

Southside Security Improvements

New security measures will be installed in Southside following a campaign by Ian Howgate, a concerned student.

The Students Residence Committee, the College Committee that controls residences, has decided that security lodges will be built at the East and West entrances to Southside. One entrance will be manned by a messenger during the day and both will be manned after 10pm. Magnetic locks will be introduced and lockable post boxes will be installed.

Tizard Hall Committee have asked Dr Henry Hutchinson, warden of Tizard Hall, to recommend to the Chief Security Officer, that bedroom locks are replaced and extra Security personnel employed.

Mr Howgate commented 'As far as I'm concerned the proposals are good proposals, but they must go the whole way'. He estimates that the cost of manning both doors throughout the day will be sixtyfive pence per week per person in residence in Princess Gardens.

IC Union President Carl Burgess told FELIX that he



Ian Howgate

thought the proposals were good. He said though that security could be improved if the guards checked the Union Cards of people entering Southside. He pointed out that valuables had been stolen from locked rooms by people who appeared to have stolen keys. A Union card check would in his view result in these people being caught. He admitted that such a check would be a nuisance to

Southside residents, but said that residents would have to decide whether they wanted convenience or security.

Mr Burgess also suggested that an alarm should be put on the entrance to the tunnels under Southside.

The Managing Surveyor of Residences, Peter Hallworth told FELIX that the modifications would 'hopefully be complete by the start of Summer term'.



Wacky Field Cup

This year's Field Cup is reported to have been a tremendous success. A Guilds' spokesman stated that lots of 'very silly' things were done, in a generally boisterous and high-spirited atmosphere:

'You'd be surprised what people will do to their bodies if they think they'll get points for it,' he said.

It was claimed that the best-selling drink of the evening was a pint of bitter, liberally doused with curry powder, while for two of the revellers, sharing a 'willy-warmer' was seen to be the right way to pass the time.

Apology

IC Union President, Carl Burgess, has apologised to Southside residents after disrupting an open meeting on security by turning drunk.

The meeting had been called by Ian Howgate, a Falmouth Keogh resident who has campaigned about security in Southside, so that residents could draw up proposals for improving security. Mr Howgate opened the meeting by outlining the problems.

Mr Burgess arrived late in an inebriated state with Chris Hendy, Falmouth Keogh subwarden. Mr Hendy then took the chair and Mr Burgess started making speeches and prevented Mr Howgate speaking. Eventually Mr Howgate lead a walkout by residents when he decided that discussion was impossible.

Mr Burgess wrote a letter to FELIX on Monday lunchtime apologising for his behaviour and he also apologised to Union Council for bringing the Union into disrepute.

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Sabbaticals

Carl Burgess was wrong to go to the Southside meeting on Sunday drunk. He was there as a student representative. He was there to convince Southside residents that he was supporting their efforts to improve Southside security. Unfortunately his performance disillusioned them.

Having said this, on Monday morning Carl, realised his mistake. He knew he could not resign because this late in the year nobody would take on the responsibility of being President. He did the only thing he could do, which was to apologise to everyone concerned. Hopefully, by doing this he

will regain people's confidence. It is quite brave to admit blame and Carl has done this. I hope he gets some credit for doing so.

If anyone else wants to be a sabbatical come and see me as soon as possible as I have to advise you about producing publicity.

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Southside: The Apologies

Dear Hugh, May I take this opportunity to apologise to all those concerned for allowing the Southside security meeting to collapse into a state of disarray on Sunday evening. The only reason I offered to chair the meeting was I thought it would make it easier for Ian to put forward his views if not in the chair. On reflection it was obviously wrong to attempt to chair the meeting as I do UGM's. we all make mistakes!

I would like however to use this space to congratulate Ian on the hard work he has undertaken in an attempt to better Security in Southside. The lack of Security in Southside has been of concern to me during my three years as Subwarden of Falmouth-Keogh Hall and I can assure all residents that any moves to improve the situation have my full backing.

Yours apologetically
Chris Hendy

I attended a meeting with various Southside residents concerning the security in Southside. The meeting was at 9.00pm and I regret to say I turned up more than somewhat inebriated. Having been reminded of the meeting earlier during the day, after I had started drinking, I should then have taken the decision not to attend the meeting. Unfortunately I did not take that decision and so made a mistake.

I have been informed that many people were upset over my conduct at the meeting, and so I should like to take this opportunity to apologise to them. I should also like to explain that the security situation in Southside has been fully investigated and plans are under way to increase the security there.

There have been many problems in the past and we have tried this time to come up with a viable solution. If anyone would like to come and see me to discuss this or any other matter please feel free to do so.

