



FELIX

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The Newspaper of Imperial College Union

Police ignore IC after trophies stolen

ON THE 22nd August, FELIX reported that £5000 worth of trophies had been stolen from the IC Union Office. The trophies have not yet been recovered and the police seem to have made little progress.

The theft took place in the early morning of Tuesday 29th July between two o'clock, when Beit security made their patrol and the time the cleaners opened the office. A window was broken in the Honorary Secretary's Office to gain entry and then the rather inadequate trophy cabinet lock was snapped off.

An unfortunate aspect of the robbery is that it should never have occurred. Malcolm Brain, while he was Deputy President, wrote to the Estates section of College on 31st October and 3rd December, 1979, asking for an estimate for an alarm system and better locks for the Union Office. Rachel Snee (present DP) received the reply on 9th July 1980, just three weeks before the trophies were stolen.

Even though the trophies are insured for £5,000, and are of doubtless historical value, the worth of them when melted down is negligible, as most of the cups were only silver-plated or pewter. Three solid silver cups were left behind! These factors have led College Security to believe that the robbery was the result of a 'grudge' against the Union, by, perhaps an ex-student who knew the layout of the Union Office. They have even gone so far as to put forward a suspect to the police: an ex-student who has been convicted of theft and vandalism in the College several times in the past.

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ENTS GIG VETOED

THE *New Musik* concert arranged by IC Entertainments Committee for November 23 has had to be cancelled because College Block have withdrawn the use of the Great Hall.

New Musik, despite a successful album and several popular singles, agreed at the end of August to play a gig at IC for half their normal fee, provided the booking was for a Sunday. ENTS agreed and arranged a provisional booking of the Great Hall. On attempting to confirm the booking, they were told that Captain Lindley, the College Domestic Secretary, had vetoed the decision.

Captain Lindley, when asked, stated that the gig could not go ahead as it was on a Sunday. This meant, he said, that there would be problems over security, complaints from local residents about drunken rowdies on a Sunday night, a lot of people would have to give up free time to supervise the concert, and if the Great Hall were to be required on Monday morning the cleaners wouldn't come in to set up for it.

Mike Firmston, the ENTS Chairman, brought up the following salient points:

i) "Security are prepared to do Sunday concerts provided they are not punk bands".

ii) "Most people come to the gigs by tube to South Kensington, and then over the walkway, which effects few residents; furthermore no drunk will be allowed in the Great Hall and the Union Bar is the nearest source of alcohol (a quarter of a mile away)".

iii) "There is no difference between giving up time to supervise a concert on a Sunday, and giving up time to supervise a concert on a Saturday".

vi) "ENTS has to clear up after a concert, in fact, after last year's John Miles concert, Mr Thomas, the Domestic Manager wrote to ENTS to congratulate them on their tidiness. In any case, no one had booked the Great Hall for Monday morning.

Apparently Captain Lindley was very worried about Great Hall concerts after all the correspondence about a Jack The Lad gig some years ago, though since then several Sunday concerts have gone off without a hitch; furthermore, ENTS booking for Caravan on Sunday 16th November will take place (College claim that this was passed 'by mistake'). ENTS need Sunday concerts as this is a useful way of booking bands at cheaper rates, and also tends to draw a larger audience.

Fortunately for ENTS, they have not been asked to pay a cancellation fee, but it is another unfortunate set back for them. A similar situation occurred in 1977 when ENTS had to cancel Great

Hall gigs due to the GLC enforcing extra safety arrangements. That dispute was best summed up by the then ENTS Chairman, Tim Fowler's, comment: "We seem to be the only venue of under 2,000 capacity where the GLC is exerting its pressure. Travel to the Roundhouse, the Marquee, the Nashville, or any similarly sized concert hall, and look to see if they have got a four foot barrier in front of the stage. And few of the other regulations come near to being satisfied at these examples".

This autumn's situation is best summed up by Mike Firmston's opinion of College block's attitude. "There are no Sunday concerts, because there are no Sunday concerts".

Bloody great holes in the skirting board!



Colin Palmer

Amcomical

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FELIX WELCOMES FRESHERS

Letters to the Editor



Letters, and indeed all copy for FELIX, should be neatly written and double spaced. Names and dept. must accompany all letters otherwise they haven't got a cat in hell's chance of ending up in print. However, these details will be withheld or a pen name substituted if required.

Correspondance is invited on all topics; there will be no censorship but the editor reserves the right to chop up letters to make them fit (and still retaining the original meaning).

Sir,

Having recently been a recipient of the so-called "RCS Handbook" I was appalled to see to what depths this formerly illustrious publication has sunk. Are we really to believe that all the RCS Officers are imbeciles and sexual deviants who serve no better purpose than to continue an outmoded and decrepit tradition for another year? This is certainly the impression I get.

Does this appalling Mark Smith person believe he can tamper with RCS and not get himself into considerable bother? Does he suppose he is above the unwritten law?

A cursory glance through this rag left one with the distinct impression that all the articles were penned by the same person writing under different pseudonyms. Am I far wide of the mark, when I suppose that Mr Smith himself is responsible for the horrible slurs in the characters of the people who have given up their spare time to be RCSU Officers? Or perhaps one or some of his cronies "created" the insidious profiles under this "Editor's" direction.

That the stalwarts of one of our college's student unions should be so stabbed in the back, fills me with hatred and loathing. I think a lifesize picture of Mr Smith should be pinned to the wall of the RCS Office and everyone

entering therein should be obliged to throw darts at it. Can he not be ostracised by RCSU?

If I were Richard Archer I would come down extremely heavily on this abominable person. Is "Motion of Censure" too strong a phrase to use? I can think of at least twenty-two good reasons why the most heavy penalties should be brought to bear, but it would be too tedious to list them here. So I shall refrain.

I hope my words do not go unheeded for this is indeed a sad day for us all.

Yours sincerely,
D.P.

Dear Steve

Thanks very much for the copy of FELIX, I love the masthead — I only wish we could afford four colours

A few points on your piece on *London Student*. Firstly, I doubt it *Sennet* even in the halcyon days of 1971 had a circulation of 100,000. It's more likely that they were distributing 20,000 and claiming a readership of five students to each paper.

Secondly, Imperial has in fact subscribed to *London Student* for two hundred copies a week, not three hundred.

Thirdly, I would check a bit before claiming the largest circulation if (and I don't think it will) *London Student* folds. PCL's *McGarel* City Poly's *Pepys* and University College's *Pi* all spring to mind as having about the same circulation as FELIX.

Back to FELIX, I like the Fishy Tales column (are you going to describe the colour scheme of your office in it?), but have no idea what PG Tips is supposed to be about

Hope you have nice holiday.

Best wishes
Paul Segal

Editor of *London Student*

Dear Paul,

Thanks for your letter.

I don't like your masthead in the slightest and I wish I could afford four colours too.

A few points on your letter in FELIX. In my original article, I said that *Sennet* had claimed a circulation of 100,000 per week in 1974. They worked out that after printing 40,000, each copy was read by 2.5 people. This caused the editors of other London student newspapers to attack *Sennet* for diverting advertising revenue away from them by this ludicrous circulation figure. In reply, *Sennet's* advertising manager is on record as saying: "You're being too honest" and "You are approaching advertising too fairly and squarely."

I concede your second point but hope that you are not going to claim a readership of 4,500 at IC, i.e. 22.5 people per copy.

Thirdly, I would have thought you weren't correct. For instance, *Pi* springs to mind as not being a weekly newspaper.

Best wishes,
Steve Marshall
Editor of FELIX

Sir,

In your last issue (559) the article from John Whitehouse (PG Group Chairman) complained about the grant received by PG Group from the Union — supposedly 30p from a £39 capitation fee. Mr Whitehouse seems to have overlooked the fact that the Postgraduate Group gets this grant over and above the other facilities that the Union provides. The £39 capitation fee paid to the Union goes to providing facilities for sports, clubs and societies, for CCUs, for FELIX and for the many other wide and varied bits and pieces.

Also for the number of people who actually participate in the PG Group, enthusiastic as they may be, I would say that those few get much more than the 30p suggested.

I would therefore like to invite Mr Whitehouse and the many uninvolved PGs to set their own house in order before they start griping about their grant. The alternatives are: i) to get rid of the PG Group altogether or ii) to set up an undergraduate group (?).

J Passmore

While you were away

Thief in Sherfield

Mr John Smith, the College Secretary, arrested a thief in his office on 21st August.

The thief was observed leaving with Mr Smith's wallet sticking out of his trousers.

The case has now been heard in court and the thief has been imprisoned for six months.

Round at the Queens

On 17th July, such big knobs as Chris Fox, Sean O'Boyle, and Jo Armitage together with other assorted guests went off to a Buckingham Palace Garden Party in the motorised mascots Jez and Bo. A good time was had by all!

Comings and Goings

At the beginning of August, Mr Geoffrey Reeves took over the post of Chief Security Officer after the death of Mr Dawson last term. Mr Reeves is a former Scotland Yard Chief Superintendent whose son studied at Guilds.

Mr John Samworth, the Bookshop Manager, has now retired. A new manager will not be appointed; the Bookshop will run itself with the aid of a small computer.

Last Post

Finally, when you go to post your letter by the RCM you will be surprised to see that the postbox has been removed. Over the road you will see one of the very first of the GPO's revolutionary new 'K-type' pillar box. The Post Office intends, over a period of years, to replace all existing pillarboxes with the K-type. We at FELIX are not impressed.

Small Ads

Small ads will be accepted at ANY time and will appear in the next available issue. If ads are submitted by Monday 5:30pm, it is likely that they will be inserted in FELIX the following FRIDAY.

Ads are free to members of College, but a charge of £1.50 per col cm may be applied for peculiar financial gain ads or outside concerns at the discretion of the Editor.

URGENT!

●Haryadi Hallm, Indonesian, write to Bulog immediately.

●Consort Chamber Orchestra (IC's very own) urgently requires a competent HARPSICORD/CONTINUO (virtuoso) who will attend faithfully and play brilliantly on the College's superb harpsichord. Apply to Dr D M Munro, Elec Eng Room 803, Int 3111 or 3333. Audition piece: Brandenburg 5.

●Attention! Notice to all students and staff. We are looking for suitable subjects to take part in psychophysical experiments in the VISION RESEARCH GROUP situated in the Biophysics dept of the Blackett Lab.

You are likely to be suitable if you had a squint or a lazy eye as a child, whether treated or not, or if when corrected by spectacles you have one eye with poorer vision than normal, then we would like to see you. If interested contact either Ian Holliday or Annette Grounds, Room 714 Biophysics or Int 2925. Thanks for reading this.

●Attention frustrated commuters! Need a lift into College? Live in Clapham or Battersea areas? Much cheaper and comfortable than London Transport. Contact Robert Demartino, Aero Eng 1 or phone 673 1541.

●Easy Cash! Anybody wishing to earn some money (about £1.20 per hour) manning the bar at Harlington on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, please contact Nick Morton, via IC Union Office. Obviously, this will best suit students who are actually playing sport out there.

●Calling All Anorexics: Anyone interested in the formation of a self-help discussion group, please phone Ann V Salvage, int 2073, or write c/o Mech Eng dept.

●ACC Meeting: The first meeting of term will be held on Monday, October 6, in SCR at 6:00pm.

●Gaelic football. Anyone who saw Kerry win the All-Ireland final in Sept 21 and is interested in forming a Gaelic football team please contact John Passmore, int 3915.

●Croquet Club: Is anyone interested in playing croquet or helping to run the club? If so, please contact either Peter Watts (Maths 2) or Roger Brugge (Atmos Physics PG).

●Swimming: University of London Swimming Club meets Mondays 6:30-7:30pm at ULU, Malet St. Freshers' Night: October 6; Freshers' Trials: October 13th. All welcome — especially competitive swimmers of all standards.

●Soccer: Could the Soccer Club Captain contact Ken Newton in the Sports Centre re. playing Chelsea reserves and Chelsea apprentices.

●Smokestack require energetic, enthusiastic rivvum and blooze drummer. Contact Eric or Sid via IC Radio, Int 3440 or Southside Studios.

●Attractive, sincere, friendly Editor of FELIX would like to set up a personal section of the small ads whereby students can wish their mums happy birthday or merely construct cryptic codes for their friends benefit and the bemusement of others. All ads should be kept to about thirty words or under if possible. All ads are inserted free of charge, but box numbers, if required, are 20p each.

Home Office aid student refugees

FOLLOWING many years of campaigning by refugee agencies, the Department of Education has ruled that refugees living in Britain will be entitled to the same student award benefits as home students, rather than having to pay the full overseas students fees. Many points are left unclear by the decision, such as whether the research councils will follow suit with postgraduate grants; and a number of refugees are not eligible under the new rating (those, for example, who have applied for asylum and are waiting for a Home Office decision; this can take up to two years). However, the decision is to be welcomed as being a major breakthrough. Whether the LEAs will act quickly enough to enable refugees to take up places this year remains to be seen.

Inland Revenue screw up Sabbaticals

THE UNION has been informed by the Inland Revenue that Union Sabbaticals should pay tax on their grants. They claim that sabbaticals are 'employed' and as such are taxable under Schedule E (section 181, Income and Corporation Taxes Act, 1970).

The matter is to be raised by John Passmore at Council, which has already agreed, in principle, to make up the Sabbaticals' grant to its former level in the event of such a situation occurring.

Phil the Greek slags off vets at IC

THE DUKE of Edinburgh visited the College on 4th September to speak to the British Equine Veterinary Association (BEVA) which was holding its conference in the Sheffield Building.

