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JAMES DEENY GOES SWIMMING

Theft in Lexham Gardens

A thief ransacked three rooms in the basement of 48 Lexham Gardens, a College head tenancy, last Friday. A large carving knife which was removed from one flat and found in another, may have been used to force the other doors or even as a potential weapon.

Two of the rooms (occupied by Mr J. Martin Taylor, ICU External Affairs Officer, and Mr Tom Owen, RCS Academic Affairs Officer) were unwisely left with only a small Yale top lock to secure them, the stronger Chubb bottom locks being left off. These doors were easily forced and access to a third room was gained via a window. The thief quickly looked through the contents of the rooms and took money from electricity meters as well as any loose change that was lying around.

Residents returned to the basement soon after midday Friday and discovered the three open doors. A fourth room which had been securely locked was undisturbed. The police were notified and in the evening detectives looked for finger prints and took short statements.

The thief has not yet been apprehended and residents are advised to double lock their doors whenever they leave the premises.

RCSU Bolt With Spanner

AT APPROXIMATELY 1:45pm yesterday a team of 20 RCSU students successfully violated Spanner and Bolt, the mascots of City and Guilds College Union.

A raid was carefully planned, centring on yesterday's Guilds UGM. The plan suffered numerous setbacks but eventually succeeded owing to the initiative of the team members.

The house where the two mascots were kept was located and two RCSU members approached the door in the guise of Council workmen. By some means they managed to gain access and, with a further group following them, kidnapped both mascots.

Spanner and Bolt were taken away to a secret destination, somewhere in the UK.

It was revealed earlier this week that Mr James Deeny, a Scottish first year physicist, went swimming on Monday and Wednesday afternoon.

His action was prompted by finding his long lost swimming trunks amongst his home beer-making kit last Saturday.

Mr Deeny was reported to have said that although the water was a little cold he found the exercise both refreshing and invigorating. He encouraged other IC students to make more use of the marvellous olympic sized swimming pool, but not on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Mr Deeny expressed his intention to swim twice a week on a regular basis as part of his keep fit campaign. His campaign was heralded last weekend with a walking trip in Dorset. As well as giving up smoking, Mr Deeny expressed a desire to generally live a more "healthy and fulfilling life from now on," and get "that old twinkle" back in his eye.



An exclusive picture of Mr James Deeny.

But perhaps this drive will prove too much for Mr Deeny who was seen downing a few on Wednesday night in the Southside Bar and dozing during Thursday morning lectures.



Above, the recently completed Southside Bar which opened last Thursday evening. With a few minor changes to complete, the bar is now in full use and is often visited by Mr James Deeny himself.



Sir

From your treatment of Mr Barney McCabe on the cover of FELIX 603 it is quite obvious that you regard the wearing of ladies apparel by men as a bit of a joke.

However, as the owner of the dress which Mr McCabe was wearing I was somewhat shocked to see your front cover. The "blue chiffon" dress was, in fact, a treasured item of clothing which went missing from the Beit laundry several weeks ago.

Presumably the Deputy President is also in possession of my black silk underwear and seamed stockings. I would be grateful if he would return them immediately.

Yours

P. Creighton-Ward

Dear Sir

With reference to N. Lambrou's Soapbox (FELIX 603) in particular, and the attitude of people in office of any kind in general I would like to take exception to the vastly over-used cop-out of 'student apathy'. During my time at College, like N. Lambrou, I too have formed opinions of the student body. However, although at this time last year I too thought our students to be an apathetic bunch, I have since changed my mind.

It is very easy to fall into the trap of thinking "I organised this wonderful event for them, but they were too apathetic to turn up. It's not my fault." But this is in my opinion totally the wrong attitude. The reason why people don't go to an

event is because they don't think they will enjoy it enough, or because they have not noticed that it is happening. The fault for this rests solely with the organisers. You could organise a public hanging of Tony Benn and Margaret Thatcher in Beit Quad, but if you don't publicise it well, enthuse about it to those around you, and go out of your way to encourage attendance, people could well not notice the event.

I was totally unaware of Mr E.C. Anyaoku's lecture taking place, who he is, or exactly what he was talking about. Due to the dreary and uninspiring nature of the last week's Soapbox, I'm still unsure.

If people organising events are not prepared to get off their fat backsides and put some life into their projects why should anyone else? I am quite willing to admit that any lack of interest in my events is totally my fault. Why is no-one else honest enough to do the same?

Yours apathetically
Phil Greenstreet
RCSU VP

Dear Sir

Thank you for publishing N. Lambrou's Soapbox article last week! I found it very convincing and revealing. In my four months at Imperial, I've realised how simple-minded the average IC student is.....In fact I wonder how many even read the Soapbox article, beyond the first paragraph!

Are the scientific and engineering courses so demanding that there is not time to question "ideals", "purposes", "ambition"? Or is it that real ale, space-invaders and heavy rock are more important than knowing about Third World countries? It would be interesting to survey how many know what happened in Cyprus in 1974? How it happened? Who suffered? And what is the situation now? Hopefully the new Cyprus Society, this term, will organise events to answer these questions.....but will there be any listeners?

P.Z. (D.S.E.S.)

Dear Sir

N. Lambrou's article in Soapbox last week highlights a continuing headache for clubs organising meetings with outside speakers. OSC's lecture on 'New Nations' was competing for audiences with three other meetings.

The problem is clubs have no way of knowing what other meetings have already been arranged for a particular day when inviting speakers. A simple solution, surely, would be to keep a diary in the Union Office in which clubs could record details of meetings that they had arranged. This could then be consulted by anyone who wanted to know whether a particular day would still be suitable for inviting a speaker.

Yours faithfully
J.P. Stanley
BE3

Dear Sir

It is with interest and great dismay that I have read the article of Frank James and the letters of Mr Lyall and Mr Mercer. I would like to apologise to Frank for the lack of precision of both Mr Mercer and Mr Lyall's views. For the last two weeks I have written a letter for each FELIX and yet not forwarded them. Now, I cannot remain silent.

To say that I am a Christian needs clarifying for both Mr Mercer and Mr Lyall have said that they are Christians. I believe that every word from Genesis to Revelation is Gods inspired word. I believe in a six day creation and have yet to find one scientific fact which can say to me "Look, here is evidence that demands evolution and forbids creation". I challenge anybody who reads this letter. May I point a few things out.

1. The order of creation is not the order of evolution. The sun was created after planets to state on biblical fact.

2. Genesis 1 and Genesis 2 do not contradict. In Genesis 1 God says "This is the order I created heaven and earth. In chap 2 God reveals a little more, some of the detail, of how He created the world. (Be careful with the Hebrew tenses.)

3. The word for 'day' in Gen 1 can be translated age. But Exodus 20v8-11 points out that the Creation was accomplished in six twenty four days. May I finally leave a word of advice to the critics of Gen 1 and 2. If you don't believe it don't try and mock or refute it; you deceive yourself. If you don't believe it, leave it alone.

To Mr Mercer and Mr Lyall; if you don't believe the first two chapters of Genesis as Gods inspired word, you might as well throw the whole book away as unreliable and rely on evolution for salvation.

Yours sincerely
John Davies
Chemistry 1

Sir

We in the Islamic Soc would like to correct the erroneous assumptions made by Messrs James and Lyall in their letters to you in last week's FELIX. These misinterpretations were made both with regard to the objectives and contents of our article.

Firstly our article was **not** in response to Mr James'. Our intention was to try to show in a necessarily generalized way, that in submission to the Will of God—i.e. Islam—both faith and reason are united.

Since the age of enlightenment in the West, when everything began to be reduced to man-made laws through scientific methodology, faith in the unseen has been socially debased. Sociologists have shown that religion is at best illogical and at worst a cruel contrick; "the opium of the poor".

Although some, like Mr Lyall, can honestly say that the advance of science has not affected his belief in a Creator, nevertheless it cannot be denied that generally, belief in a supreme being and therefore worship of Him has been pushed away from the centre of the stage in Western society. Materialistic concerns have become the objects of reason, and the worship of God has become less than a secondary concern.