Carl Burgess
President
17 February 1986

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
On Sunday, 16th February,

Star Trek Stiffs

Dear Mr Southey, I speak for a large number of IC students when I say that, frankly, we're getting **bored stiff** by some of the material which has been appearing in the FELIX 'letters' pages recently. Some FELIX Hacks think they're being amazingly funny by slagging off other people without having the guts to sign their names at the bottom, preferring to use some pseudo-comical 'Star Trek' names instead. James E Kirk (Captain Kirk?) who wouldn't wear a

tie to a 'Crazy Tie' party, seems to me the sort of person who would go to a 1920's party in a pink toga and to a vicars and tarts party wearing motor-cycle leathers. The garbage that 'Spock' and 'James E Kirk' have been writing is the sort of drivel most IC students sneer at with utter contempt, so I'm sure we'll all leave a sigh of relief when we stop seeing it.
Yours sincerely,
Alastair Seymour
Elec Eng 1

Southside: The Complaints

Dear Sir, We have just returned from a meeting of the committees of Southside Halls. It was called by Mr Ian Howgate of Falmouth-Keogh and was to concern Security in Southside, a problem of great importance to those who live here.

It is the feeling of the undersigned that the performance of the Union representative present should be brought to the attention of the students of Imperial.

The meeting proceeded with speed and efficiency under the chairmanship of Mr Howgate, until Mr Burgess and Mr Hendy arrived late and under the influence of alcohol. The best that could be said of Mr Burgess was that he could still walk.

There to all intents and purposes the meeting stopped, as these two gentlemen took control, ousting Mr Howgate from the chair.

Mr Burgess gave us a long spiel on his virtues as a representative of IC students, containing what must be the quote of the century: 'no one ever notices what I do'. Following this he attempted to keep 'bloody order' by preventing those with valid points from making them.

Mr Hendy the new chairman was noted as stopping the meeting seven times to ask the same

simple question, 'Does anyone present feel satisfied with security in Southside?' on the last occasion he was answered with a resounding 'NO!' Mr Howgate left saying the meeting would reconvene later as he walked out in disgust.

The last point from the floor was 'could the President **Please** be sober at the next meeting?' A sentiment echoed by many of the assembled students. This point may not have made the minutes as the meeting could be said to have closed, because we were all leaving.

If Mr Burgess would wish to truly represent IC Students, then perhaps he should arrive on time and in a state in which he could remember the night before, the morning after.

We hope that he, or the Union, would act on this observation and think that not only should the union officials (especially the President) represent the students but should also be representative of the students.

If Mr Burgess feels that he was in a fit state to represent the Union at a meeting of students, then perhaps both the Union and the students of Imperial should consider raising the standards of their President's behaviour, or seriously consider electing someone who's

Southside: The Complaints... (continued)

standards reflect those of the majority
Yours sincerely,
Mal Hunter (UG Rep
Tizard)
M Steer (Staircase Rep
Tizard)
GK Whittaker (concerned
student)
Jez Deacon (Staircase Rep)
A Wonnacott (Ass
Subwarden)
Steven Norton (Chairman
Tizzard)
M Mueller (Tizard resident)
This reflects the views of a
large number of Southside
students who weren't
present so can't legitimately
sign this letter
Dear FELIX,

On Sunday evening I
attended a meeting of
Southside residents in
Falmouth-Keogh to discuss
widespread concern over
security arrangements. The
meeting had been called by
Ian Howgate, a Falmouth-
Keogh resident who had
done a survey on the extent
of thefts from rooms and
mail racks. The object of
the meeting was to have
been for Ian to present his
view of the problem to
interested students and to
canvas for suggestions. I
understand Ian had
consulted the Southside
wardens about the problem
and that they had agreed
that this should be a
residents campaign
independent of the
wardens, who have been
making their own efforts on
the subject for sometime.

Carl Burgess, as
president of the Union, had
been invited to attend to
listen to the residents case.
However Mr Burgess
arrived obviously somewhat
inebriated and proceeded
to interrupt Ian and anyone
else who spoke, to ramble
incoherently about how
capable he was and to slag
off those expressing
concern. The situation was
made no better by Chris
Hendy, Falmouth-Keogh
subwarden, who offered to
help Ian by chairing the
meeting. Unfortunately Mr
Burgess was allowed to
continue making a fool of
himself and no attempt was
really made to let Ian put
his case before a
discussion was started. To
be fair the situation was not
helped by two other people
present who seemed intent
on challenging every trivial
point, but in a short period
of time people who should
know better had caused an
important meeting to

degenerate to a farce. At
this point Ian led a walk out
by most of the residents
present.

Southside security is a
very serious issue, it is a
problem that has been
allowed to continue far too
long. When people who are
supposed to represent us,
and I really mean Carl
Burgess, behave like total
wally's over matters which
were obviously of concern
to a large number of people
it is time to worry. Mr
Burgess was intent on
insisting that the matter be
left to him but how, can we
frankly be expected to trust
in Carl when he is totally
incapable of showing
ordinary students that he is
trustworthy. Some may say
that it is too late in the year
to think about votes of no
confidence, but the
situation cannot be allowed
to continue without some
comment. It is important
that people who get elected
should not be allowed to
think that they cannot be
held responsible for their
incompetence, and I for
one would support a
motion censuring Carl
Burgess for his stupid
behaviour.