Two days earlier, Princess Anne had spoken to the vets, but the Duke's opposition to the proposed ban on the use of painkillers on horses during competition provoked controversy.

The International Equestrian Federation plans to ban all painkilling drugs this year as dosages have been abused in the past to keep the horse going right to the end of a three-day event when it should really have been withdrawn due to exhaustion.

The Duke is against *abuse* of the drugs, but is strongly in favour of them being used under controlled conditions. The Duke said that if use of drugs was outlawed, some riders might still stretch an exhausted horse out to three days, but without what is presently regarded as 'a properly prescribed dose' of painkiller for fear of disqualification.

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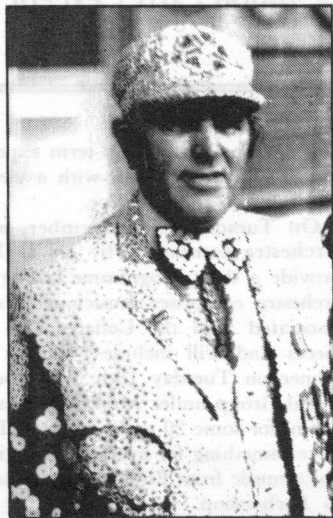
However, the police at Gerald Road Police Station seem content to totally ignore IC and appear to have disregarded College security's suggestion. The police officer who is in charge of the case said that he would be back for 'further investigations' a little later, but has not been seen by the Union since 29th July.

John Passmore (ICU President) has just been given permission by the police to appeal for information concerning the whereabouts of the trophies. College security believe it is futile as the cups are so identifiable as belonging to IC that no one would risk attempting to sell them — and molten pewter doesn't have a very high market price. They believe the cups are probably at the bottom of the Thames by now.

If, however, you do have any information, you should contact Mr Burroughs in the College Security Office (int 2741). If you wish to see the complete list of trophies stolen you should contact the FELIX or Union Office.

Bill gets his gong

MR BILL WEST, a College maintenance operative, was recently decorated by the Polish Government in Exile for his "outstanding action" during the last war. Mr West who is the Pearly King of Kensington and Chelsea, was reluctant to tell us what action merits the 'Cross of Freedom and Independence, with swords' but did say that his son is Pearly King of Milton Keynes. Well done Bill!



Micromouse

The European Micro-Mouse finals were held in Theatre A in Maths on Wednesday 17th September. This event, sponsored by Hawker Siddeley, is a competition to find the quickest maze-solving robot. The competition consisted of two parts: fastest run; and virtuoso performance (judged by the audience).

The mice were very ingenious; one had sonar and another had 'crab-like' diagonal and forward motion. However, both of these failed to complete the maze, the latter contestant complaining that his mouse needed a precisely built maze. The winner (Stirling Mouse) and only one to complete the maze was a kitchen sink variety using brass levers to direct itself along the maze. The owner will receive \$1,000.

Fred (complete with flashing red eyes) and Midnight Sun, a mouse built by Finnish students, tied for the virtuoso performance.

Fred gave a song and dance routine while Midnight Sun wrote his name. It is interesting to note that when Fred failed to complete the maze earlier, his owners complained that he had been overworked by *Blue Peter*. Yet the only mouse featured on *Blue Peter* on Thursday was Midnight Sun.

Most of the mice did not have mouse-like exteriors and it is perhaps a pity that this element was not considered for a special prize. We feel the Amcomical would surely have won.

Safety Council

CAPTAIN Lindley has recently been appointed Chairman of the College Safety Council. He replaces Dr D H Napier of Chem Eng who has left to go to the University of Toronto.



Miserable failures

GUILDS is faced with an uneasy start to the year as their President, Mr Pat Leggett, has failed his metallurgy exams.

The Guilds HJT, Frank Rowsell, has also failed.

RCS and Mines survived the examiners axe but ICU is without an External Affairs Officer as Mr Chris Webb failed his Chem Eng course.

We at FELIX suffered the tragic loss of one of our most enthusiastic photographers, Mr Mickie Marsh, who is currently making yogurt and preserving fruit back home. Mickie, who spent his entire exam period photographing the Iranian Embassy Siege, intends to retake his exams next year.

Announcements

MR MOONEY is pleased to announce that his breakfasts will still be available this term.

He wishes it to be known that the set menu of: Cereal/Fruit juice; Egg, Bacon/Sausage; Toast and Marmalade, and, wait for it — UNLIMITED tea and coffee (*take your thermos flasks - Ed*) will be available for as little as 98 hard-earned pennies.

Mr Mooney would further wish it to be known that you can buy a book of ten tickets for £8.50 (tickets available from the Union Office, Southside Shop or Mooney's Office).

NATIONAL Westminster Bank Ltd are pleased to announce that after a delay which was unfortunately out of their control a SERVICE TILL is now operative on Level 2 in the Sheffield Building for the use of customers of all branches of Nat West. They would be grateful if users would note that should a card in any way be damaged or creased it could render the machine inoperative thereby causing inconvenience to others.

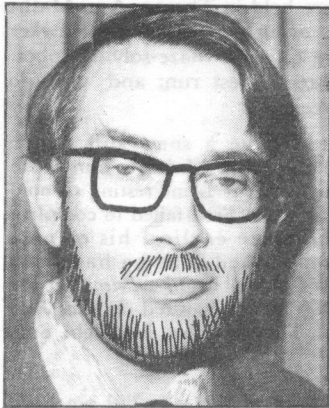
APPLICATIONS for the post of Sub-Warden of Bernard Sunley House (40-44 Evelyn Gardens) are invited from single post-graduate students. The successful applicant will probably have at least two years to complete at IC. The post involves helping the Warden with discipline and general organisation in the House.

The House contains 108 male residents.

Rent-free accommodation will be provided.

Applications should be made in writing to the Warden, Mr Luiz Terxeira via the Residence Office by 6th October 1980.

Old Preversions



THE summer's gone and all the leaves are falling and you've all returned or just come up as the case may be. Welcome to the College and the Union — I hope you have a good time.

I have been in office since 1st July and took over a few 'ongoing situations' from my predecessor Chris Fox. Since then other items of great interest arose.

Security

The security thing seems to be solving itself. Rachel and myself met Mr Reeves (the new security boss) about the proposals on security and we were quite satisfied. College have agreed to retain two security guards on Beit, and Southside will have a roving patrol system.

Appeals

I have been involved with several Appeals for students who have been asked to withdraw. This situation normally arises due to exam failures but can also occur during term-time. If anyone is asked to withdraw, the Union is more than willing to help.

WUS Scholarship

As you get your Union card either today or tomorrow you will be asked to contribute £1 to the Third World Scholarship Fund (*Is one allowed the opportunity to refuse to be generous? - Ed*).

This is the third year that we have run the scheme and it has been very successful in the past. With the money raised, WUS find a Third World student and send him to IC to do an MSc. This year I would like to expand the scheme to more than one student but only if you give the money.

Nursery

Early in July I was approached by the RCA Students Union who said that their Nursery was in difficulties because they only had two applicants next year. They were quite willing to let us have the other eight to ten places for one year. After much investigation and bureaucracy I got a list of staff and students who might be interested but the response was negligible. I cannot really believe it since our nursery has a waiting list of about forty people (and that is in July not October!). So in the end the plan was

shelved until a later date (sometime never?). Therefore if anyone is interested i.e. has babies and no nursery please contact me.

Accommodation

At the time of writing the situation seems rather sad. The Crash Pad has been open since 1st September and although the response is low at present I expect by term-time that it will be much larger. As for offers of accommodation coming in, I wish there were some.

To Finish

Well, it's your Union, we get paid to work for you. If there is anything you want, please get in touch and with a bit of luck I'll escape a few times and actually see you all. I live in 434 Linstead, Internal 4320 (when it is fixed) and in the Union Office Internal 3915.

John Passmore
ICU President

Dinner is served

DINNERS-IN-HALL will be held on the following dates during the Autumn Term:

- 7th October 1980 (Inaugural)
- 4th November 1980
- 18th November 1980
- 9th December 1980 (Christmas Hall Dinner)

Members of the Senior Common Room wishing to attend any of the above dinners should book places through Miss K Dailly, Room 354, Sherfield Building, (int 2231) using a booking form which can be obtained either from Miss Dailly or from the box located in the Senior Common Room in the Sherfield Building. Students should book through the Student Union. The latest time for booking is 12:00 noon on the Friday preceding the dinner.

Charges

The cost of a Hall Dinner during the Autumn Term will be £6.00 per head for staff and £4.50 per head for students, except for the Christmas Hall Dinner — at which pre-dinner sherry is included in the cost — when the cost will be £6.50 and £5.00 per head respectively.

Payment for dinners booked must be made at the time of booking but, as bookings are accepted subject to the availability of places, deposits will be refunded if a dinner is over-subscribed at the time of booking. It is regretted that no refunds can be made in respect of cancellations by individuals after midday on the Monday preceding the dinner.

General

Staff and students attending Hall Dinners should forgather in the Senior Common Room or the Ante-Room in the Sherfield Building — depending on whether the dinner is being held in the Staff or Main Dining Hall — at 7:00pm for dinner at 7:30pm. (The location of each dinner — which will depend on the number of people attending — will be displayed on noticeboards on the Level 1 and Level 2 Lift Concourses of the Sherfield Building).

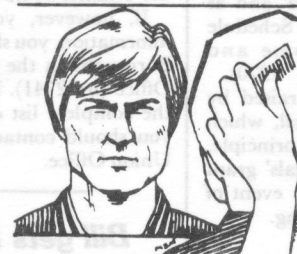
Sherry or other drinks will be available for purchase in the Senior Common Room or Ante-Room before dinner. The wine and port served during dinner will be included in the overall charge.

Dress

Except for the Christmas Hall Dinner, when evening dress (black tie) should be worn, the correct dress for men for Hall Dinners is a lounge suit.

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Added Bonus

During the forthcoming term experiments will be made in the general form of dinners in hall with a view to increasing their popularity and the support they receive.

On Tuesday 4th November, after dinner, the Consort Chamber Orchestra conducted by Dr D M Monro (Dept of Elec Eng) will provide a short programme lasting about twenty to thirty minutes. The orchestra comprises musicians either from Imperial College or closely associated with the College. The programme will consist of popular pieces and will include Mozart's Eine Kleine Nacht Musik. At the dinner on Tuesday 18th November, the Thames Consort Male Voice Vocal Group under Mr Edward James (Computer Centre) will perform, again, for some 20 to 30 minutes. Their programme on this occasion will have something for everyone, ranging through the whole gamut of male voice music from French chanson to Negro spiritual, from Victorian glee to Barbershop.

My Wee Bit



TERM has actually started so we're landed with all the day-to-day happenings of the Union.

Parking Permits

Being positioned in South Ken proves a wee bit tricky when everyone decides to bring

their vehicles into College. The Union is allocated 184 parking permits and these are awarded on a merit basis. Application forms are available in the Union Office but must be returned by 5:30pm on Friday 3rd October 1980. The Union Parking Committee will meet during the first weekend of term and a list of those lucky people who have been awarded a permit will be printed in the FELIX to be published on Friday 10th October. For the first week of term parking places for students will be on a first come, first served basis but I would strongly advise against bringing your car into College.

Elections

Due to exams being rather harsh (*or students being thick/lazy -Ed*) some positions on Union Committees are now vacant. The positions of Elec Eng Dep Rep and Man Sci Dep Rep have also to be filled. The papers for these posts will be placed on noticeboards in the respective departments for ten College days, and if necessary, a paper ballot will be held in the departments.

Papers for the post of External Affairs Officer will be placed on the Union Noticeboard in the Lower Lounge for ten College days. The election will take place at the UGM to be held on Thursday 28th October at 1:00pm in the Great Hall. At this UGM elections will also take place for: 3 members of the Permanent Working Party; 3 members of the Academic Affairs Committee; 2 members of the Community Action Group; 2 members of the Union Finance Committee; 1 member of the External Affairs Committee. Again, papers

will be posted on the noticeboard in the Lower Lounge for ten College days before the election. If anyone feels s/he wants to stand, come and have a chat with John, Rae or myself and we'll try and tell you what it's all about.

Duplicating Demonstrations

The Union has a Gestetner Duplicator in the Felix Office for the use of Union Clubs and Societies. In order to use the Duplicator the Publicity Officer from each Club or Society must attend a demonstration on instruction of the machine. The first demonstration will be held on Tuesday 7th October at 1:00pm in the FELIX Office.

INCOSt

Next Easter IC Union is acting as host to the International Conference for Students of Technology. We intend inviting delegates from all European Countries and during the week IC students will be presenting papers which will be combined with visits to companies and other exciting happenings in London. Help will be needed in the organisation of the event. If you are interested do get in touch and I'll try and keep you informed of meetings that I'll be holding.

This has turned out to be rather an epic piece but hopefully, in future, things will be of a lighter nature.

Hope you've a good start to the term. See you around and about.

Liz

Haldane Library - fact or fiction?

Are you looking for a cook book to vary your flat-dweller's standard menus? Or the car manual you need to help you get rid of that noise in the engine? Off to foreign parts, perhaps, and in need of a map or a travel guide? Do you want the latest Stanley Gibbons catalogue? Or just a novel to relieve the tedium of commuting? Perhaps you have a small ad you want displayed (free of charge)? A concert for which you want a cheap ticket? Or do you just want some background music to soothe you through the latest essay or project?