Now if we, in our article, had merely printed all the

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Kinnock on Cuts

Neil Kinnock MP, the Shadow Education Secretary, attracted a sizeable audience on Tuesday when he discussed the Labour Party's alternative to education cuts. His speech firstly reviewed the current situation, and then indicated Labour's plans.

The Current Situation

Mr Kinnock stated that, in human terms, the Conservative government has already excluded many thousands of people from higher education. This is compounded financially, in that redundancy payments of staff will probably outweigh the savings achieved. The result is that education cuts are "even more destructive than even the government intended." The danger is that the cuts, aimed primarily at arts courses, will undermine the structure of most universities. A probable consequence, he said, would be the creation of overspecialised "monotechnics". Sir Keith Joseph would naturally like to see such establishments full of students "with short hair, shiny shoes and living at home on student loans".

The Labour Alternative

Mr Kinnock stated Labour's education policy to be expansion and change. Labour would restore higher education financially, but would expect universities to argue their case more effectively. In particular, the animosity between colleges and the general public must be healed.

He said that university admissions procedures need to be changed, so that they are preoccupied with accepting, and not rejecting, prospective students. For this, more introductory courses and more modular courses should be started. Moreover, a selection criterion would be which candidates could best take advantage of higher education.

On overseas students, Mr Kinnock rejected the current policy of imposing full-cost fees. The Labour Party resents what he termed the government's "chauvinist prejudice", as it results in the sole criterion for selection being money. He advocated that overseas students be recommended for a place purely on ability. A proportion of overseas development spending, funded by North Sea oil, would sponsor those students who can't afford the fees.

After the meeting, Union President Nick Morton talked to Mr Kinnock. The President will, if all goes well, arrange an appointment to discuss IC's case with the Shadow Education Secretary.

Maggie's Money Man Courts Cortazzi's Consoc

LEON BRITTON MP, Chief Financial Secretary to the Treasury and a member of the Cabinet, spoke in College yesterday at the invitation of the Conservative Society. He addressed a well attended meeting on the subject of the Government's economic policy.

He outlined the background of uncompetitiveness against which the present situation must be set. The government is, he said, improving the situation by acting to reduce inflation which has halved since the government took office. The rise in unemployment is very unfortunate, but is a consequence of overmanning and the only long-term solution is the control of inflation. Orders to industry are already increasing, as is productivity, and soon a fall in unemployment will result, he claimed.

He predicted that by the time of the next General Election the

government will be able to show that inflation is under control, that unemployment is falling, and that British industry, resorting to competitiveness, is prospering again.

Public spending is being cut as far as possible to reduce the burden of taxes and interest rates on industry. However he thought that much is being done, at great expense, to mitigate the worst effects of unemployment, for example the new Youth Training Scheme.

Afterwards Mr Britton answered several questions from the audience about the government's economic policy. He is the second Cabinet member to visit College this session and two more, Norman Tebbit and Sir Keith Joseph, are expected next term, all at the invitation of the Conservative Society.

Jez, Jack and Jill

Last Monday the popular BBC television programme for children, *Blue Peter*, played host to Jezebel, the motorised mascot of the Royal College of Science.

Viewers were given a quick history of the 1916 fire engine and told how her 400 gallons per minute pumping capability could be used in the mopping-up operation after any future London flood.

Mr Dave Thompson, attired in

the RCSU Presidential cloak and hat, assumed most of the vocal duties and presented a large birthday card to Jack and Jill, the Blue Peter cats, on behalf of the RCSU. Three other officers were present, all wearing splendid firemen's uniforms.

Jez created a very good impression, her bodywork and fittings gleaming brightly under the studio lights. She also started on the first turn of the starting handle.

The man who devised the visit and made the beautiful birthday card was ICU Deputy President, Barney McCabe.

New Handbook Editor

A new Editor for the IC Union Handbook was appointed at the Publications Board meeting on Monday evening.

Mr Peter Rodgers, a first year physicist, was unopposed for the post and will set about collecting articles for the Handbook before the Easter vacation.

He has already expressed his intention to be strict with contributors. "I will set a deadline and stick to it," he told FELIX. "The Union Handbook is an important source of information and this year's officers, in clubs and societies, CCUs and elsewhere, should be thinking about their contributions now. They must ensure that they or their successors write their articles well before the exams."

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verses of the Quran where God says "I created...." to show readers why *we worship*, the ignorance of readers about Islam would have made them say "OK, that's their book, it's the one Mohammed gave the Arabs—they're entitled to what they believe in—so what?" Instead therefore, we tried to show the reasons for our belief in God, and worship of Him—five times a day; in a more general way. Thus we showed both *reason*; represented in the corollaries between what scientific theory and the Quran (Gods last revelation to Man) says about creation and *faith* in God are united in the religion of Islam.

It is in this context, alone, that we quoted the Quranic passages concerning creation and not as Mr James mischeviously assumed. We believe that from our common ancestor Adam through to the last prophet, Mohammed, the message to mankind has been the single one of the *unity and oneness of God*. Each prophet from Adam through to Abraham, Lot, Joseph, Moses, Jesus and Prophet Moham-

med came to teach his particular people how to worship the One God—although the last prophet had a mission to the whole of mankind. But always, the prophets brought the same universal message of Islam; submission to the will of one God alone. We do not therefore countenance association of *any* partners with God—whether ancestors, idols, Holy Ghosts or "sons and daughters" of God.

Finally with regard to Mr Lyall's comments on Darwinism, space is too short to discuss this interesting topic adequately—perhaps we should hold a seminar? All I will say here is that whilst as a theory Darwinism is adequate to explain some of the evolutionary processes in the plant and animal kingdom, it is inapplicable to mankind. The Omnipotent Creator, created us from nothing and returns us to nothingness—and on the Day of Resurrection, each one of us will be held accountable for our sojourn on earth. And some of us will produce accounts which show that we tried to follow a righteous path of belief in God, worship of Him and right action. Others will show that they didn't believe, didn't worship God, and blindly chased after the material things of this life!

T.S. Sheriff
Islamic Soc

Small Ads

- **Wanted:** further contributions for *The Phoenix*. One more will double the size!
- **Bass player** wanted to form band. No beginners. Contact Tony, Rm 421, Linstead Hall.
- **Gold chain and St Christopher** lost in swimming pool changing rooms on evening of Tuesday, January 26. If anybody knows of its whereabouts, please tell Mark Daniel, Mining 2 (RSM). Of great sentimental value.
- **Two girls wanted** to complete a group of 8 so that we can apply for a College head tenancy flat next year. Please contact Philip Adey, Aero 2 via letter-racks. This is a serious request!
- **Badgesoc** make badges for any old pleb. Taste no object! e.g. "Gay whales against racism", "Atomic power? Yes please". N.B. election candidates. Contact Lee Mercer, Mech Eng letter-racks.
- **Anyone interested** in visiting old people and taking them out (in wheelchairs) shopping and to FREE concerts (funded by Community Action Group) come to the meeting on Monday, 12:30, top of the Union.
- **Do you go to HTB?** If so could you help Community Action Group carry clothes from the church to the Union Building after the evening service this Sunday? Wait there and help.
- **Lacemakers** of the world unite. Would anyone interested in making (or designing) lace contact M.A. Browne, Maths 3. If there's enough interest we could start a Lace Club.
- **Cardiff**, Feb 12 to 14. Space in car for anyone willing to share cost. Contact S. Cox, Rm 357a, Huxley, 12:30 any day.
- **Are you Jack the Lad** (or Jill?)—Enter the Welfare Week Condom Inflation Competition. Teams of 3 to Nick Pyne c/o Union Office. £1 entry. Cash prizes.
- **Barn Dance & Disco**, 8:00 till late, Wed Feb 17. Tickets £1 from ICU or CCU Offices.
- **There will be a Yacht Club meeting** on Thursday Feb 11 for all those interested in weekend sailing this term.
- **RCS bus refunds** from monopoly Rag can be collected from RCSU Office. Hurry hurry!

