



# FELIX

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Four page supplement  
on Iranian Embassy Siege  
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Film Reviews  
on page 14

Special Edition this week  
Review of the year  
in more than 60 photos

## The TARGET: £20,000



Steve Groves

### Grand Rag Collection

There will be a Grand Rag collection tomorrow to help smash the £20,000 barrier. Meet at CCU offices from 9-30 a.m.

To make it more fun RAG is giving the following prizes:

A dinner for two for the highest collector if they beat the previous highest day total of £330.

A bottle of whisky for anyone who collects more than £100.

A bottle of wine for anyone who collects more than £50 but less than £100.

The plan is to get as many students out collecting as possible and when the collection is over there will be a special collectors party in the Union Concert Hall. The entry is free with collectors licence (50p to non collectors).

To boost Rag's chances of reaching £20,000 there will be a Grand Sale on Friday June 13th ... TO-DAY. The sale will consist of selling some interesting odds and ends from the Rag office. The sale will take place at lunchtime in the JCR.

## Human Calculator to visit Imperial

The World's most calculating woman, Shakuntala Devi, will make an attempt to get into the Guinness Book of Records next Wednesday at Imperial College. She will perform in the Mathematics Lecture theatre 1 from 3 till 5 p.m. All students are invited to come along and it may be possible for you to ask her to solve complex mathematical computations. It is claimed that she can do the most fearfully complicated arithmetic much faster than electronic calculators.

Mixed with wit and humour, she possesses the skill to combine intellect with entertainment so that scientists, statesmen or laymen enjoy her performances immensely.

These are some of the problems that Mrs. Devi solved in 20 seconds or less:

1. Add: 25,842,278  
111,201,721  
370,247,830  
55,511,315

Multiply  
result by: 9,878

2.  $\sqrt[3]{188,132,517}$

3. On what days of the week did the 14th of each month occur in 1935?

Answers:

1. 5,559,369,456,432
2. 573
3. Beginning with January; Tues., Thurs., Thurs., Sun., Tues., Fri., Sun., Wed., Sat., Mon., Thurs., Sun.

## LETTERS

Dear Sir

Recently, students at Imperial College have seen the formation of the Anti-Apartheid Group. Formed in response to the Boat Club visit to South Africa, the Group have frequently expressed their collective feelings in FELIX, so, as the Editor hinted last week, it is now our turn.

I suspect that when the issue of South Africa is raised, many students are inclined to dismiss the subject as irrelevant. There is, of course, that body of students who look to South Africa for future employment, but I will not concern myself with them here.

In Britain today we find racial problems occurring more and more frequently. Indeed, as Britain moves towards a multi-racial community we will all become more aware of ethnic groups, and hopefully, the problems they face in adjusting (and helping us adjust) to a new way of life.

It is surely in this light that any racial issue raised in our College should be viewed. The injustice we see in South Africa can be found in this country, albeit greatly diminished. Part of the problem is that many people do not realise just how close to home the effects of racism can be found, and I believe this leads to disregard, if not ignorance, of situations abroad.

Certainly, some people may feel that active opposition to racism is a leftist province and hence taboo, but I suggest that we should swallow our pride, be prepared to side with those of different (political) persuasions and get on with the job of fighting injustice everywhere. I do not necessarily advocate dropping our lecture notes (or revision notes!) and making for the nearest rally, but at least think about and discuss such issues as racism, and try to attend Union General Meetings in order to hear and contribute to informed debate.

It is often said at IC that the Union's function should not include politics; that is for its members to decide, but I believe our Union should take an active interest in social affairs that directly affect us and the world we live in.

Yours faithfully  
Paul Baron  
Physics 2

Dear Colin

In reply to Sean O'Boyle's letter of last week I would say that grass is definitely not harder than concrete and he's very silly to think so. In fact, grass isn't so hard as concrete — not by a long chalk (which also isn't as hard as concrete — ho, ho) and people can badly cut themselves falling on concrete, whereas grass has soothing properties.

In fact, I'd love to see a Beit Quad of open grass — a veritable wilderness like prairie of the stuff where a man can stride out and build a log cabin of his own and raise a herd of cattle and a family. How we must bemoan the loss of this last untamed plain, probably with disastrous ecological consequences for species like the Beit Quad Dingo and the elusive Darwin's hawk which led Charles Darwin to his theory of evolution.

So I would urge a campaign to preserve this last bit of uncreted IC and defend it from the weirdos like O'Boyle.

Yours  
David Attenborough  
David Bellamy  
Richard Attenborough  
John Evans

Mews Residents  
Lunatic Fringe  
Private Detective

Dear Editor and all

Having just read this term's Felicies, my comments must be thus: Sorry Annie but even sarcasm will not stop mr justice oldground - I tried it last June, with little apparent success. It did not stop James Joyce either (well have you read Finnegans Wake? Or even tried to find a copy? Believe me, it makes JN seem almost intelligible, even if not credible, in comparison).

He is probably just having a precampaign warm-up before running for FELIX Editor, which means that you may be able to ignore him extremely easily during 1981/2.

Apologies if anyone considers this to be a spiteful or vindictive letter (which I do not) but anyone who sets him (or her-) self up as some kind of public figure can expect some kind of feedback, even at IC. This is known variously as public reaction and public opinion.

Yours, Philistinely,  
Ken (who?) Fenning (oh him)

## London Student Travel

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Prices below are for passengers departing LESS THAN 10 DAYS after booking; availability cannot be guaranteed. All prices are return and include fuel charges and airport tax.

	Low Season	High Season
	£	£
Corfu	53	59
Naples	65	71
Tenerife	59	65
Palma	46	53
Venice	56	65
Dubrovnik	53	59

and many more!

Low Season up to 13th July, 29th  
Sept — 31st October.

Also: Confirmed seats to New York,  
from only £97, Transalpino and Euro-  
train to European destinations and  
Inter-rail cards, £92.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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### IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION

As a Life Member, you are entitled to,

1. join any Union Club or Society
2. use the Sports Centre (incl. the squash courts)
3. use College Bars and Refectories

Interested? Then contact the Union Office

# COLLEGE SECURITY

## A note by the Union Welfare Officer and ICWA

On 9th June from 11:00pm to 01:00pm Merche Clark and Pete Stevens toured the College to see how many ways into buildings, especially Halls, were unlocked, open, or accessible. The standard of lighting on walkways and roads was also checked.

