchestra, which rapidly degenerated into a debacle of painful sounds accompanied by suppressed chuckles from the audience, let nothing more be said ; such a farce must never be allowed to occur again.

The Junior Cricket XI were unlucky enough to be drawn against a strong Miltons team, and were beaten in the first round, thus finishing last in the Junior Shield.

Qualifying has always been the Achilles' heel of this House, and a greater effort must be made by every individual before we can even hope to win the Cock House Cup. I hope we shall not see a recurrence of this term's failure by many people to attend qualifying heats, rehearsals, and even matches.

This term as usual we say farewell to several members of the Sixth form; all have served the House well in some way or other, but the loss of Woodhall and Crittenden will be particularly hard to bear.

M. D. Chandler.

## MILTONS

*House Captain : J. Sinfield.*

*Prefects : S. J. Mawer, R. G. Osborne, J. Nisbet, G. Windsor, R. J. Smalley.*

Each year the Summer term becomes more cluttered with sporting events which are seldom finished and provide team captains with the seemingly impossible task of finding complete, let alone competent, teams. This year the Tennis was finished on the last day of term; the Cricket remained unfinished. Surely it is time to restrict the number of house competitions and concentrate on improving the standard of those remaining. Possibly this criticism would be more in place as a letter to the Editor; it does, however, have a bearing on the House. With Tennis matches being changed at a moment's notice it was sometimes impossible to make up a team during the day, in order to have a full side at 4.00 p.m. Those who have played for Miltons in the last days of this term have our thanks. We were unlucky to win but one match, that against Gibbs.

We were again unlucky in the Cricket. In the three matches, if the Seniors had played a full twenty-four overs, three wins would have resulted — on two occasions ten more runs would have secured victory. Dodds, Burgoyne, and Greenman have bowled consistently, and Alexander found a new vocation as wicket-keeper. The main fault was our inability to score at a fast enough rate. The Colts, however, have had no such trouble and again have shown us the way. Jennings has led his team to four victories. The Cricket Cup, though, will remain undecided this year.

Swimming has never been one of our strongest activities, and although there was a gallant effort led by Butcher, our last place was not unexpected.

Athletics proved that when the whole House, as opposed to individual exponents, is called upon, it can put up as good a performance as the oppositions. Consistent individual second and third places won the House a final second place at Motspur Park. Above all others, Nisbet is to be praised for his organisation and "bullying" of First and Sixth forms alike.

This term saw the second House Music competition. The general high standard set last year was equalled in the novice solo and orchestral sections. The choral, under R. Stone, somewhat let us down (partly the result of poor rehearsal facilities) and instead of a comfortable second place, Cobbs crept home by some four points, leaving us with third position.

Over the year we have failed to win one Cup outright, and I suppose that in this respect the year has not been a successful one. However, it has shown the emergence of a great spirit in the middle sections of the House, and this example has been followed by the Juniors. One can only hope that this furor will last into the Sixth form and not, as seems to happen, diminish into reliance on the Fifth and Fourth forms for the majority of the effort.

J. Sinfield.

## NEWSOMS

*House Captain : I. Taylor.*

*Prefects : N. C. Boreham, S. G. Lewis, J. R. McGaw, B. J. Spanos.*

This term's activities have proved to be the most successful, but still the House has not lived up to expectations.

Our only major success of the term, and indeed of the year, has been the 'J. Timpson Music Cup,' for which we are indebted to John Spanos. For the second year now he has directed our music activities successfully, and this year has not only led our choir, orchestral group and novice to first places, but has himself won the solo class with an amazing performance of Debussy's 'La Cathédrale engloutie,' against some brilliant opposition. His efforts demand your applause.

In Cricket, we seized our customary last place; seized—because the Seniors did, in fact, come equal first in the Senior cricket, only to be let down by the Colts. Thus there was considerable energy spent somewhere amongst the Seniors, and, as so often is the case with Newsoms, that somewhere is centred on individuals. Two quotations from my notes will suffice: "decisive stand by Charlie and Ken"; "good bowling by Charlie and Ken." Our thanks are due to Sime and Jackson.

The Junior XI under Naylor did comparatively well in their Cricket knock-out competition, being defeated by Gibbs in the final. This, added to their third position gained at Cross-country, gave them an equal second in the Junior Shield, and earned a valuable three points for the House.

In the two other major sports this term, our pattern of defeat was similar. At the Swimming Gala we came first on the day's performances, only to be given a final third position because of poor qualifying points; in the Athletic Sports we gained reasonable points, but owing to slack qualifying again, we were placed an overall fifth. The moral here is clear, as with the Cross-country and Gymnastics, but Newsoms and qualifying seem to be incompatible. Cock House is won by the House and not by the individual (the times House Captains must have said that!).

In the Tennis competition we had a difficult reputation to live up to—we failed, and came equal fourth. However, Crowe must be congratulated for his high standard of play in the singles matches.

During May we experienced a different kind of success: at the Garden Party, we gained a record in House takings, exceeding our target of £100. Before we congratulate ourselves, we must extend our thanks to Mr. O'Driscoll, without whose efforts the 'takings' would undoubtedly have been somewhat meagre.

This is my last report, and thus I wish the House luck and every success in the future. Luck is certainly a part of success, but rewards will only come your way by constant striving together.

I. Taylor.

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# THE JUNIOR PLAY ANDROCLES AND THE LION

George Bernard Shaw

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## VIGOROUS SHAW

From a Correspondent

*Androcles and the Lion* is a play frequently done by boys' schools and for good reasons. It has costume, plenty of action and a female cast of two. On July 19 the Junior School of Raynes Park County Grammar School presented Shaw's play as their annual production.

It had much to commend it. Excellent costumes and accurate effects gave valuable support and confidence to the cast. Diction, invariably a weak point in school productions, was careful and deliberate. All the main characters gave lively and spirited performances, particularly Spintho and Ferrovius; Lavinia's rather dry and naive manner was in good contrast.

It was not necessary, for the producer, Mr. Richard Venning, to write such a lengthy preface merely because, in his own words, "I think it is interesting to note his (Shaw's) comments, views and humour on the subject." The essence of the preface was contained in the programme notes and these were sufficient.

It was unfortunate that all the care on the stage was marred by an embarrassing accumulation of distractions in the audience.

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### Cast

G.B.S. ....	C. R. Shoebridge
LION .....	K. S. Harnes
MEGAERA .....	R. Myers
ANDROCLES .....	G. R. Lake
CENTURION .....	T. E. Lovering
CHRISTIAN .....	R. Coppen
CAPTAIN .....	P. F. Zerbahs
LAVINIA .....	P. R. Isaacson
METELLUS .....	C. R. Shoebridge
LENTULUS .....	P. H. J. Chapman
SPINTHO .....	R. M. Elliott
FERROVIUS .....	K. G. Jones
OX DRIVER .....	J. L. Newman
2nd CHRISTIAN .....	S. M. Ball
3rd CHRISTIAN .....	I. H. Brewer
CALL BOY .....	S. V. Hall
EDITOR .....	N. W. Walker
EMPEROR .....	J. G. McCubbin

SECUTOR .....	C. G. Jennings
RETIARIUS .....	P. H. Marsh
MENAGERIE KEEPER .....	J. A. Haw
CALL BOY .....	A. R. G. Jackson
SLAVE DRIVER .....	B. R. Early
BEGGAR .....	P. W. Roberts
ROMANS ... J. M. Lee W. R. Hanlon K. A. Butcher A. C. Smith	
L. C. William C. Stevens T. E. Street D. G. Flude	
CHRISTIANS ..... M. A. Pashby R. W. Jones S. C. Fraser	
E. S. Burns N. H. Thompson	
LENTULUS' SERVANTS .....	P. S. Sharp H. D. Ness
GLADIATORS .....	J. A. Haw A. J. B. George
ARMOURER .....	M. J. Stone

### CREDITS

The set constructed by the Stage Guild under Max Greenwell, assisted by R. J. McI. Edwards and members of the Junior School.

Designed and Painted by Dick Venning.

Masks, helmets and other properties designed by Dick Venning; made by P. B. S. Rutter and members of the Junior School in the Light Craft Department.

Costumes by the Wilmslow Guild, Foxs' Ltd., Theatrical Costumiers, and the Light Craft Department.

Lighting by P. G. Williams and R. C. Anderson, assisted by N. H. Thompson.

Sound and Stage Effects : R. C. Anderson, B. P. Stanley.

Prompter : G. M. Elmore.

Properties : I. D. Masters, R. J. Hawley.

Make-up : R. H. and H. Venning, assisted by G. R. Capper.

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Tickets and Programmes designed by Dick Venning and printed by Junior members of the School.

Front of House : John Carter.

Stage Manager : P. B. S. Rutter, assisted by J. W. Young.

Produced by Dick Venning.

### SCHOOL CONCERT

The Annual School Concert was held in the school hall on the evening of July 22nd. A Monday evening is perhaps an unusual one for a concert; nevertheless the hall was more than filled. Late arrivals sat or stood beyond the glass doors in the small entrance hall.

The programme presented was a varied one of choral, orchestral, and solo items.

We were privileged to have all our visiting instrumental teachers performing with us: Miss Howard-Lucy ('cello), Mr. A. Bourne (flute), Mr. J. E. R. Hall (trombone) and Mr. K. Piper (violin).

The School Orchestra was about forty strong and was conducted by Mr. B. L. Ayton. The Special Orchestra consisted of 18 of the most advanced players; this and the Raynes Park Grammar School Singers, about 100 strong, were conducted by Mr. D. Aldersea. We were delighted to have a number of Old Boys join us in the orchestra and in the choir.

Staff members also generously contributed their various talents: Miss P. M. Hurst (guitar accompaniments and a solitary soprano among thirty trebles); Mr. J. A. Brunt (tenor), Mr. D. Gibson (tenor), Mr. L. R. King (tenor), and Dr. G. Morgan (viola, choral bass and some vigorous percussive effects on a three-cornered ashtray in the Bantu wedding song). Mr. G. Hollom played his bassoon with tear-filled eyes, departing abruptly at the interval under the heavy influence of hay-fever.

A highlight of the evening was the first public performance on a guitar made by A. D. Crowe, with himself as the performer.

The audience also played its part most generously. With the collection received we were able to purchase a new 'cello for the school.

D.A.

## PROGRAMME

### Part 1

ORCHESTRA — Che Faro ..... Gluck  
Solo — Allegretto ..... Fiocco

HIEH LENG TAN (violin)

ORCHESTRA — Giles Farnaby Pieces ..... arr. B. L. Ayton  
Madrigal Choir — April is in my mistress' face ..... Morley  
While the bright sun ..... Byrd

Conductor: JOHN CROCKER

Solo — Romance in G ..... Beethoven  
S. J. MAWER (violin)

Woodwind Ensemble — Norwegian Folk Dances ..... Grieg  
Conductor: Mr. A. E. BOURNE

ORCHESTRA — Radetzky March ..... Strauss

### Part 2

CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA — Zadok the Priest ..... Handel  
Solo — La cathédrale engloutie ..... Debussy

B. J. SPANOS (piano)

CHOIR — Ut'he Wena (African Wedding Song) ..... Anon  
Swing low, sweet chariot ..... Spiritual

House Orchestra (Gibbs) — Colonel Bogey ..... arr. R. Preece  
CHOIR — Every time I feel de spirit ..... Spiritual

Mr. DAVID GIBSON (tenor solo)  
 Peasants' Chorus (L'Arlesienne) ..... Bizet  
 SPECIAL ORCHESTRA — Farandole (L'Arlesienne) ..... Bizet

### Part 3

Solo — Prelude ..... Villa-Lobos  
 Solo — Study in F sharp minor ..... Windsor  
     G. WINDSOR (piano)  
 Newsom's Ensemble — Kathy's Waltz ..... Brubeck  
     J. KING (guitar)  
     A. D. CROWE (clarinet)  
     I. D. JOHNS (percussion)  
     B. J. SPANOS (piano)  
 Newsom's Choir — I got a robe ..... Spiritual  
     Leader: B. J. SPANOS  
 The Dryades Street Jazzmen — London Blues ..... Arrangement  
 ORCHESTRA — Russian Songs ..... arr. B. L. Ayton

## HOUSE MUSIC CONCERTS

Each year the five Houses compete for the John Timpson Music Cup at a series of lunch-time concerts. John Timpson will be remembered by many as our former Senior Master: he made a rich contribution to the musical life of the school and was himself a keen 'cellist.