- **Fender Bassman Ten 50w Combo**, bargain at only £150, Crispin Dobson, int 2175.
- **Honda CB125S** (1974), 14,000 m/s, tax and MoT till Sept, some spares, £120. Contact Dave Kelsall, Chem Eng PG, int 2594 or 727-7741 evenings.
- **Rifle Ruger .22**, 10 shot, semi-auto brand new, £85. Firearms is a *must*.
- **Pushbike**, 10 speed racer in full working order, but needs some attention £300. Contact J. Eagleson, RSM undergrad letter-racks.
- **GT380** ultimate street racer, bored to 440, expansions, K&Ns, twin discs, roadrunners, etc., etc. Any offer over £375. 543-1263 or C. Groves, Min Tech UG letter-racks.
- **Technics SL-B2 turntable**, Philips "Black Tulip" amp (45w) 3mths old, £100 for both. Fergus Stewart, Geo 1, Mines letter-racks.
- **Two man pup tent**, canvas with anti-mosquito and snake screen, £25. Contact Pallab Ghosh, Physics 2.
- **AKAI CS-34D cassette deck**, £45, vgc. Contact Paul Dent, Physics 1.
- **Tusk/Fleetwood Mac** £4.50; also Going Through the Motions/Hot Chocolate, £2.75. Contact M. Satchwell, Geo 2.
- **Today is the last day** for entries in the Imperial College Open Darts Tournament, Fremlin Singles Cup, Scottish and Newcastle Pairs Cup. Names to Roger and Jimmy in the Union Bar.
- **Do you accent and manners let you down?** For charm and elocution lessons, contact Mme Tanzi, Rm 52, Weeks Hall.
- **126:** The wet bed was due to the fountain. But I still do not believe that that hollow/grand canyon in your bed is due to just jeering! Bruce.
- **Football update:** Civ Eng 1 require opposition, preferably better than Physics Wanderers. Contact R. Langford, Civ Eng racks.
- **Muggins:** Congrats and commiserations on Sunday's events. Don't worry you can now fly there (except for London TMA). M.
- **Help!** Animal loving male allergic to celotape desperately requires non-split hamster.
- **Cars suck!** From the new green meanie, VGJ 86R.
- **Twinkletoes:** Let's have scrabble soon—but cut your nails first. Desperate of Kensington.
- **Amanda:** Didn't you have those socks on yesterday?—Kremmen.
- **"Lucky"** Selkirk 2, Physics Wanderers 0. The lads will soon bounce back. P.W. rule OK.

Accommodation for next year

The time has come to start thinking seriously about whether you want to apply to live in College accommodation next year and about what type of accommodation you want to go for.

Application forms will be available from Student Services on Monday, February 15. The closing date for applications is Friday, March 12. On Friday, February 12, FELIX will carry an illustrated supplement giving full details of available accommodation and how to apply for it.

While you are waiting for the FELIX supplement, here are a few thoughts to keep you going.

Halls and Houses

For the purpose of applications to Halls and Houses, you will be considered either as a re-applicant if you have lived in a Hall or House before or a new applicant if you haven't. People who have lived in Residence before can only be considered as new-applicants if:

a) They lived in Residence as an undergraduate and will be a postgraduate next session.

b) They have only lived in Residence during the second half session i.e. they moved in after the beginning of the spring term.

Third Year New Applicants

It is anticipated that all third year new applicants will be successful in obtaining place in Residence, in single room accommodation. This is by no means a guarantee since we may have an unexpectedly high demand. Nevertheless, there is a good chance that we will be able to house everybody in this category.

Second Year New Applicants

Because of the priority given to third years, second year new applicants stand less of a chance of getting in and, if they do, there is a high probability that they will be offered shared rooms.

Re-applicants

These are selected by a sub-committee of each Hall and House Committee whose members have not applied for a further year in Residence.

Postgraduates

Postgraduate re-applicants are treated in the same way as other re-applicants. Applications from postgraduate new applicants are considered by the Postgraduate Admissions Tutors in the Departments. The closing date for these applications is Friday, July 16.

Head Tenancies and College Flats

Present Head Tenancies include: Hamlet Gdns, Hammersmith: flats for 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8.

Cambridge Gdns, Notting Hill: a flat for 4 and one for 6.

Lexham Gdns, Kensington: flats for 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8, also double flatlets and single bedsits. Earls Court Square, Earls Court: single and double rooms.

Sinclair Gardnes, Shepherds Bush: flats for 5 and 8.

Gerrard Mansions, Soho: flats for 2.

The College flats which will be available are two Southside penthouse flats and one mews flat behind Southside—all flats suitable for 4 people.

You can make one application for Residence and one for the Head Tenancies and flats. If the latter application is successful, your application for Residence will be withdrawn.

If you are applying for the Head Tenancies and flats, then except in the case of single rooms and bedsits, you will need to apply with one or more others. You will only be considered for accommodation suitable for the size of group in which you apply.

I hope this has started you thinking about next year. Look out for next week's FELIX and the illustrated supplement (we should have some extra copies of the supplement at Student Services if you miss the FELIX). If you have any queries in the meantime, don't hesitate to contact us.

Michael Arthur
Student Services
15 Princes Gdns

H.G. Wells Society

We have seen the size of the planet earth shrink at an incredible rate this century. Until relatively recently few people ever left the security of their own town or village and the thought of venturing overseas never entered their heads. This was at a time when it would take months, even years of uncomfortable travel to reach your destination.

It took manifest destiny, toil, sweat and great hardship for the American people to traverse their continent in a century. Wow all it takes is \$140 and a Greyhound bus to take you to Los Angeles in a day or so. This century has seen newer and faster forms of transportation. Roads and motorways have meandered their way through most parts of the western world, with their tributaries running past everyone's doorstep. Airplanes particularly have seen the time for journeys that would have taken months melt away to mere hours.

In an age when we can travel through the air faster than the speed of sound, when we can get out of bed in London to make it in time for tea in New York, what does the future of transportation hold for us?

If you want to find out, come along to this Monday's lecture by R.M. Taylor entitled 'Where now and What next?'

Industrial

John de Lorean, not content with dashing the hopes of the Irish, gave Industrial Soc a smack in the gob last Friday when Ian Ross was called away (on Thursday) to talk to him instead of us! But many thanks to all those who did come to Chem Eng—to find only the Committee Meeting and no Ian Ross.

Our next event is the Thames Barrier Trip, on Friday, February 11, in the afternoon. This mighty edifice protects a large amount of London from flooding, which we are assured could happen at any time that heavy rain and spring (boing and Zebedee) tides coincide.

Ents

McVicar is coming; Thursday, ME220, be there.

The Breakfast Band (jazz/funk-see music papers for rave reviews) is coming; Sunday, February 14, JCR (so are 'IF' by the way!).

Weekend (ex-Young Marble Giants) are coming; Wed, Feb 24, Concert Hall.

Films are very cheap, all other entertainments £1.

ICCAG

Fancy having a game of football and frisby with some energetic children? Come and find out about helping with battered wives' children.

If you are free on Wednesday afternoons, you can help at St. Pancras Hospital by taking patients out on trips every fortnight or draught-proofing old peoples homes.

Free afternoons can be spent visiting old' people at a home in High Street Kensington.

Saturday afternoons can be spent helping with mentally handicapped children.

Interested? If so come to the meeting, 12:30pm, Monday, top of the Union.

ICYHA

After an extended break (due to bad weather) we finally went on our first trip of the new year last weekend—a long awaited visit to the Dorset coast. We also have planned a full term's activities given below:

Feb 12-14: Peak District

Feb 26-28: Brecon Beacons

March 5-7: A cycle tour staying at Saffron Walden and Houghton Mill (Cambridgeshire area).

March 12-14: Lake District

March 27-Apr 3: Glen Coe in the heart of the Scottish Highlands.

These trips will cost around £10 for a weekend and £35 for the week at Easter. If any of this sounds interesting come along to Southside Upper Lounge any Thursday between 12:30 and 2:00pm, or see our noticeboard in Southside.

Wing Chun

Disenchanted, bored, would you like to get your back on the rest of this rotten world?....But seriously, Wing Chun is a form of Chinese Kung Fu whose roots can be traced back to Shaolin China.

It is neither a hard or soft style but encompasses both, being in its nature a close contact fighting art emphasising compactness, short distance and power and economy of movement.