The results were appalling. Neither surveyor was too familiar with the residences and yet numerous entrances were found. These ranged from doors wedged open through locked doors with no glass in a window pane, to windows open in every dark corner and by fire exits. The deployment of the security guards was badly organised.

Just two and a half weeks after a girl was raped the situation could easily happen again. Not even the barest temporary actions seems to have been taken. All four lifts in Southside still go to the basement all night — this could have

been changed immediately after the incident.

### Note On Lights

Even in areas where there are sufficient number of lights, some locations had fifty per cent quota of broken bulbs. The type of lighting was inadequate. The recessed tubes of the walkway only give about thirty per cent efficiency due to the shadow of the housing. All lights were soft in colour and gave a diffuse, shadowy light. It is possible to stand next to the lights behind 170 Queen's Gate and not be seen due to the poor spread of light. We felt that a fewer number of standard yellow sodium lamps mounted in the conventional street light form would be far more effective.

### Note On Security

We could not understand why the Southside main entrance had two guards

and a messenger on duty — all minding their own business — while the Beit guard is expected to occupy the archway and patrol the building. Could not one of the Southside team patrol all the buildings and still leave a guard at each door?

The detailed results of the survey have not been published in FELIX for obvious reasons. Copies have been sent to the Rector and Captain J Lindley of Estates. It is Captain Lindley's responsibility to supervise security. In the wake of recent events it would seem that Captain Lindley has not carried out his duties to the satisfaction of the Union.

Chris Fox had a meeting with the Rector on Wednesday to discuss the report.

Merche Clark  
President ICWA

Pete Stevens  
Welfare Officer

## Holiday Help

As you look forward to your long summer break please think about those less fortunate, in particular Valerie Sparks, her husband Bob and four-year-old-son, who have been offered a holiday in Exmouth but cannot just board a coach or train.

### Why?

Valerie was a normal happy schoolgirl and keen swimmer until the age of twenty-one when she contacted multiple sclerosis. Now at only twenty-three she is totally disabled and blinded by the crippling disease. Her husband has had to give up his job to look after the family; and living off Social Security leaves little to pay for the high cost of the required double ambulance journey to and from Exmouth.

### How Can You Help?

The IC Red Cross ambulance is available and willing to transport the family, if funds can be found to pay for fuel, etc. We need about £150 to make these journeys practicable. On Wednesday we will be asking you to make a small donation. Collectors are urgently required.

Cans can be obtained from the Sherfield Foyer.

To augment this collection, ENTS have kindly offered to run a disco the same evening with all proceeds going towards this cause — anyone able to spend a few hours collecting or assisting at the disco please contact Roger Serpell, Aero Int 3707.

## Grand Sale

**TODAY at 12:30 in the JCR**

*all items sold in aid of RAG.*

**Defective sweatshirts, t-shirts and knickers at cheap prices.**

More Horrids T-shirts	£3.00
IC Sweatshirts	£5.50
Embroidered jumpers	£8.50
Hooded Sweatshirts	£7.00 and £7.50
Superag Sweatshirts	£4.00
Hyde Park Relay T-shirts	£2.00
IC T-shirts	£2.50

**Also miscellaneous books - v cheap!**

Come and buy a sweatshirt or T-shirt or just a pair of knickers (ladies and mens available) and help us raise over £20,000.

## CHARITY DISCO PARTY in aid of MS victim

**WEDNESDAY 18th JUNE**

**at 8:00pm till late**

**in the JCR**

**Bring a bottle**

**Tickets 50p from Sherfield  
Foyer on Wednesday**

**morning or from the special  
collectors.**

**All monies to charity.**

## Last FELIX

The last issue of FELIX, this term, will be next Friday 20th June. We hope to get several copies distributed before the Exec Party on Thursday



## CITY AND GUILDS

An almost final article, just to show that we haven't all disappeared from the face of the earth. The last Rag Collection of the year is this Saturday, yes I know you told Mummy and Daddy you would be home on that day, but surely you want to help Guilds in breaking the IC £20,000 barrier. A Rag total of this size is absolutely far out, triff, spiffing, etc, and we need all the help we can get. So turn up at the Guilds Office at 9:30am this Saturday 14th and help collect. You can think up your own theme and use that or there is a Life Of Brian theme if you want one. There will be a party afterwards so come collecting if you want to get in free with your licence. Details will be available on the day.

See you all there.

Cheers

Bryan

### AFRICAN-CARRIBEAN SOC AGM

**Wednesday 18 June  
1:00pm  
Room 407a Elec Eng  
(Refreshments available)**

### ICCAG GARDENING ADVENTURE

**10:30am  
Saturday 14th June  
Meet Union Archway**

### DRAMSOC TOUR 1980 Actors and Actresses Needed!

Due to the insidious machinations of examiners we find ourself short casted, especially on the female side.

We are taking the medieval

'Chester Mystery Cycle' to Yorkshire between 24th June and 5th July. The cost is £30 for all expenses.

If you can act and fancy two weeks playing in pubs and theatres phone Int 2854, come to the Dramsoc Storeroom or contact Mark Wiszowaty via the Physics UG Letter-Racks.

# Review of the FELIX Year

## TERM THE FIRST

The Palmer Régime began under the storm clouds of the "High Court Drama". Seismic Exec rifts, John Harris elder-statesman comments and Richard Earl playing games with his copy. *Quadrophenia* made FELIX Film Of The Month (what were the others?). Also mixed up in the general confusion were the 'pernicious anti-union views of Frank James', the endless bickering over Steve Marshall's *Rag Mag* and RSM playing rugby against various people in the *Mirror*. The Exec papered over their cracks (?) with a united front on the Occupation which provoked a Censure Motion and a level of anti-Exec muck-sliding that beat even the vintage tussles of Barrett and Miller.