Then come to the Haldane Library — we can supply all these needs and very many more. It's next to the Great Hall and is open from Monday to Friday from 9:30am to 5:30pm. It is really three libraries in one: the library containing all the set texts for courses in the Department of Humanities (including material on short loan periods, so that it can be used by as many people as possible); a very good music library, with classical and pop records and tapes, scores and books; and it is also (and has been since 1923) the Student Union Library, partly funded by the Union and with four Student

Union representatives on its Library Committee.

The Library is the College's general cultural library. We don't deal here in scientific books, except for the more popular type, but we do have books on history, politics, philosophy, English and foreign literature, music, travel, biography and other subjects. There is a good stock of fiction of all types, particularly science fiction. The Library has two special collections: the Corin Collection (a small collection of 20th Century private press books) and the H.G. Wells Collection. The Music Library can oblige with recordings of pop music, folk, jazz, and big bands, film music, shows, stage plays, opera, oratorio, choral music, symphonies, chamber music, instrumental music and solo song. It has a number of standard musical scores and a good collection of books on music and on hi-fi. We can also arrange classical music concert bookings for students at advantageous rates through 'Youth and Music', the Music Librarian deals with bookings and has details of concert programmes.

We have a good range of journals and periodicals, including *The Times*, *The Guardian*, and *The Financial Times*. Regular subscriptions include *Time Out*, *Radio Times*, *The Listener*, *Times literary, educational and higher educational supplements*, *Punch*, *Private Eye*, *Amateur Photographer*, *National Geographic*, *Gay News*, *Great Outdoors*, *Practical Electronics*, *Popular Hi-fi*, and *Which* as well as academic journals such as *Foreign Affairs* and the *Journal of Contemporary History*. We also provide shelf-room and reading space for newspapers and other journals bought by various national groups in College — the College Hellenic Turkish and Chinese Societies are among a number of groups providing daily newspapers and other publications.

The Library exists for the benefit of the whole College. Come and find out what we can offer. If you need any help finding books, records, maps or any other information, then come and ask us. The Librarian, Richard Williams, and the Music Librarian, Miss V Cedric, will gladly help, as will any of the Library staff. Tell us, too, of books and records which you think the Library should get. Remember too; that up to a third of our stock may be out on loan — we can reserve books and records for you and let you know when they are available. The Library may be small, but it's well-stocked: come and find out what we have to offer.

Richard G Williams

JCR chairs reupholstered!

The JCR furniture, which has been falling to pieces for the last three years, is now on the road to recovery. The operation, which should be completed by mid-October involves reupholstering the chairs and covering them in brown, cream and orange fabric, as opposed to vinyl.

In addition, all of the coffee tables are being re-topped. Rae Snee (DP) emphasises that although the JCR is in College, it is a UNION room and all damage has to be paid for by the Union.

Cleaners Axed!

DUE TO further cuts in College expenditure, the number of cleaners in student halls of residence has been reduced. The Southside cleaners will now clean sixteen rooms instead of twelve, and rooms will be cleaned thoroughly only once a fortnight. The bins will still be emptied and the handbasins washed every day. Sheets will be provided once a week for the residents to change themselves. The cuts have been achieved without anyone being made redundant; no new permanent staff have been taken on since January, so that the number of cleaners has dropped through people leaving. The remaining extra cleaners have moved from Southside to the new Linstead extension.

Matters Raised

Welcome

YES, yet again welcome to IC and although you're probably sick of hearing it I wish you a long, happy and successful stay here, and hope you make the most of what IC Union has to offer you.

Freshers' Fair

This is where the most of what we do offer you is on show, with about 100 clubs and societies trying to grab your attention. Please have a good look around and feel free to put your name down for lots of things; after all, they're not allowed to take any membership fees at Freshers' Fair, so you've got nothing to lose. There will be stalls throughout the Union Building and Sherfield Refectory/Queens Lawn area, and the bars on both sites will be open all afternoon for your refreshment. Please don't come before 2:30pm, however, as everyone will still be setting up. Stallholders should have received details (check your letter-racks!) — if not please come and see me. A map and alphabetical list of societies is inserted in this issue of FELIX.

Crash Pad

For those of you unfortunate enough to still have nowhere to

live, you can get a camp-bed in the Union Building for 50p a night, just turn up at Beit Archway at 11:00pm, suitably armed with a sleeping bag.

Security

I don't want to be alarmist, but after the very unfortunate incident when a Southside occupant was raped last term, I would urge the women amongst you not to wander around alone, especially late at night (there are plenty of people around to walk you home from the Bar!). I'd also advise checking who is in the lift before you step in it and don't if it's a suspicious stranger.

Southside Bar

In the ICU Handbook it says "The main bar is a passage with a bar down one side . . . there is no atmosphere whatsoever . . ." This was certainly true, but by the time you're reading this the extensive redecorations should be finished, and you will be able to relax in a nicely lit, pub-type atmosphere and enjoy your real ale. So rush along to see the new-look Southside Bar (and don't forget to buy the Exec a pint while you're there).

That's all for now, no doubt I'll have lots more to say in the next issue. If you've any queries or problems, don't hesitate to ask, or just come and say hello to me in the Bar.

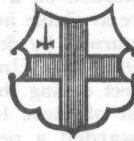
Cheers
Rae

This has been specially lent to us for Freshers' Fair by Mr de Cadenet.

The Club organises many types of events and caters for everyone (you need not have a car to benefit from being a member); membership is open to anyone at Imperial College, so come along and find out more about the Club.

M C Turner
CAPTAIN

Constituent College Unions



C&G

YET ANOTHER welcome to the wonderful world of Imperial College, this time extended mainly to those of you with a more practical leaning (?) i.e. engineers, hereafter referred to as Guildsmen. Welcome Guildsmen. City and Guilds Union has plenty to offer you, in fact almost everything except a President. Not content with leaving us minus the 'man at the top', the powers that be also saw fit to sweep our able-bodied treasurer from our midst. Therefore, the diverse entertainments planned for you by Guilds now include the elections of President and Hon Junior Treasurer. You will find more details of the elections in Guildsheet.

The first Guilds event is the Freshers' Reception, held this afternoon in the Union Concert Hall. It is vital that you attend — an excellent opportunity to rub shoulders with many illustrious Guildsmen, and guaranteed to cater for all manner of tastes. Having received and welcomed you we then proceed to the next Guilds event . . . the Women's Reception on Wednesday night in the Union Office, all Guildswomen freshers are invited to come along.

Having finally tired of welcoming you, we plunge straight into entertaining you. An Ents Concert on Thursday night is closely followed by a bar night on Friday, to leave you breathless and staggering after a hectic first week at college.

Sara McGuiness
C&G Hon Sec



OH FUCK! How do you start these articles (*Not with 'Oh fuck' - Ed*). Should I be overwhelmingly effusive and welcome you so often that you're sick to the back teeth of it all? Should I try to convey the impression that RCSU is the greatest thing since sliced bread? Or should I merely give the facts?

Well, the facts are as follows: Monday 29th September is Freshers' UGM in the Great Hall at 2:00pm; Tuesday 30th September the RCS stall will be at the Freshers' Fair all afternoon and in the evening there will be a Freshers' Pub Crawl — meet in Stan's between 6:00pm and 6:30pm; Saturday 4th October there will be the annual Tiddlywinks down Oxford Street — meet in the RCSU Office between 9:30 and 10:00am; Sunday 5th October is the Bar Night in the Union Bar at 7:00pm.

Those are the events for the first week. Other forthcoming events will be published in FELIX, in Broadsheet and on posters around College.

Finally, I will just mention the dates of the Freshers' Dinners. These are:

Chemistry: Tuesday 7th October
Maths: Friday 10th October
Physics: Tuesday 14th October
Life Sci: Friday 17th October

Tickets for these are available from social reps and dep reps and also from Union Officers.

Oh, and by the way, welcome to IC.

Paul Johnson
RCSU VP

C&G Motor Club

Come and visit the City and Guilds College Motor Club stall. We are next to Bo on the Queens Lawn, and have got the privately built Le Mans racing car, of Mr Alain De Cadenet, on display.

Protecting Your Property

Lost Property

Every year hundreds of items of personal property are found and handed in at the Security Office — many such items are never claimed by the losers and eventually are returned to the finders. Students and staff who lose property should promptly inform the security staff and in many cases the items will be speedily restored. Persons finding items of personal property should hand them in to the Security Officer or to one of the messengers or security guards on any of the buildings.

Thefts

It is an unfortunate fact of life that, on an open campus such as this where a very large number of people are allowed considerable freedom of access, periodical spates of stealing occur. A good deal of this is due to the incursions of 'walk in' thieves who prey on

institutions such as this and on museums, several of which are in close proximity to the College. Both students and staff are requested to cooperate with the security staff by promptly reporting to the Security Officer any suspicious persons seen loitering in College buildings, or entering offices or laboratories with no apparent authority. Wallets, cash, cheque books, calculators, slide rules and watches are the things most commonly stolen and they should never be left in jackets or briefcases in unattended rooms, in particular, cheque books and cheque cards should always be carried separately on the person as instances have occurred where heavy withdrawals of cash from banks have been made through thieves having obtained possession of both card and cheque book.

Cycles

Pedal cycles are currently very attractive to thieves and if brought on to campus they should be secured to the cycle rack with a heavy chain and stout padlock. Plastic covered cables of the kind purchased in cycle

shops are of little deterrent to thieves and should not be used. If you value your cycle please insure it.

Car Parking

Unless you have been authorised to park your car on the campus do not bring it into the College Car Park otherwise you will inconvenience some person who has an authorised parking place. Derelict vehicles are also from time to time an embarrassment to the College and a vehicle which ceases to be roadworthy should be disposed of by the owner and not left on the car park where it may quickly be cannibalised by persons who are quick to recognise that it has been abandoned. Motor cycles brought into the College must be registered with the Security Officer and students are requested to park only in the authorised parking spaces. Parking in between motor vehicles can result in damage to both cars and motor cycles.

GRR Reeves
CHIEF SECURITY OFFICER

ents

Oct 2

Oct 9

Oct 16

Oct 23

Oct 30

Nov 6

Nov 13

Nov 20

Nov 27

Dec 4

Dec 11

films

Capricorn One

The Eagle Has Landed

The Front Page

The Wild Geese

Death on the Nile

Exorcist II (The Heretic)

Foul Play

Rag Premiere

Confessions from a Holiday Camp

Looking For Mr Goodbar

Tommy

1980

Elliot Gould and Telly Savalas star in the worldwide deception about a space trip to Mars. Three 'dead' astronauts fight for their lives. A, 123mins.

Michael Caine, Donald Sutherland, Jenny Agutter, etc star. An attempt to kidnap Winston Churchill whilst disguised as Polish troops. A, 132mins.

Newspaper scoop on the execution of a Chicago police killer. Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau. AA, 105mins.

Richard Burton, Roger Moore, Richard Harris in fast moving war film. Good bloody action in Africa. AA, 134mins.

Agatha Christie thriller starring Peter Ustinov as Hercule Poirot. Lots of star victims. A, 140mins.

Richard Burton leads the sequel to the Exorcist. X, 102mins.

Comedy starring Dudley Moore and Goldie Hawn. Beautiful divorcee flees underworld menaces trying to kill her. A, 116mins.

Special surprise movie. First time actually shown live at IC on Nov 20, 1980.

Yet another 'Confessions' film. This time in the Fun-for-all holiday camp. Oh God! X, 88mins.

Diane Keaton is the young woman on an erotic pub crawl. X, 136mins.

Ken Russell's film based on the brilliant rock opera by the Who. Oliver Reed and Elton John co-star with Roger Daltrey in the lead. AA, 111mins.

Opsoc smash box office records in Budleigh Salterton

The invasion starts quietly; the first three carloads arrive in the early evening. The advance party splits up into two groups, one to prepare for the arrival of the others the next day, the rest (the author's party) to check that the banner is correctly positioned above the High Street. This being done they quickly retire to *The Feathers* for a well earned pint. The Operatic Society Tour of Budleigh Salterton begins.

The following things start in earnest with the arrival of the scenery in a furniture van. Those unfortunate to have arrived first, help unload — those with more Tour experience arrive just in time to see the empty van departing. By the evening the full complement has arrived; all the cast and orchestra are drinking in *The Feathers*; the stage crew begin work. Then follows three days of intensive rehearsing, the cast in the morning and the evening, the orchestra in the afternoon.

Meanwhile, the locals are

striking back; they are not buying the tickets. Perhaps *The Mikado* is not popular around Exmouth; the Treasurer moves around in a constant fit of depression. But by the first night all is well. With a new blaze of publicity in the form of T-shirts and little green posters, the populace are flocking in their thousands to buy the tickets; rumours start of black market ticket prices.

After the first night is over the Tour social life really gets going. On the Thursday a select group are invited into the home of a local Colonel. The gin flows freely

and some singing occurs; on the way home we get fifteen people in a Citroen 2CV. After the show on Friday night, a large scale visit to the Exmouth Chinese and seafood restaurants is organised.

The middle weekend brings fresh reinforcements from London for the charity concert. Mysterious figures entombed in sleeping bags appear at night in space previously occupied by suitcases. The charity concert on the Sunday is successful in raising money for the church organ fund. Afterwards, half the Society take their parents for a cream tea, the other half go with their friends; this causes traffic jams at A La Ronde and Newton Pophelford.

The second week begins with a day off, i.e. no show in the evening. Traditionally it is the wettest day of Tour; this year is no exception. Undaunted by the rain, the company splits up and goes out for the day. The largest

parties go to Lynmouth and pony trekking on Dartmoor. The minibus returns from Dartmoor with wheel arches intact! The rest of the week passes quickly; the barn dance, the concert party, the pyjama party, the tennis competition, the barbecue, the beautiful bums competition, and many other social events are suddenly over.