Mark Cottle
Falmouth Keogh Resident
Dear FELIX,
This evening at Falmouth
Keogh Hall, we attended a
meeting concerning the
state of security in the halls
of residence.

It is a matter of common
knowledge that at present
scarcely a day passes
without some example of
abysmal neglect in this
area. During recent weeks
residents' mail has been
repeatedly stolen, machines
vandalised etc. We
discovered today, that only
on Friday two rooms within
the Southside complex
were entered, probably with
one of the myriad of master
keys which are freely
available to all and sundry,
and in one of these rooms
a wallet and £1,000 worth
of camera equipment was
removed. This happened at
1.15pm at which time the
resident was taking a
shower on the same
landing.

At the meeting, the
attitude displayed by the
subwarden Chris Hendy
was somewhat akin to his
attempts to quieten the
noisy and vacuous at IC
UGM's. He was severely
out of touch with the need
for action rather than the

sound of his own voice
being exercised. In addition
to this, our salaried
representative, Carl
Burgess, was obviously
intoxicated to a degree
which rendered his at times
useful intellectual appraisal
at a level somewhere close
to that of a man deceased.

Eventually the instigator
of the meeting, Ian
Howgate, unable to put
forward his observations on
the matter due to Mr
Hendy's obstructionism,
left, followed by a large
number of the other
residents.

It is essential that
Southside security is
improved immediately,
because the situation has
deteriorated to the point of
ridicule. Southside security
work to the best advantage
possible, but they are
hampered by lack of
manpower. The fault really
lies with the failure of the
Union and College

authorities to instigate any
action to improve the
facilities available.
Southside entrances are
not secure. At the Selkirk
entrance, the lock barrel is
so worn as to accept any
key, and almost any ICH
blank key will open it. The
card key system is still not
operational, and wore out
very fast when it was. It is
still easy to gain access to
the Southside tunnel level
system via the lifts and vice
versa. From this point, the
lifts at each end of the
building can be overridden,
and called to the tunnel
level. The possible
consequences of this can
easily be imagined.

Southside security are
too overworked to check
on everyone entering via
their entrance.

Will it require another
rape or worse, before
action is taken?

B Morrison
A Banister


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if they are to be printed in Friday's FELIX. All letters must
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A Public School Snob Writes...

Dear Sir,
 Whilst the '3rd year Computing Undergraduate' has some interesting acerbic comments to make on innocent MSc students, I would have thought it better for him to withhold his scurrilous rantings from the otherwise relatively sane pages of FELIX. His sort of snide, underhand comments should be reserved for such gutter-press organs as 'RCS Broadsheet'.

In my opinion (which is unfortunately biased as I am from public school) the 'old boys' are the only ones who do really know how things should be done. Contrary to popular belief we are not snobs or gay. We have manners (which the Computing undergraduates obviously lacks), most of us are reasonable public speakers (unlike the Union executives), most of us have talents in other fields apart from just science and we are prepared to work to improve ourselves and the reputation of our college, rather than letting it be

dragged down to the level of the insufferable 3rd year Computer Scientist. Let us have no more of their inverted snobbery!
*Yours faithfully,
 Physics Undergraduate
 (Name supplied)*

A Great Guy/Woman Writes...

Dear Sir,
 The observation by the 3rd year Computing Undergraduate is absolutely correct. I am an MSc computing student myself and I have seen MSc Postgraduate students who think that they have the making of a politician by the swagger and display they put into their 'questions'.

Fortunately, I happen to fall into the alternative description of MSc students: 'Most MSc's are great guys/women...'. As such I would like to advise 3rd year Computing Undergraduate to be more circumspect in his categorising IC student population into 3 distinct groups because by a single example and one fell stroke of his pen, he has consigned all MSc's to

eternal infamy. After all, all opinions are like arseholes- everybody has one.
*Yours sincerely,
 MSc Computing Student
 Name withheld by request*

Moonie Blues Part 2

Dear Hugh,
 I read Mike Balcomb's letter in last weeks FELIX with some interest, noting in particular his extensive use of one study as proof that his organisation (CARP) is not the ogre 'Moonie Blues' makes it out to be.

Having twice read Dr Barber's book 'The Making of a Moonie' (there's no need to spend £12, as there is a copy in the Haldane Library) I would like to share a few observations.

Dr Barber was 'chosen' by the Unification Church to conduct her studys as she was unlikely to be biased against the church at the start. This is not meant to suggest that funding came for within the Unification Movement (infact, the SSRC footed much of the bill), but it must be borne in mind that it was the Moonies who asked Eileen Barber to investigate their organsation. While she was not a UC member, she had

had some contact with them, and had not appeared to be unsympathetic.