The competition was first held in July, 1962, when we were delighted to welcome back Mr. Timpson to adjudicate at the final choral concert. This year the four concerts were adjudicated by a committee consisting of Mr. B. L. Ayton, Mr. H. E. Rudgley, and Mr. D. Aldersea.

The Cup was gained this year by Newsoms House under the accomplished leadership of B. J. Spanos. The complete scores were as follows:

	Novices' Concert	Solo Concert	Orchestral Concert	Choral Concert		Total
Cobbs ... ..	11	9	10	11	=	41
Gibbs ... ..	3	8	6	13	=	30
Halliwell's ...	7	5	3	3	=	18
Newsoms ... ..	15	14	14	13	=	56
Miltons ... ..	10	12	12	6	=	40

In the system of scoring employed, each adjudicator, working independently, placed the five Houses, five points being awarded for first place. The scores of the three adjudicators were then added together.

D.A.

### NOVICES' CLASS

GIBBS ... .. Prelude ..... J. S. Bach  
     B. Green (piano).  
 COBBS ... .. Sonata No. 3 ..... G. F. Handel  
     A. S. Gorman (flute).  
     J. M. Crocker (piano).



NEWSOMS ... La fille aux cheveux de lin ... C. Debussy, arr. Spanos  
J. Tulett (clarinet).  
B. J. Spanos (piano).

HALLIWELLS ... Rondeau (from Sonatina in F) ..... L. v. Beethoven  
H. L. Tan (piano).

MILTONS ... Purcell's Trumpet Voluntary ..... J. Clarke

#### SOLO CLASS

GIBBS ... Bagatelle in F ..... L. v. Beethoven  
L. C. Williams (piano).

HALLIWELLS ... Suite in B minor ..... J. S. Bach  
D. Crick (flute).  
C. D. Colman (piano).

NEWSOMS ... La cathédrale engloutie ..... C. Debussy  
B. J. Spanos (piano).

COBBS ... Sonata No. 10 ..... G. Tartini  
J. M. Crocker (violin).  
R. C. Cottrell (piano).

MILTONS ... Variations in the Spanish and Moroccan styles ...  
G. Windsor  
G. Windsor (piano).

#### ORCHESTRAL CLASS

COBBS ... Suite in D major (Extract) ..... J. S. Bach  
J. M. Crocker (violin).  
A. S. Gorman (flute).  
L. F. Elliott (clarinet).  
R. W. Jones ('cello).

The orchestra has been trained by J. M. Crocker, who acts as Leader.

HALLIWELLS ... "Dawn" — A Little Suite ..... P. Crossley-Holland  
M. A. Warner (descant recorder).  
J. E. Street (trumpet).  
H. L. Tan (violin).  
P. Mottershead (French horn).  
D. E. Esau (percussion).  
Conductor: D. Crick.

NEWSOMS ... "Kathy's Waltz" ..... D. Brubeck, arr. B. J. Spanos  
J. King (guitar).  
A. D. Crowe (clarinet).  
B. J. Spanos (piano).  
D. L. Cornelius (percussion).

The group has been trained by B. J. Spanos.

GIBBS ... An arrangement of "Colonel Bogey" ...  
Sousa, arr. R. Preece  
P. H. Chapman (trumpet).  
R. Preece (trumpet/piano).

B. L. Preece (violin).  
 M. Adams (violin).  
 L. C. Williams (violin).  
 D. P. Ward (clarinet).  
 R. E. Pengilley ('cello).

The orchestra has been trained by R. Preece, who acts as Leader.

MILTONS ... .. "Au clair de la lune" ..... Trad., arr. G. Windsor  
 A. Russell (baritone).  
 K. K. Russell ('cello/banjo).  
 S. J. Mawer (violin).  
 P. J. Brown (recorder/clarinet).  
 J. Nuthall (trumpet).  
 W. Munro (trumpet).  
 A. J. Patrick (trombone).  
 P. Standish (recorder).  
 Leader: G. Windsor (piano).

#### CHORAL CLASS

The Set Test Piece: "This is the day which the Lord hath made."

An anonymous unaccompanied work of the 16th century.

Each Choir performed the above work, followed by an item of its own choice.

GIBBS ... .. (a) Set Work.  
 (b) Bobby Shaftoe ..... Anon, arr. Whittaker  
 Trebles: Brewer, Dudman, Smart, Adams, Richards,  
 Colverson, Finch, Green, Huntley, Johnson,  
 Mullens, Rodda, Ward.  
 Altos: Nicholls, Pengilley.  
 Tenors: Smith, Chapman, B. Preece, Williams.  
 Basses: Miller, Elmore, R. N. Preece, Moffat.  
 Conductor: L. C. Williams.

MILTONS ... .. (a) Set Work.  
 (b) "Goin' home" (from 'New World' Symphony)  
 ... Dvorak  
 Trebles: Fry, Williams, Kaill, Smith, Sharpe, Hall,  
 Hoare, Oakshett, Brown, Hawley, Coppen.  
 Altos: Bodnarchuk, Standish, Nuthall.  
 Tenors: Rhodes, Pickard, Stone.  
 Basses: Jennings, Shoebridge, Clarke.  
 Conductor: R. E. Stone.

HALLIWELLS ... (a) Set Work.  
 (b) "Swing low, sweet chariot" Anon, arr. Wilkinson  
 Trebles: Cox, Arnold, Warner, Pashby, Masters.  
 Altos: Arnold, Tan.  
 Tenors: Davison, Mottershead.  
 Basses: Chandler, Williams, Crick.  
 Conductor: D. Crick.



How I found her close as love I know not.  
How I grasped a dream and held it with fierce grip  
Until it seemed reality,  
I cannot tell.  
I only know that from a dreamer I became  
In dreams.  
But then what seemed so real,  
So vivid,  
So exhilarating,  
Began to slip away.  
The warm tears prickled underneath my eyes  
But would not flow.  
The agonising pain of waking up contorted me within  
But would not kill me.  
The hopeless desperation of grasping at reality  
And finding it  
Mocking,  
Slipping away,  
Gently,  
Cruelly,  
Killed my dream.  
But I would rather I should wake,  
Than that this dream turn into  
Nightmare :  
Rather see the goddess leave her sacrifice  
And melt into the light,  
Than sink back as the dreamer  
And behold another holding her so desperately  
Yet dying not,  
While I live dying  
Knowing this reality.

C. R. Blackwell, 6 Arts.

### MORDEN

The blind crook-back lamp-post has a bulbous tear at its tip.  
Others, flickering through the groping, wind-bent branches,  
shine on  
And cast patterns on the empty road.  
The pavements are quiet, no longer echoing to the tap of  
stiletto heels ;

The bus stops uninhabited.  
Darkness, like obesity in an armchair, sits heavily over the  
house tops.  
A cat with ember eyes slinks through a hole in the fence ;  
A bathroom light switches off.  
The tar in the coal glows wet like an open wound.  
The kettle, bubbling, steams and steams ;  
Tears roll down the kitchen wall.

G. M. Bradshaw, 6 Arts.

### THE ZEBRA

O zebra in the blazing sun,  
Why all other beasts do you try to shun ?  
With your fine long legs and your beautiful tail —  
But hark ! I think I heard a roar !  
Why yes ! A lion on the prowl — I can tell by its growl.  
O zebra are you there ?  
Yes, you're by the river.  
O zebra the heat makes the air to quiver.  
But zebra do you find it so ?  
O zebra, where are you ? You've vanished every bit !

J. Nakar, 1Z.

### THE ARTIST

As he sits painting,  
Or puzzling what to do  
With that dab of blue or viridian,  
He hears the self-styled critic joking.  
Laughing, he says  
" I'll show you all one day "  
And though he won't admit it  
He often means what he says.  
But he thinks of the dedicated artist  
Who struggles for many years  
Amid tears and filth,  
And dies, just before the dealer can call  
To judge his work ' No good at all.'

R. F. Gill, 6 Arts.

EXCITEMENT, TRAVEL, VARIETY—

# A Royal Air Force career offers high rewards

As an officer in the Royal Air Force you could serve in any one of a dozen countries and visit twenty others. The aircraft you fly could vary from helicopters to Mach 2 fighters, and your regular runs from a hundred miles to right around the world. Pay is excellent: by the age of 21 you could be earning over £1000 a year.

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*With 'A' level G.C.E.* you may apply for entry to Cranwell, the R.A.F. College which trains you for a flying and executive career that can take you to the most senior ranks in the Service. You must be 17½-19½ and have G.C.E. in English language, mathematics, science or a language and two other subjects. Two subjects must be at 'A' level.

*With 5 'O' levels* including English language, mathematics and three other acceptable subjects you may apply for a Direct Entry commission. This gives you guaranteed service to the age of 38 and you have good prospects of service to the age of 55. Alternatively you may leave after 8 or 12 years with a tax-free gratuity of up to £4000.

## If you are Technically Minded

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## R.A.F. Scholarships

Boys over 15 years 8 months may apply for an R.A.F. Scholarship worth up to



£260 a year, to enable them to stay at their own school to take the necessary 'A' levels for Cranwell or Henlow. If you would like further information, write, giving your date of birth and details of education to Group Captain J. A. Crockett, R.A.F., Air Ministry (SCH) Adastral House, London, W.C.1. Mention the subject that most interests you: Cranwell, Direct Entry, Henlow, or R.A.F. Scholarships. Alternatively, ask your Careers Master to arrange an informal meeting with your Schools Liaison Officer.

  
**The Royal Air Force**

## THE CRUCIFIX

The open door invited me in.  
I don't know why, but conscience within  
Impelled me, with love, to find relief  
From the doubts of my feeble belief.  
There on the altar stood my bane  
The Crucifix : carved with such skill  
Of workmanship, it seemed to fill  
My soul with awe ; but all in vain.  
I crept right up to the Eucharistical rail,  
As close as possible to His Presence.  
Kneeling down, I prayed to God : but to no avail  
For the human rites of burning incense,  
Lighted candles, and glory of man's art,  
Possessed the lordship of the stubborn heart  
With which I refused to part.

Then, when the war began,  
I soldiered on the battlefield.  
But what a wretch is man !  
For wounded men, whose fates were sealed  
Cried aloud to God. They called Him THEIR God.  
All men received a peace, and to the sod  
Their bodies they did yield.  
I, with my bated breath  
Looked at those mortal frames — whose souls now rest,  
Perhaps in Paradise, for ever blessed ?  
Must I wait too, until my death  
To know Him as MY God ?  
Him, faithless men so doubt and test,  
Yet who spares them the rod.