At the last ACC Meeting the club was ratified to become an IC Union club and consequently we hope to better equip the club with protective equipment as we soon hope to be entering into competitions.

New members are always welcome, so if you're interested and would like to know more, we meet in the Union Gym on Wednesday afternoons and on Saturdays from 9:30 to 12:30, or contact Wing Lai, Physics 2 via letter-racks.

SF Soc

Are you an Ed Emshwiller fan? I am! That's why this Tuesday is my date of the year because we are showing (6:30pm, ME220, etc.) *Relativity*, the all-time classic film, of, er, um, well yes. It's hard to describe, but if you want to see a film containing pot-holing, dancing, fencing, nudity, violence, random numbers, the size and complexity of reality, and the catchiest tune in known space, all inside twenty minutes, don't miss it.

Also in the programme, *Plan 9 from Outer Space*, the worst film ever made. Aliens attempt to prevent mankind from destroying everything with a new form of energy they are about to discover by resurrecting bodies with their amazing rays from their flying saucer. It stars Bela Lugosi and Criswell (who?) and must be seen to be disbelieved. The last time I saw it was at 3 o'clock in the morning. It took me weeks to recover.

We challenge you to see both films in one programme, but be warned, the result could be a permanent personality change, so try not to turn up under the influence of anything or your doobies could remain severely boggled. Entrance 50p for brave non-members, and 20p for already slightly damaged members. Students arise, you have nothing to lose but your brains. Until next week (if I survive)—

Deedle deedle deedle deedle dee.

The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi and
Mr Ed

Cypriot

For those who missed our 'Kafenio': It was a disaster! The coffee was bitter...the cakes were too sweet...the sandwiches were stale...the backgammon was boring...the newspapers were old...the card games were unexciting...the conversation was lacking...and the room was cold. But I still had fun...played games and kept warm...with

Tofalos

For those who came on Friday: look out for posters and notices for the next Kafenio (please tell committee if Friday is unsuitable). Remember not to miss the Overseas Student Committee's lectures...most are very relevant for Cypriots.

Rail Soc

Unlike British Rail (all praise, grovel, grovel, here is three hundred million for modernisation) Railsoc is at last running smoothly. ASLEF, strikes and LT apart, there is a lot on this term. See Southside noticeboard. Our live steam loco is, I'm sad to report still in bits (like the APT!) and our model railway (in gauge) is on indefinite strike due to lack of interest!

If you like trains, be they in model form or real life, come to our next meeting, everyone welcome!

Signed Mr Three Percent with Productivity.

Debating Society

For those of you who have not yet woken up after your Christmas holiday, the IC Debating Society held a debate on Capitalism in the second week of term. For those of you who woke up long enough to drag yourself to the debate, thank you for your support.

We are planning further debates this term, including, hopefully, a Nuclear Weapons debate, and, possibly, a South Africa—Apartheid debate. Almost certainly there will be a debate on the superiority of the male sex (no contest really), which will be held in a place with ready refreshments, and debated by members of the society.

Which brings me to the next, and most important point: membership. At present we have only the five committee members: Dermot McCauley, Maths 3; Chris Lee, Maths 3; Steve Turner, Physics 1; Steve Parr, Physics 1; Steve Chamberlain, Physics 1.

As well as the superiority debate, I have a few other ideas, but these can only be implemented if we have some membes. Cards are now available, and the fee will be 50p (contact one of the above five).

Join the society now, and we can have plenty of serious, half-serious and lunatic debates; delay too long, and the society will fold up as it has done in the past; and this would be a sad end to a valiant effort to bring informative entertainment to IC.

Steve Turner
Publicity Officer

PS: Sorry for the solemn report. You will cheer me up no end if lots of you join. After all, in the words of the immortal Sir Robert, this could turn out to be "...a major contribution to lunchtime entertainment".

Bookshop News

If I may make a simple request, please do not bring food and drink into the Bookshop. We are forever finding the remains of dog eared sandwiches, crisps, etc., and various drinks, left on our bookshelves. They do not enhance the beauty of the books.

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Technology of political control—Ackroyd & Margolis, £4.95
Trouble with the law, £1.95
Power Corrupts—Bacon & Valentine, £2.50
The Ladykillers—Bobbie Jacobson, £1.95
The Boy Looked at Johnny—Burchill & Parsons, £1.50
Politics of Nuclear Disarmament—Martin Ryle, £2.50
Revolutionary of our Times—Rosa Luxemburg, Stephen Eric Bronner, £2.95
For Her Own Good—Eurenreich & English, £3.60
Psycho Politics—Peter Sedgwick, £4.95
Do it Yourself—Janos Henedi, £2.95
Destruction of nature in Soviet Union—Boris Kamarov, £2.95
Cohabitation Handbook—Bottomley & Gieve, £3.95
Capitalism, the family & personal life—Eli Raretsky, £1.95
Race Against the Dying—Elizabeth Sigmund, £1.95
Hidden from History—Sheila Rowbotham, £2.95
Poland, the state of the Republic, £4.95
Jack, London, Man writer & rebel—Robert Barltrop, £2.95
Political Economy of Health—Lesley Doyal, £4.95
Women in the 80s Cis Report, £0.95
Cis Anti Report, £1.95



Forthcoming events are as follows:
 Mon Feb 8: Joint Ents/Carnival Comm
 Wed Feb 10: Rag Mag trip to Oxford, Beit Arch, 12:30.
 Sat Feb 13: Election papers up.
 Sun Feb 14: Soccer Sixes (with prizes)

Bookings for the Oxford trip should be made as soon as possible as they seem to be in demand. The date of the annual dinner has been moved to Thursday, May 18, and the menu and cost will be available shortly.



Anyone want to go to Oxford on Wednesday?

I hope everyone realises by now the conditions under which we are legally permitted to go Rag collecting. We have no street or house-to-house collection licences therefore we are only legally permitted to go Rag Mag selling on university campuses. This is the reason that we cannot collect locally and hence have to hire coaches to get to other campuses. Coach hire is expensive, and if nobody signs up to go Rag

collecting, it is a waste of money—your money!—and is a great financial help for any charity.

So why not do something useful next Wednesday afternoon and come to Oxford. We will return by 9:00pm—therefore you could even do some work or go to the bar when you get back!

Cost of coach is £2—with a money back scheme if you sell lots of Rag Mags.

Gen Comm, Monday, 5:45pm,
 Mining Conference Room.

See you Wednesday.

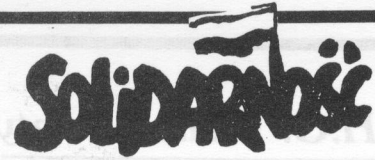
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City & Guilds

Well here's another exciting, fun-packed instalment (yes I remembered). On Wednesday there's an OC Mech Eng/Chem Eng penultimate year party (contact GYR's) and next Friday it's D&D.

On February 14 there are the Rugby-Sevens so you've still got time to get a team together—details from posters or Guilds Office. The Field Cup is on Tuesday, February 16 (see Guildsheet for details) so get yourselves into teams for that as well! Finally the Links Carnival is on Friday, February 19 and stewards are needed, so if you're interested see Andy R. (your glorious president) generally found either in the Guilds Office or the Union Bar.



You can help the Polish people.

A List of institutions which send help to Poland.

All the charitable institutions listed below have successfully effected deliveries to Poland since the military take over.

Food for Poland

Polish Catholic Centre
 1 Courtfield Gdns
 London W13 0HD
 (01) 997-8822

Long record of delivery of food parcels distributed by the Catholic Church in Poland to the most needy.

Accepts: money.

Medical Aid for Poland

107 Beaufort Street
 London SW5
 (01) 351-2605

Delivers aid to hospitals and to the Catholic Church.

Accepts: money, paramedical and medical supplies. Will also accept food and clothing.

Sue Ryder Foundation

Sue Ryder Home for the Sick and Disabled
 Cavendish
 Suffolk

(0787) 280252

Distributes help through its own homes in Poland.

Accepts: money, food, clothing.