## Letters

The Letters Page (and the odd set of captionable photographs) had by now all but taken over FELIX, and FELIX Committee was heard to press for more 'news'. Internal controversies continued to dominate — the new Lord BF shocked many on Commem Day: "IC is . . . chosen to go . . ." Abdul Salam clinched his Laureate, and J Whitehouse made P5 distilling a 'vat of soup'. Fanshaw F Love delivered a snide attack on the occupation, while Derrick Everett defended Steve M as the only one prepared to handle the *Rag Mag* and *The Phoenix*. Frank J claimed not to object to 'orange-juice-willing people'. The ICU banner was torn between the views of the Liberals and Feminists and Steve Hutchings was dubbed a 'P-Mad-P' for credit-watching (but the Editor has always taken great care since!). Fox, (in full gear), was pictured 'discussing the cuts' with his colleague and mentor, Mary A, and FELIX became a literary battleground to revive old grouses as UGM-railroaders came under fire. As Rag Week loomed (with the faint spectre of 'Enviro-Stotesbury Week' behind it), Phil Cole (who had plenty of credibility at this stage) appealed for shorter speeches at UGMs (a doomed idea wrecked by its bespectacled UGM proposer). Alan Burton defended his democratic quorum-challenging rights as the PG Dinner failed owing to lack of appetite. Jan C and Short-Life Housing hit FELIX while if you ended Rag Week "lonely, bored and tired" you must have been on the Fox/SO'B idiosyncratic Bank Job! Boat Races in the Beit Quad (and onion munches on the front page) together with the Beer Festival proved the new ICU President certainly wasn't a pretty face, while Leo (NOB) of RCS appeared covered in muck (obviously not moving fast enough).

## Knife Grinders' Weekly

"Anna and Marge" offered 'counselling sessions' on the constant need to table pro-abortion motions at UGMs, while Frankie J and the lads found their public images tarnished by a hostile Cambridge *University Challenge* team. RCS's mascot Jez at last repayed Jon Hall's years of sleeping in a suit, by moving of her own accord and the Ents films appeared in random order on the centre pages. Roger hoped his Enviro-week 'will' excite you sufficiently' and Fox's XV beat Townsend's men by 24 to 6.



Colin Palmer

David Owen, one of the guest speakers during Environmental Week.

Meanwhile the Snooker Club scribe (Dai Bach) shocked millions with his tales of 'Sanshit's Nocturnal Emissions' and far less savoury comments. The Editor subsequently printed a heavily censored complaint from Dai about shortening his articles. Ladies' Rugby became established as No 1 Space-Filler, as the EAO instructed the Hon Sec to 'pull his socks up'.

## Space Invasion

Mark Smith previewed *Star Trek The MP, Apocalypse Now, Life Of Brian and The Black Hole* on a single page — the 30th Anniversary Issue came complete with a realistic-looking editorial while Paul Williams made FELIX history by having *Drake's Seven's Supreme Galactic Rear Flight Superintendent Bratt (Ms)* appear 'unclothed!' Suddenly, it's Christmas and Fox becomes painfully jolly, overburdened by 'Ho-Ho-Ho' Yuletide cynicism. Malcolm vows to 'curl up and drink Newky Brown all day'. The catalytic young freshers, like the worthy 'Anne and Robin' of Mr Newland (remember Richard, the tiddly-wink child molester?) say farewell to overseas cuts victims, pondering the 'emotional turmoil and watersheds in people's lives' — but no matter, the term ends with a tear-jerking editorial. "And so this is Xmas — and what have we done?"



Ben Bourdillon

The Prime Minister donated £5 to IC Rag in December.

The editor's digital watch says 6:10am. Soon the sun will be rising heralding the start of another last minute Thursday panic session in the FELIX office.

## TERM THE SECOND

Spring sprang and Dave Derby won the *Mirror* Dingy World Champs in Perth, Australia and Paul Williams (Editor of the *Drake's Seven* Fan Magazine and admirer of antique typewriters) won a *Daily Express* prize. Harvey Nadin forsook IC Radio for the degree he was later to save so spectacularly. Brendon left the Union Bar, and Colin Palmer resigned (from PWP) in the week that Ladies' Rugby hit CBS News, Richard Earl received 0% response from Aero PGs to his questionnaire on PG Apathy and Chris Webb gatecrashed NUS Conference posing (?) as a Tory. Colin P reviewed the adventures of Zoe, the well-known photographic



Debbie Harry

Steve Groves

experiment with a mouth tucked neatly up near the hairline. Debbie Harry made the front page (and hasn't looked back since) and Mickie Marsh claimed 'she almost managed to screw herself' (into the floor). As *The Phoenix* emerged from Eric's ashes (followed by Vegsoc, Microcomputer Club and a non-Barry Austin PATA), hostilities broke out between *Broadsheet* and FELIX (photo by CP). Bernie Smith followed Blondie onto Page One with his 'Grants Scenario' (which brought him both national acclaim and local ridicule at an ill-chaired Sheffield UGM).

## Dog And Cucumber

Dave Britton defended Folk Club for mud-slingers' 'Minority Interest' charges and Fox told a UGM "I'll have to admit it just slipped my mind" (it would have been pissing in the wind, anyway). Roger followed up Environmental Week with a long-lasting Adventure-Playground obsession and stomachs began to heave in anticipation as Elections loomed. Richard Earl rejected the 'mammon' offered by life as a Liberal Physicist and left the College. Sonia H was spotted in Blackett and Sheyne L in Huxley (!). Simon Milner ousted the thespian Firth as IC Radio Station Manager, while Nadin dusted off his unread problem sheets. Pete Hewkin turned up to play table tennis against 'Law Court' on the wrong day. Palmer reported 'something indescribable' left after Rae's Roman Rag Revelry.

## Consciences Clear

News Quiz arrived at IC; highlights including Alan Coren's 'leg-across factor'



Colin Palmer

## Barry Took News Quiz Chairman

line and the lead role played by Vic Mooney (with an absence characteristic of a man of such modesty). Lee Paddon and co extolled the virtues of addictive coffee (blinding headaches not qualifying as 'side effects') and Lee Foster produced in less than two columns one of the most perceptive album reviews (of 'The Wall') I've ever read. Deb Soc raised a forlorn flag from behind a lunar crater. AAO Nichols launched a semantic debate on the word 'hack' while Callum Patterson admitted being 'Calluny' (owner of a scarf found by second year vegan, Kirsten P at the Maths party which doubled as a repository for stolen goods). Tony Cox appeared as an unexpected ally to Merche's girls and Mr Palmer lost 5-2 to Kate Tatchell as best female singer in the Questionnaire. The centre spread? LADIES' RUGBY! (including mysterious Iain Shacklock).