'The making of a Moonie' covers quite extensively receiving technique (as observed), but , quite rightly draws conclusions only as far as the volume of evidence permits. The evidence came partly from first-hand experience in a number of unification centres and partly from questionnaires and interviews with past and present (then) UC members. Needless to say, the current members were, to man, adamant that they had not been brainwashed. Some of the 'leavers' had different ideas. Mr Balcombs suggestion that allegations of brainwashing have been discontinued is, of course, indefensible (Witness FELIX, 31 2 86)

If time permitted, it would be tempting to discuss the political activities of the UC and the morality of the unification concept of 'Divine Deception'. However, in conclusion I would rather remind readers that, while CARP, the Unification church, the Holy Spirit Association for Unification of world Christianity, and all the other related organisations may, legally speaking be quite separate they have in common the policies, principles and aims of the Rev Sun Myung Moon.
*Yours sincerely,
 Alastair Macleod*

Footnote..

Letters are all very well but how do you write to a few hundred (thousand) people all at once and in an engaging and witty manner too? I mean, writing hurts, it hurts me at least. And, don't only mean in the mental way, I find my hand is lifeless, my arm dulled after only a few pages of longhand struggle. I can't type, know no shorthand and even if I could pay somebody to do it all for me I probably wouldn't because I'm a mean bastard. Or I would be if I had any money to be mean with. There, I've used mean 4, no 5 times already. Rest assured gentle reader, it wouldn't happen if I had a decent vocabulary. That I place the blame for on my English teachers of

yesterday. And a bit before that as well. Grammar wasn't spoken of, weekly spelling tests were in and very little else. A few years ago a woman who used to live next door to us commented to my mother on how well-spoken I now was 'and him having been in remedial English class too!' I was outraged at this slur on my ability, I've never been remedial in my life, the cheek of it all. Now here I am and I feel extremely, well, remedial. A girl at a party last week introduced me to somebody as 'the guy who is quite good at tennis but shit at computing'. A life's ambition crushed in the hands of a 6 foot amazon with the accuracy of a striking cobra. And she

doesn't know how bad I am at tennis as well. Recently I've been grappling with a sense of inadequacy not seen since Walter Mitty. In my dreams I am a successful person. Successful in society's terms; something in my waking moments I profess to shun. A woolgathering wooly-principled backslider. I can't think of a word meaning back slider that begins with a 'w'. When I leave this altar of learning, no doubt with something to show for it, I shall do if not my utmost then certainly quite a lot to forget what little, I have assimilated. A theology student once remarked to me on the little known fact that in his opinion computing was the most senseless (and useless) degree subject out. Had I been quick of mind and nimble of tongue I would no doubt have retorted that the study of ancient

religions, comparison of modern ones and theology in general isn't my idea of a relevant subject either. But there you are. Still, I hope. There I mean. And there still is that 4-letter word, I don't seem to know of a better one. A letter in an old technology Sunday newspaper from a sub-editor on a new one who is not only ashamed of his action (of staying on the staff) but not brave enough to leave struck me as curiously strong. Able to put his name to a letter of such force and clarity as he did, abusing himself in the national press, perhaps he is one of a growing number of people equipped with the skills to survive in an age, and a Britain, long gone past, never I think to return. I don't bemoan its loss or wish for it to return, merely that what replaced it hasn't turned out to be all that it promised to be.
Woolgatherer

Bo Peep

City and Guilds were granted permission to park their mascot Bo outside the Science Museum during the official opening on Wednesday evening of the exhibition on '100 years of Motoring'. This move was intended to gain C&G some 'needed publicity', said the mechanics, Paul Mallone, Luke Walker and Ed Ashford.

The car was parked on the pavement outside the museum entrance for just

over an hour, and attracted a fair amount of attention. Several people came up and chatted with the mechanics and C&G President Roger Preece.

Bo, officially described as the 'President's Chariot', is the older of the only two James and Browne Tonneaus still in existence. It was manufactured in 1902 in Hammersmith and was one of the first cars to be designed entirely in this country.

The last Word

On Tuesday Guilds President Roger Preece gave a talk on 'Jesus the last word on Man'.

Mr Preece said that Jesus was a good moralist and preacher but that he would be regarded as a 'lunatic' if he made his claims today. But despite this Jesus died for the salvation of everyone.

Mr Preece said that he had been brought up as a Christian since the age of five but he questioned religion in his teens and that now as a Christian he is still learning about his faith.

He then outlined the steps necessary to become a Christian.

Ennals Write

Richard Ennals, ex-research manager of the Computing Department at IC, has written a letter to MPs, expressing his concerns over SDI. Mr Ennals, who resigned recently in protest against Britain's involvement in SDI, suggests that the project may have been a factor in the interest given to such companies as Westland and British Leyland by US companies. He also expresses his belief that, if the Pentagon were to have its way, a wide range of technologies would be liable to be classified as having a military application.

Banned

David Brennan was accused of threatening rape after the RSM Valentines party last week. The woman in question, a Metallurgy student, said that he had threatened her with rape in the women's toilets. The police were called at her boyfriend's request, and Mr Brennan was arrested. Charges were not pressed after the woman was interviewed by the police. Mr Brennan has been banned from College and Union premises until 15th February 1987.