Polish Women's Benevolent Association Ltd

16 Warwick Road
 London SW3 9UD
 (01) 373-9936

Distributes help to expectant mothers, mothers and children.

Accepts: money, babies clothing.

Save the Children Fund

157 Clapham Road
 London SW9 0PT
 (01) 582-1414

Helps families with children and children without families.

Accepts: money.

Ockendon Venture

Guildford Road
 Woking
 Surrey

(04862) 72012

Deliveries by own transport to hospitals and children's homes.

Accepts: money, food and warm clothing.

The everyday basic necessities which you ask for granted are not available in Poland.

The Polish people need your help.

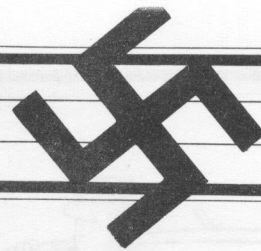
CND

The first two lectures in the series "Nuclear War in Europe" (organised by the College END group and Humanities department) have seen both Professor Neild and Lord Carver condemn the danger and futility of Defence and Foreign Policies centred around nuclear weapons. Without condition both speakers supported CND's premises and arguments for nuclear disarmament. However, Lord Carver raised doubts about CND's proposed process of disarmament. The lectures were both attended by upwards of 200 people, a trend hopefully repeated with the third last Tuesday. The last lecture of the series takes the form of a debate between Professor Michael Pentz and Lord Chalfont. This promises to be a heavyweight tussle between two accomplished speakers, and it is important that both sides (especially CND's) are adequately represented in the audience. Furthermore, please note that a veteran disarmer, Lord Zuckerman, will present the sixth Jubilee Lecture entitled 'Nuclear Illusion and Reality'. The Rector will chair the occasion which takes place in the Great Hall on February 18 at 5:30pm.

So as a final reminder:

Tuesday, February 9 at 1:00pm, Physics LT1, 'Nuclear Deterrence-fact or fiction'—a debate between Professor M. Pentz and Lord Chalfont.

Thursday, February 18 at 5:30pm, Great Hall, 'Nuclear Illusion and Reality'—sixth Jubilee Lecture presented by Lord Zuckerman.



Theatre

Good by C.P. Taylor directed by Howard Davies. The Royal Shakespeare Company at the Warehouse.

This is the first time I had been to The Warehouse and I was somewhat overawed (or perhaps the word should be 'underawed') by its interior, and coming in with only a few moments to spare meant that I wasn't paying the attention I should when the play began. The small theatre occupies the loft of an old building and the overall appearance is one of shabbiness and temporariness, but it does possess a rather likeable intimacy. The Warehouse is the RSC's experimental platform, and such current successes as *Educating Rita* began life here.

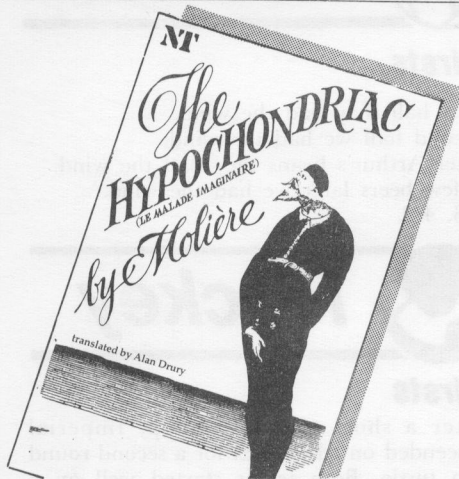
C.P. Taylor, author of *Good*, unfortunately died at a tragically early age only a few weeks back, just when his work was achieving national recognition. *Good* is a mature and intelligent play about a 'good' man, a lecturer in German Literature, who gets caught up in the maelstrom of the Third Reich and eventually becomes its turning force. This character, Halder, is played with commanding presence by Alan Howard, who has just won *The Standard Award* for Best Actor for his performance in the play. Halder unintentionally becomes involved with the forerunner of the Nazi party and although he vaguely perceives in the distance the injustices and horrors Nazi policy is leading to, his immediate personal problems are of more importance to him. His Jewish friend tries to awaken him, but to no avail. Halder suffers from a mental disturbance

in which he clearly hears orchestral music in moments of personal drama. This is a clever device employed by Taylor to add lighter touches to the play, the actors bursting into song now and again to the accompaniment of a trio, but I did feel slightly uneasy about this at times; the subject upon which the play is based is of the type that demands a finely tuned balance between humour and drama. Unaware of the maelstrom inexorably pulling him towards its centre, Halder is only conscious of the people and the problems immediately around him.

The play is based on documentary material, including unpublished transcripts of interviews with SS officers who played an important part in administering the Nazi concentration camps. But above all the play is a work of imagination and of the present day; of people not having the time, the foresight or inclination to appreciate where world events are leading and by their very inaction bring about the arrival of horrendous situations which those world events foreshadowed. Hitler said in connection with the Jews "the art of leadership....consists in consolidating the attention of the people against a single adversary and taking care that nothing will split up that attention." This 'art of leadership' is again being practised today, but this time across the Atlantic.....

Good has been a sell-out success since it opened last September but discussions are underway about a possible further London life for the production at the end of the Warehouse session in March, followed by a season in Broadway.

Nick Bedding



The Hypochondriac by Molière. Translated by Alan Drury. Directed by Michael Bogdanov. The Olivier, National Theatre.

"Oh, the powers of nature! She knows what we need, and the doctors know nothing."

Benvenuto Cellini, Autobiography (1558-66)

"Doctors cut, turn, and torture the sick, and then demand of them an undeserved fee for such services."

Heraclitus (c 500BC)

Molière would doubtlessly have nodded with mocked approval at these words. He was obsessed with illness, medicines and doctors all his life, and no less than six of his plays are comic but biting attacks on the medical profession.

The incomparable Daniel Massey plays the totally self-absorbed hypochondriac, Argan, in Molière's play *Le Malade Imaginaire*, otherwise known as *The Hypochondriac*. Argan draws comfort in his pitiful life from only two sources: his loving wife and enemas (liquid medicines injected into the rectum). In between hurried shuffles to the toilet catalysed by ingesting his beloved medicines he tries to marry off his daughter (played by Emily Morgan who also plays her very young sister in a truly comic and unforgettable way) to a doctor. With Michael Bogdanov directing in his typically exuberant style, the result is a hilarious and delightful evening of buffoonery.

The Hypochondriac, like all Molière's plays, is based on the Italian *Commedia dell'Arte*, a form of rough, improvised theatre abounding in earthy humour and bursting with vitality. It is an art-form that is currently enjoying a great popular revival and it is one that I personally have taken a great liking to. The National Theatre production retains these elements which materialise in the form of revels, masques, street plays, acrobatic displays and song and dance. The *Commedia dell'Arte* consists of popular 'stock' characters and I was surprised to discover that Molière took as his model (he himself acted in his plays) the character of Scaramouche who clownishly personifies a cowardly braggart. Scaramouche! Now there's an interesting aside! Are we not forced to the inevitable conclusion that the FELIX puzzle-setter with his self-adopted pen-name Scaramouche, is no more than a self-confessed cowardly braggart, so cowardly he has to conceal his identity under this pseudonym?

The Hypochondriac must be one of the most enjoyable plays currently on stage in London. However, it is unfortunately coming to a close and its last four performances are on February 15, 16 and 17 (matinee and evening). I am very tempted to go again—something I very rarely do.

Nick Bedding

Book

The Battle for the Labour Party by David and Maurice Kogan, Fontana, £1.75, 151 pages.