## Cheers

Colin had his weight guessed and 'Word Search' appeared as results of the Questionnaire (but Cliff Richard was voted 'best male singer' which suggests IC Naturalist Barnaby McCabe was right to describe 'the thing' as 'useless'). Jo and Fiona (SCAB) replied to Tony C (the latter referring to 'Common Room infestations'), and Phil Merryman followed

up his overwhelmingly passed Megalomania motion. Phil Cole expounded on his 'Alternative Growth' (?!). Kate T ('who represents 150 women') was chaired (on the back page) after RCS Rugby Sevens.

19/2/80: Colin hits the pavement and starts signing his articles 'FELIX Editor, St Stephen's Hospital'. 'Just a Sec', RJS (with heroic help from Lars, Mark and Tim (UGA) Hillyer) retorted by turning out a sixteen pager. Life goes on . . .

I was present when RSM sang 'For she's a jolly good fellow' after Mary invited everyone up to the SCR for 'fizz buzz' (thus staging the unlikely combined event 'Post Cambourne/ICWA Bar Nite'). Derrick E commendably attended (and reviewed) the three-evening RSC *The*



Steve Groves

## Sir Monty Finniston came to IC to discuss his report

Greeks and Nadin appear 'live in Stan's' at an appalling distance from any Chemistry textbooks.

Guilds Ladies won the National Pedal Car Championships, Steve Webb's oarsmen destroyed opposition at the Southern Universities' Regatta and 'Wodger' began to show the strains of doing two jobs (caption: "A picture of Suki Kalirai" — I won't quote the 'moral dilemma' bit). Alan B appalled millions by admitting he prefers Disco Music to Rock and Mark Clegg headed a beautiful goal for IC (6ths). The latter looked as smooth as Ted Heath; abetted by FCS heavies Smith and Webb on the front row of ME220. A Fox dynasty triumph arrived in the shape of the multi-gym.



Steve Groves

## Ted Heath

### Tally-Ho!

Predictably the Hustings UGM (Colin's favourite time of year) drew a wheelchair bound FELIX Editor back to IC, and although the winning candidates were inexpicably ousted from their traditional front-page spot by some drunken/drinking Guilds Officers, at least the College walls began to re-appear (and Liberal Club) could contemplate releasing their censored material).

Rag Caber Tossing showed some people that some students do care about less fortunate individuals, and Fox (under the heading 'The Bitch Is Back') ridiculed the hypocrisy and empty promises of Sabbatical Elections (just shows how sitting in that office can 'screw you up'). Palmer claimed two notches in his plaster

## TERM THE THIRD

FELIX bounces back with the summer sun. We hear of the private lives and passions of IF Nicholette and her gang of powerful beauties (all in your No 1 FELIX). ARCS Fox is slimming (as is Second Class Honours man Malcolm) while Colin is locked up the Queen's Tower (saying 'Cheers!' to show he doesn't take himself too seriously . . .). Meanwhile Roger sends flood warnings to Sherfield Building and contemplates Physics 3.

## Ayatollahs (Who Will Shoot JN?)

Embassy siege; the Rag Fête is moved — IC reaches National Press and Mr Newland submits his 'Historical Perspectives On The US—Iranian Crisis'. A hefty editorial (showing FELIX Committee didn't urinate into the hurricane of apathy after all!) reminds us "We are in the middle of an international crisis" (again the 'News At Ten' touch . . .)

From 'hereonin' things have for many been exam dominated, with only the occasional off-beat ICWA President and Ten-Tors team separating Justin Newland and the piano-protesters from their respective critics. The tragic Southside rape showed the College at night is not safe for girls walking alone - perhaps anger and shock can now be converted into action to improve security.

The Hon Sec appears to have led a successful 'anti-French kids' campaign and indeed the curse of these foul, screaming, swarming hoards is enough to turn the most reasonable of people into racialsists. Princess Margaret visits the College



Mickie Marsh

## Armageddon

So there you have it! (If you didn't, bad luck). The sun sets on another year, etc, etc, and it's time for me to lay my tortured, tormented, cynical figure on the couch of a concluding speech. (Jarvis's letter was the ultimate — why don't Physics examiners appreciate this bloke?) Remember — students may come and go — only Jen. lasts forever . . .

"What knowledge lies between these covers?" he murmured to himself, mentally licking his lips in anticipation.

J Newland

JULIAN M BERRY



Steve Groves

**Simon Cocker**



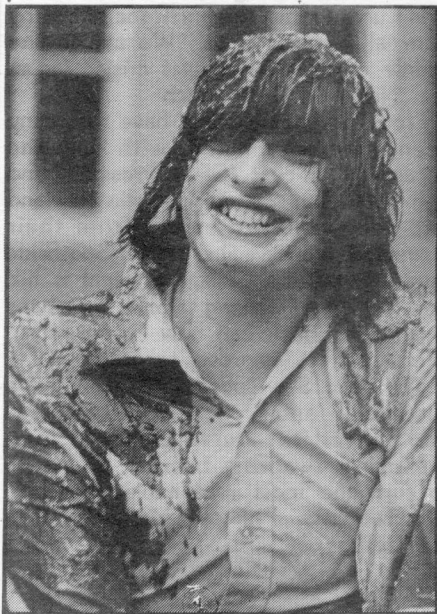
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**Malcolm Brain**



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**Tansy Hepton**



Steve Groves

**Sean O'Boyle**

**YUK  
PAGE  
IT'S  
TORTURE**



Mickie Marsh

**Rich Archer & Paul Johnson  
RCS initiations.**



Steve Groves

**IF Exec**



Steve Groves

**Roger Stotesbury & Simon**

# MORPHY DAY

On Wednesday November 14th the CCUs battled it out for the Morphy Oar. An alliance of Mines and RCS rapidly overpowered Guilds and Mines eventually drove away with the Oar.

Students hurled rotten vegetables, fish, soot, flour and other obnoxious substances at each other. This time only one person was taken to hospital.



Mickie Marsh



Left: protective clothing. Above: RCS defend their ground. Below: the mucky battle.

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# Sport



Nick Jenkins

Photo top left is of the Bristol Pedal car race. Below: the Ladies Rugby team play in front of the 'Nationwide' television cameras.