At last, when the Truce was signed,  
I was demobbed ; but still perplexed in mind  
I sought the church (where I used to find  
The glory of man) — now an empty shell.  
Hit by a flying bomb, God's House now lay shattered.  
Stones lay near the altar in the Chancel,  
Stones, like faithless friends, cleft from the Rock and scattered.  
The Crucifix bore charred remains,  
Not of the man-made effigy,

But of Christ whose broken body  
And shed blood washed away my stains.  
I then saw the veil of my sin, rent  
In twain, by this Man, whom God has sent  
To make man forget HIS skill and lust,  
And look in the empty tomb for trust.

R. J. Crittenden, 6 Arts.

### THE DA VINCI SOCIETY

This term's meetings were confined to the Photographic and Art Competitions. The subject set for the Photographic Competition was "A Holiday Photograph." In the Senior Section we received a very high standard of work, but had a thin entry from the Middle and Junior Sections. A survey of boys possessing cameras showed that at least 80% of boys in these Sections had them, so it was most disappointing that so few submitted work. It is to be hoped that the Autumn Competition will bring better results. In the Senior Section both the Black and White and Colour Sections were most difficult to judge, there being so many good works. Finally the judges, Mr. Kilburn, Mr. Greenwell and Mr. Riley, awarded R. F. Gill, of 6 Arts, 1st prize in the Colour Section; and J. R. Watts, of 5 G, 1st prize in the Black and White Section.

The Painting Competition was based upon the poem "The Old Man in the Waterfall," by Norman Nicholson, which produced a very lively number of works. The poem suggested a varied number of treatments and this was fully exploited by the entrants. The judges, Mr. Venning, Mr. Kilburn, and Mr. Riley, awarded Charlton, of 6 Arts, 1st prize for a large oil painting which eminently captured the poetic content of the subject. R. M. Smith, of 4 F, was awarded the Middle School Section, and D. T. Wingate, of 2 H, the Junior Section.

We would like to take this occasion to thank Mr. Kilburn for all the interest he has shown, and help and time he has given to the Society; we wish him every success in the future and will sadly miss him here.

A.C.R.

### THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

The only meeting of the Classical Society this term was held yet again in the President's back room, where a mixed audience heard a talk entitled "The Pronunciation of Ancient Greek" delivered by the President himself, Dr. Morgan. Such a subject had been prompted, he said, by the frequently-voiced doubts of suspicious pupils in the Lower School as to how anyone could know the correct way to pronounce a language so ancient. But his talk, which was thorough, profusely illustrated, and often witty, made one wonder how they dare entertain such doubts. No less than twenty sources of information were enumerated, including modern Greek, descendent languages, words borrowed from, or by, ancient Greek writers, notes and comments of scholiasts, and phonetic changes and harmony. Evidence



provided by the Ancient Greeks themselves consists mainly of the work of ancient grammarians, etymologies, dialects, alliteration, poetry, music, and puns. However, circumspection must be employed in considering many of these sources: an ancient etymologist's suggestion that "caelebs" derives from the phrase "caelestium vitam ducens" is ingenious but improbable.

The evening ended in the traditional fashion with wine, olives, Greek music, and a festal atmosphere of which Horace himself would surely have approved.

M. D. Chandler.

## THE UNION OF CHRISTIANS ?

Since the Christian Union exists to unite *Christians* together in fellowship, why is it that there are still so many Christians in the school who do not support our meetings, which are planned specifically for them ?

It is our duty, as members of a Christian Union—and the duty of every other professing Christian—to surrender completely to Christ, and allow the power of the Holy Spirit to work in our hearts. This school is obviously our immediate mission-field, and hence it is absolutely vital that *all* Christians should meet together here as a community, in order to bear witness to their faith and to become more fully equipped for the Lord's service.

Bearing in mind that these are our aims, we have based our Bible Studies this term on the Epistle of James, from which we have been continually reminded that "Faith, if it does not lead to action, is in itself a lifeless thing" (James 2 : 17, N.E.B.).

Our speaker series, entitled "Modern Missions," has introduced us to the work of the Methodist Missionary Society in Ghana (by means of a colour film strip with taped commentary), and also to the work of the Africa Inland Mission, the China Inland Mission, and the World Council of Churches.

We are very conscious, all the time, of the fact that our greatest mission-field is on our doorstep, for our school is really just a piece of the jig-saw of England: the so-called 'Christian Country,' which as a whole is being corrupted by a definite rejection of Christian ethics (merely "on principle," without testing their validity); and by a general seeking after self-satisfaction, which can never satisfy the longing of man's soul. Besides our all-important, day by day, personal witness, a 'Fact and Faith' film is the only opportunity we have of bringing many under the message of the Gospel. Therefore we have continued our policy of having one of these films every term; and over fifty boys attended the showing of the latest, very challenging film, "City of the Bees."

After our Annual General Meeting, Chris Blackwell was appointed Leader for the coming school year. I wish him, those Christians who have left, and those who remain, every blessing in their continued witness in this school and in their new spheres of service.

Finally, I would remind *all* Christians that there are several ingredients necessary for successfully living the Christian life. Acts 2:42 outlines some of them — "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayers." The last point is so important that a Prayer Letter circulation to Old Boys has just been commenced; but this means that the Christian Union as a whole, and the individuals within it, must play their part too, to receive full blessing of the Lord.

R. J. Crittenden.

The JUNIOR CHRISTIAN UNION remains small but active, and everyone in the first three forms of the school will be very welcome at the meetings.

The Christian Union would like to express here its sincere gratitude and thanks to Crittenden for his leadership and service over several years; and to wish him every blessing for his future in the Lord's work.

C. R. Blackwell.

### CHESS CLUB

*Captain* : R. A. Burgess.

*Hon. Secretary* : T. J. Turner.     *Hon. Secretary (Junior Club)* : M. J. Auger.

The three matches played this term have brought the total for the year to fifteen, only equalled in 1950/51. The first match produced a victory for the Club of 6-2 against a team from the Gentlemen of the Staff. The second was against Kingston C.G.S.; and the third against Rutlish. Both were drawn 3-3 by the Seniors, but against Rutlish the Juniors, in their only match this term, lost  $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Four draws and only three defeats in the whole year means that the Senior team won over half its matches and was unbeaten at home.

Once again the knock-out competition has exceeded all-time limits and has been abandoned.

R. A. Burgess.

### No. 565 SQUADRON, AIR TRAINING CORPS

As mentioned in last term's notes, the Squadron spent its annual training camp at R.A.F. Ternhill in Shropshire; twenty cadets and four officers attended. Although it had originally been intended to fly cadets in Sycamore helicopters, these were not always available, and much of the flying was done in Chipmunks. During the week, we also visited the R.A.F. stations at Shawbury and Cosford, the latter for swimming and dinghy drill practice. The Sunday was spent by most in climbing Mount Snowdon. Although fine in the morning, the weather unfortunately deteriorated, and the whole of the descent was accompanied by pouring rain and high winds. Each evening was usually occupied with some sort of sporting activity, but one was devoted to an exercise in the surrounding countryside, followed by a crossing of the Shropshire Union Canal on improvised rafts. Altogether, the camp was a great success, the credit for which must go to Flight Lieutenant Middleton, the camp Liaison Officer.

During the second week of term, Cpl. Manger successfully completed his proficiency gliding training, while Cpl. Winhall and I underwent advanced training, all at R.A.F. Swanton Morley.

The annual Wing parade was held on Sunday, 19th May, and was inspected by the Commandant of the Air Training Corps, Air Commodore J. B. Coward, A.F.C. A limited amount of flying was also carried out, and two cadets from this Squadron had a short flight in the Whirlwind helicopter in which the Air Commodore arrived.

The Squadron enjoyed considerable success in the May examinations. Senior Cadets Belcham, Haw, Henderson, Hyman and McManus, and Leading Cadets Miller and Young, obtained passes, many with credits and distinctions, in the Senior Cadet Training and Leading Cadet Training examinations respectively. Cdt. Anderson obtained a partial pass in the Leading Cadet Training examination.

There have also been several successes in the field of athletics. In the Surrey Wing championships, Cpl. Goulding, S/Cdt. Hyman, S/Cdt. Belcham, L/Cdt. Miller, and Cdt. Anderson all won medals. Cadets Hyman, Miller, and Anderson were also selected for the Wing and awarded Wing Colours, and Cdt. Anderson is to represent Eastern Region in the Corps championships at R.A.F. Uxbridge.

The last major activity of the term was the Wing '303" shoot, held at Pirbright. This year, to conform with present Bisley standards, the shoot was held over 200 and 300 yards. The Squadron team was placed tenth on the aggregate score of the top three members, out of a total of seventeen squadrons competing.

J. Faulkner.

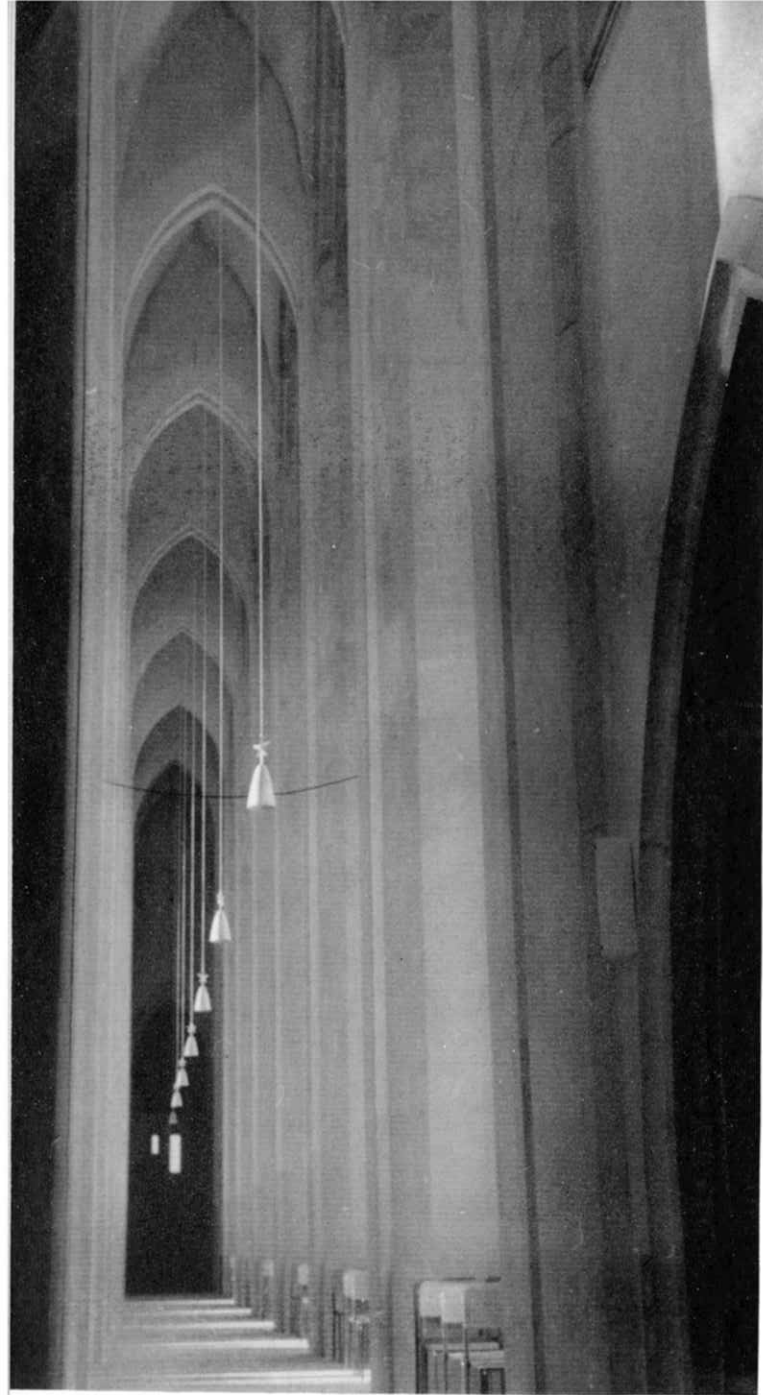
### 19th WIMBLEDON SCOUT GROUP

Once again the Group is short of Scoutmasters. Mr. Newman has been forced to leave owing to the pressure of examinations, and Mr. Stickland cannot continue because his work with the B.B.C. clashes with our Friday evening meetings. The Group, however, is in no danger of disappearing: the Seniors will take charge of the Boy Scout meetings during the Autumn Term, and will conduct their own meetings until the new Senior Scout Leader takes over after Christmas.