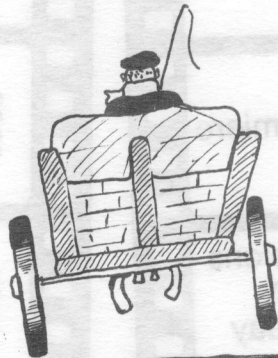
On the last night, another Tour tradition strikes. Pitti Sing gets laryngitis and can't sing, but such is the competence of the Opsoc chorus that this causes no problems (well done, Liz). After ten Performances and one concert we realise that Tour is really over — all that remains to do is to clean out the school and go to *The Feathers* for a last party before leaving for London. As the last Opsoc carload leaves for London peace descends on Budleigh Salterton until next time.

Alan Crewe

IMPERIAL COLLEGE FOLK CLUB

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Tonight

Union Lower Refectory

8:00 pm

While we have your attention.....

DO YOU enjoy listening to/singing light opera?

If so, Imperial College Operatic Society, alias OPSOC or ICOS is a society you should join. We have three main productions, in February (this year it's *Ruddigore*) in March (still to be decided) and in July we go on Tour to Devon. This year, as well as the annual carol singing trip, we intend to give a Christmas concert.

We perform mainly works by Gilbert and Sullivan although we have experimented with works by John Blow and Offenbach, and we always sing in English. You don't have to be a singer to join us, as stage crew, front of house staff and volunteers to help with costumes are always welcome. If after reading this article you are still interested, come and see us at the Freshers' Fair, at the Music Fair, or catch us at rehearsal in the Music Room of 53 Prince's Gate (opposite Mech Eng) on Tuesday evenings, failing that contact me via the Union Office or the Mines letter-racks.

Alan Crewe

Choir

COME and see us, listen to us, and join us at the Freshers' Fair and the Music Fair on Tuesday 30th September and our first rehearsal on Thursday 2nd October at 5:45pm in Room 342, Mech Eng department. This year's programme contains: Mozart: C Minor Mass; Finzi: In Terra Pax; Bach: Cantata No 30; Brahms: Requiem; Handel: Dixit Dominus; Mendelssohn: 2nd Symphony.

**Symphony
Orchestra**

THE SYMPHONY Orchestra (and wind band) would like to welcome all new musicians to College. Come to our stand at the Freshers' Fair and we'll tell you all about who we are and what we do. If you're not a musician, why not come along to our first concert anyway on 27th November at 8:00pm in the Great Hall? Also, if you'd like to meet us and some of the other musical associates at IC (Choir and Operatic Society) there is a Music Fair at 6:30 on Tuesday 30th September in 53 Prince's Gate (just opposite the Mech Eng entrance in Exhibition Road) to which everyone is welcome. Finally a short notice to our regular members. The first five weeks' rehearsals will not be at the usual times, so please come to the Freshers' Fair to find out where they are. See you all on Tuesday afternoon.

Tim Jones

Dramsoc

"What are these, so withered and so wild in their attire?" (Banquo)

THE IMMORTAL BARD could not have dreamt that in the late 20th Century his words would have applied, so aptly, to the crew and actors of the IC Dramatic Society. These motley folk shuffle around the Union East Staircase tired and red-eyed after an evening's work on the stage or late night carousing in 'The Storeroom', their workshop two and a half floors up.

Occasionally, however, vitality floods through them and the Society puts on two main productions a year, accompanied by a one night show during Rag Week, and a tour in the summer, extraneous activities often take place such as theatre trips, and come the spring, theatre workshop sessions.

A spokesman speaks: "We need actors and stage crew, especially people interested in sound. Come up to the Union Concert Hall during Freshers' Fair (or whenever) and you can have a guided tour and a cup of tea, you'll be very welcome."

Brecht

THE CHRISTMAS production is *The Threepenny Opera* by Bertold Brecht. Auditions are on Wednesday 1st October at 6:30pm in the Concert Hall, and again on Sunday 5th at 2:00pm. The show will be cast by the second week of term.

For further details about anything come and see us in the Storeroom, or in the Concert hall at Freshers' Fair or ring us on internal 2854.

Graham Brand
PRESIDENT

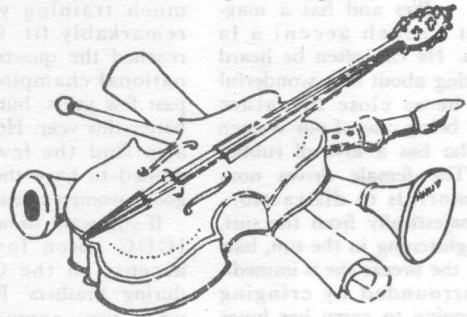
IMPERIAL COLLEGE

MUSIC FAIR

Tuesday, 30th September, 6-8 p.m.

THE MUSIC ROOM 53 PRINCE'S GATE

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IC CHOIR

IC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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etc., etc.

IC musicians extend a warm welcome to all who would like to find out about music at Imperial College. Newcomers are particularly welcome at this informal social gathering.

MUSIC

REFRESHMENTS

Bellpads & Baldricks

NO join-and-have-a-jolly-old-time-with-our-Club recruitment this. More a menaceful demand that each and every whose body is able attend the Union Lower Refectory on Mondays at the hour of six thirty pip emma (and quell those qualms for it serves not at that hour).

For it is upon the sixth day of October that Englishmen all can do their patriotic duty and become thoroughly knackered, in the first session of training towards the formation of a Morris Dance side destined for world domination. Untold fertility can be yours! Astound your chums with the size of your radish crop!

Especially welcome will be musicians, for the one we have at the moment spends untraditionally large tracts of time touring the far-flung corners of the spherical globe.

Those amongst you insolent enough to ask questions of this scheming will find me fairly obvious to the naked eye at Freshers' Fair and tonight's Folk Club thingy. Just be considerate towards my breathlessness, is all.

England Expects!

Andy Cheyne

Chess club

ARE YOU a grandmaster, wood-pusher or just a beginner? If so, why not join the Chess Club? Come and see our stall at the Freshers' Fair or play in our freshers' lightning tournament on Monday 6th October. There is no entry fee (non-members welcome) and play begins at 6:30pm in the Brown Committee Room at the top of the Union Building.

The Club meets every lunchtime at 12:30pm in the Brown Committee Room. We have two teams in the Middlesex Chess League and we finished third in the premier division last season, and for the last five years we have been the London intercollegiate champions. A club championship flourishes throughout the year and caters for all level of play. Why not join us?

Roger Brugge

Debsoc

THE DEBATING SOCIETY believes that this College is privileged to have a Debating Society.

One of man's most cultivated abilities is his ability to argue. I have not yet met anyone who has

not tried this form of recreation.

Yet for some reason — arguments seem a bit pointless — no one ever seems to get his/her point across. So the idea of debating came up — an argument with a difference — other people decide who wins!

Well, at IC the Deb Soc is hoping to present some issues this year that perhaps you have or you haven't discussed/argued before. In all likelihood you have discussed them, but we hope to really be able to bring out the fact that very few of these things are 'cut and dried' and that in truth, do need real consideration.

Badgesoc

THE UNION Badge Machine will be demonstrated on the Badgesoc stall at Freshers' Fair. The machine works by encapsulating the design (on paper) between a metal base and a layer of plastic, so bring your artwork, slogans or magazine cut-outs, and produce your own unique badges. The design should fit inside a 35mm circle, but you'll need some spare space around the outside as well so best bring the whole page. Cost, a staggering small 15p.

Underwater Club

EVER FANCIED finding sunken treasure? Raising the Titanic? Wrestling giant squid? Yes? Well, we're the club for you!

The most glamorous club in College, you can easily recognise an ICUC diver. The male of the species is a strikingly handsome brute usually wearing a black bobble hat (minus bobble of course!), wellies and has a magnificent French accent à la Cousteau. He can often be heard commenting about how wonderful it is to be so close to nature ('nature' being one of our women divers who has a love of rubber wear!). The female drives non-diving mortals to distraction. Rising majestically from the surf, wet suit glistening in the sun, hair blown in the breeze she is immediately surrounded by cringing males begging to carry her lungs or other 'equipment'! Yes indeed people, join ICUC and obtain charm, personality and charisma beyond your wildest dreams!

With all the fantastic people to look after, our safety record is streets ahead of the other adventure clubs in College. It doesn't cost the earth to be transformed from a normal student into a God-like

ICUC diver, we have the equipment, we also have our own dive boat lovingly known as the MV Calapso. If on the other hand you find the idea of god-like status too heady you can at least be seen in the company of divers by playing *Octopush*. This is a form of underwater hockey played in the safety of a pool. It doesn't require too much training yet keeps you remarkably fit. Our team has reached the quarter finals of the national championships for the past few years, but we aim to do better this year. Hopefully we will also find the few women still needed to have the makings of a good women's team.

If you want to hear more about ICUC listen for the French accents on the Queens Lawn during Freshers' Fair. For gods, we're very approachable! Alternatively we are putting on a slide show of underwater photography on Tuesday 6th October in Zoology. Simply come to Beit Quad and follow the signs.

The first pool session is on Thursday 2nd October at 7:00pm in the College Sports Centre.

Andy Cameron

Pimlico Connection

THE PIMLICO Connection Society needs undergraduate tutors to help teach Science, Mathematics, and Engineering at the Pimlico, Stockwell Manor, and Holland Park Comprehensive Schools. No previous experience is needed!

Tutoring

— will be with individuals and small groups. Tutors work in teams of two to five under the direction of teachers.

Time Involved

— 13:30 to 15:30 approximately, each Wednesday afternoon in the Autumn Term and first four weeks of the Spring Term.

Subjects Taught

— *Science* at all levels, but mainly 11-14 year olds.

— *Engineering* — mainly woodwork and metalwork. Students with industrial workshop practice urgently needed!

— *Mathematics* — at all levels.

— *Electronics* — mainly at CSE level.

Travel Expenses

— based on tube fares are paid to tutors.

Contact Alan Rogers, Elec Eng 3, or leave a message on 940 4466.

ICCGAG

ICCGAG is the Imperial College Community Action Group.

The 'Action' Group sounds a bit dumb but the idea is simple. A lot of people (especially old ones) don't actually go to discos every five minutes, but do find they can't manage easy things like shopping and gardening. They are sometimes just plain lonely.

A lot of people who don't have homes - which is something we are not even setting out to stop - however, as they lie in the streets, as often as not at nights, they are still in need of help. A cup of soup, some bread and some biscuits at about midnight really can cheer them up. (Actually they aren't normally that dejected, but sometimes they are cold and wet.)

I'll spare the drivel (maybe I've drivelled already), so if you would like to help someone (i.e. get off your butt) come to our 'office' (which is not 'our' office) during a Monday lunchtime at about 1:00pm, that's when we hold meetings. By the way, my proof-reader has pointed out that I have neglected to disclose the whereabouts of the above office. It's on the top of the Union Building, follow the signs.

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Dancing Club

"TO DANCE or not to dance?"

— that is the question. By the end of this article I hope you will have decided to join one of the largest and most active clubs at Imperial — namely the Dancing Club.

General teaching classes start at 7:30pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for beginners and on Mondays for dancers who already know the basics and want to learn more intricate steps. The lessons last until 9:00pm, and then there is a further period where people practice what they have learnt in the lesson during the general dancing. The beginners will learn about the movement and the steps in the following dances: social foxtrot, waltz, quickstep in the ballroom section, and cha-cha, rumba and jive in the Latin section. A few 'party' dances are also taught, e.g. the gay gordons, and the dashing white sergeant. The Monday night dancers will learn the above dances and also dances which are too difficult to pick up easily, like the foxtrot, tango, samba and pasó doble. The lessons are taken by qualified teachers.

For those who would like to progress faster than the general classes allow, there will be the opportunity to take dancing medals. The medal classes (PDT, bronze and silver) will take place

on the same nights as the general dancing and will start at 6:30pm and go on until 9:30pm. The PDT (Popular Dance Test) is the first grade and will be held on Wednesday. The bronze medal will be held on Tuesday and the silver medal on Monday. The PDT is open to everybody, the bronze and silver classes will only be for those who have danced before. The classes will culminate in March with an examination by examiners from the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing.

Apart from the regular weekly events, the club organises an annual Christmas Dinner and Dance, trips to other college and public dances, and hopefully, this year will visit the British Dancing Championships. Also, every year, there are two annual inter-university dancing competitions. The club enters a team for these events.

All in all, it's been one hell of a year and this one will be better. So come along on the specified evenings to the JCR, Sherfield Building. If you want more information please do not hesitate to contact one of the following people: Charlie Angus, Chem with Man Sci 3 (President); Steven Palmer, Chem Eng 2 (Treasurer); Chris Watts, Aero 3 (Secretary); Simon Carter, Chem Eng 2 (Publicity).

Africarrb

AFRICARRIB SOC is open to all members of the College who are interested in the political, cultural and socio-economic developments in all the OAU (Organisation for African Unity) and Caribbean countries.

Our interests are, however, not limited to the geographical entities comprising the Caribbean islands and the African continent. Events the world over, from Brazil to Canada, from Libya to Lesotho, here in the United Kingdom, in the United States and elsewhere, are of equal and primary interest to us if they have an influence on the legitimate aspirations of the people of Africa or of African descent. To this extent, we are our brothers' keeper.