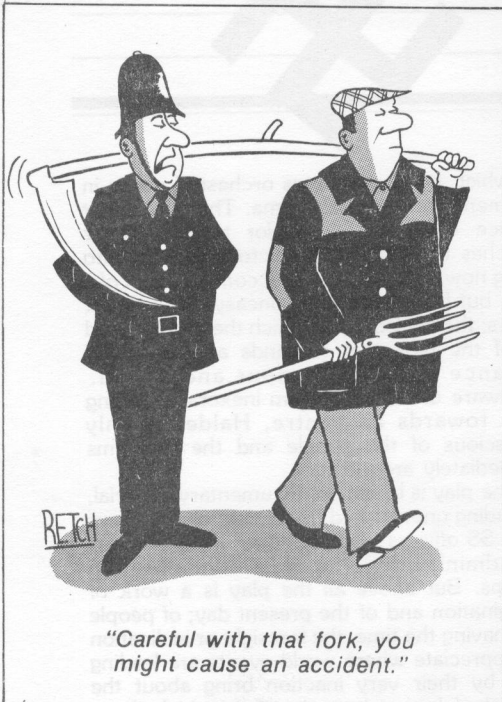
This book is about the activities of the left wing groups in the Labour Party. It takes a fairly objective approach, it's not the sort of book Denis Healey might write, but it's clearly sympathetic to the right of the Labour Party. It concentrates on what's happened between 1979 and the end of 1981, with a little background material about dissent in the Labour Party since 1900. The organisations described in the most details are the Campaign for Labour Party Democracy (which pressed for the constitutional reforms) and later the Rank and File Mobilising Committee (which supported Tony Benn's election campaign. The RFMC recently appears to have been superseded by 'Labour Liaison '82').

If you think that that paragraph was boring then you aren't going to like the book, which is written like a textbook. It's a pity about the style because the subject matter is important, so long as there's still a chance of Labour forming a future government. The book makes it clear that the left are much better organised and more intelligent in the way they pursue their aims than the right wing of the party. But you can see this already from the big changes the leftist groups have accomplished in the last few years (compulsory reselection, the electoral college, the SDP). More interesting are the descriptions of exactly how the activists go about getting support for their

aims. They depend on the fact that local parties are always controlled in practice by a small number of people who bother to turn up to meetings and stand for committees (just like ICU). "The CLPD bombarded every constituency with campaigning material which included the standard resolutions to be proposed at that year's conference." So at a conference, forty or fifty constituency parties might all propose the same resolution (skillfully drafted for them by the CLPD) giving the impression of enormous popular pressure for constitutional change. There's nothing underhand about such tactics of course, and the book emphasises that the left are generally careful to follow constitutional methods.

The book also deals with the deputy leadership campaigns, involving the Rank and File Mobilising Committee (partly Trotskyist, the Kogans say) and its backing for Tony Benn. Then there's fourteen pages or so about Ken Livinstone and the GLC, then the last chapter which is a mildly pretentious and boring discussion of the 'theoretical' basis for the left's campaigns. The authors are better at reporting and describing events than they are at getting at the reasons why they happen and the postscript, added a few months after the main text was finished, is one of the most interesting parts of the book. They recount how the parliamentary party is becoming more left wing: "Of 25 MPs retiring, 17 had voted for Healey and were replaced by candidates of the outside or inside left." It looks like a race between the activists and the SDP to see who can finish off the Labour Party first. On the whole, 'The Battle for the Labour Party' is a reasonably interesting but not very well written book.

N. Willson



SPORT

RESULTS

Wednesday, January 27

Football			
IC I	vs	Goldsmiths I	4-2(H)
IC II	vs	Goldsmiths II	2-2(H)
IC IV	vs	Goldsmiths III	3-0(H)
IC VII	vs	Westminster Hosp II	3-1(A)
Rugby			
IC II	vs	Borough Rd II	3-23(H)
Hockey			
IC I	vs	Middx Hosp (Cup)	1-0(A)
Ladies	vs	St Georges II	3-1(H)
Badminton			
IC Mixed	vs	QMC Mixed	8-1(H)

Fencing

	CLP	IC
Foil (Ladies)	8	1
Foil (Mens)	7	2
Epee	4	5
Sabre	8	1

The IC Fencing Club put up four teams against the Central London Polytechnic in an away match on January 26. The epee team was the only victorious one, winning by five fights to four. Phil Bird and Steve Taylor were responsible for two wins each and Grahame Barfleet the fifth.

The first fight in both the Ladies Foil and the sabre were won by IC, the opposition then went on to win the subsequent 8, while the two fights in the mens foil team were won by Peter Boines.

The results are somewhat misleading, implying that CLP made light work of IC, and although this was the case in some of the fights, several of them went to 4-all before being lost.

All in all it was an enjoyable match and it made a pleasant change to fence on a floor with a good grip as opposed to the skating rink on the third floor of the Union Building!



Football

Firsts

First half they had the wind.
Second half we had the wind.
After Arthur's beans they had the wind.
A few beers later we had the wind.
P.S. 4-2.



Hockey

Firsts

After a short tour of Sidcup, Imperial descended on Middlesex for a second round cup tussle. Both teams started well on a smooth pitch but after 1 1/4 hours the surface cut up leaving Imperial controlling the midfield and Middlesex packing their defense area. After a scoreless first half Imperial set up several chances, but even a series of short corners failed to produce a goal. The ball eventually found its way to the stick of 'entrepreneur' midfield controller Geoff Ayers who muffed up a shot leaving it to the reliable Bell to casually slot home a reverse stick winner.

Middlesex fought back in the final minutes, but ended second in a close match, the first they've lost this season.

Thanks to Jon for transport (nuff said!) and Tim for umpiring.

Team: Slatter, Clarke, Riley, Parker, Ayres, Rao, Bell, Garmes, Franklin, Bateson, Farmer.

Ladies

We won last week. We won again this week. We beat UCH 10-2 last week. We beat St. Georges 5-1 this week. Karen scored a goal. So did Jo. Alison got two. Their goalie scored one for us as well. Everybody played really well and Caroline was very pleased with us. We saw lots of big aeroplanes. Afterwards we had lemonade which was very nice.

Guess what, Mummy said she will buy me Janet and John Book 2 for winning. I hope win again next week.

Summer Vacation Employment

Two Assistant Managers required for the Summer Letting Scheme of the College flats at Hamlet Gardens for the forthcoming summer. The job offers excellent managerial experience, good pay, free accommodation and an enjoyable summer in London. If interested, please write in detail to Jim Donaldson (Manager HGSLs) for an interview, c/o the Student Services Office, 15 Princes Gdns, or directly to 216 Hamlet Gdns, London W6. Any undergraduate may apply. Closing date for applications Monday, February 22.

Wood's Golden Turkey at IC

Imperial College Science Fiction Society is to show the film *Plan 9 from Outer Space* on Tuesday (6:30pm, Mech Eng 220), which has been hailed as the bad film cult classic.

Plan 9 concerns the bid by alien beings to prevent the destruction of the entire universe. To do this they must stop the human race from developing a bomb which would explode the sun. When peaceful methods fail they invoke *Plan 9*, whereby the human dead are raised from the grave and set against their own race.

The film has received many awards: *The Worst Film Ever Made* at *The Worst Film Festival* held in New York in November 1980, and *Worst Film* in the book *The Golden Turkey Awards*.

The plot is complemented by some highly amusing acting and dialogue. Director Edward D. Wood Jr. shot about three minutes footage of veteran actor (and friend) Bela Lugosi stalking and around his home dressed as Dracula. When Lugosi died, a "double" was needed to complete the film, who was a good foot taller and concealed his imposture with a cloak draped over half of his face.

Some of the classic dialogue is typified by the line "Inspector Clay is dead. Murdered. And somebody is responsible!"

Entrance is 20p to members, 50p to non-members.



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Solutions to this week's puzzle, together with any comments or criticisms, should be sent to me at the FELIX Office as usual. There will be a prize of £5 (donated by Mend-a-Bike) for the correct solution randomly selected at 1:00pm on Wednesday.

Last Week's Solution

Of the forty-five people who discovered that three long and shaggies together with two short and sophisticated make up 150 grams, Steve Westcough, Maths 1, was chosen as the winner, and he can collect his cheque on Monday afternoon.

Many of you thought that the last two puzzles were too easy. Well, this week's is the sort which some people will see immediately, and others will find very hard; it's just a matter of spotting the correct approach. Next week I'll try for something really tough!



Next week's Ents film is *McVicar* starring Roger Daltry and Adam Faith. It is the story of the convicted criminal James McVicar, formerly Britain's "Most Wanted Man".