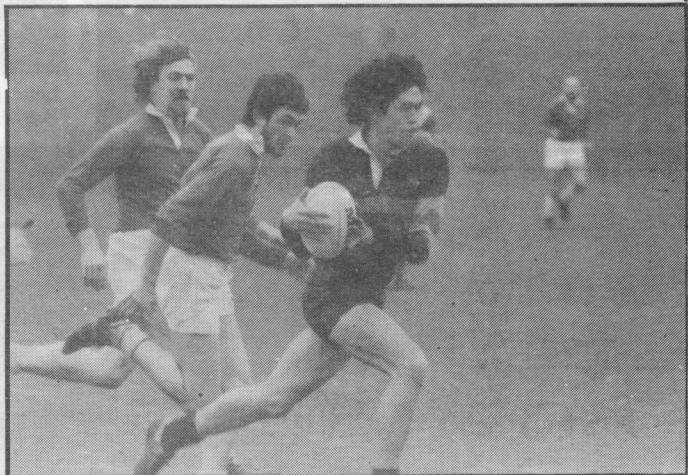


Mickie Marsh



Mickie Marsh

On the left is a picture of a slightly unusual sport - the piggy-back race during this year's deaf children's party at IC. Below: Eddie Budgen shows his pace.



Mar Smith



Mark Sanderson

Left: Russel Weston managed to completely immerse himself in the water jump at the IC Games. Below is a group photo of some of the Rugby team who had an eventful tour of Holland - What really did go on during the tour?





# MINES



The top photograph shows three years of Presidents. From left to right: Keith Maynard (President 1980-81), Bernie Pryor (President 1979-80) and Andy Lewis (President 1978-79).

The left hand photo is of the triumphant Mines rugby team after they won the Bottle Match against Cambourne.

The right hand pic is of the Mines float at the Lord Mayor's show and the bottom picture was taken after the Mines Handover Union Meeting when they proudly displayed the many trophies that they won this year.



Colin Palmer



Andy Lewis



Colin Palmer

# Those old familiar faces



Mickie Marsh

**A foxy grin**



Mickie Marsh

**Didn't he do well**



Steve Groves

**Bobby Swan**



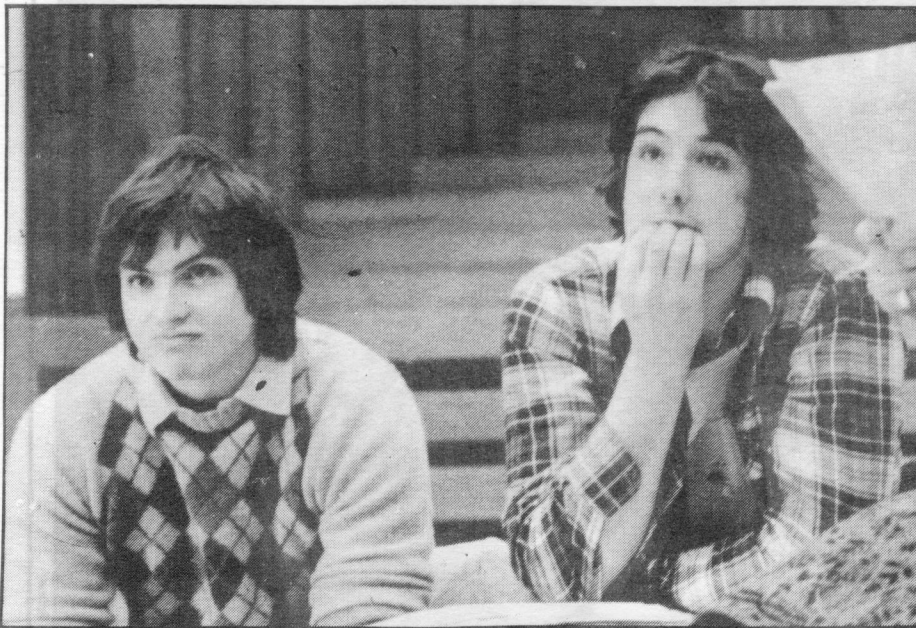
Mickie Marsh

**Lucky Lips**



Steve Groves

**Man from Atlantis**



Mickie Marsh

**Men of action**



Mickie Marsh

**Do you mind!**



Steve Groves



Micke Marsh

RCS Exec Past, Present and Future  
 Rae Snee Chris Fox Liz Lindsay  
 Tansy Hepton Sean O'Boyle Mo Misra  
 Paul Johnson Rich Archer Steve Tyson



Steve Groves

Photos: Above Left: Jez uses her suction hose for the first time.  
 Above: Tansy collecting during the Rag procession.  
 Below: RCS at the Queens after this year's initiations.

Colin Palmer





Frank Rowsell Sara McGuiness Pat Lëggett (new Guilds President) Simon Shaw  
Mary Morrison Ruth Hildebrand



Colin Palmer

Mary Morrison, next year's Old Centralians Rep, speaking at the Guilds AGM. This year's President, Jo Armitage is on the right (OK so you all knew that!)



Colin Palmer

Nab and Pat have a quick moon on the steps of the Albert Memorial in front of a party of amused school girls

Bet this photograph brings back memories of the Lord Mayor's Show 1979

Colin Palmer





On Saturday 7th June about five hundred cyclists converged on St Pauls Cathedral for the Round London Cycle Ride, organised by the London Cycling Campaign. The cyclists visited nine town halls to present their demands to the councils for one percent of their transport budgets to be spent on cycling facilities. (Cyclists account for over two percent of the total

traffic on the roads of the city.) The ride, which was over twenty-five miles long, culminated at County Hall where the demands were presented to the leaders of the GLC. The ride was not without incident but was apparently enjoyed by all who took part. We are all hoping for a favourable response from the local authorities.  
**Roger Nuttall**

### HALDANE LIBRARY HELP WANTED!

Help wanted from next term (term-time only) for counter work, shelving and some typing. Hours by arrangement. About £1.50 per hour. Applications to Richard Williams, Haldane Librarian.

### Leaving A Flat?

Flat for 2-4 persons required. Contact A E Fenwick, Int 4109 or Chem PG Letter Racks.