Take A Hike

Douglas Adams, author of the successful 'Hitch Hikers Guide to the Galaxy' attracted a large audience when he talked to Wellsoc on Monday.

Mr Adams was given an enthusiastic reception. He spent two hours reading extracts from his books before inviting questions from the audience. During the talk he mentioned the possibility of a 'Hitch Hikers Guide' film and announced his intention to travel to America by walking over the frozen Bering Straits next year. Later in the evening Mr Adams autographed copies of his books which were on sale in the Bot Zoo Common Room.

Tight Budget

The Union Finance Committee met last Thursday to discuss the expenditure estimates submitted by the Union's subcommittees. The committees include those representing clubs, the constituent college unions, welfare, and external affairs. During the meeting it was agreed that the subcommittees should re-examine their claims which collectively were beyond the Unions budget. It was also agreed that clubs which had not submitted a claim would receive no extra money next year.

NUS Organise Benefits Demo

NUS London are organising a demonstration about benefits next Wednesday. Students are supposed to gather at County Hall at 12 noon. The demonstration will then go to the DHSS. IC Union will taking part in the demonstration. People going on the demonstration should gather at Beit Arch at 11.30am.

Duet For One

Duet for One, a London Cannon Films Production, was being filmed at the Albert Hall on Monday and Tuesday. Directed by Andri Kanchalavsky and produced by Menahan Golan and Yoran Globux, it portrays a concert violinist's struggle against the crippling disease Multiple Sclerosis.

Julie Andrews plays the lead role accompanied by Alan Bates, as her husband and conductor/composer,

Maxnell Cedios, as her psychiatrist, and Rupert Everett (of 'Dance with a Stranger' fame) who plays her pupil and concert partner.

Based on a stage play by Tom Kempinski, originally written for his wife Francis De La Tour and David Deleger, it was extremely successful in London during 1980 and is expected to be released in February 87.

College Accomodation

Application forms for new and re-applicants to halls/houses and head tenancies are available today (21st February) from Student Services.

Applications close Friday 5th March at 4pm

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Ladders

My friend Mobius is a dedicated puzzle fanatic. So addicted is he in fact, that he continually invents puzzles from everyday situations (much to my annoyance). The other day, for example, he told me that on his way to college he was walking down a small alleyway behind his house. The alleyway was 5 feet wide. Two ladders were placed so that each ladder touched the base of the opposite wall to that which it was leaning on, and they both leaned against different walls. One ladder was 16 feet long, the other 11 feet long. What Mobius wanted to know was; could he, walking in a straight line parallel to the alleyway, walk under both ladders without bumping his head (Mobius is extremely unsuperstitious and will purposely walk under ladders in defiance of supernatural forces)? Mobius wouldn't tell me the answer, he said it wasn't very difficult and I should do it myself. But he did say that I shouldn't take into account the width of his head or the ladders. Can you tell me what answer he got? By the way, Mobius is 5 feet 11 inches tall.

Randomly selected winner will receive £5. Answers plus comment etc to the FELIX office by Tuesday lunchtime please.

It seems that the problem I set a few weeks ago, tricky triangles, first appeared in FELIX four years ago, in

Martin S Taylor's excellent SCARAMOUCHE Column. Being quite a clever puzzle-it probably got passed around until it reached me, so the credit should go to Martin. None of the few who entered knew this, though, so no harm done. What's interesting is that, back in 1982 Martin got eleven correct entries, while I only got five solutions in total! Has inflation so reduced the value of £5 since 1982? Actually I've been a bit disappointed generally with the response to some of my more interesting problems. My preference is towards inspirational type problems that need a flash of insight to solve, rather than the slog it out permutation type, but the latter invariably get a better response. Please let me know what you prefer, or whether you think the problems are too hard.

Valentine

Verisimilitude—Solution

Andrea sent Oliver's card. Barbara sent Neil's card. Christine sent Pete's card. Diana sent Luke's card. Elizabeth sent Mike's card. Andrea was Pete's sister.

I got eleven entries which were all correct so you obviously found this quite easy. The random winner was Richard Squire, Elec Eng 1. You can collect your £5 prize from the FELIX office after 1.30pm Monday.

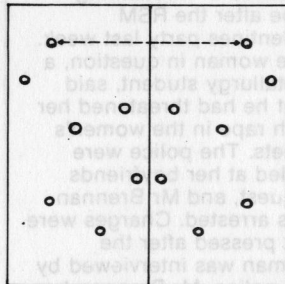
Pennies

Well, even with last week's clues I still received no

entries to this problem. A pity, since I thought it was quite an interesting one, and not too difficult. I hope you thought about it, anyway. Here's what I made of it.