But we are also our own selves keeper, first and foremost. That's why we would like to encourage you to enjoy yourself while here, and relax in our company. There are a number of R&B, soul, jazz and reggae clubs in London, but you're likely to find many of them on the expensive side. If you are an 'average' student, you won't be able to patronise the commercial music places as often as you may wish. So why not drop in on your very own Society's disco sessions, film and slide shows, or the lively lunch-hour, soul-to-soul chats? We'll set the ball rolling with a reception for you next weekend. There's eats and drinks, knowthy-brother chats, and a screening of the Senegalese Sembene Ousmane's film *Xala*. It's all happening in Room 408, Elec Eng building on Friday 10th October from 5:30pm onwards. And it's all free!

Other topics of interest follow later in the term. Like Zimbabwe. The guerrilla war is over. Lancaster House is back at St James's. Lord Soames has another title. But, how fares Zimbabwe? What are the prospects for, and constraints on, advancement? We hope to have someone of substance from the new Zimbabwe High Commission before long, on a lecture with question and answer session. Later there's seminars, lectures, debates. On Walter Rodney, on the North-South dialogue, on Arab-Africa and Pan-Africanism since Nasser, on the economics of liberation from a Tanzanian perspective, on Human Rights, and of course, on South Africa's apartheid.

Latin American

THE IC Latin American Society would like to give all freshers a very warm welcome to Imperial College. We hope to see you at the Freshers' Fair where we shall have a stand. Join us there.

Hellenic

KALOS ORISATE! (welcome) The Hellenic Society of IC exists to promote the Greek culture in Britain and thus help to create a friendly environment between our peoples. It also exists to help Greek and Cypriot newcomers with their problems.

During the year it organises cultural events, speeches, parties with Greek wine and music and numerous gatherings of Greek interest. The Society also publishes its own newspaper (*Aesop*) which is unfortunately printed in Greek.

For further information come to our stand at the Freshers' Fair and chat with us.

Baha'i

THE PURPOSE Of Baha'i Society is to provide opportunities for the study and discussion of the Baha'i faith through lectures, informal meetings and study classes, films and social activities.

Some basic principles of the Baha'i faith are:

- The Oneness of Mankind.
- The Oneness of Religion.
- The Unfettered Search after Truth.
- A World Commonwealth.
- World Peace.
- The Relinquishing of Prejudices.
- A Universal Auxilliary Language.
- Equal Status for Men and Women.
- The Harmony of Religion & Science.
- Universal Education.

An exhibition on the Baha'i faith will be displayed at the Freshers' Fair.

R Karia
CCD 2

Red Cross

THE DETACHMENT at IC was formed in 1977 and provides training in first aid and nursing for staff and students of the College. It exists as a uniformed group of qualified members who are prepared to give a small amount of their time to the British Red Cross, and to be available in the event of local or national emergency.

We are fortunate in having an ambulance based with the Detachment here at College which is used for Red Cross duties, often travelling long distances escorting the sick and infirm. This vehicle is also readily available to assist at any accident within the College and two College members are always obtainable on the College bleeps in such an event.

If you would like further details of the range of training available and the conditions of membership of the Red Cross, please contact: Roger Serpell, Commandant c/o Aero Dept. See us at the ambulance at Freshers' Fair.

Hams

WHO OR WHAT is G4CTP? Was Francis Bacon the first Radio Amateur? Does the aether exist? You may well ask! What is a radio-controlled pub crawl? What is it like to talk to people on the other side of the world? Hamsoc will answer your questions.

Hamsoc is the Imperial College Amateur Radio Soceity (*to be distinguished from IC Radio, the campus radio broadcasting station - Ed*) and from our eyrie G5YC, G8EYC, and occasional GB2IC send emanations to all corners of the globe. Wavelengths from 80m down to microwaves are employed by our licensed members for this purpose. For novices Hamsoc will give expert coaching in the intricacies of Ohm's Law or, in the straightforward double conversion superheterodyne principle. Find out the difference between skip and chirp and pass the RAE! If this is not enough HAMSOC will be arranging a series of stimulating talks and we will stun you with our social activities — remember the annual dinner?

Find out more at the Freshers' Fair — come up and see our equipment!

P.G. Group

THERE WILL be a postgraduate Group stall at Freshers' Fair where, Treasurer permitting, there will be some 'real' refreshments.

The PG Group is both a social and a campaigning band of people but, obviously, neither role can be fulfilled if it is left to just the 'Dynamic Five', your committee. It won't take you long to find out that the PGs don't get quite the best deal in College so come along and meet the group who should be doing something about it.

West London Chaplaincy

THE CHAPLAINCY serves three colleges in all: Imperial College, Queen Elizabeth College and the Royal College of Music. The Chaplaincy includes members from many denominations: Baptist, Anglican, Methodist URC and others, and is led this year by a Scottish Episcopalian. The focal point of each week's activities is the communion service celebrated every Sunday at 10:00am in the Consort Gallery, Sherfield Building, but the Chaplaincy also meets in many small groups in College halls, houses and departments. A very friendly atmosphere is aided by social events throughout the year including barn dances, parties, and weekends out of London.

Here are the details of some

Gays

PEOPLE who are nervous about involving themselves in the College Gaysoc, and I know the feeling from personal experience, may find the following organisations helpful:

Gay Switchboard: 01-837-7324. Gives information, help and advice on almost anything. Always open.

Icebreakers: 01-274-9590. A gay counselling organisation which will talk over personal problems of gays, bisexuals, and people uncertain, and will introduce you at meetings to other people in the same position.

Lesbian Line: 01-794-2942. Information and advice for women. Ring in the evening.

London Friend: 01-359-7371 or call at 274 Upper St, Islington between 7:30pm and 10:30pm. Advice and help on any problem, including married gays.

Quest: A catholic group for homosexual men and women. Contact the secretary at 8D South Park Road, London, SW19 8ST.

Metropolitan Community Church: A Christian group, contact Leo North on 01-592-0085.

Jewish Gay Group: Contact Norman Goldner, 5 St Mary's Ave, London N3 1SN.

If you loose the number just look it up in the directory or ask the operator for the number of Gay Switchboard. The important thing to remember is that being bisexual or gay is NOT the end of the world. It's the start of a new world. ULU Gaysoc meetings are held every Thursday from 8:00pm in the ULU Building, Malet Street; the room number is on the noticeboard at the entrance to ULU.

Bob Rigby

CHAIRMAN, IC GAYSOC

STOIC

DID YOU REALISE that Imperial College is one of the few colleges in this country to possess its own student television network? STOIC (Student Television Of Imperial College) was formed ten years ago to provide a news and information service to IC students. We broadcast several times each week to TV sets located in the Junior Common Room, the Southside TV Lounge and Southside, Beit and Linstead Halls.

News-Break is our weekly news-magazine programme covering a wide variety of topics and events. Using our portable camera and video recorder, we go 'out and about' to cover the many Union and Rag events, such as Morphy Day, one of the Union's more riotous occasions.

A regular feature of 'News-Break' is the film review, where new releases are previewed. STOIC has connections with all the major film distributors, and members regularly attend pre-release screenings to new films. We also obtain a large number of stills and clips for our 'Film Review' spot.

STOIC uses the facilities of the college TV studio, where members can perform a variety of technical and non-technical jobs: directing, producing, presenting, news reporter, archivist, cameraman, sound engineer, vision controller, video tape editor/operator, and many, many more.

If you want to find out more about STOIC, then come along and see us at the Freshers' Fair, or drop into the TV Studio, just off the Elec Eng Walkway any time, or phone (on the internal phone) 2637.

If you are not at Freshers' Fair, here's how to meet STOIC: *Wednesday 1st October, 2:00pm-8:00pm*, we are making the first News-Break of the session; come and watch; *Thursday 2nd October, 5:45pm*, 'Welcome to STOIC' —

an informal evening where you can find out more about STOIC, how it started and what it does; *Tuesday 7th October, 5:45pm*, Training Session — come along if you want to learn how to operate the equipment or find out about any of the jobs listed.

And don't forget to watch News-Break each Thursday at 1:00pm and 6:00pm. Details of News-Break and all other programmes will be advertised around the college. Remember: it's YOUR local TV service.

IC RADIO

IC RADIO is London's only broadcasting student radio station. It broadcasts on 301m/999kHz on medium wave to all the Southside Halls, Linstead Hall and Garden Hall. Even if you don't live in one of these places you can still hear us; there are outlets in the JCR (which receives programmes on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes) and in the college bars, particularly Stan's Bar in Southside.

Eighty hours of programmes are broadcast each week, centred around music (much of which is requested by the audience) with a strong flavour of college news and general information of student interest.

IC Radio is always on the lookout for willing new staff. Whether you want to be a presenter (DJ?), a newsreader, an engineer or just help out then perhaps you'd like to visit the station. It is situated beneath Keogh Hall in Southside next to the Southside Shop. You'll be trained how to use the equipment in a professional manner, and you'll be surprised how quickly you get 'On Air'.

You will also find us at Freshers' Fair tomorrow, in the Sheffield Lower Refectory, or you can come along to our Freshers' Meeting on Wednesday 1st October. It starts at 7:30pm in IC Radio's Studio 2, which is in the basement of 10 Prince's Gardens.

University of London Union

WELCOME TO LONDON!

As a member of Imperial College Students' Union you are automatically a member of ULU. This means that you are a member of a unique organisation and the largest students' union in Britain. Only in ULU do you have the opportunity to dance, debate or swim with members of any of the other 41 colleges and schools of the University.

The ULU Building is a meeting place which provides a vast selection of amenities and services. The Unimart Shop has some of the lowest prices in town — and in London that's worth knowing. The facilities include a bar, refectory and snack bar with a roof garden. In the summer, gym swimming pool, squash court, training room, badminton court, TV room, games room, day nursery, theatre workshop — and much more. The University-wide Sports Clubs and Societies cater for everyone — from the adventurous mountaineer to the gifted soprano, from the badminton beginner to the Olympic runner from the interested activist to the political hack. Make sure you get your copy of Time Out London Student Guide for more details — available free of charge.

ULU Week will be from 6th to 12th October when all students, are invited to come and find out more about their intercollegiate Union. The clubs and societies will be organising lots of activities (and recruiting members, of course) and don't forget the Ball on the 11th.

The ULU Building is in Malet Street opposite Dillons Bookshop and up the road from the British Museum. (Goodge St, Euston Sq, and Russell Sq tubes.)

This year ULU has three sabbatical officers, elected at the Annual Assembly of its three governing councils: Sports, Societies and the Students Representative Council. The Students Representative Council is made up of delegates from every college. They meet regularly, form policy for all the University's students and make representations to the University.

IC sends eight delegates to the Students Representative Council. Six of these will be elected from the 2nd UGM and External Affairs Committee. The Students' Representative Council represents your views to the University Senate so it is up to you to vote and to be represented at ULU SRC and within the University. Papers for SRC delegates are up in the Lower Lounge. If you want any more information please contact J Passmore, Union Office, Internal 3915.

N'oubliez pas le UGM in the Great Hall. Kick off 1:00pm, Thursday 2nd October.

What's on

Monday, September 29

- **Guilds Reception**, 2:00pm, Union Concert Hall.
- **RCS Freshers' UGM**, 2:00pm, Great Hall.
- **ULU Swimming Club**, 6:30-7:30pm, ULU, Malet St.
- **Folk Club**, present *Muckram Wakes*, 8:00pm, Union Lower Refectory, price £1 to non-members; 50p to members (membership £1).

Tuesday, September 30

- **Guilds UGM**, 12:45pm, Mech Eng 220.
- **Freshers' Fair**, 2:00pm, Union Building, Sheffield, Queen's Lawn (see insert).
- **Music Fair**, 6:00-8:00pm, Music Room, 53 Princes Gate.
- **ENTS Freshers' Gig**, *Classix Noüveaux*, 8:00pm, Union Concert Hall, price £1.20 (or £1 with WUS badge).

- **Rag Committee Meeting**, 6:30pm, Brown Committee Room (top of Union Building). All soc reps please attend, anyone else interested in Rag welcome. Most important item for

discussion is Rag Week and also organising Tiddlywinks.

Wednesday, October 1

- **Sports Trials**, 12:30pm, meet Union Lower Lounge for trials at Harlington.
- **Guilds Women's Reception**, 7:30pm, Guilds Union Office.
- **RCS Pub Crawl**, 6:30pm, meet Stan's Bar.

Thursday, October 2

- **IC UGM**, first of term, 1:00pm, Great Hall, admission FREE and FREE balloons.
- **Lunch-hour Concert**, 1:30pm, The Coull String Quartet, Music Room, 53 Princes Gate.
- **ENTS Film**, *Capricorn One*, 6:30pm, Mech Eng 220, price 40p.
- **Guilds Ents Concert**, *Portraits and John Dowie*, 7:00pm, Union Concert Hall, price £1.
- **Bedford College Folk Club**, Ceilidh with *Ryegrass*, 8:00pm, admission 50p.
- **Kings College Folk Club**, Ceilidh, 8:00pm, Macadam Building, Surrey St.

ENTS GIG

CLASSIX NOÜVEAÜX
This Tuesday, Concert
Hall, starts 8:00pm.

£1.20 (or £1.00 with
WUS badge).

C&G ENTS GIG

Thursday 2nd October,
the Portraits and John
Dowie at 7:00pm in the
Union Concert Hall.
Great value at only a quid.

Records

Clues - Robert Palmer

Island ILPS 9595

ROBERT PALMER, whilst always producing good and sometimes original material has never really become very popular in this country. This album will do little to change that. Palmer has found a new toy — electronics. He has also found a new friend. Gary Numan wrote two of the tracks and appears on one.