### FOR SALE

A copy of Van Nostrand's **Scientific Encyclopedia** (5th edition). One large volume, very good condition. Cost £55, ANY OFFERS? Please contact Huw Baynham, Int 4256 or via 374 Keogh Hall.

**Ladies Bicycle (folding)** in good nick. Fashionable orange with carrying rack. £20 ono. Contact Stephanie Oldknow, Botany 3, Tel 947-6935, or Stuart Thomson, Pet Eng 3 (RSM), Tel 748-7503 (204 Hamlet Gardens).

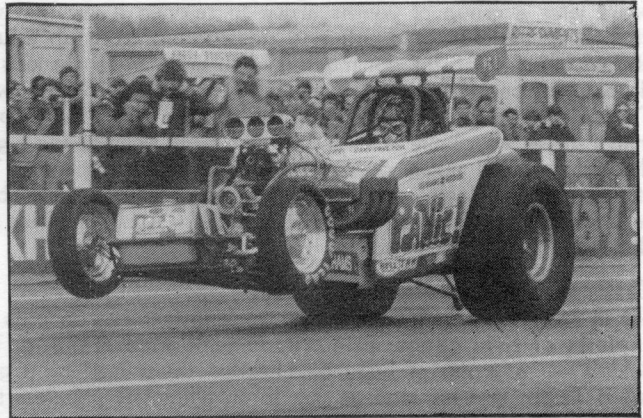
**BSA Bantam 175cc**, G Reg, tax and MOT until February, full working order. £130. Contact Margaret Baird, flat 219, Hamlet Gardens, Tel 748-3309.

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## REVIEWS

With the end of exams (for most of you) and eventual recovery from the celebrations you may be tempted to view a few of the current film releases. Here's a brief look at some of them.

### FRIDAY THE 13TH (X)

Rather appropriately, and with more than a little showmanship, this horror feature is released tonight, with late shows at some cinemas. Also, rather appropriately, it turns out to be a bit of a disaster.

The plot centres on an American summer camp which has fallen into disuse following a series of unexplained murders. Many years later a group of youths arrive to re-open it are met with clichéd forebodings of death and destruction from an equally clichéd village idiot. It's not much of a surprise when the kids are despatched one by one in a series of gruelling and bloody ways. Technically the gore is well done; the camera dwells on a young man's throat as a knife is thrust through from behind, and a girl's throat is slit and slowly opens in an all too realistic manner. The effects certainly look convincing, but I personally found it about as enjoyable as watching a dentist pull teeth. Avoid it unless you like gore.

### THE WANDERERS (X)

Set in New York in the '60s, this amusing feature concerns the exploits of rival gangs, primarily 'The Wanderers' and 'The Baldies' — a group of huge bald-headed thugs lead by a giant called Terror and his teenage girl. In an ultimately pointless tale, director Philip Kaufman manages to weave a thin plot and enjoyable period music into a light-hearted and mildly satisfying film. It's worth a few hours if you've nothing else to do.

### THE GREAT ROCK AND ROLL SWINDLE (X)

By far the most intriguing, if not well-made, film I've seen recently is this condensed epic which chronicles the brief legend of the Sex Pistols. Fascinating from the start, it whips up a collection of odd characters (Ronnie Biggs, Helen of Troy and Mary Millington not to mention the Pistols themselves) into a story of rock success, centring on the commentary of their manager, Malcolm McLaren. If the hypocrisy doesn't bite at you then the bare-faced cheek certainly will and you're tempted to think that you shouldn't have ever paid to see it. At times it is riotously funny. I enjoyed it immensely and would recommend it for a good night out.

Finally, I'd like to mention *Get Out Your Handkerchiefs* which is in its last week at the Curzon and *The Tin Drum*. both are worth seeing for many reasons, not least that they're very funny in places. Next week I shall preview Alan (*Midnight Express*) Parker's new film *Fame*.

MARK SMITH

**LOST** a dissecting kit in a home-made blue and white PVC case. Lost a long while back. If anyone knows its whereabouts please contact me. £1 reward for its return or for information leading to its recovery. *Glenys Allen, Life Sciences 2.*

We have a large quantity of brown wrapping paper which we would be delighted to get rid of **FREE!** If anyone needs any of this valuable natural resource please come along to Level 4 (Life Sciences Library) in the Lyon Playfair Library (Int 3984) and bring a skip. **PLEASE!**

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## IC CRICKET CLUB vs PRESIDENT'S XI Sunday 9th, Harlington

Sunday was not the most successful of days for Imperial College Cricket Club. Neil Price lost the toss, the team was narrowly beaten by the President's XI and then came a close second to a well-drilled RCS outfit in a team 'boat-race'.

Crowe and Hurst opened the bowling and their sheer pace soon had the President's XI in trouble. Hurst cunningly switched to a spin attack midway through his second over, but still no wickets fell. The psychological damage had been done though and Dean came in to take a wicket with his first ball. Chadwick rallied with a priceless 45 for the President's XI, as wickets fell steadily at the other end. Weale made a spirited 21, as Dean and Crowe tore apart the remaining batting, and the President's XI declared at 136 for 8.

Tea was taken and Kenrick and Brereton duly opened the batting. Within half an hour both were out, having obviously 'left the straight one' to adjourn to the bar. Stantiford came in and dominated for an hour with an excellent 46. Price and Crowe batted well to take the College to within 13 runs of the required total, with 2 overs remaining.

By now Senkiw's bowling had begun to make its mark and on the last ball of the day the College needed 6 to win with one wicket standing. With Crowe facing, the President's XI were understandably concerned. Every fielder was positioned on the boundary. Senkiw raced in to bowl. Crowe lifted his bat. The ball flew towards the wicket. Crowe followed through. The ball removed his middle stump.

**Team:** M Kenrick; G Brereton; P Stantiford; P Slater; N Price (Capt); T Hillyer; C Roche; I Crowe; D Price; B Dean; A Hurst.

## BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

*Shock! Horror!* A snooker article! There has been a certain lack of communication this year between FELIX and the Snooker Club (partly our fault, partly FELIX's). I apologise to all our members for the lack of information about our events this term.

The Committee for 1980/1 has been elected, and the joint committee meeting will be on Wednesday 18th June at 1:00pm in the Union TV Lounge.