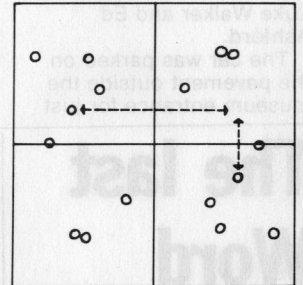
Consider drawing a line down the centre of the table, then, when your opponent puts a coin down somewhere, you put yours in exactly the same point but reflected in the centre line.

This means that at any point during the game the pattern of coins will be symmetric around the centre line, and you will always be able to put a coin down opposite your opponent's coin until there are no gaps left.



Obviously this only works if a) your opponent never puts a coin on the centre line, and b) your opponent goes first. Thus it is not very satisfactory. The next refinement is to draw two perpendicular centre

lines and reflect in both of these,



thus exploiting the complete symmetry of the table. The problem here is that the centre point does not move, so if your opponent's coin overlaps the centre you won't be able to put yours in the reflected position. Still, this strategy always works if you go first (since you can nab the centre position and then follow the old strategy) and will probably work if you go second, as long as your opponent never puts his coin over the middle of the table.

This is as far as I could get with this one. If this inspires you to think of any better strategies, please let me know.

Small Ads

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●**TRAFFIC WARDENS—TO DEPT HEADS—A PLEA** If you have a visitor who has to bring in a car please contact the GATE HOUSE (3395) and we will arrange a parking bay for you. This is important. Confusion over bays should be lessened! Thank you.

●**Coming soon** Imperial College Symphony Orchestra (with IC Choir)—Mahler Symphony No 2—Friday 28 Feb, 8.00pm, Great Hall. Tickets £1.50 from Haldane Library, Orchestra members, at the door.

●**Choir Rehearsal** Sunday 23 Feb, Great Hall, 11.00am. Anyone welcome to sing Mahler Symphony No 2.

●**Mahler Resurrection Symphony** Only one more week to go.

●**Stalls are needed** for the forthcoming Rag Fete on 26 April next term. Would you like a stall? They should ideally be entertaining and money-raising so please have a think. Contact Man Tai Tseung, Rag Secretary IC Union or Chem Eng Pigeon holes.

●**MAHLER 2, Choir Rehearsals** Anyone interested in singing in this

mammoth work is most welcome to attend the following rehearsals:—**Sunday 23 Feb** (Great Hall), 11.00-12.30pm, 14.00-15.30, **Wednesday 26 Feb** (Great Hall) 19.00-20.00pm, **Friday 28 February** (Great Hall) 17.15-18.15pm Concert 20.00pm.

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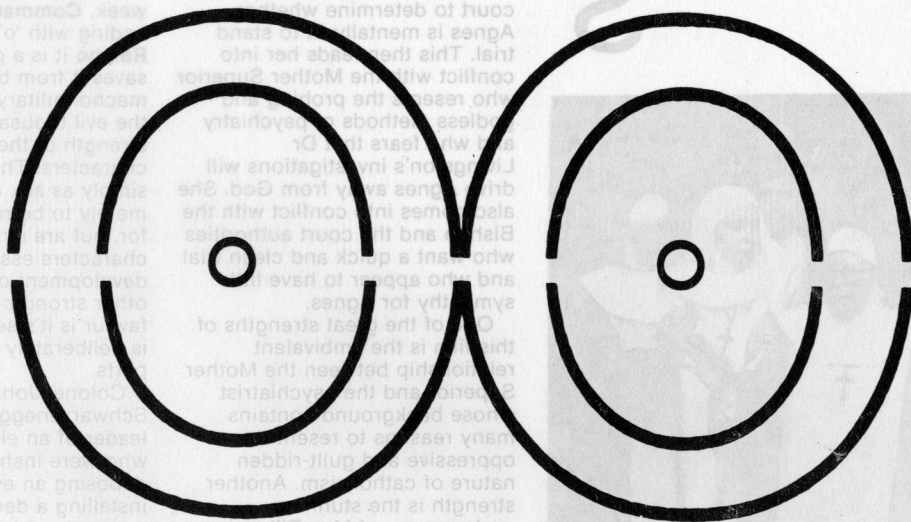
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R FILM

E V I E W S

Agnes of God is an excellent film. The introduction to the characters is indicative of Norman Jenison's intelligent control of character and plot. Meg Tilly is brilliant as the innocent nun, Sister Agnes, accused of murdering her baby. Her introduction is first through her pure and piercing religious singing and then visually shrouded in a heavenly light (one of the many fine examples of photographer Sven Nykvist's contributions). The protective Mother Superior, Ann Bancroft, is first seen disdainfully observing the psychiatrist, Jane Fonda, and then smiling away and confessing to a former smoking habit in excess of Ms Fonda's 'Two packs a day...unfiltered'. Jane Fonda once again plays her usual character, an independent, determined woman who doesn't get pushed around by anyone.