The Seniors have held two night hikes this term — one in the Guildford area, and one around Reigate. A long Easter Camp was held at West Hoathley, at which the main activity was hiking, and the Seniors' Room has been re-decorated by three Fifth formers as part of their post-G.C.E. projects. Two Seniors will have become Queen's Scouts by the time this report is published, and at least one other is expected before Christmas.

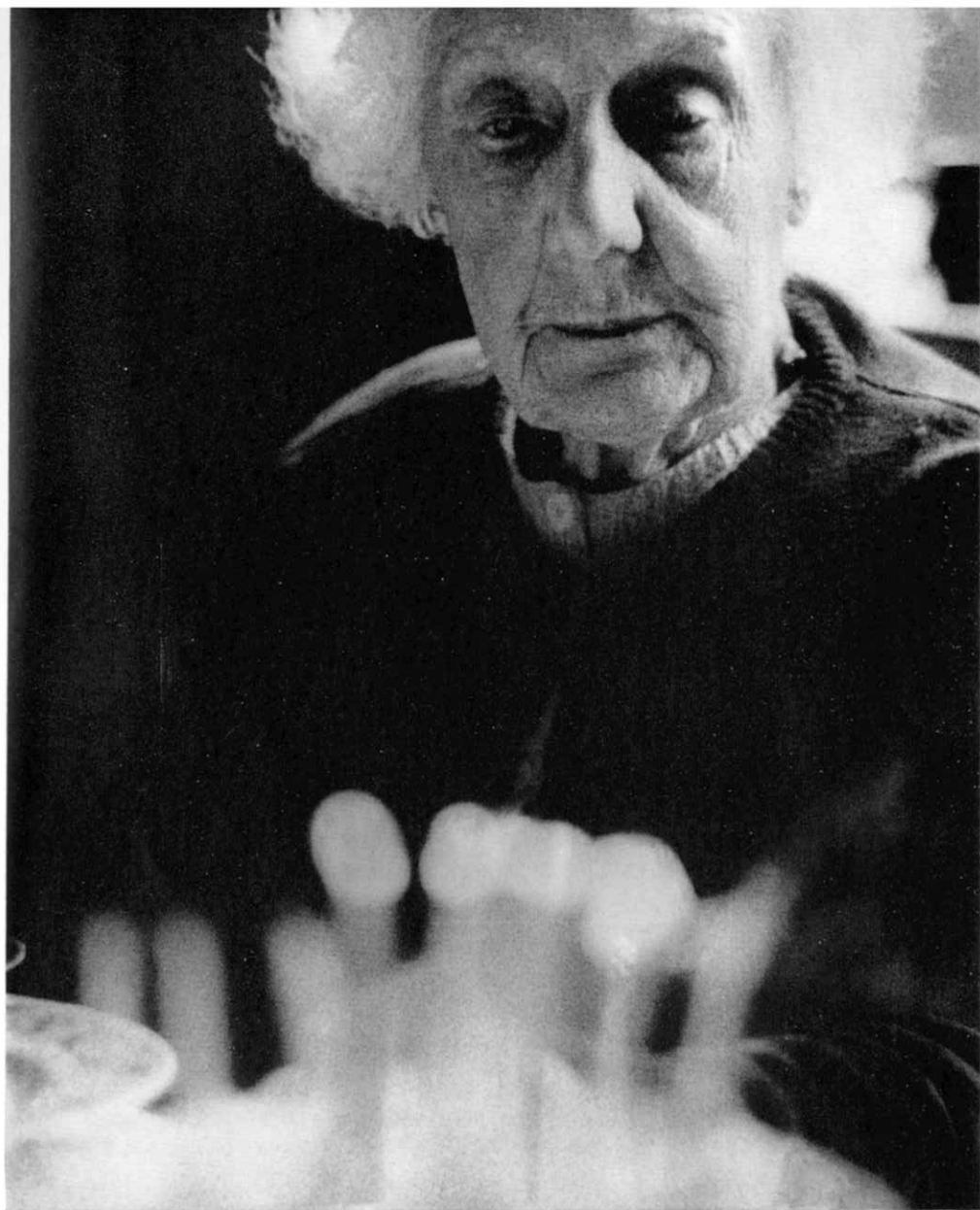
The Boy Scout Troop has held several camps this term, including Patrol Camps and a Garden Party Camp. Unfortunately, however, numbers have fallen considerably. We therefore invite recruits from the School: any boy who thinks he might enjoy Scouting activities should either see Mr. Shaw in the School, or come along to the Scout Reservation one Friday at 7 p.m.

N. C. Boreham.



EAST AISLE,  
GUILDFORD  
CATHEDRAL

M. H. ENGLISH  
*(Third in the Da Vinci Photographic Competition)*



BIRTHDAY

*(Second in the Da Vinci Photographic Competition)*

D. WILLIAMS

## PRINTERS' GUILD

The work on the Garden Party tickets, programmes and tickets for the Junior School Play, and the Athletic Sports programmes, was largely completed by several Forms during school hours under the direction of Mr. R. H. Venning. The Guild itself took orders at the Garden Party for letter-heads and hand cards. Unfortunately only the letterheads and a few hand cards have been completed. The delay in printing the cards was partly due to the fact that the usual supplier no longer stocks the particular card, but the Guild has now secured another stockist, and it is hoped that the remaining orders will be completed during the first part of the Autumn Term.

By way of experiment a points system, based upon the work completed by individual members during evenings, has been introduced. Points were also awarded for successfully completed tests and by the end of the term P. Keen, K. C. Reeve and R. P. Lee had gained the most points owing to their frequent attendances. Other members would be wise to follow their example.

Overall, the past year's work has been profitable and the improvement in quality has made it possible for the Guild to become a successful amateur business.

B. G. Butcher.

## THE STAGE GUILD

The Stage Guild's main activity this term was to help and direct the construction of scenery for the Junior School production of "Androcles and the Lion." Three changes of scenery had to be catered for, of which the first was a woodland scene comprising three large trees. These, owing to their size, had to be built in the Hall; but construction was slow owing to stoppages during music periods and choir rehearsals.

The second set, a street in Rome, consisted of three arches, two small and one large. This set was constructed, without hindrance, in the craft rooms on Monday evenings. The large arch had to be built in two halves and hinged at the centre to ensure ease of movement; the smaller arches were made as single units.

The third set, the Emperor's box in the Coliseum, was constructed with Dexion Unit kit. The metal frame was faced with hardboard and new curtains were attached to the frame. The frame, as with other Dexion constructions, is now a permanent addition to the stage scenery. By the use of pulleys and ropes the finished set could be handled with ease.

J. M. Ashmole.

## ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

The Summer Term has been a bad one for the astronomers. Even the keenest of the Society's members were discouraged by the prospect of midnight vigils in the quadrangle, and were not willing to desert their beds in the early hours of the morning.

After months of meticulous work, the stand for Mr. Gordon-Cumming's refracting telescope has been completed, and now stands in the quadrangle, beautifully finished with two coats of Woolworth's walnut varnish — but without a telescope on it. Shortly before Half Term the loss of the objective lens for the telescope was discovered! The whole school has been searched without success. If anyone finds in his pocket a large lens,  $3\frac{3}{4}$ " in diameter, weighing about 2 lbs., would he please return it to the Society?

We have carried out several improvements to the large reflecting telescope this term, including the provision of a sun projection screen and the fitting of a large steering wheel to the slow motion work, which will facilitate the precise training of the telescope.

With next term's early darkness we hope to observe the distant planets with the reflector, which is now in superb condition.

J. D. Miskin.

### THE SPUR MODEL RAILWAY CLUB

This term all meetings immediately prior to the Garden Party were confined to work nights in order to have everything in scenic and running order for the Garden Party. The reconstruction of Halliwell Green and Gibbs' Farm has been completed satisfactorily and Newsom Vale station has had a face-lift. So that smoother running may be obtained, plans have recently been put forward to make better joints between the baseboards where the track is often pulled up when the boards are being assembled or put away.

Since the former control system was in need of replacement, Mr. Nutton has built a new power-pack for split potential running and three new controllers have been bought.

During the earlier part of the Autumn Term we intend to hold a film evening, which is primarily intended to encourage new boys to attend our meetings. If this is successful we shall probably repeat the idea some time with a new choice of films.

In addition to our normal activities, we, together with several local schools, have been invited by Rutlish School to muster a party for a special train to visit and inspect the Somerset and Dorset railway. This will be early in the Autumn term, and we hope it will be another of the Model Railway Club's successful ventures into the interior!

D. N. Nutton.

### THE SPUR RAILWAY MODELLERS' SOCIETY

This Society has been formed independently of the Spur Model Railway Club for the benefit of those people who are more interested in the modelling aspect of model railways. The Society's layout consists of a small board, but despite its size, it incorporates a good deal of trackwork which facilitates both circular and end-to-end working.

The layout was in such bad repair, since it is said to have been stored in a garage for a considerable period, that the Society has not been able to

get into full swing. Project work by some Senior members after the G.C.E. examinations proved the best method of renovating the layout. We progressed slowly despite the condition of the layout and various other distractions, such as the preparation of the stage for the Junior School Play.

The main problems facing us are the need for fifteen small circuit switches (the funds total a mere three shillings), and the need to acquire rolling stock. For Open Night, we were forced to borrow some stock from a few of our eight members.

In the Autumn Term, we hope to commence scenic work as a full Society, and depending on its success or failure either its second report or its post mortem will be presented in the next issue of *The Spur*.

D. Andrews.

## THE JAZZ LISTENING GROUP

Many people regard jazz as some evil force which will corrupt the innocent listener, and all too often one hears facetious comments comparing various external noises (drills, planks, and bells) to jazz. In this school at least we do not hold our meetings in a smoke-filled dive until all hours, carrying our depravity into the next period. What we play is serious music, played by dedicated musicians, skilled in their art; the sound they make is certainly superior to that of, say, the Beatles!

We did have one break-through this term into the realms of the uninitiated when some of our group played an item in the school concert, though I gather there was even opposition to this simple 'trad.' This reminds me of the usual controversy between 'modern' and 'trad,' but, as I have said before, and will say again, the only jazz really worth listening to is good jazz.

Jazz, of course, does not exclude any other sort of music, and everybody in the group has other musical tastes. The people who completely exclude jazz as an art form and say it is to be ignored are not music lovers or art lovers; they are in fact "base fools." Whatever its merits, jazz is a stimulating pastime, unlike sitting down and discussing cricket and the weather as many of the inmates of our common room, who are against jazz, so often do.

M. P. Dudley.

## STAMP COLLECTING

Stamp collecting appears to many people to be a dull hobby, consisting merely of assembling large quantities of multicoloured pieces of paper with serrated edges and with various patterns and/or faces on one surface. I thought this until last summer when I had the opportunity to sort through a large packet.