The album starts with 'Looking For Clues', an upbeat tune that combines Palmer's voice with some fairly funky electronic backing. 'Sulky Girl' follows which drops the electronics to produce a run-of-the-mill Robert Palmer rock and roll song. We are then treated to the rose among the thorns: 'Johnny and Mary'. An excellent track by anyone's standards, and also a good single. After that the album is basically not worth listening to, apart from perhaps 'Woke Up Laughing' on side two. Not even Gary Numan can save it. The tracks he wrote are probably the most boring.

Robert Palmer with this album has tried to keep up with the times, but apart from the one track, 'Johnny and Mary', which is a classic, he has failed.

Drama - Yes

Atlantic K50736

IN THE past Yes have had the knack of producing albums which sounded almost exactly like all of their predecessors, but still selling millions of them. That was the Yes with Jon Anderson as lead vocalist, and for the most part with Rick Wakeman on keyboards. However, Yes have changed and perhaps the new group should really be called Yuggles. Geoff Downes and Trevor Horn, the masterminds behind Buggles, stepped in to replace Messrs Wakeman and Anderson and most, including myself, were expecting a new sounding Yes. To our surprise and perhaps disappointment, Yes sound the same today as they ever did.

The album *Drama* consists of a mere six tracks, and even then one of them is less than three minutes long. The opening track, 'Machine Messiah', reminds me a lot of some parts of Floyd's *Wish You Were Here*. 'Does It Really Happen' is the other major track on side one. It's a typical fast-moving Yes track, which has some nice touches on keyboards which possibly are the best Wakeman impersonations I have heard.

The album has several good and several bad points. The production is excellent and the music is generally quite accessible. However the lyrics are still very bland and despite a considerable effort, Trevor Horn's vocals are not quite of the same calibre of Anderson. The album cover, itself a work of art, is taken yet again from a Roger Dean painting. All in all the package looks like another Yes album. Messrs Downes and Horn have been integrated totally and Yes have produced an album that will please many a Yes fan.

One Trick Pony - Paul Simon

Warner Bros — K56846

IT HAS been five years since Paul Simon released his last original album, *Still Crazy After All These Years*, and it was with interest I listened to this, his first album on Warner Bros. The songs were written in 1978/9 for a film 'One Trick Pony', which stars Paul Simon. In the five years since his last release, Simon's musical style has barely changed.

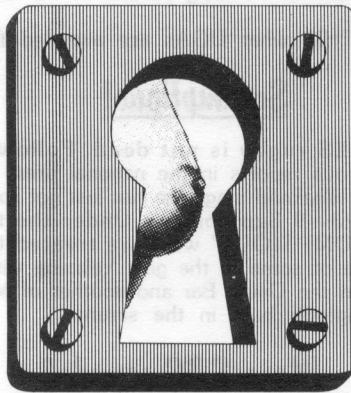
One Trick Pony is a very mellow album, that will probably go down best late at night.

If you like the Paul Simon laid back style, then this is an album for you. These songs get better the more you hear them. However, if you are a newcomer to Paul Simon's solo work then I would not recommend it as it is too laid back and it lacks immediacy.

Dave Fuller

Records courtesy of IC Radio.

Films



What the Swedish Butler Saw

(Cinecenta)

THE PUBLICITY claims that this is the first 3-D porno film ever made, and to my knowledge, which, in these matters, is not extensive, it is.

At £3.20 a go, including the disposable (not to be used twice, etc. . .) 3-D glasses, the film is hardly recommendable.

To be blunt, the film is not only unerotic, but the director, it seems, almost totally forgot he was filming in three dimensions. In fact, save sixty seconds of dreaming by 'our hero' when naked ladies were seen swimming out of the screen, with arms and legs flailing, on a black background, my expectations of the use of three dimensional photography to complement the standard 'sex' movie went sadly unfulfilled.

Set in an Edwardian climate, the film outlines the progress to sexual competence and fulfilment of 'our hero'. The sexual competence bit is attained in Diana Dors' brothel (yes I'm sorry!), though he finds there is still something missing, 'a thing called love'. The answer to this, apparently, is to forcibly rape, using all the electrical mod-cons at your disposal, the first demure and respectable young lady you meet. In this case, the demure and respectable young lady is some girl he meets in the National Gallery, and all the electrical mod-cons at his disposal, is a room, unfortunately named the 'snuggery', with such devices as a chinese tickler (a hand-wound device with a feather on the end which could be directed anywhere . . .), the world's first, though I'm sure there are many now, electrically operated pulsating fluorescent dildo and a very devious examination couch. Needless to say, together with too much ill-conceived comedy,

he has his wicked way with her only to find that she's the sexual athlete, not him.

The Swedish Butler comes straight from the Muppet Show and his main role, other than keeping what's-her-name's chaperone busy in the kitchen (watch for the awful vegetable insinuations), is to add the word Swedish and all it's connotations to the title.

Oh yes, there's the ghost (?) of Jack the Ripper who goes around almost stabbing everyone in the back.

And now the glowing report.....

FINALLY I made it, my ambition to mix my first 3-D movie with my weekly porno film, and I was not disappointed.

At 30p, the snug fitting glasses were a good bargain, and we were allowed to keep them and though we were informed that they were not sunglasses, I am sure I can put them to good use.

The director not only used the three dimensional effects beautifully, but continued to use his delicious models in a way that was both subtle and erotic.

It was good to see Diana Dors, still looking as ravishing as ever, playing the part of the brothel 'madame' and treating 'our hero' and us to all sorts of exciting positions from the Kama Sutra.

The main plot, however, revolved around the stud trying to seduce a stunning beautiful virginal maiden he met, quite by chance, in the National Gallery.

After considerable effort involving numerous electric devices, serving only to whet our appetite, we were treated to her marvellous body, as she stood strapped to the wall!

Though I could write on for hours, I think I should leave it to you to experience this delightful adventure.

Simon Middelboe

The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie

Showing at the Minema, Knightsbridge, until October 15th, this film is an excellent example of the work of the French director Luis Bunuel. Brilliantly funny, the film offers a satirical, slightly surrealistic view of the lives of a select group of rich friends, plotting their course from dinner party to dinner party through such incidents as their arrest for drug smuggling and the invasion of their house by the army on manoeuvres. The film is funny, intriguing, and superb entertainment, and is highly recommended by the editor and reviews staff.

Dave Jago

Fishy Tales

& Tasty morsels

EEK!



By B.B. Wolffe

Hi, I'm BB Wolffe and I'm in charge of exposés, scandals, caustic comments and wry wit. Mr Marshall has allowed me to cast my evil eye over College and the Union and to pick faults. I am very grateful for the opportunity. I must emphasise that Fishy Tales is not a gossip column - I don't like any of this bitchy rubbish about various Union officers shagging in Chem Eng toilets. Fishy Tales is simply a cynic's view of everyday College life. If YOU have any ideas for future articles then by all means write to me - of course, you won't be credited.

Smelly people

IF THE person next to you in the lecture theatre smells a little bad, it is a good bet that he is a New Linstead resident. Students in this hall are unable to take showers because they have only one temperature setting - extremely hot (although if you wait long enough you may get 'blistering').

As if this wasn't bad enough, there are no shower curtains meaning that your clothes and/or towel on the hook on the back of the door are going to get pretty wet. And, wait for it, the showers have been specifically designed to leak onto the hall carpet!

On my way out I espied a sign on the bathroom requesting that shower attachments be not used in the bath (why not use the shower? Hee! Hee!).

Later on, I found out that the bathrooms had not been undersealed and the overflow pipes overflow onto the floor. As I write this very word, I am reliably informed by the person reading over my shoulder that new Linstead has had numerous floods over the summer.

'Wee little bugger'

IT SEEMS that Mr Roger Stotesbury (current RCSU Bookshop Rep and last year's ICU Hon Sec) is a marked man in the IC Union Office. Liz Lindsay expressed her desire "to strangle the wee little bugger" when she discovered that the hall accommodation for the INCOST (5th International Conference for Students Of Technology) had been 'double booked' by Mr Stotesbury. Liz has spent a considerable amount of time attempting to find accommodation for the conference delegates that College were

unable to offer rooms. As it turns out, places had been booked by Mr Stotesbury for two conferences of similar sounding names but which were, in fact, the same conference. Hence Liz wasted a lot of her time as there is plenty of College accommodation for the delegates and College is faced with the problem of filling the rooms now empty.

A further Stotesbury atrocity has come to light! During the occupation of the Senior Dining Room last October a large number of letters (approximately 150) were written by the occupants to their MPs and the press and radio in the hope of publicising the occupation. However, they seemed to have little effect; this is now easily understood as Liz Lindsay found the letters tucked away at the back of the filing cabinet in the Union Office.

Is THIS what UGAs are awarded for?

Scrumptious!

LADIES rugby is not dead. Following numerous reports in the national press last term, *Weekend* magazine has just got round to it (3-9 September). Under the title 'SCRUMPTIOUS' we were treated to a picture of some of the girls 'relaxing with a pint' in the Union Bar and another of Mary Harrington's bum in the scrum.

More SAC scandal

THE SUMMER Accommodation Centre does it again! For the second year running, SAC have not charged a key deposit for Garden Hall keys issued to student cleaners. Last year, a number of keys went missing during the summer (not to mention the Southside, Linstead and Weeks MASTER key which turned up after a little internal bickering when it was discovered an SAC employee had procured it for his/her own use of the Hall laundrettes). This year, a similar number have gone missing. Mr Turk (Warden of Garden Hall) is very concerned that most rooms have an average 27 people access and is demanding that a deposit be charged next year.

Peeing in the dark

WE AT FELIX are fed up with pissing on our shoes. The Union bog lights have now been out of action for over a month. Rachel Jane Snee (ICU Deputy President) should pull her finger out pretty soon or that poor old tree in the Quad is going to die of alcoholic poisoning.

Yellow puke

SO MUCH for the new grey carpets ('costing hundreds') in the Maths Building. When will College realise that carpets were not designed for the average IC student?

The toilet in Maths seems to do good trade as the carpet has been almost worn down to the tiles in that area. And how foolish to put the carpet near the coffee machine (have you been able to remove a cup without spilling at least a third of its contents on the floor?).

Best of all was the technicolour yawn deposited not so long ago - the cleaners were talking about *that* one for weeks.

A trip to the Union Lower Lounge will show what IC students think of carpets. This

carpet was put down only last term and now it is in a disgusting state - I have heard rumours that *human excreta* has been trodden into it!

Finally, how silly to put carpets on the stairs of Bernard Sunley House; what was wrong with the good old lino that had coped remarkably well when one considers the deviancies peculiar to BSH.

All hope is not lost, however; the chemistry department has recently come up with what they believe is the answer to the students' mistreatment of carpets - they have hung theirs on the wall!

The rot sets in

AUTHORITATIVE sources indicate that the much vaunted cook-freeze system is not working in College as intended. It appears that frozen food from the Sheffield kitchens is being kept in a *normal* refrigerator in Southside for a number of weeks before being served up in the refectory there. After this period of time it is long thawed out and getting rotten (see 'Mouldy Chickens' story in the last issue).

According to the cook-freeze system, the food should be heated from frozen *just before serving*. The message is simple - don't eat in Southside unless you don't mind risking food poisoning!

Pinball

SAD NEWS for all Lower Lounge pinball devotees: the pinball machines were removed after one was completely wrecked by person(s) unknown on 23rd August. There has not been a pinball machine in the Lounge since then and it is uncertain whether we are going to see one in the near future (although Rachel Jane promises that new machines will appear by the start of term).

Chris Veale's Circumcision

TODAY The Olly Dowson Memorial Prize for Misleading Headlines was awarded to Mr S J Marshall. Mr Marshall rose to fame last month with *Alf Coleman's Vasectomy*.

Balls

ANNIE'S resonant, nay divinely graceful voice has been heard booming out across the Union premises over the tannoy lately requesting that snooker players bring back their balls. Indeed, it is easy to forget time while engrossed in a game, but could it be that people do not return their balls on time because the Union takes their watches as a deposit for them?

Hypocrisy

LAST TERM, some 75 trolleys were returned to Waitrose in Gloucester Road after a visit to IC by the assistant manager.

Recently, a friend of ours, went down to Waitrose to ask if he could borrow a trolley to move his luggage into his new room. The manageress told him that they had only 28 trolleys left and muttered something about all those IC students taking them. Nevertheless, she could see that our friend was a trustworthy sort, and after all, he did have the decency to ask; so she took him into the back room and gave him a *Safeway* trolley!

SPORT

Fencing

WELCOME to Imperial College and all its excellent opportunities.

We at the ICFC can offer you not only first class coaching at all levels, from Prof A Moldavanyi, but also a full range of equipment in all three weapons. We have our own 'electric box' which we encourage all interested members to use (*know what you mean squire - Ed*). Of course the changing facilities include showers, and believe us after two hours of hard work you'll want one! We meet on Thursdays at 12:30pm in the Union Gym which, incidentally has just had a new floor laid.

This year our main aim will be to improve links with other London colleges. Establishing links with national universities will also be investigated.

Fencing is an exacting sport, requiring a great deal of self-discipline especially in the early stages of learning, but we hope that in the sociable club atmosphere you will find it an enjoyable and stimulating sport. Come and see us at the Freshers' Fair. We'll be delighted to see you. If you miss us there, try contacting one of us for more information: Pat Coleman, Physics PG (Captain); Dave Musker, Mat Sci 2 (Treasurer); or Phil Bird, Elec Eng 2 (Secretary).