The tranquility of the convent is shattered first by the childbirth screams of Agnes and then by the subsequent discovery of a strangled baby in her locked room. Jane Fonda, Dr Livingston, is appointed by the court to determine whether Agnes is mentally fit to stand trial. This then leads her into conflict with the Mother Superior who resents the probing and godless methods of psychiatry and who fears that Dr Livingston's investigations will drive Agnes away from God. She also comes into conflict with the Bishop and the court authorities who want a quick and clean trial and who appear to have little sympathy for Agnes.

One of the great strengths of this film is the ambivalent relationship between the Mother Superior and the psychiatrist whose background contains many reasons to resent the oppressive and guilt-ridden nature of catholicism. Another strength is the stunning performance of Meg Tilly who makes a thoroughly convincing and worryingly impressive loony. She is a complete innocent



whose early life was severely corrupted and whose education was terminated by her insane mother. She has little knowledge of body development and regards the growth of breasts as a tendency to flab and that this should be combatted by starving herself to the thinness that she sees in all the religious icons around her. She has come to believe that 'suffering is beautiful' and that 'God hates fat people'. Her innocence also leads her to believe very peculiar things about the origins of babies. The direction by Norman Jenison is simple and uncluttered but yet very skilled with some wonderful set pieces such as the hypnosis scene with the ever present oppressive Catholicism symbolised by the large cross above Agnes. It is probably the best film so far this year, and probably one of the best of the year.

On a completely different tack is another film to come out this week, **Commando**. In spite of ending with 'o' like **Macho** or **Rambo** it is a good film. What saves it from being the standard macho military machine against the evil thousands is the strength of the female characters. They are there not simply as sex or love interests or merely to be rescued or avenged for, but are strong capable characters essential to the development of the plot. The other strong point in this film's favour is its sense of humour; it is deliberately very funny in parts.

Colonel John Matrix, Arnold Schwarzenegger, is the former leader of an elite military squad who were instrumental in deposing an evil dictator and installing a democratic government in a South American country. The aforementioned dictator then conspires to kidnap Matrix's daughter in order to

persuade him to assist the dictator regain power. Of course Arnold is having none of this....

The humour in the film is largely introduced through the wonderful Rae Dawn Chong who plays a stewardess, initially an unwilling, but finally a useful and resourceful ally to Arnold. She is not only very witty but also intelligent and capable, including saving his life.

The ending is the usual one man against impossible odds, but the film does at least take time to develop another side to Matrix's character, that of the loving father, and this is done pretty well by Arnold. A further plus for the film is the lack of politics, the baddies are not bad because they have the wrong ideology but because they have decidedly anti-social habits. Anyway, I enjoyed it.

This is a good week for films. Another film that opened recently is the astonishing **Streetwise**, a documentary about kids living on the streets of Seattle, Gateway to Alaska. If you didn't see it for yourself you would find the situation these children are in wholly unbelievable.

The documentary reveals some incredible attitudes amongst the kids for their parents, 'They're part of my past' Kim, 16, and the parents for their kids. 'It's a phase she's going through' says a mother about her prostitute daughter who is picking up clients before her first period.

The film contains some great music (though not enough) by Tom Waits and a wonderful version of 'Teddy Bears Picnic' by Baby Gramps. Though the film is open to the well founded charge of voyeurism, it is made with honesty and sympathy and the presentation of the material (92 minutes from 56 hours of film and 26 hours of interviews) shows a genuine concern for the plight of the children, and is a credit to the cameraman, director Martin Bell and editor Nancy Baker.

It is always compelling, sometimes funny and sometimes tearfully poignant, take a deep breath and go and see it.

D·H LAWRENCE Lady Chatterley's Lover



'Fancy a Quickie?' 'How much luv?' £2.95'

Being given a copy of **Lady Chatterley's Lover** for Valentines Day, I decided to review it for all you love/lust (delete as applicable) hungry IC students. It really is remarkable how by defying convention a mediocre book such as this receives the adulation worthy of a work of genius—which it certainly isn't. Perhaps his early death gave him his mystical popularity.

The story is about the aristocratic Constance having an affair with Mellors, her disabled husband's gamekeeper, getting pregnant and leaving her stately home. This is all fairly predictable but doesn't quite come off especially at the end when the plot telescopes somewhat—in fact the book is downright boring, despite the relatively rare 'juicy bits' that generations of voyeurs have rummaged for.

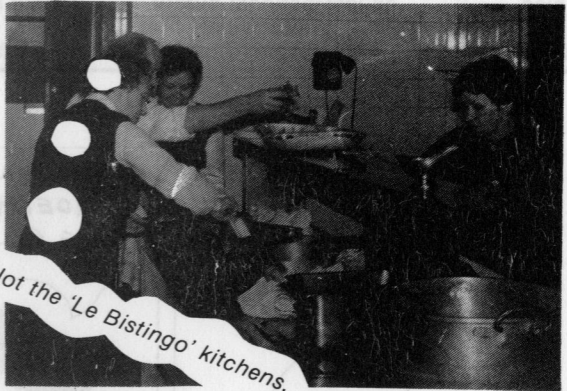
Throughout this book I had the impression that DH Lawrence was a misogynist of the highest calibre—women should be seen and not heard, and certainly not have an orgasm unless their (male) sexual partner is having one at the same time. Whatever the dubious wisdom of two people who hardly knew each other having sex, 'Lady Chatterley' showed women as primarily for mens' gratification, which reveals him to be as narrow minded as the so-called Victorian prudes.