I was advised to collect stamps from a few countries at a time, rather than try to collect any stamps that came my way. I soon found that the stamps of Great Britain were not so uninteresting as they appear, for example there are about 24 different varieties of the 2½d. It has appeared on paper bearing



three different watermarks, with black graphite lines on the back, and with different types of phosphor lines on the front. The last two were used in connection with special sorting machines in Southampton and South East London.

There are also special stamps known as "Regional Issues" which are used in Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. There have also been several special issues of stamps commemorating various events — such as the Olympic and Empire Games, Scout Jamboree and the Coronation. Five sets have been issued this year to mark the "Freedom from Hunger Campaign," "Paris Postal Conference," "Red Cross Centenary," "Lifeboat Conference" and "National Nature Week."

So you see that even collecting only Great Britain stamps is not so dull as most people believe and it is also inexpensive as they are quite easy to obtain.

R. Shaw.

## ADULTS AND CLASSICISTS ONLY

### *Aristophanes' Lysistrata*

Coached in luxury, adults, intellectuals and classicists bowled down for an evening of Aristophanes at the Ashcroft Theatre, Croydon, on May 1st, ready to emit, as the Programme hastened to encourage us, "not sly suggestive sniggers" but "gusty laughter born of warm earthy humour."

*Lysistrata* is about the women of both sides in the Peloponnesian War who, sick of the men's hostilities, go on "marital strike" till their husbands conclude peace. It works, of course, and Athenian and Spartan males, united in common suffering, make up and end with a revel, whereupon the audience go to the "pub." This is what is called a Classic.

Against a bright and simple set, the acting on the part of the women was most lively. I would praise *Lysistrata* herself (Anne Burley) on achieving a vigorous portrayal of that boisterous suffragette type. The men, equipped as they were with names like The Erroneous Plodder, The Vociferous Deputy, The Agitated One, uproariously fulfilled their roles as goon warriors. Yet, faithful though Fitts's translation was, together with Chorus in the Ancient Greek style, we were, I suspect, often led to imagine ourselves at a Crazy Gang show. Not that this detracted from our enjoyment! The music was more interesting than its players sometimes let us believe, but at one Gilbert-and-Sullivan point, it had the whole audience clapping in time. The play, indeed, is a romp, however grave its anti-war purport. We certainly enjoyed it as such.

Our thanks go to Dr. Morgan for arranging for our coach.

A. S. Gorman.

## SHAKESPEARE AND SPARTACUS

Polesdon Lacey, as far as I could ascertain in the murky twilight of a cool Friday evening, is the big garden belonging to a lump of national heritage known, oddly enough, as Polesdon Lacey House. It was to this island of the

South (cut off from the rest of England by sheer distance from anywhere else and only able to be reached by venturing along an infinite, shady lane) that a select party from R.P.C.G.S. ventured to see the annual Shakespearean production in the open air theatre: this year, "Julius Caesar."

Polesdon Lacey is National Trust property and one is not allowed to forget this. There was a display in a little tent, a reminder in the Programme and on the posters, and, most charming of all, a meaty leaflet crammed with information in a form easily intelligible to the simple, and concluding with a two page "Application for Membership." For those interested a Benefactor in 1963 is valued at £500 by the National Trust.

This leaflet, under the fascinating and elusive title of "WHAT IS THE NATIONAL TRUST?" tells us that "It preserves the national inheritance for the nation . . . It owns castles, Roman remains, country houses, buildings of architectural and historic value . . . It owns large areas of our coastline, moorland, common and woodland. It has kept them untouched by ugly so-called 'development.'" Were I Bernard Levin I would seize upon the mouth-watering phrase "Roman remains" and say "This sums up my impression of this production of 'Julius Caesar.'" But I am a kind critic, and although I would not agree that in this case the National Trust preserved a "national inheritance" and kept it "untouched by ugly so-called 'development'," I must admit I found the development most pleasing if rather un-Shakespearean. The words which came over the amplifiers surprisingly clearly, *were* those written by William Shakespeare — if he wrote them that is. But the music was, so I am told, from the sound-track of "Spartacus"; while the set at first glance reminded me of the ghost train at Littlehampton, and others of a long, pink stone air-raid shelter.

Before the curtain rose, metaphorically of course because to curtain off an open air stage would presumably be both difficult and expensive, we were able to learn from the Programme that Julius Caesar was a "politician and all-conquering general" and that the Wardrobe Mistress revelled in the name of Unity Butters. Our party made its first mark during the National Anthem which preceded the play, when one member preferred to remain seated — the conscientious objection being, "It says something about God save the Queen: and I don't believe in either!" This defiance of the monarchy (perhaps soon to be purchased as part of our national heritage by the National Trust) gave the coach-loads of giggling schoolgirls, who had only just regained their composure in time from the Anthem after one of their number had loudly complained with the ambiguous phrase "My seat's broken," something else over which to break into bird-song.

Then it was the play. I will not bore you with details of the individual actors as some critics do, but with a few boring incidents instead. For instance the stabbing of Caesar became a delightful game of "from me, to you." Were I ever to be stabbed I should be inclined to run a mile before the "most unkindest cut of all" was inflicted. But the Romans were made of sterner stuff. Caesar tottered obligingly down a flight of steps straight into the arms of each successive assassin, who having stabbed passed on. I am convinced that any court would rule Caesar's death under these circumstances, suicide.

The rioting which followed Mark Antony's speech to the, in this case fifty-two, friends, Romans and countrymen (who lent not only their ears, but their hearty rhubarbs as well) was the occasion of some wonderful, imaginative production totally in keeping with this epic-film-style production. The set was dismantled by rioters, who carried away with phenomenal ease what we had been led to believe were great blocks of stone leaving a blackened network of internal struts; and meanwhile hair-raising screams came from the woods behind the set where red lights were flickering in the trees and dense clouds of smoke were pouring to the skies. Anyone not aware of the nature of the proceedings, might have been forgiven for thinking this was an almighty camp-fire orgy; but for us Rome burnt. It was unfortunate that this climax did not cue the interval, already long-awaited by those whose matter predominated over mind (for these it is worth sacrificing "Julius Caesar" to leave a hard seat for the beer tent), since many had already begun the trek when it was realised that the show went on. This awkward moment passed.

The unfortunate events after the interval were largely aural. We had observed shadowy figures creeping off home through the dusk from the changing bush (moralists please note there may have been tents behind the bush—I couldn't see properly) and when the battle scenes ensued, the noises-off were pitiable. What should have been a sound like a deafening amplification of someone dropping a cutlery drawer, was in fact the sound of someone (could it have been faithful Unity Butters?) bashing two spoons together.

Nevertheless those of us who went to this performance, under whatever motives, enjoyed some aspect of this undeniably imaginative production and the standard of acting was in the main extremely good. Whether your line of country is a romantic presentation of Shakespeare such as the George Inn offers, or the dynamism of a "Spartacus" style spectacular, there was something for you here, and some of us found it,

C. R. Blackwell.

### BRIGHTON WALK — 1963

"Modern youth is going down the drain!" The battle cry of the over-thirties would seem to be justified by the performance of twelve members of the Sixth Form on April 9th-10th—only six of the party completed the journey.

Leaving the "Queen Vic" at five o'clock on Tuesday evening the party set a brisk pace towards Banstead and Reigate. The first stop was at the latter, where stomachs were filled and blisters tended. Then the party marched on, in steady rain, to Gatwick—here the first casualties, beaten by blisters, left for home. The rest continued into Crawley, fortified by Radio Luxembourg. Then Handcross loomed ahead—slowly and painfully the party marched up, stumbling on grass, peering into the darkness and being blinded by the headlights of cars. A stop at the top of the climb brought stiffened muscles and weaker resolve. Then the party continued along the middle of the road for at half-past twelve traffic is rare even on the Brighton Road. Occasionally a car's lights would pierce the darkness and there would be a

rush, or rather an accelerated crawl to the side of the road till the danger was past. Then on, every step a little worse than the last. A stop at a garage, one of many breaks now being taken, encouraged five to stop and sleep — only three of whom completed the walk. The rest stumbled on in ones and twos, with the moon occasionally lighting the way. One of the leaders drugged his sufferings with whisky.

At about five o'clock the diminished party stopped at a bus shelter and, cramming themselves in, slept until eight. Two of the party (including the fittest member) promptly gave up the walk, only five miles from Brighton. The other three, joined by one from the garage group, continued, stopping frequently, until at a quarter past nine they passed the pylons (purists who say they should have gone to the sea front are invited to do so themselves). Then on into Brighton by bus, a hot meal at Joe's and a rest for aching feet. Two more members of the original party arrived — one of whom (a regular 1st XV member) could only move his feet six inches at a time! There followed a sleepy drive home in S. G. Lewis's car and then sleep for eighteen hours.

D. Williams.

## CRICKET

### 1st XI

*Master-in-Charge* : N. T. Poulter, Esq.

*Captain* : M. J. Woodhall.      *Secretary* : I. P. Jackman.

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
13	6	4	3

### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Shene G.S., Lost : 56, 57 for 8 (Quilliam 6-18).
- v. Heath Clark G.S., Won : 51 for 4, 49.
- v. Hampton G.S., Won : 119 for 8 dec., 76 (Jackman 5-32).
- v. St. Mary's College, Won : 77 for 9, 73 (Quilliam 5-26).
- v. City Freeman's, Won : 147 for 4, 144 (Quilliam 7-41, Sime 48, Featherstone 36 n.o.).
- v. Surbiton G.S., Lost : 53, 112 (Ventham 35).
- v. Bec. G.S., Lost : 127 for 6 dec., 128 for 5 (Woodhall 50 n.o.).
- v. Hayes G.S., Won : 144 for 8 dec., 90 (Ventham 50).
- v. Battersea G.S., Drawn : 73 for 8, 169 for 4 dec.
- v. Salesian College, Drawn : 51 for 4, 125 (Rain stopped play).
- v. Thames Valley, Won : 111 for 6, 110 for 9 dec. (Casting 5-38, Woodhall 39 n.o.).
- v. Gentlemen of the Staff, Drawn : 65 for 4, 160 for 4 dec. (Rain stopped play).
- v. Mitcham G.S., Lost : 61, 62 for 7.

This has been a better than average season mainly because some, at least, of the potential of the side has been realised.

The batting has had more depth and generally has produced more runs than in the last few seasons, although fluctuations in performances were much in evidence. Our bowling, overall, has been steady if unspectacular and the

fielding has been adequate, Ventham in particular holding some remarkable catches on the leg side.

At the beginning of the season we were handicapped by not possessing a resident groundsman at Oberon, but thanks to the efforts of players, parents and friends, and the County Council, we were able to manage until the new groundsman arrived.

After a surprising initial defeat against Shene, the side won four successive matches (the most creditable against Hampton) including a score of 147-4 in 86 minutes against City Freeman's. Indifferent batting lost us the match against Surbiton and a limited bowling strength greatly marred prospects against Bec and Battersea. Rain ruined chances of a victory against Salesians but general superiority resulted in a 4 wickets win over Thames Valley. In the annual Staff Match, a much underrated Staff side were in a strong position when rain stopped play. The season was concluded with a match against Mitcham which we lost after a very disappointing performance.