RESULTS

Saturday, January 30

Football

IC I	vs	London Hosp I	6-1(H)
IC II	vs	Kings II (Cup)	4-1(H)
IC IV	vs	London Hosp II	13-0(H)
IC V	vs	QMC III (Cup)	1-2(A)
IC VI	vs	London Hosp III	W.O. (H)

Rugby

IC I	vs	Belsize Park	22-0
IC II	vs	Southbank Poly	10-15(H)
IC III	vs	Belsize Park	16-10

Hockey

IC I	vs	Southgate Adelaide	1-1(H)
IC II	vs	Raynes Park	5-0(A)

Badminton

IC Mixed	vs	QMC Mixed	7-4(A)
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Bowling

IC	vs	Portsmouth Poly	1-9(A)
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Sunday, January 31

Mixed Hockey

IC	vs	UCL	2-1(A)
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Badminton

ULU Knockout Cup

For the first time this century IC have actually reached the finals of the UL KO Cup. Those weeks of hard training (in Southside Bar) have paid dividends, with a 7-4 win over QMC away. The men were consistently brilliant as ever, with the ladies turning on the style just at the right time. Well played everyone.

Team: *A. Mitchell, B. Ions, L. Horrocks, S. Ridd, C. Hufflet, S. Willis, H.K. Wong, G. Adamson.*

Stage management and tactical coordination by I. Bull.

Bowling

Major disaster! The bowling team lost for the second week running, this time on the grotty lanes of the Portsmouth Bowl.

Of the A and B teams, only Andy McMullan, Kevin Short and Paul Gear, who first equalled and then improved on his high score, bowled well and both teams lost heavily. The C team lost the first game by over 100 pins but fought back to win the next two games and so gain a draw overall. Neil Grimwood once again improved his high series. Once again, we failed to field a ladies team but Alison and Julie did their jobs as cheerleaders admirably.

A Team: *R. Cook, M. Harrison, B. MacGown, W.C. Man, A. McMullen*

B Team: *P. Gear, K. Short, M. Smith, B. Thong, C. Wells.*

C Team: *A. Davis, N. Grimwood, T. Newport, J. Quinn, M. Stanley.*

Also last weekend, six IC bowlers took part in the Brunel doubles tournament. Cook, Wells, Smith and Thong all bowled respectable series but Kevin Short bowled his highest series to take third place in the individual high handicap series, and with his partner, Wai Man, won the doubles high handicap game. Congratulations to both of them.



Rugby

Thirds

Contrary to expectations Belsize Park were shit hot. But we were better. Yet again IC had a far smaller pack, and would have to rely upon the backs for any attacking play. Ten minutes into the game saw some slick passing to the wing, and intelligent play put Julian Norley away on the overlap for IC's first try. IC kept up the pressure throughout the first half taking advantage of Belsize's mistakes, which resulted in John Wittrick pouncing on a loose ball for our second try.

The second half saw Belsize attack hard denying IC possession of clean ball. After conceding a try, spirited play took IC up the field where Ian Magness forced his way over for the third try. Belsize later scored a breakaway try. At no time did the thirds look in serious trouble having full confidence in their own abilities, and ignoring the captain. Still unbeaten this season.

Team: *J. Norley, M. Shepherd, L. Spring, N. Windsor, M. Brundrett, I. Magness, A. Davies, S. Kirby, J. Mulligan, J. Coghlan, M. Patterson, P. Bateson, B. Himmers, J. Wittrick, A. Hunter, Slug (Ref).*



Sailing

Firsts

Kennedy and Butler; 4th, 5th, 3 capsizes, broken kicking strap and rudder.

Mills and Redman; 5th, 2nd, 4 capsizes, broken seat and bent centreboard.

Bennett and Dalton, DNF, 4th, numerous capsizes, one boat sunk!

We lost 0-2, 20¹/₂pts—27pts.

In a light force 7 the team generously offered to test UEA's boats to destruction.

In the first race the team got off to a good start but this could not last for long. Bennett and Dalton were rammed on the first beat in a vicious (illegal) manoeuvre by the opposition. This was followed by a dastardly move (also illegal) against Mills and Redman which resulted in their subsequent capsize, they then proceeded to dredge the channel for twenty minutes. Kennedy and Butler, on their way past, hysterical with laughter, executed "a superb death roll" and joined Mills and Redman in their industrious work. Not to be outdone Bennett and Dalton joined in, performing numerous 'immersion tests' on their boat, and sank!! This meant an easy win for UEA, 10³/₄pts-16pts.

After a break to recover Bennett's boat, effect repairs and eat lunch, the second race was started with some trepidation. Mills and Kennedy made good starts and the team were placed 2, 3, 4 round the first mark. This temporary situation was soon rectified when, at the second mark, Kennedy demonstrated a classic 'gybe and swim for it' manoeuvre. This was copied beautifully by Bennett when he arrived at the same mark a few minutes later. On the second lap Kennedy repeated his display simultaneously with a UEA boat—demonstrating that ballet on water is possible! Miraculously Mills stayed the right way up and the race finished with UEA in 1st, 3rd, 6th position: 9³/₄pts vs 11pts; 2 capsizes vs 3 capsizes.



Hockey

Seconds

Scene: A medieval jousting tournament, the eleven champions from the realm of IC take on the grovelling challengers from Raynes Park. The two captains hold-court.

RP: Greetings sire, I fear I have to ask of thee a favour—cans't we have one of your men to make our feeble team up to full strength?

IC: You've got to be jesting mate—let battle commence!

RP: Oh tragedy!—our defence is split asunder and the great Wylie, knight of Northumbria hast perforated our backboard.

IC: Thy defence ist more decrepid than IC 1st XI—see Eric the Red Knight has scored ye second goal—even if it was at ye fourth attempt!

RP: We shall take refreshment and extract revenge.

IC: Thou couldn't extract juice from ye half-time oranges! See how the great Wylie springs ye offside trap and scores thrice more. Our cups will be o'erflowing with ale this night.

RP: Our midfield ist frustrated, look how our left half seeks to plant one on thy right winger.

IC: True, 'tis Mangat showing fearful displeasure, I must end this terrible carnage.

—Ye final whistle blows—

RP: Thy defense was too strong sire.

IC: Aye, if thou ventures into these parts again we shall give thee another wiggung.

Ye Team: *P. Butler, P. Cunningham, R. Roessink, A. Whitehead, J. Rhodes, A. Stroomer, B. Shindler, S. Gray, M. Bansal, G. Wylie, E. Mahers. Thanks to Chris Jones for umpiring.*

Mixed

The usual Sunday morning enthusiasm for hockey was immediately apparent during the warm-up, but once the effects of Saturday night had been run off, the team settled down to play its usual attractive, crowd-pulling hockey. Unfortunately, after about twenty minutes the inevitable happened when Tim Coatesworth, despite being relegated to a defensive position, managed to poach yet another goal from the forward line by scoring from a short corner.

Soon after our persistence paid off and history was made when a cross by Andy Stroomer was converted by Alison Wall. This was our first "non-Coatesworth" goal of the season. UC seemed confused by all of this and for some obscure reason decided to attempt the systematic removal of Andy Stroomer's fingers!

Despite the openness of our defence at times, UC never managed to find that extra bit of penetration with Tim, Ruth and Steve coping admirably. Goalkeeper Chris Jones managed to throw whatever part of his anatomy was available at the time at the ball and was only beaten late in the game by a well-taken 'volley'. Fine work down the left by Chris, Ruth and Alison produced a set of chances nearly converted by Jo and Karen. The unbeaten run continues and we look forward to next week when an attempt will be made to keep Gray off the "teas"!

Team: *Chris, Ruth, Chris, Steve (Capt), Coathanger, Simon, Jo, Karen, Alison, Andy.*

Editorial



Attention all Election Candidates

The papers for the sabbatical elections go up next Friday and soon we will be flooded with publicity for ICU and CCU elections. After giving the matter of elections some thought it has become apparent to me that it is very difficult to be both informative and completely unbiased. After all, it is hard for the electorate at Imperial College to make informed decisions, when all they have to rely on is the candidates' own publicity in the form of posters, handouts, a FELIX manifesto, IC Radio and STOIC's promos.