Soccer

IF YOU enjoy running around after a bit of inflated leather then this is the club for you. We will be having trials on the first Wednesday and Saturday afternoon at our sports ground at Harlington (meet at 12:30 in the Union Lower Lounge). Also if you would like to get paid for the privilege of refereeing (and be fully trained to do it) we would like to see you.

If you are interested in helping the club out come to our Freshers' Fair stall to sign on and have a chat with us.

Steve Veats

ICAFC CLUB CAPTAIN

Hockey

FOLLOWING a highly successful season last year, this session we intend to improve the already high reputation of Imperial College Hockey Club. The standard of the four teams regularly playing on Saturday afternoons varies from the 1st XI playing league games twice weekly with training every Tuesday (indeed all Club members are encouraged to attend these sessions) through to the 4th XI whose games are played in a more social atmosphere.

This season for the first time the 2nd XI will be playing in a league and this will increase the opportunity for players to play league hockey.

The Club has the use of sporting facilities at Harlington, to which coaches are provided, leaving the Union Archway. These facilities consist of four excellent pitches, good changing facilities and a bar for POST-match refreshment.

This season, numerous social events have been arranged, such as Pies & Mash, Dinner, and Pizza-Night; it is hoped that with suitable support these will become regular events.

Anyone interested should come along to our stall at Freshers' Fair or report with your kit on Wednesday or Saturday lunchtimes at 1:00pm in the Union Lower Lounge; ask for Pete Hughes.

Mixed Hockey

DURING recent seasons the Mixed Hockey side has had few games due to inclement weather and a shortage of lady players. This season however with some fine fixtures arranged we hope to be playing more often.

These matches on Sundays are of a sociable nature against teams such as Guinness (with laid on supplies of stock), Bank of England (without similar free gifts) and it is hoped two tournaments — the Worthing Penguin Weekend and another still being arranged.

It is hoped this year to provide transport to all venues by either car or minibus.

Interested? Then contact either Phil Webb or Cathy Crossley at Freshers' Fair.

Waterpolo Club piss all over opposition

ON 21st June the IC Water Polo Club set off on its yearly tour of Dorset. It was a cold grey Saturday morning as two vans and one moped headed south-west. After almost half of the journey had been completed we stopped at Lymington to play our first match of the tour against Lymington Swimming Club. The match was to take place in an open air sea-water pool, however the opposition refused to play, because: a) the water was too cold; b) it started raining heavily; and c) there was not enough water in the pool because the pump had failed.

Nevertheless the match took place at New Milton Swimming Pool. Phil Mills and Barry, scored two goals in the first quarter and Nick Buckland scored the third goal as his farewell present to the club. However Lymington fought back and equalised in the third quarter and at the same time Jim Williams was the first IC player to be sent off during the tour. Phil Thwaites scored two more goals in the final quarter, so we won our first match 5-3.

We stayed at the Sandy Holmes Caravan Site outside Weymouth. We played our second match, the most difficult, on Tuesday against Bournemouth City. The score at the end of the first quarter was 2-2, Steve Taylor and Phil Mills scoring two goals. In the second quarter Cliff Spooner scored two goals (one from a penalty). Barry scored another one and our goalie

Dave saved a penalty. Therefore we established a good lead over our opposition and they never managed to catch up with us. Phill Mills and Cliff scored two more goals and the final score was 7-5 to us.

The third match was held at Bovington Army Camp against the Junior Leaders. Their team was rather inexperienced and Dimitri, Pat, Nick Last, Phil Sinclair and John Heeferson scored five goals in the first quarter. During the rest of the game our scoring slowed down, however Jim Williams scored a goal after putting a great deal of effort. The final score was 9-4 to us.

On Thursday we had our final game against Bridport SC at West Bay. We played in the river, which was extremely cold. Phil Mills and Phil Thwaites scored a hat-trick each and Barry scored the seventh. Final score 7-2 to IC.

The whole tour was a resounding success, both in the pool and out. We kept up the excellent reputation of the Club and the college by not losing a match.

The team was: Jim Williams, Cliff Spooner, Phil Mills, Nick Buckland, Phil Thwaites, Dimitri Papaconstantinou, Dave Roberts, Pat Porter, Barry Aswin, Nick Last, John Heffernon, Steve Tayler, Phil Sinclair and Amir Abdul.

Dimitri

Results Service

FELIX would dearly love to provide an efficient results service for its sports mad readers. This relies on all club captains (or equivalents) bringing in results of Saturday games by 5:30pm Monday and Wednesday games by Wednesday (yes, the same day!). Your cooperation would be appreciated.

If there is insufficient response we shall brand you all as wankers and drop the sports page which the Editor hates anyway.



• A person emerging backwards on the tip of a polaris missile at Rabion, FRANCE. (Note look of surprise.)

Canoe

THE CLUB is looking forward to another good season. Last year we had river trips to the Wye, Usk Fifey and Dart and four surfing weekends in Cornwall. The summer tour to the French Alps was also successful, although some of our canoes didn't like the rocks.

We can cater for all abilities, so even if you're a complete novice don't be afraid to come along and see us at Freshers' Fair or at the swimming pool at 6:30pm any Tuesday.



"Hello, good evening, and....."

I suppose I'd better extend a warm welcome to all you freshers or I'll loose my street credibility right from day one. (That was it, incidentally)

You're now reading FELIX, one of the best student newspapers in the country. I was elected last year, along with Liz, Rae, and John, to edit it for this session. Unlike some college papers, FELIX is not constitutionally bound to tow the party line. FELIX can criticize as well as praise Union policy. The idea of press freedom is actively encouraged by both the College and the Union, although in individual cases, some people have wished that they could restrain FELIX to some extent. The FELIX motto sums it all up: 'Keep The Cat Free'.

This year's ICU Handbook

I would like to congratulate Dave Crabbe on producing undoubtedly the best Union Handbook that ICU has seen. His coverage of clubs and freshly written pub-guide articles, etc, has taken away the usual task of the FELIX Editor of re-doing them for Freshers' FELIX.

Most (but not all) of the clubs featured are the ones who couldn't be bothered to submit an article for the Handbook. After spending many, many hours pasting all this up I can only express my admiration for Dave Crabbe for sticking to it for 72 pages and my contempt for these clubs. In retrospect, I should have chucked all of their offerings in the bin. I hope next year's FELIX Editor will heed my words and blacklist clubs not bothering to submit to the Handbook.

The Anti-Apartheid Bit

It is a pity that Dave should have marred his Handbook by including the article entitled "The Don't Bank with Barclays bit" on p69. This is nothing but an unfair attack on Barclays Bank. While most people disagree with apartheid, I feel that at a time when banks are competing for customers by placing advertisements which help, in turn, to fund the production of the Handbook, it is certainly not right to attack one particular bank in such a way.

Barclays has been attacked by extreme factions in many colleges throughout the country, but it may interest you to know that they still retain a higher proportion of student accounts than any other bank.

It is illogical to single out Barclays, for

while it is certainly true that they do fund projects in South Africa, ALL of the other major banks hold accounts with Barclays International.

To end my outburst on this topic, I would like to stab a few IC Anti-apartheid Group freaks in the back: You might be interested to learn that Mr Derryck Everett, a former Deputy President, and chief exponent of the 'Let's stop the Boat Club going to South Africa' bandwagon does indeed bank with Barclays. When I questioned him about his hypocritical view on life he confessed that he was 'somewhat embarrassed' by it but had formed his strong anti-apartheid views after he had got a bank account. It was too much trouble for him to change now, yet standing up at UGM's and slugging off the Boat Club (very eloquently, I might add) seems little effort.

And what about Aftab Gujral? He figures prominently in the Anti-Apartheid Group and banks with Barclays. However, he seems to have his head screwed on the right way as while condemning apartheid, he realises that it doesn't matter which bank you have your account with as they've all got South African connections. If they can't even agree amongst themselves why should we be subjected to their ramblings with the possible risk of loosing valuable advertising revenue for Union publications. I will not accept these smear campaigns in FELIX.

Anti-apartheid Group at IC has done more for the cause of anti-anti-apartheid than its intended aim. A pity.

People who got on my tits this week

You may see a copy of the Liberal Club newspaper *Forward* around College today. Its headlines are constructed with letraset stolen from the FELIX Office after these Liberal bum-boys were adamantly told that they couldn't use it.

I shall be sending them an *extortionate* bill for materials and if they don't pay it, I shan't bother too much about including any of their articles in FELIX.

People to whom I am indebted this week

Many thanks to Dave Jago, Mark Smith, Eric Jarvis, Pinball, Simon Middelboe, Simon Turner, Dave Britton, Colin Palmer, Tim Hillyer, Mark Kuse, Nigel Masters, Barney McCabe, Barry Austin, and B.B., D.G., Ian and Maz



The Editor

Security overtime ban

College security guards and messengers have implemented an overtime ban due to the breakdown in talks with College over revised rates of pay.

Over the past month, the number of messengers and security guards have been reduced; the complaint is that College are trying to impose new manning levels on them without settling pay first.

The last NUPE Union meeting was on Wednesday, 24th April. This was a result of the messengers and guards calling off a previous overtime ban due to start on 22nd September after College promised further talks.

However, Mr Davidson, the personnel secretary, failed to turn up for this meeting and the Union executives were merely presented with a list of manning levels to be worked with the reduced staff. It was then decided to impose the overtime ban.

Confusion was caused in College departments as the NUPE circular read: "A work to rule by all messengers will start at 7am on Saturday, 27th September, 1980. Until further notice". In actual fact, a work to rule was voted down in favour of the overtime ban. In the Beit/Union building this means that there will be no messenger from 7am to 9am, with erratic manning at weekends.

John Retires

John McHale, the much liked Beit Hall messenger, has retired to his garden in Kilburn. John, who was at IC for seven years, was made a life member of IC Union and presented with a cheque by the Irish President, John Passmore. FELIX, with which John has always had close ties, presented him with an engraved FELIX plaque.

We all wish John a long and happy retirement

While you are reading this, another FELIX is being produced.

Why aren't you helping?

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We can offer you:

All night orgies (collating)

Fun with glue and paper (paste-up)

20 nude persons in your room(photos)