The team usually included :

- R. Lancaster : Regular opening batsman with a sound defence. His potential as a bowler was not recognised until late in the season.
- J. Sinfield : A solid player whose batting abilities have not fully been realised this season. Complains of spasmodic loss of vision, but nevertheless has been an asset to the side.
- C. Sime : Has been a great addition to the batting strength. He has some stylish strokes and can be a useful bowler as was illustrated against the Staff. His throwing to the wicket was, however, at one time suspect.
- G. Featherstone : Could be an excellent all-rounder. An attacking batsman who should curb his indiscriminate attacking.
- D. Castling : A very valuable member of the side in all aspects of the game. Steady opening bowler and a sound batsman.
- G. Quilliam : A very lively, if temperamental, opening bowler who took 34 wickets this season. Promising batsman who played several useful innings.
- J. Ventham : Has occasionally opened the batting, with mixed fortunes. He scored a fifty against Hayes. An excellent close fielder.
- K. Jackson : Essentially an attacking batsman who drives strongly but unfortunately only occasionally stays long enough to display his other abilities. Good, athletic deep-fielder.
- L. Jackman : Left-arm spinner who bowled particularly well against Hampton. As a natural no. 11 batsman he came into his own against Battersea. Evans, Greenman, Laing, Sinanan, Jennings and Corke also played.

M. J. Woodhall.

M. J. Woodhall has led the side with a determination to win and an astuteness that increased as the season advanced. It is noteworthy that all three drawn games were badly affected by rain and were not caused by negative cricket. He took over the role of wicket-keeper when the need arose and kept competently for the majority of the matches. His batting has at last fulfilled earlier promise ; frequently his cutting and off-driving provided the most memorable strokes of the game.

The thanks of the whole team are due to Jackman for his efficient work as Secretary, to Butcher as a regular trustworthy scorer (and in an emergency as a player as well), and not least to Mr. Warner, our new groundsman, who has pulled the ground round so well after the neglect of the opening weeks of the term and has thus made a valuable contribution to the improved standard of cricket in the School, which this season's performances reflect.

N.T.P.

#### BATTING AVERAGES

	No. of Innings	Times Not Out	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
M. Woodhall ...	12	3	50 n.o.	209	23.3
C. Sime ...	11	0	48	184	16.7
D. Castling ...	13	5	28	117	14.6
J. Ventham ...	11	1	50	126	12.6
G. Featherstone ...	13	2	36 n.o.	129	11.7

#### BOWLING AVERAGES

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. Quilliam ...	126.3	26	261	34	7.68
I. Jackman ...	57.4	11	172	12	14.33
G. Featherstone ...	128	27	351	24	14.63
D. Castling ...	131.4	21	390	25	15.60

Also : Lancaster 3-13, Sime 2-9, Corke 4-21.

#### 2nd XI

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
10	4	4	2

#### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Shene C.G.S., Won : 71 (Banks 34), 22 (Burgoyne 7-7).
- v. Heath Clark, Won : 127 for 9 dec. (Sime 50), 47 (Burgoyne 5-19).
- v. Hampton G.S., Drawn : 72 for 9, 88.
- v. Surbiton C.G.S., Lost : 92 (King 32, Cox 31), 96 for 6.
- v. Bec School, Lost : 28, 29 for 6.
- v. Hayes C.G.S., Won : 52, 37 (Laing 6-12).
- v. Battersea G.S., Lost : 26, 92 for 2 dec.
- v. The Staff, Lost : 61, 62 for 5.
- v. Salesian College, Drawn : 124 for 7 dec. (Tickner 46), 108 for 9 (Burgoyne 6-34).
- v. Mitcham C.G.S., Won : 118 for 7 dec. (J. F. Evans 53), 33 (J. F. Evans 8-18).

As happened last year, the 2nd XI has broken even. We convincingly won four matches, drew two, narrowly lost three, but we were trounced by Battersea.

The batting was on most occasions unreliable, and we usually had to rely on one batsman to score the bulk of the team's runs : Banks, Sime, Laing, King, Tickner, and J. F. Evans all helped us to a respectable total on at least one

occasion each. Everyone in the side could be called a batsman of some sort, and because of this players who went in at number 10 or 11 in one match found themselves opening in the next. The bowling was dominated by Burgoyne's ability to take wickets, sometimes with exceptionally bad balls, but usually he bowled accurately, and often he bowled for long spells. He took in all 34 wickets with an average of 3.9. The rest of the bowling was shared among Laing, King, and J. F. Evans, all of whom had notable successes. The fielding was occasionally spectacular but more usually slovenly. Twenty-seven catches were held, and only a very few were missed. Mr. Extras, with a total of 108 runs, was the side's most consistent scorer.

One might comment on two matches.

The Hampton match was played in near darkness and was drawn. Hampton, who usually field a very strong side, were at one time 40 for 8, but the ninth wicket pair were allowed to put on 48, and so they reached a respectable total. Our innings started off with a bang, Laing hitting 27 in 20 minutes, but the middle batting collapsed, Nisbet being the only other player to reach double figures.

We should have beaten Salesians. The School declared at 124 for 7, and at one time Salesians were 27 for 7, but their last three wickets added 81 runs and when stumps were drawn they were uncomfortably close to our total.

The team usually included : Nisbet, Uden, J. Evans, J. F. Evans, Greenman, Heaton, King, Laing, Manger, Warren, Alexander, Burgoyne.

P. C. Uden and J. Nisbet.

## Colt XI

### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Heath Clark School, Lost : 31, 60 (Corke 6-12).
- v. Hampton G.S., Won : 22 for 6, 19 (Corke 6-10, Bruce 4-8).
- v. City Freeman's, Won : 124, 27 (Corke 51, Batten 29, Corke 5-12, Jennings 3-0).
- v. Bec School, Lost : 41, 109 (Corke 4-17).
- v. Battersea G.S., Drawn : 72 for 4 (Jennings 25 n.o.). Rain stopped play.
- v. Staff, Lost : 95, 96 for 4 (Anderson 56 n.o.).
- v. Mitcham C.G.S., Won : 77 for 9, 76 (Corke 4-25).

The Colt XI this year has done better than was expected. Though sometimes more enthusiastic than skilful (not a major fault) they have enjoyed their cricket and provided worthy opposition for their opponents. Attendance at practices has been good, and the team has been well managed at all times by Jennings, the captain.

Early in the season Corke was in good form with the bat and scored fifty against City Freeman's. He is developing well as an all-round cricketer. Jennings, though not in his best batting form, has played good cricket and has bowled intelligently. Of the remainder, Anderson has proved the value on more than one occasion of hard hitting and a good eye ; Bruce has bowled industriously and well in support of Corke ; Smith (D.L.) has improved as a

wicket-keeper, though still using his feet too much ; Fleming has played good shots without any luck ; and all have given their captain cheerful and energetic support. The following have played for the Colts this year :

Jennings, C. G. ; Fleming, G. E. C. ; Lovell, P. J. ; Woodley, R. F. ; Corke, N. R. ; Ashworth, J. M. ; Anderson, R. C. ; Smith, D. L. ; Bruce, A. R. ; Maskell, G. M. ; Preece, R. N. ; Preece, B. L. ; Batten, R. P. ; Lindsey, D. R. ; Smith, R. J.

Thanks are due to Smith, R. J. for his faithful services as scorer.

G.J.A.

## Under 14 XI

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
7	5	0	2

### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Shene G.S., Won : 65 for 5 dec., 8 (Salter 6-5, Marsh 3-1).
- v. Hampton G.S., Drawn : 95 (De Buc 22), 71 for 9.
- v. Bec C.G.S., Won : 95 for 9 (Marsh 33), 66.
- v. Battersea G.S., Won : 42 for 6 (Salter 23), 41 (Early 4-11).
- v. Hayes G.S., Won : 126 for 7 dec. (Salter 27 n.o., Marsh 25), 39 (King 8-17).
- v. Thames Valley, Drawn : 43 for 5, 68 (Hoffman 5-11).
- v. Mitcham, Won : 79 for 7 dec. (Marsh 27), 16 (Salter 6-8, Hoffman 4-8).

Unbeaten this season, the team has fulfilled its great promise of last year and augurs well for the future.

Marsh has batted very well and scored many runs. There will be still more to come when he learns to discipline himself against rash strokes. King has bowled consistently well, especially against Hayes when he took 8 for 17, and has progressed well as a batsman. De Buc has disappointed as wicket-keeper, being inclined to let the ball through on the leg side without making much attempt to bend to it. He and Pottinger have opened and generally given us a useful start. Tickner has improved greatly in his batting and is now our regular number 4. Stimpson has taken some brilliant catches in the gully and all the team have fielded keenly. Vincent developed into a good out-fielder. Fitter made an encouraging debut in the team and has batted, bowled, and fielded with some promise. Malam, when he has lost his nervousness, will contribute greatly to the amount of runs scored. Salter opened the bowling with Early or Hoffman, who have been challenging each other for this position. We have been fortunate in having reserves in Colombo, Howard, and Whittamore, who have been always willing to play. Lee has scored willingly and efficiently.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Wyatt for arranging practices and giving useful advice in the nets.

The following boys have played : Salter, Marsh, King, Tickner, Pottinger, Malam, De Buc, Vincent, Stimpson, Early, Fitter, Hoffman, Colombo, and Whittamore.

P. Salter.



Our success this season must be due to the way we have been captained. Salter has inspired the team and in both batting and bowling sets a fine example for us to follow. He won the match against Battersea with a fine 23 after four wickets were down for the same total of runs. In the last match of the season he bowled brilliantly and took five wickets in six balls, including the hat-trick.

A. Marsh.

### Under 13 XI

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
7	3	2	2

#### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Heath Clark, Won : 41, 40.
- v. Beverley, Won : 67 for 4, 62 for 8 dec. (Thompson 31 n.o.).
- v. Bec. G.S., Lost : 45, 46 for 5.
- v. Hampton G.S., Drawn : 109, 87 for 8 (Hopper 52, Ventham 6-31).
- v. Battersea G.S., Drawn : 30 for 6, 55 (Thomson 4-25).
- v. Wandsworth, Lost : 17, 18 for 1.
- v. Wimbledon College, Won : 62 for 9, 61 (Naylor 32).

The Under 13 XI has improved greatly upon their performances of last season. The team has played well together with someone starring in each match.

In the first match of the season against Heath Clark, we narrowly won by one run. Winning this match gave us confidence not only for the rest of the season, but more particularly against Beverley, our next opponents. Batting first, they declared at 62 for 8 but thanks to a splendid innings by Thomson, we eventually won by 5 wickets.

Hopper hammered Hampton for a brilliant 52 when we reached our highest score of the season. In the Hampton innings, Ventham took 6 for 31 but unfortunately time ran out before we could press home a victory.

The last match of the season was the most exciting of all. Wimbledon College scored 61 and we ended by needing 3 runs to win with 3 wickets standing ; this was only achieved with one wicket remaining intact.

Whilst it is generally felt that the batting could be considerably improved, the team have shown up well in the field. Some excellent catches have been held and the regular bowlers have done a good job throughout the season.

The team was generally chosen from the following : D. Naylor, P. Thomson, D. Ventham, S. V. Hall, S. Down, A. Jones, G. Hopper, C. Ainger, N. Rennie, N. Parsons, R. Adams, R. Seeley, J. Lusby.

D. Naylor.

Naylor's qualities as a captain have improved greatly throughout the season whilst his batting and bowling have been very reliable. This augurs well for next year when we hope to do even better.

Our thanks are also due to Brooker who has been our regular scorer for most of the season.

M.J.S.