For this reason I have decided to run a special series of Soapbox articles running up to the elections. Starting next week I invite any member of College to submit articles on why they think they are the right candidate for a post or alternatively why someone else isn't. You could even say what qualities you would expect from anybody standing for a particular position.

If the articles are concise, informative and to the point then I shall attempt to print as many as possible. This unique service gives both candidates and electorate the chance to say exactly what they want about the elections. The only limitations will be length, factual accuracy and, of course, the laws of libel.

So to start the ball rolling.

Mr Harold Christopher Webb

This week Chris Webb, former External Affairs Officer, came into the office to ask me about publicity charges. It is rumoured that Mr Webb is proposing to stand for ICU President.

In my opinion (and remember that these are purely my personal feelings), Chris Webb is just about the worst person who could possibly stand for this post. The past two years have been typified by a middle of the road "reasonable" ICU President. John Passmore had the added quality of being completely lazy and a bit of a drunk, whilst Nick Morton, who is a terribly nice person, has probably not achieved everything he wanted to merely because he is too easy going to stand up to College.

Chris Webb, on the other hand is so wet that he resembles Bangladesh after the ravages of the monsoon. He is an ardent Tory, but is so middle of the road that he makes the SDP look like the Hitler Youth. If he is elected as ICU President then I think it will be a dark day for IC Union.

I can see him now, agreeing with the Rector over a large glass of claret and selling the students down the river. He is a born politician and as such has ambition which greatly outweighs his ability. Sincerity is a word which would not pass my lips when describing him.

What we need is a President with firm opinions who will represent the students strongly to the College authorities. Chris Webb is not such a person.

Valentine's Day

Next week there will be a special Valentines section in the Small Ads column. Please collect forms from the office and return by 5:30pm on Tuesday if you want a short message included.

Publicity Offer

This time of year always becomes a bit of a pain in the arse when the swarms of prospective sabbaticals arrive at the office two days before the elections wanting posters printed. In a move to encourage would-be sabbaticals to get publicity in early, I am intending to have a special discount price for any publicity handed (complete and ready for printing) to me by 5:30pm on Tuesday.

This special offer is open to all candidates and will allow those who have planned their ideas well the chance to benefit just a little. They could have a few extra posters and handouts or even save some money!

My very own radio show

I have accepted the invitation to appear on IC Radio on Tuesday evening at about 8:00pm. I will be interviewed live on air by ace presenter Mo and will be asked about many aspects of College life and, of course, FELIX.

So listen in on Tuesday if you want to learn who James Deeny really is and where he buys his coffee.

Credits

My thanks this week to Lesley, Pallab, Peter, James (star), Paul, Eddie, Alistair, Soheel (still going strong), Nick, Steve, Martin S., J. Martin, Jez, Mo, all the other collators (inc. N. Willson), Ian and Maz.



Those of you who remember Weatherspoon may remember that near his cottage a long straight path crosses a long straight river (not at right angles) and that Weatherspoon's pig lives on the land in the acute angle between the two.

Last week Weatherspoon was able to buy a piece of land on the other side of the path. It's triangular in shape, with the path and the river (forming an obtuse angle) as two of its sides, and a long fence as the third side. But it's a little large for Weatherspoon to cultivate on his own, so he's planning to divide it into smaller plots which he will share out among his friends.

Of course, it isn't that simple. Firstly, Weatherspoon insists that each plot must be triangular. And secondly, he objects to what he calls 'long thin triangles'. He says they're "all fence and no grass". So I've offered to show him how to divide his field up into triangular plots in such a way that no plot has an angle greater than or equal to a right angle. But I hope Weatherspoon realises he will be sharing his land with at least—how many others? *Continued on page 8.*

What's On

Friday, February 5

- IC Angling Club, 12:30pm, Southside Upper Lounge.
- BUNAC weekly club meeting, 12:30pm, Green Comm Rm.
- Vegsoc restaurant trip to Thai restaurant, High St Ken, 7:00pm, meet Beit Arch, £5 a head.

Saturday, February 6

- India Soc Republic Day celebration, 7:00pm, JCR, £1.50.

Sunday, February 7

- Chaplaincy Communion Service, 10:00am, Consort Gallery.
- Wargames club meeting, 1:00pm, Union SCR.

Monday, February 8

- Hang-gliding club meeting, 12:30pm, above Southside Bar.

Tuesday, February 9

- Badgesoc lunchtime meeting, 12.40, lounge about Southside Bar.
- Wellsoc present 'Where now and What next?' with R.M. Taylor, 7:30pm, Elec Eng 408. Entry by membership.
- Dancing club advanced class, 7:30pm, JCR.

- Boardsailing club weekly meeting, 12:30 and 6:15pm, Southside Upper Lounge.

- Catholic mass and lunch, 12:30pm, Chem 231. Nominal charge for lunch.

- 3Fs lunchtime meeting, 12:30pm, Southside Upper Lounge.

Dept of Humanities present:

1. Nuclear War in Europe?

Pt 4 Nuclear Deterrence-Fact or Fiction? A debate between the Rt Hon the Lord Chalfont OBE, MC, Former minister of state at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (1964-70) and Professor Michael Pentz, Dean of the Faculty of Science at the Open University; Chairman of Scientists Against Nuclear Arms, 1:00pm, Theatre 1, Blackett Laboratory. Arranged by IC European Nuclear Disarmament Group.

2. Man, Mind and Spirit

Pt 4 Challenge of a Multi-racial Society, the Reverend Kenneth Cracknell, British Council of Churches, 1:30pm, Read Theatre.

- STOIC programme featuring 'Star Chat' with Jon Pertwee, who starred as the third Dr Who and has just finished a theatre run as Worzel Gummidge, 1:00 and 6:00pm, JCR, Southside TV Lounge, Southside, Beit, Linstead and Weeks Halls.

- Consoc speaker meeting with Roger Harrison, Head of Political Section, American Embassy, on 'CND? No Thanks!', 1:00pm, Huxley 139. All welcome.

- IC Amnesty group meeting, 5:30pm, Green Comm Rm.

- Socialist Society speaker meeting with James McCarthy on 'Pacifism', 6:30pm, Green Comm Rm.

- Astrosoc lecture by Prof John Taylor (of 'Black Holes' fame) lecturing on 'Can we unify gravity with the other forces of nature?', 6:30pm, Physics LT2. Free to members.

- Speake meeting: War on Want talking about multinationals, 6:30pm, Green Comm Rm.

- 38th Annual Chem Eng Soc dinner, 7:00 for 7:30pm, Sherfield Lower Refec, £5 for students.

- Dancing club beginners class, 7:30pm, JCR.

- ICCAG 'Soup Run', meet 10:30pm Falmouth Kitchens.

Wednesday, February 10

- Cross Country Club: Claybury Hospital race, East London. See noticeboard for details.

- Rag Mag selling trip/joy ride to Oxford, 12:00 noon, Beit Archway (return by 11:00pm). £3 (each 20 mags sold gives £1 refund. You don't have to sell any.)

- Wargames club meeting, 1:00pm, Union SCR.

- Astrosoc observing meeting, 3:30pm, 'Waveguide', Physics Building (level 1). Free to members.

- IC Trampoline society meeting, 5:30pm, Courtauld Hall, QEC, Campden Hill Rd.

- Dancing club intermediate class, 7:30pm, JCR.

Thursday, February 11

- Yacht club meeting to discuss weekend sailing, 12:30pm, Botany Common Room.

- Christian Science group meeting, 1:00pm, Seminar Rm, Level 2S, Botany.

- STOIC presents NEWS-BREAK, 1:00 and 6:00pm, usual places (see Tuesday). Do you have a secret Valentine? Let her/him know over the air on February 11 at 1:00 and 6:00pm. Send cards, notes, etc., to STOIC, TV Studio, before Wednesday, February 10 at 1:00pm.

- Gliding club meeting, 5:30pm, Aero 254.

Dept of Humanities presents:

1. Film: The World at War

Pt 14 The Bomb, 1:15pm, Great Hall.

2. Lunch-Hour Concert

Plaegau Piano Quartet, 1:30pm, Music Rm, 53 Prince's Gate.