etc

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Location of Stalls

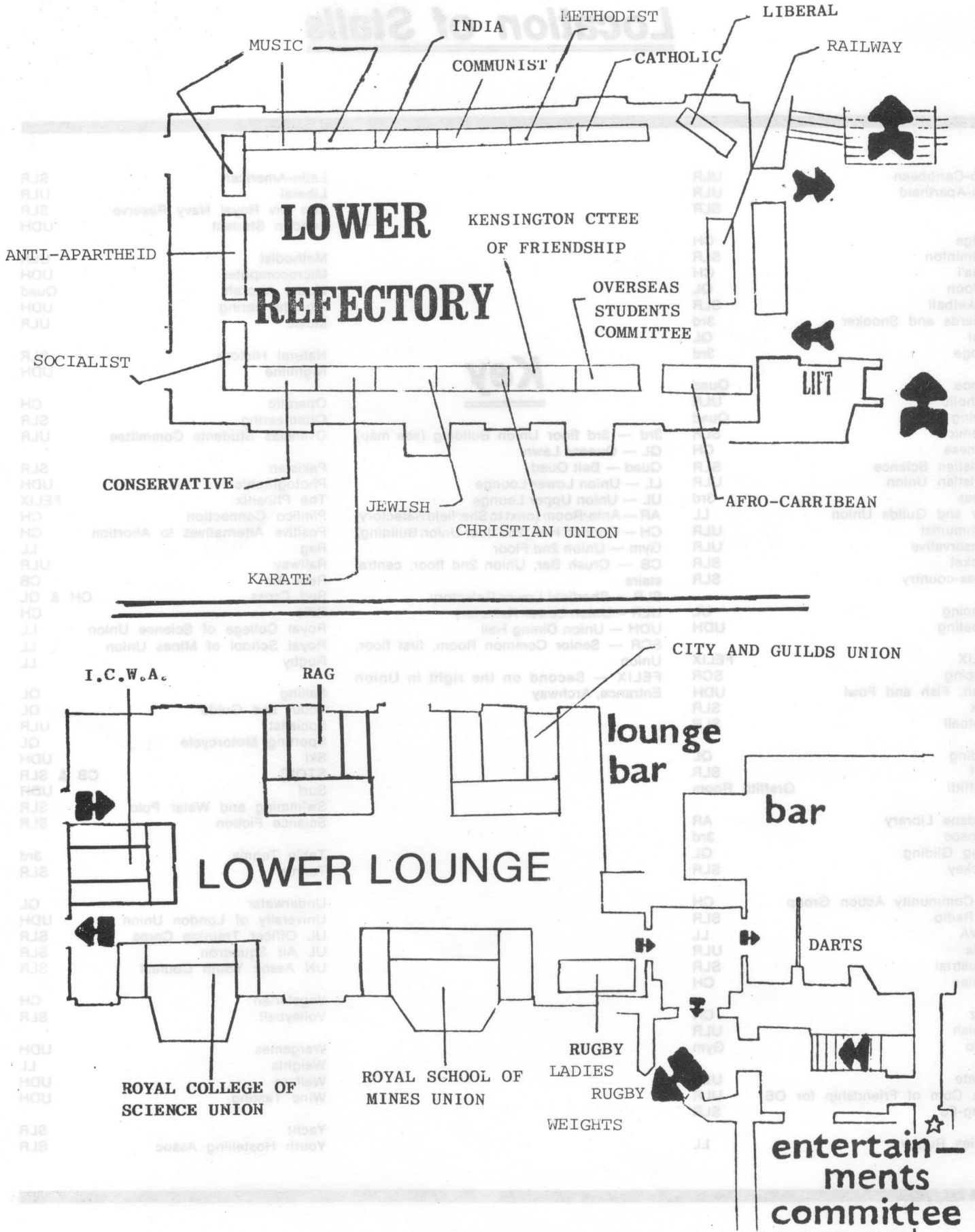
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Baha'i	CH	Microcomputer	UDH
Balloon	QL	Model Aircraft	Quad
Basketball	SLR	Mountaineering	UDH
Billiards and Snooker	3rd	Music	ULR
Boat	QL		
Bridge	3rd	Natural History	SLR
		Nightline	UDH
Canoe	Quad		
Catholic	ULR	Operatic	CH
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Chemical	SLR	Overseas Students Committee	ULR
Chinese	CH		
Christian Science	SLR	Pakistan	SLR
Christian Union	ULR	Photographic	UDH
Chess	3rd	The Phoenix	FELIX
City and Guilds Union	LL	Pimlico Connection	CH
Communist	ULR	Positive Alternatives to Abortion	CH
Conservative	ULR	Rag	LL
Cricket	SLR	Railway	ULR
Cross-country	SLR	Real Ale	CB
		Red Cross	CH & QL
Dancing	UL	Rifle	CH
Debating	UDH	Royal College of Science Union	LL
		Royal School of Mines Union	LL
FELIX	FELIX	Rugby	LL
Fencing	SCR		
Flesh, Fish and Fowl	UDH	Sailing	QL
Folk	SLR	Scout and Guide	QL
Football	SLR	Socialist	ULR
		Sporting Motorcycle	QL
Gliding	QL	Ski	UDH
Golf	SLR	STOIC	CB & SLR
Graffiti	Graffiti Room	Surf	UDH
		Swimming and Water Polo	SLR
Haldane Library	AR	Science Fiction	SLR
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Hang Gliding	QL	Table Tennis	3rd
Hockey	SLR	Tennis	SLR
IC Community Action Group	CH	Underwater	QL
IC Radio	SLR	University of London Union	UDH
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India	ULR	UL Air Squadron	SLR
Industrial	SLR	UN Assoc Youth Council	SLR
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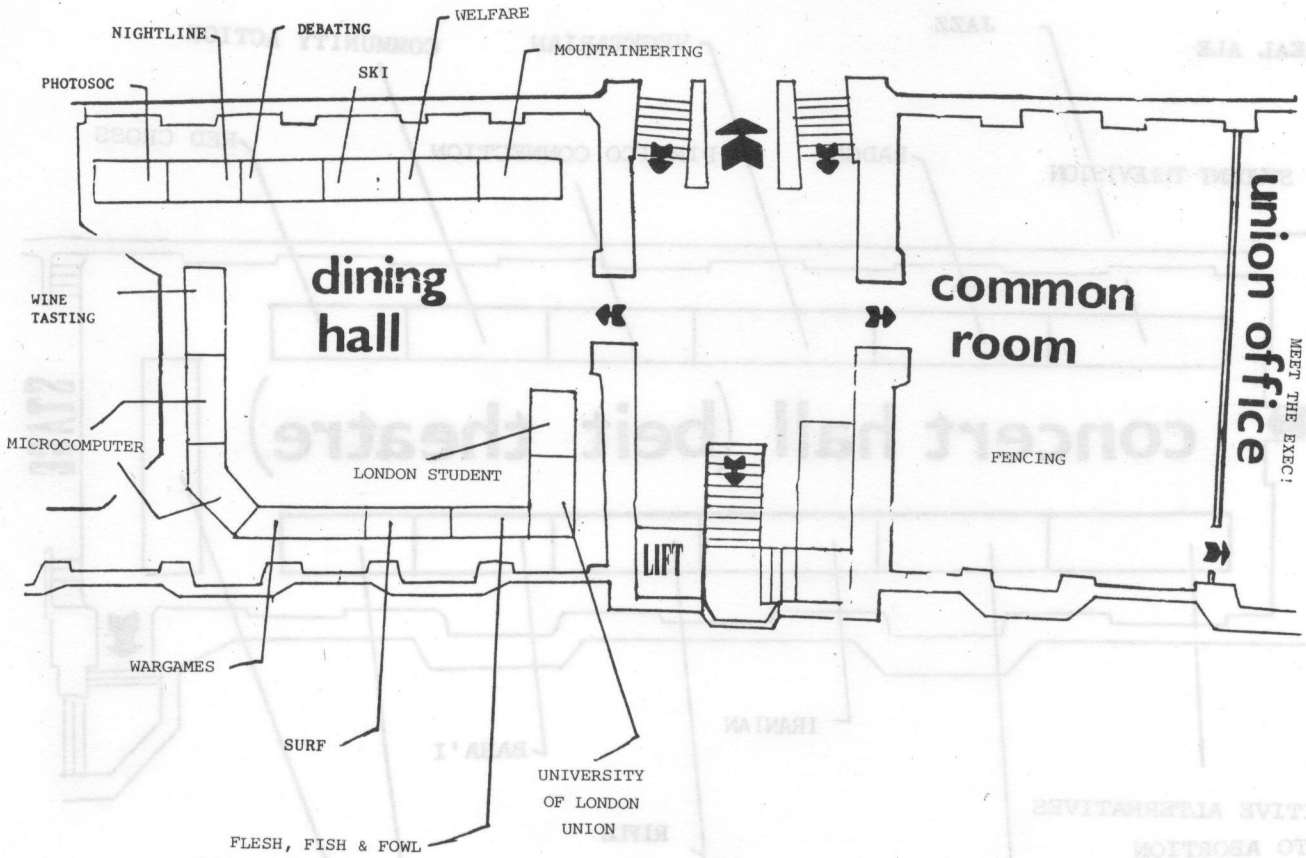
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 LL — Union Lower Lounge
 UL — Union Upper Lounge
 AR — Ante-Room (next to Sherfield Refectory)
 CH — Concert Hall (2nd floor Union Building)
 Gym — Union 2nd Floor
 CB — Crush Bar, Union 2nd floor, central stairs
 SLR — Sherfield Lower Refectory
 ULR — Union Lower Refectory
 UDH — Union Dining Hall
 SCR — Senior Common Room, first floor, Union
 FELIX — Second on the right in Union Entrance, Archway

UNION BUILDING

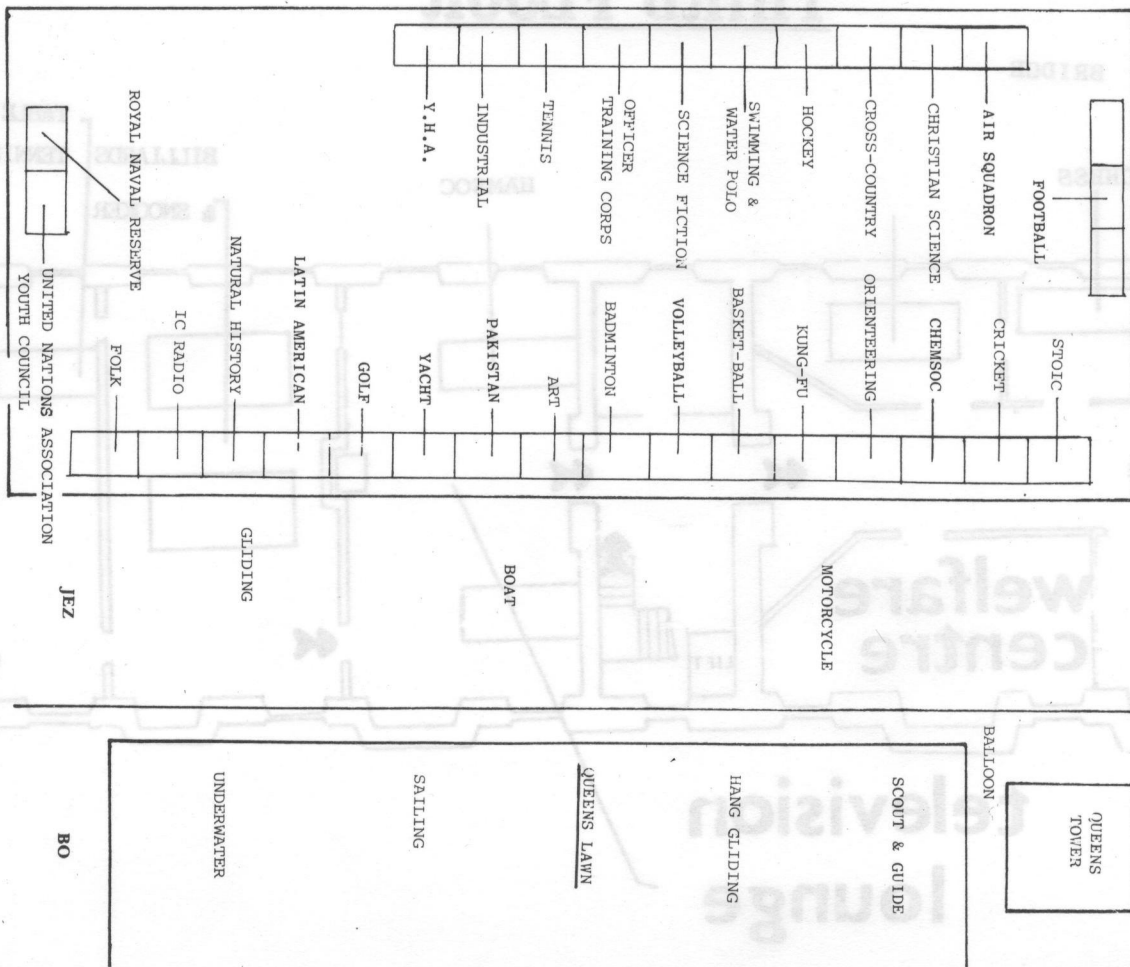
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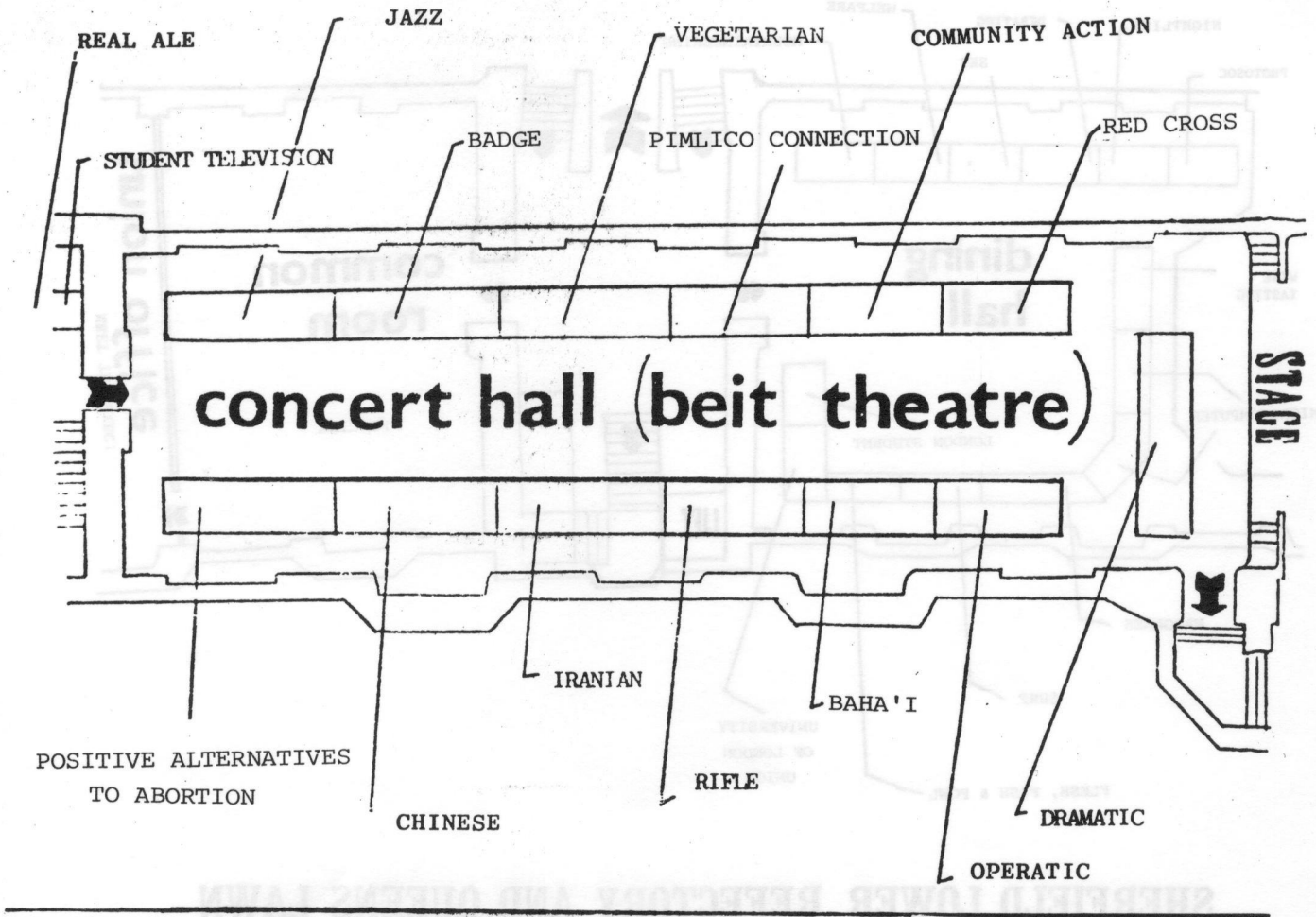
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