The first team won the league again, and we actually got a cup (which is now on show in the Union Office). By the way, snooker lessons are still to be had: just come up, and we will arrange a time (one person who took lessons actually became a team member).

During the summer holidays, the balls will be available from the Union Office (Union cards are required).

The major change in the Club this year, to my mind, was that the 'A' (team) table is now available when no team members are present. Therefore, if the table is free do not hesitate to start a frame: team members have to let you finish a frame once you have started it. Finally, I would like to congratulate all members of the Club who received Colours (social, athletic, or half), and I would like to thank the following:

- (i) The members of the committee, in particular Steve Jeans and Dave Nuttall;
- (ii) The thirty-odd team members, in particular the captains and vice-captains: Geoff Keymer, Chris Calvert, Dave Crossland, Alex Cameron, Gareth Machin.
- (iii) Annie in the Union Office, John Tidy and Roger Brugge for all their help.
- (iv) Stuart Cox, Simon Bennett, Chris Tripp, John White, Ata Etemadi and Martin Proudlove; without them, I would have probably gone stark raving mad.
- (v) The rest of the 270 members, for making Billiards and Snooker the most successful and most sociable club in RCC, SCC, ACC or any other CC.

**Rastus Odinga Odinga**  
(Dictator 1979/80)





Malcolm Brain

This week's FELIX contains many photographs from a dozen students at Imperial. The power of the photograph is shown by the group of three on this page. On the left is a wide-eyed baby who is frightened by the giant spider that just happened to walk under our dot-screen camera, yesterday. (The spider is printed full size). On the right is the slim line Sean O'Boyle getting an early bath.

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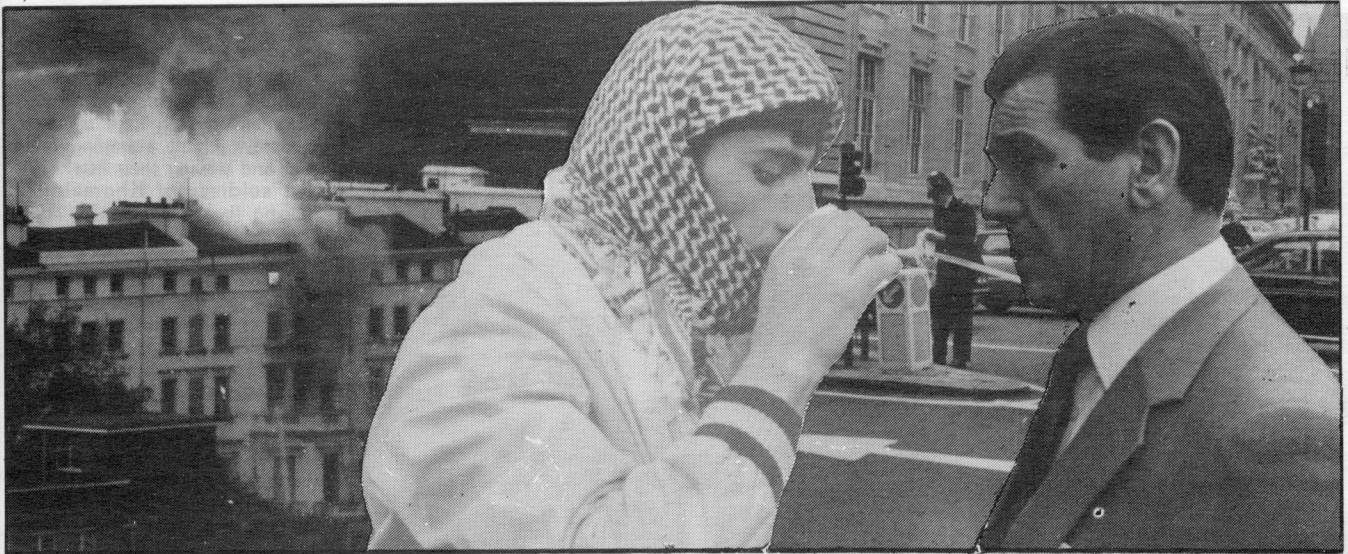
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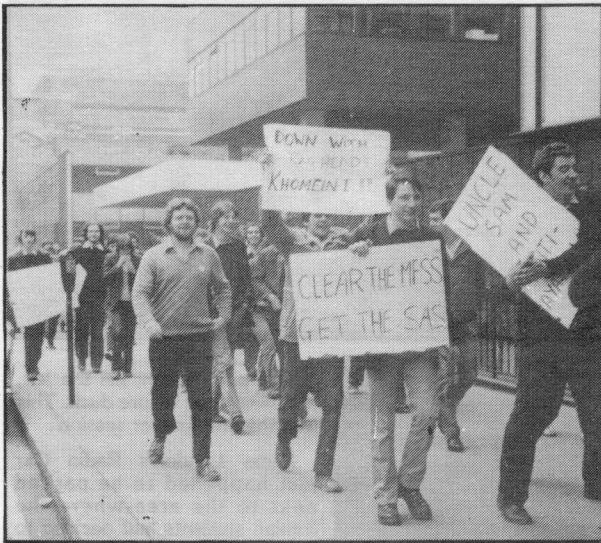
The Embassy burns .... photo taken from Elec Eng

Mickie Marsh/Colin Palmer

Peter Duffy, the head of the anti-terrorist squad

# The Iranian Embassy Siege

For six days the world's Press watched and waited...  
**FELIX** presents a special four-page souvenir supplement  
 of photographs that capture the historic drama  
 which occurred next to Imperial College



Mickie Marsh

## "Clear the mess Get the SAS"

The siege of the Iranian Embassy began on Wednesday 30th April. The Embassy was so close to Imperial that it was inevitable that IC students would get involved in the demonstrations which took place during the siege.

Hundreds of IC students turned out to demonstrate against the Ayatollah Khomeini and although for some the demonstration was 'just a bit of fun', the Press duly reported our actions. *The Times* wrote about our singing of *Rule Britannia* and rugby songs and the fact that we brought along a piano to lead the singing.

*The Sun* said that the 'rowdy mobs of Iranians' were finally silenced by a good old British sing-song which came from 150 mockers — boisterous students from the nearby Imperial College in Kensington.