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## Under 12½ XI

### RESULTS (School's score first)

- v. Beverley, Won : 42 for 5, 40 (Abbott 8-2).
- v. Surbiton, Drawn : 26 for 6, 26.
- v. Bec, Drawn : 21 for 7, 73.
- v. Hampton, Drawn : 17 for 4, 89 for 8 dec.
- v. Alleyer's, Lost : 27, 85 (Cannons 5-23).
- v. Battersea, Drawn : 69 for 7 dec., 33 for 1.
- v. Wandsworth, Lost : 62 for 8 dec., 63 for 8 (Taylor 27 n.o., Kaill 5-15).
- v. Thames Valley, Won : 67 for 6, 63 (Murrell 22, Kaill 6-16).

The extension of the fixture list to eight matches for the first form side has been amply justified by the performances this season. The beginnings were tentative, as might be expected, although we started with a win. The batting was timid and the running between the wickets alternated from the over-cautious to the suicidal. Yet confidence increased to the point that in the last match the team was able to score far faster than our opponents and snatch a victory under the threat of the clock and heavy rain. The fielding improved noticeably, Finch in particular distinguishing himself. Taylor opened the innings regularly with a sound defence and a growing ability to use his scoring shots; he also develops competently as a wicket-keeper. Murrell proved a valuable all-rounder with the promise of becoming a very good batsman. Abbott, Kaill and Cannons all had their moments of success with the ball and all experienced the dangers of uncertain length and bowling too much down the leg side.

It was an encouraging year for a pleasantly balanced team that was always willing to learn from its mistakes and its defeats.

The teams were selected from : Abbott (captain), Murrell, Taylor, Kaill, Cannons, Moore, Reeve, Smith, Collins, Simmons, Harper, Shaw, Brewer, Finch.

N.T.P.

## Staff XI

The formation of a Staff Cricket Club this season for the purpose of giving members of staff some match practice before their annual engagement with the School First XI has proved very successful.

Performances have improved throughout our brief season, particularly in fielding and batting, but our bowling is still very vulnerable to attack. On several occasions the staff have co-opted young bowlers to help out when we have been numerically short. Our thanks are due to Corke, Salter, and Smith, D. L., in this respect, and to Smith, R. J., for scoring.

In our first match we were overwhelmed by Richmond and Barnes Teachers although Mr. Poulter made sure that we were not all out by the end of our time limit.

The Colts were in danger of serious defeat at 29 for 6 when Anderson rallied the side to score a useful 96. Mr. Poulter and Mr. Pannell put on a useful 65 for the first wicket to lay the foundations of our victory.

The Second XI succumbed to the mysteries of Mr. Shaw and were dismissed for 61. Dr. Morgan dominated the batting and was unbeaten when victory was achieved.

The First XI underestimated the Staff, and two large stands helped towards the large total of 160. Dr. Morgan and Mr. King added 61 for the second wicket, and Mr. Poulter and Mr. Shaw added 60 for the fourth. With the School's score at 60 for the loss of four wickets, the Staff were definitely on top when rain stopped play.

Our final match, against Richmond Hill C.C., was an enjoyable one with Corke and Mr. Poulter bowling well. The Staff failed to reach the total of 124 by 16 runs.

#### RESULTS (Staff score first)

- v. Richmond and Barnes, Lost : 69 for 6, 132 for 7 (N.T.P. 40 n.o.).
- v. Colts, Won : 96 for 4, 95 (L.R.K. 3-30, N.T.P. 32).
- v. Second XI, Won : 62 for 5, 61 (M.J.S. 4-14, G.M. 39 n.o.).
- v. First XI, Drawn : 160 for 4 dec., 65 for 4 (G.M. 44, M.J.S. 40 n.o.).
- v. Richmond Hill C.C., Lost : 108, 124 (Corke 6-27, N.T.P. 4-24).

M.J.S.

### ATHLETICS

*Master-in-Charge* : A. R. Pannell, Esq.

*Captain* : K. E. Jackson.      *Secretary* : B. J. Spanos.

The season has been most successful both from the point of view of school fixtures and individual performances. Many of the team made use of the Athletics Club for training, and also qualifying for their Houses.

Of eight school matches, we won against Tiffins and Sutton, Surbiton, Bec, Beverley, and Mitcham, lost to Hinchley Wood and Chiswick, and came second in the triangular match against St. Nicholas and Isleworth. Neither of the two losses was by an overwhelming margin, the Hinchley Wood result depending on the final relays, and Chiswick proving again to be slightly too strong for us.

At the Wimbledon and District Sports the Junior team came first, and the Intermediate second, and several members represented the district at the County Sports. The Grammar School Sports was disappointing : we finished well down in the overall placings, despite the fact that we had beaten Sutton, the eventual winners of the Championships, earlier in the season ; this is a meeting at which we could really distinguish ourselves next year.

Several notable performances were achieved during the season, and the following records were set up (apart from those shown in the results of the athletics sports) :—

- 100 yards, Junior : A. J. George, 11.0 sec.
- 220 yards, Major : C. Q. Colombo and M. A. Bedford, 25.2 sec.
- 440 yards, Senior : R. A. Burgess, 53.4 sec.
- High Jump, Minor : J. E. Street, 4' 6".
- High Jump, Senior : S. J. Mawer, 5' 9".

Long Jump, Minor : A. J. Cocks, 15' 11".

Pole Vault, Colt : D. Ammann, 7' 0".

Particularly to be commended is the Junior relay team (Colombo, Bedford, Rake, and George) for gaining first place in the Surrey Championships, and remaining unbeaten throughout the season.

The Athletic Sports was held on 11th July, at Motspur Park ; with the innovation of heats to decide entrants the general standard of performance was raised, and competition was more intense. For the success of the Sports all members of staff are to be thanked ; we are especially indebted to those who have supported the Athletics team, and particularly to Mr. Pannell for his hard work in organisation and encouragement throughout the season.

B. J. Spanos.

## Sports Day

### HOUSE COMPETITION

First :	Gibbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	1669 pts.
Second :	Miltons	...	...	...	...	...	...	1422 pts.
Third :	Cobbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	1360 pts.
Fourth :	Halliwells	...	...	...	...	...	...	1232 pts.
Fifth :	Newsoms	...	...	...	...	...	...	1193 pts.
S.—Senior, C.—Colts, J.—Junior, Ma.—Major, Mi.—Minor.								

#### 100 yards

S.: 1st, Cox (G) ; 2nd, Spanos (N) ; 3rd, Hedley (H). 10.8 sec.  
C.: 1st, Bradshaw (C) ; 2nd, Pett (N) ; 3rd, Hutchins (M). 11.4 sec.  
J.: 1st, George (N) ; 2nd, Bedford (H) ; 3rd, Lake (H). 11.3 sec.  
Ma.: 1st, Colombo (C) ; 2nd, Hall (G) ; 3rd, Lusby (G). 11.6 sec.  
Mi.: 1st, Hopper (N) ; 2nd, Brewer (G) ; 3rd, Coppin (M). 12.8 sec.

#### 220 yards

S.: 1st, Spanos (N) ; 2nd, Burgess (G) ; 3rd, Osborne (M). 23.8 sec.  
Record.  
C.: 1st, Goulding (M) ; 2nd, Lane (G) ; 3rd, Hutchins (M). 25.4 sec.  
J.: 1st, Bedford (H) ; 2nd, Davies (N) ; 3rd, Sheehan (G). 26.1 sec.  
Ma.: 1st, Colombo (C) ; 2nd, Lusby (G) ; 3rd, Masters (H). 26.1 sec.  
Mi.: 1st, Naylor (N) ; 2nd, Beardsmore (N) ; 3rd, Pearmaine (M). 29.3 sec.

#### 440 yards

S.: 1st, Burgess (G) ; 2nd, Nisbet (M) ; 3rd, Crittenden (H). 53.7 sec.  
C.: 1st, Cottrell (C) ; 2nd, Batten (M) ; 3rd, King (H). 56.7 sec.  
J.: 1st, Malam (M) ; 2nd, Fitter (N) ; 3rd, Callander (G). 59.7 sec.  
Ma.: 1st, Hall (G) ; 2nd, Wilson (C) ; 3rd, Howard (N). 61.8 sec.  
Mi.: 1st, Murphy (H) ; 2nd, Seeley (G) ; 3rd, Coppin (M). 66.9 sec.

#### 880 yards

S.: 1st, Holland (G) ; 2nd, Jackson (N) ; 3rd, Chapman (C). 2 min. 3.5 sec. Record.  
C.: 1st, Elliott (C) ; 2nd, Carlin (M) ; 3rd, Alexander (M). 2 min. 14.6 sec.  
J.: 1st, Miller (G) ; 2nd, Anderson (C) ; 3rd, Trundle (M). 2 min. 16.0 sec.

## Mile

S.: 1st, Jackson (N); 2nd, Keen (G); 3rd, Chapman/Brazier (C). 4 min. 44.6 sec.

C.: 1st, Shrubbs (N); 2nd, Goulding (M); 3rd, McCubbin (C). 4 min. 57.1 sec.

J.: 1st, Miller (G); 2nd, Hall (C); 3rd, Freeman (H). 5 min. 13.6 sec.

## Hurdles

S.: 1st, Featherstone (H); 2nd, Holland (G); 3rd, Parks (C). 14.7 sec.

C.: 1st, Catton (H); 2nd, Castling (G); 3rd, Shrubbs (N). 17.0 sec.

J.: 1st, Whittamore (M); 2nd, Hutchins (N); 3rd, Clutterbuck (M). 13.2 sec.

Ma.: 1st, Bantick (C); 2nd, Howard (N); 3rd, Vaughn (G). 13.0 sec.

Mi.: 1st, Beardsmore (N); 2nd, Seeley (G); 3rd, Miles (H). 14.5 sec.

## High Jump

S.: 1st, Mawer (M); 2nd, Featherstone (H); 3rd, Fisk (C). 5' 2".

C.: 1st, Marsh (M); 2nd, Blunden (C); 3rd, Alexander (M). 4' 10".

J.: 1st, Belcham (N); 2nd, Clarke (C); 3rd, Clutterbuck (M). 4' 8".

Ma.: 1st, Butcher (M); 2nd, Schwartz (C); 3rd, Cherry (C). 4' 1".

Mi.: 1st, Murphy (H); 2nd, Street (G); 3rd, Fry (M). 4' 4".

## Long Jump

S.: 1st, Cox (G)/Featherstone (H); 3rd, Spanos (N). 19' 2".

C.: 1st, Rance (G); 2nd, Vincent (H); 3rd, Marsh (M). 18' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

J.: 1st, Salter (N); 2nd, Malam (M); 3rd, Griffith (G). 16' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Ma.: 1st, Cocks (C); 2nd, Hopper (N); 3rd, Naylor (N). 14' 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

Mi.: 1st, Vaughan (G); 2nd, White (G); 3rd, Brown (M). 14' 6".

## Triple Jump

S.: 1st, Holland (G); 2nd, Nisbet (M); 3rd, Jackson (N). 39' 0".

C.: 1st, Lane (G); 2nd, King (H); 3rd, Raison (C). 36' 10".

J.: 1st, Tuffin (M); 2nd, De Buc (H); 3rd, Griffith (G). 33' 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

## Shot

S.: 1st, Nisbet (M); 2nd, Barber (M); 3rd, Burgess (G). 32' 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

C.: 1st, Woodall (G); 2nd, Castling (G); 3rd, Quilliam (C). 37' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

J.: 1st, Garrett (H); 2nd, Newman (M); 3rd, Green (N). 28' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

Ma.: 1st, Moffat (G); 2nd, Down (N); 3rd, Wilson (C). 39' 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Record.

Mi.: 1st, Thompson (G); 2nd, Ventham (C); 3rd, Cordey (M). 32' 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

## Discus

S.: 1st, Cox (G); 2nd, Chandler (H); 3rd, Mawer (M). 104' 6".