Steve Groves

# CIRCUS

Outside the Albert Hall, Iranian students, and a pro-Khomeini mullah kept up their incessant chant stamping their feet and waving their fists. "We are soldiers of Khomeini!". "Long live Khomeini", they shouted.

A young man with a megaphone delivered a running lecture on the iniquities of the CIA, of the distortions of the British Press, and the conduct of the Iranian dissidents in the Embassy, whom he rebuked for not freeing the BBC hostages.

"Go home if you don't like it", shouted a student at the edge of the crowd. Another youth blew a whistle like a football fan trying to upstage the noise of the rival supporters.

Inside the Police cordon was all the paraphernalia of a travelling circus. Vans, generators and cables were everywhere. Much uncollected litter swirled around the area.



# Demonstrations



Saffron-clad Buddhist monks walked past the Bot-Zoo Common Room on the way to the siege. Their presence in Prince Consort Road caused much amusement. In the above picture the Police direct the Buddhists down Exhibition Road.

Mickie Marsh



Colin Palmer

Mickie Marsh

The photograph, on the left, was taken just before dusk. This was the first 'prayer session'.

Radio London's Radio Car just happened to be parked next to the area where the Iranian students had decided to demonstrate throughout the night. An hour before the picture was taken an arrangement had been made with Radio London for the FELIX Editor to look after the car during the night. At first all was quiet but later on a worried Editor suddenly found the vehicle surrounded by demonstrators.

The chanting went on all night. The residents living in the nearby flats vociferously complained about the din but an exhausted Editor slept in the Radio car until 5 a.m. when the newsmen returned. The demonstrators increased the intensity of their chanting ... the second day of the siege had begun.

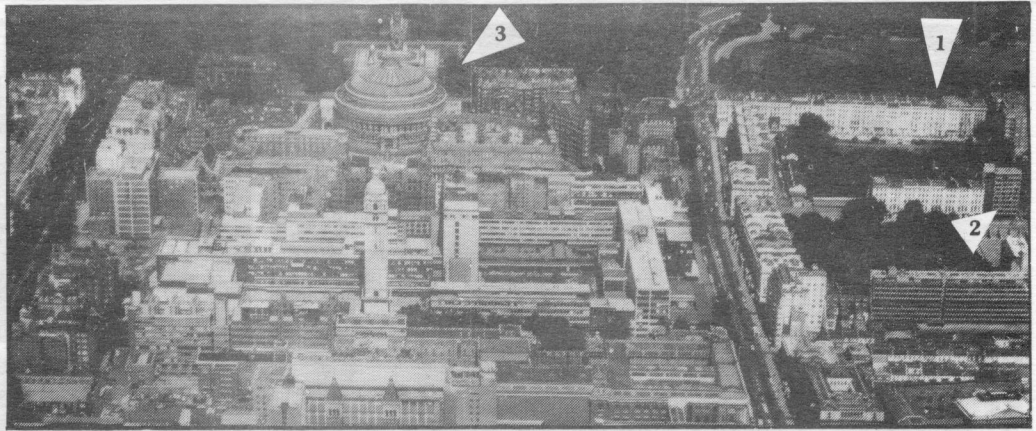


## LOCATION

The aerial photograph shows how close the Iranian Embassy (1) was to Imperial College. Weeks Hall (2) which is at the back of the Embassy, was used by Police Marksmen who were positioned on the Hall roof.

The student demonstrations were reported in the Press to have taken place 'outside the Embassy'. However their true location (3) was near the Albert Hall.

Many roads were closed near the Embassy and the special photograph, below, shows the front of the Iranian Embassy (left hand side of the picture) and Exhibition Road (on the right).



Colin Palmer

Press Association



## And they brought in the SAS

On the sixth day the terrorists started to kill the hostages and so the SAS went in. The above photograph shows the front of the Embassy building being blasted by stun grenades thrown from the balcony by SAS soldiers.

One SAS group came across the balconies in the front of the building using portable scaling ladders. Students in Weeks Hall watched another SAS group abseil down ropes at the back of the Embassy. The SAS broke through the windows and left in to seek out the terrorists.

The dramatic action at the climax of the siege was watched by millions of TV viewers. During the six days of the siege the Press brought in specialised equipment. A Press Marquee and a grandstand of scaffolding (right photo) were erected. Two cranes carried the ITV and BBC television cameras whose cameramen rapidly became the 'stars' of the waiting game.





Colin Palmer

## IC students kneel in Kensington Gardens during a 'mock prayer' session

Mickie Marsh

The anti-Ayatollah demonstrators asked that it should be made clear that their demonstration was intended to show disapproval of a regime which is "inhumane and irresponsible." They said that they did not want to let the world believe that the British people would stand by without showing disapproval of such actions. "If the Iranians have the right to support the Khomeini regime, then likewise we have a right to protest. The student who feels sickened by the manner of the protest should perhaps consider the chants and slogans of the Iranian demonstrators and the unthinking way in which they worship a dictator."

## A 'real prayer session'

In one letter to *FELIX* a student expressed his 'absolute dismay' at the spectacle in Kensington Gardens. 'It seemed to me that a very substantial number of IC students found enjoyment in making an utter farce out of an important and potentially very volatile situation.'

He went on to write that "Not only were they putting over views in a completely irrational and disgraceful manner by jeering at Iranian protestors, like some rioting school kids, but they also succeeded in drawing the attention of the world's media in the process. There is no better way to damage the reputation of Imperial College, than to display ourselves in such a stupid, uncivilised and ignorant way."

Mickie Marsh



Mickie Marsh

The endless queues of Police patiently waiting for their supper in Linstead Hall

## POLICE

Police were to be seen everywhere during the siege even in Princes Gardens where they queued for meals in Linstead Hall refectory. The Police were not allowed upstairs into the Linstead Bar area but in other Halls it was reported that groups of Police watched 'TISWAS' during their breaks.



Police eating in Linstead Refectory



Mickie Marsh

## Ambulances line up outside Mech Eng

The day after the siege ended everything was cleared away. The photo, on the right, shows the Press Grandstand being dismantled.

One of the hostages who was killed studied at The London School of Economics but the swift action of the SAS probably saved the lives of many others. The terrorists must now realise that the world will not sit idly watching and waiting. The terrorist has been shown that there is no way out - at the end of the road there is death - they know it.



Colin Palmer