C.: 1st, Quilliam (C); 2nd, Woodall (G); 3rd, Lancaster (H). 115' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

J.: 1st, Taylor (G); 2nd, Fisher (H); 3rd, Davies (N). 89' 5".

Ma.: 1st, Marsh (G); 2nd, Gilbert (H); 3rd, Adams (C). 80' 1". Record.

## Javelin

S.: 1st, Gravestock (G); 2nd, Chapman (C); 3rd, Crittenden (H). 106' 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

C.: 1st, Cottrell (C); 2nd, Bloomfield (C); 3rd, Lancaster (H). 111' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

J.: 1st, Anderson (C); 2nd, Standish (H); 3rd, Pottinger (C). 101' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Ma.: 1st, Brown (C); 2nd, Moffat (G); 3rd, Rennie (N). 91' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

## Relay

S.: 1st, Gibbs ; 2nd, Halliwells ; 3rd, Miltons. 48.0 sec.

C.: 1st, Gibbs ; 2nd, Cobbs ; 3rd, Miltons. 49.8 sec.

J.: 1st, Halliwells ; 2nd, Newsoms ; 3rd, Miltons. 51.5 sec. Record.

Ma.: 1st, Gibbs ; 2nd, Newsoms ; 3rd, Miltons.

Mi.: 1st, Newsoms ; 2nd, Gibbs ; 3rd, Halliwells. 57.9 sec.

## TENNIS

*Master-in-Charge* : T. Horler, Esq.

*Captain and Secretary* : I. Taylor.

### 1st VI

#### RESULTS

v. Rutlish	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Won	9-0
v. Hinchley Wood	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Won	6-3
v. Strodes	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Won	6-3
v. St. George's College	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Drew	4½-4½
v. Hampton	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Lost	9-0
v. Strodes	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Lost	8-1
v. Glynn	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Lost	7-2
v. Tiffins	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Lost	5-4

#### ROOTHAM SHIELD — 1st ROUND

v. Surbiton	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Lost	3-2
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Matches with Mitcham, Shene, and Surbiton cancelled  
because of rain.

#### PEN PORTRAITS

E. J. Banks : He possesses sound and powerful ground strokes, but lacks consistency. He is a strong net player. He and Woodhall have provided the main strength of the team.

M. J. Woodhall : A heavy topspin short service has been a valuable feature of his play. His game would improve with more forceful strokes.

J. Sinfield : A natural ball player, but he needs more enthusiasm for the game if his play is to reach a high standard.

M. J. Bennée : A strong all-rounder, but erratic. More experience in match play should eliminate this fault.

J. Ventham : A very determined and powerful player. He would do well, however, to improve his service. He and Bennée should provide a valuable nucleus for next year's team.

I. Taylor.

I. Taylor : A consistent worker whose leadership and efforts have been an inspiration to all members of the team during matches and practices.

M. J. Bennée.

The following also played : Phillips, Quilliam, and Nisbet.

With the new school court, the team's tennis proved to be rewarding. As the results show, this was particularly so during the first half of the season.

Practices were well attended, and the rewards were forthcoming : we coasted to an easy win over Rutlish, and played well against Hinchley Wood, although the latter's first pair remained undefeated.

We had an exciting and hard-fought match against Strode's School at Egham, the standard of play being much higher than in the previous matches. Here again the opposing first pair proved too strong for us.

In the first round of the Rootham Shield we were unlucky to lose to Surbiton. The concentration and the tense atmosphere were without parallel during the entire season. Ventham played well to win his singles match.

The match against a combined first and second six at St. George's College was more relaxing, though the standard was nevertheless exacting. This was our first match on grass, and we undoubtedly played better and were able to draw.

The team lost the next three matches heavily revealing that it was in sore need of practice. Most players, however, were involved in "A" level examinations, so perhaps we can plead this as an excuse. We played very badly against Hampton, and we made very little effort in the return match against Strode's ; credit is obviously due to Phillips (a reserve and 2nd VI player) who was largely responsible for our one success.

Glynn provided tough and skilful opposition, and our first pair (Banks and Woodhall) did well to win two of their matches.

In the Tiffins match, the team again showed confidence and skill, though not enough to win.

We finished on an enjoyable note by playing a very friendly game with Wimbledon County Girls.

I. Taylor.

## 2nd VI

*Captain : J. Evans.*

### RESULTS

v. Rutlish	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Lost	7-2
v. Purley	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Lost	7-2
v. Hampton	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Lost	5-2
v. Rutlish	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Lost	6-3
v. Purley	...	...	...	...	...	(h)	Lost	6-3
v. Coombe County Girls	...	...	...	...	...	(a)	Won	6-3

The results have been disappointing. Probably the main reason for this is that most of the players have not much experience, this being their first season of competitive tennis. There has had to be much changing between pairs, and this does not help to stabilise a team. The first pair have been most successful ; Phillips has played consistently well throughout the season. The team has never lacked enthusiasm which was eventually rewarded with a win in an enjoyable friendly match against Coombe County Girls.



The team was chosen from : Phillips, Quilliam, Lancaster, Lewis, Evans, Crowe and Cox. Also played : Burt, Peters, Castling, Rosser and Nisbet.

J. Evans.

Full colours : M. J. Woodhall, E. J. Banks, M. J. Bennée, J. Ventham, J. Sinfield and I. Taylor.

Half colours : J. Evans, S. G. Lewis, K. Phillips, P. G. Quilliam and A. D. Crowe.

## SWIMMING 1963

*Master-in-Charge* : L. R. King, Esq.

*Captain* : M. Bonnée.

The School team entered for the Wimbledon and District Swimming Gala this year, but was not very successful as the majority of the senior swimmers were not available.

The School Gala this year, besides being very close and exciting, was a shining example of the power of qualifying points. Although Cobbs and Gibbs were equal second at the end of the Gala to Newsoms, Gibbs' lead in qualifying points decided the result. Boys are given chances to qualify all through the term, and as this year's Gala shows, effort made during the term can be just as important as the effort made on the night itself.

Five new events were introduced this year, each being a modification of previous events. Senior Backstroke, Breaststroke and Freestyle races were reduced in distance from three lengths to two lengths and the Senior Butterfly race was reduced from two lengths to one length. The Springboard Dive was this year incorporated into the Diving event which now consists of :

- (a) a standing header from the side ;
- (b) a running springboard dive ;
- (c) a standing header from the springboard ;
- (d) an optional dive.

The positions of the Houses, according to the number of qualifying points obtained before the Gala were as follows :

Cobbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	324
Gibbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	372
Halliwells	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	229
Miltons	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	272
Newsoms	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	221

## RESULTS OF THE SWIMMING SPORTS

Held at Wimbledon Baths on Tuesday, 23rd July

### SENIOR EVENTS

Freestyle, 2 L.: 1st, Mallett (G); 2nd, Hill (N); 3rd Charlton (H). 41.9 sec.\*

Breaststroke, 2 L.: 1st, Robinson (H); 2nd, Butcher (M). 54.8 sec.\*

Backstroke, 2 L.: 1st, Bennée (G); 2nd, Dudley (H); 3rd, Lemon (M). 50.1 sec.\*

Butterfly, 1 L.: 1st, Hill (N); 2nd, Bennée (G); 3rd, Lemon (M). 22.7 sec.\*  
 Medley Relay, 3 L.: 1st, Halliwells; 2nd, Gibbs; 3rd, Newsoms. 68.8 sec.  
 Freestyle Relay, 4 L.: 1st, Gibbs; 2nd, Newsoms; 3rd, Halliwells. 80.2 sec.

### COLT EVENTS

Freestyle, 2 L.: 1st, Rutter (C); 2nd, Early (G); 3rd, Morris (M). 56.3 sec.  
 Breaststroke, 2 L.: 1st, Anderson (C); 2nd, Griffiths (G); 3rd, Newman (M). 61.0 sec.  
 Backstroke, 2 L.: 1st, Page (C); 2nd, Catton (H); 3rd, Early (G). 54.4 sec.  
 Butterfly, 1 L.: 1st, Moffatt (G); 2nd, Gilbert (H); 3rd, Newman (M). 26.9 sec.  
 Medley Relay, 3 L.: 1st, Cobbs; 2nd, Miltons; 3rd, Newsoms. 72.5 sec.  
 Freestyle Relay, 4 L.: 1st, Cobbs; 2nd, Halliwells; 3rd, Miltons. 97.0 sec.

### JUNIOR EVENTS

Freestyle, 1 L.: 1st, Moffat (G); 2nd, Hopper (N); 3rd, Flude (C). 18.9 sec.†  
 Breaststroke, 1 L.: 1st, Hollins (N); 2nd, Plummer (H); 3rd, Flude (C)/Stevens (G). 28.0 sec.  
 Backstroke, 1 L.: 1st, Gilbert (H); 2nd, Hopper (N); 3rd, Brown (C). 24.9 sec.  
 Medley Relay, 3 L.: 1st, Newsoms; 2nd, Cobbs; 3rd, Gibbs. 83.1 sec.  
 Freestyle Relay, 4 L.: 1st, Cobbs; 2nd, Newsoms; 3rd, Gibbs. 99.8 sec.

### MINOR EVENTS

Freestyle, 1 L.: 1st, Currie (N); 2nd, Thompson (C); 3rd, Pashby (H). 24.0 sec.  
 Breaststroke, 1 L.: 1st, Cannon (N); 2nd, Ventham (C); 3rd, Ward (G). 32.8 sec.  
 Backstroke, 1 L.: 1st, Currie (N); 2nd, Pashby (H); 3rd, Patrick (M). 32.2 sec.  
 Plunge: 1st, Lewis (N); 2nd, Evans (G); 3rd, Standish (H). 35' 11".  
 Diving: 1st, Bennée (G); 2nd, Trust (C); 3rd, Lancaster (H).

\* Denotes a new event record. † Denotes a new record.

The points scored at the Gala were as follows:

Cobbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	197½
Gibbs	...	...	...	...	...	...	197½
Halliwells	...	...	...	...	...	...	160
Newsoms	...	...	...	...	...	...	210
Miltons	...	...	...	...	...	...	70

The final positions were:

Gibbs	...	...	...	569½	...	...	...	1st
Cobbs	...	...	...	521½	...	...	...	2nd
Newsoms	...	...	...	431	...	...	...	3rd
Halliwells	...	...	...	389	...	...	...	4th
Miltons	...	...	...	342	...	...	...	5th

The Cray Swimming Cup was presented to the captain of the Gibbs House Team by Mrs. Deakin, the wife of one of the Governors.

The smooth running of the Gala was once again due to the hard work put in by Mr. King before and during the evening and also to all the other members of Staff who assisted on the night. Our grateful thanks are due to them all, and to Mrs. Deakin for presenting the cup.

M. Bennée.

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## EXTRACTS FROM THE SPUR, JULY, 1938

### *Headmaster's Notes*

"On 30th May, Dr. Bradley, our Chairman, led a team of Governors and friends against the Staff at Golf! Sixteen players took part and the Staff won by three matches to one. It is hoped that this may become a permanent fixture." (!)

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One's first impression was of a lonely figure — grey dress, coloured scarf, and fair hair . . ."

### *Cobbs House Notes*

"Cobbs, 29 and 11.

Newsoms, 68."

### *The School Library*

"The number of books on the shelves is 2,331. This is a gratifying reflection when we remember that we calculated it would take not less than forty-five years to fill the library."

### *Obituary*

"We regret to announce the death of numerous friends in the herbaceous border, heather garden, and rose garden."

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