It's late in the year, and there's no grant left, but college food is inedible and the kitchens covered in grease and moving fur balls. Solution—take the bank manager out for a meal at Le Bistingo and let her/him pay.

Unlike the Stockpot (behind Harrods) or the Kwality Curry House (near South Ken station), Le Bistingo isn't the cheapest of nutrient retail businesses. Its about £10-£15 per head but you get what you pay for, which can be 3/4 courses of exquisite French food plus wine—and the portions aren't minky either.

On my last visit my partner and I tucked into fried mushrooms—deliciously light and crisp with a sharp tartare sauce, then I followed with an overcooked duck with orange sauce—the only blight on the meal, while my friend ate a small veal escalope. On a previous occasion I enjoyed a large dish of Boeuf Bourguignon (fancy stew and rice) which was very tasty. We didn't fancy anything on the sweet trolley, but the large glasses of ice cream, nuts and chocolate we finished with were a fitting complement to the meal.

Le Bistingo has a small selection of fairly good wines—the house white at £3.95 a bottle was crisp and kind to the palate, and the service was unobtrusive and friendly. You can find this pleasant little den, which is very romantic with flowers and candles on the tables, on Old Brompton Road, just South of South Kensington Station.



-Not the 'Le Bistingo' kitchens.

F O O D

Barclays: Supporting Apartheid?

At a recent UGM, a motion on Barclays was due to be debated before a quorum was called. Sean Dunlop and Hugh Rubin look at the reasons why Barclays should be boycotted.

In South Africa, a country of enormous natural wealth, most black people live in conditions of extreme poverty, while the small white population enjoys one of the highest living standards in the world. In all walks of life—housing, education, health, etc the facilities available to black South Africans are vastly inferior to those enjoyed by their white countrymen.

This injustice is possible because black South Africans are denied all political rights and power. Their organisations are outlawed, their protest brutally suppressed, and their leaders imprisoned, tortured and occasionally murdered by the security forces. The apartheid system has been condemned by the United Nations as a 'Crime against humanity'.

In the present 'state of emergency', over 900 people have died, the vast majority killed by police and army. Over 15,000 people were detained without trial; up to 80% of whom are believed to have been subjected to physical or psychological torture. In Namibia, which is illegally occupied by South Africa, the practice of torture by the 100,000 strong South African army of occupation on prisoners is also widespread.

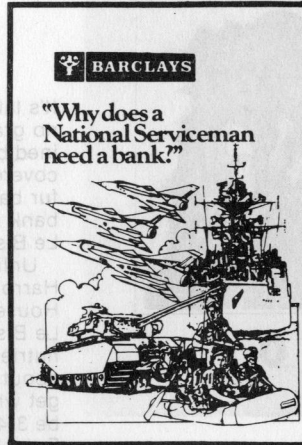
The survival of apartheid

is not due solely to the massive repression by the security forces; multinational corporations and especially the international banks, also have their part to play. Several British banks play an important part in this, especially Barclays, and the merchant bank Standard Chartered (although Barclays has by far the biggest stake of the two). Barclays is the only British High Street bank with a major stake in South Africa.

Barclays, via its South African subsidiary Barclays National, controls 30% of all banking in South Africa, and is the largest single bank there—its assets come to a staggering £6 billion, including over £145 million in government securities.

The bank has taken part in massive loans to the South African government and to state corporations including, in 1980, a £280m loan to ESCOM, the state electricity corporation, which has recently constructed a £560 million nuclear power station.

In 1976, Barclays purchased £6 million of Government Defence Bonds, thereby directly supporting the South African armed forces, although it was forced to sell them a year later after an international outcry. This is not the only link that Barclays has had with



the South African Military:—Until it was disbanded in 1982, the Chairman of Barclays National was a member of the South African Defence Advisory Board, which advised the armed forces on arms procurement. The bank has also helped finance arms sales to South Africa, although the bank says unknowingly.

Although South Africa's continued occupations of Namibia is illegal (according to the UN and the International Court), Barclays displays its acceptance of the occupation by operating there; In fact Barclays controls half of all bank deposits taken in Namibia. From this central role in the Namibian economy, Barclays plays a key part in channelling profits from the country to South Africa—in 1978 Barclays directed 18% of its deposits taken in Namibia there.

Barclays insists that its continued presence in Southern Africa is a liberalising influence on the apartheid regime, and is beneficial to the black community. However, the bank receives more money from the black community than is returned to it in the form of loans or investments; thereby reinforcing the economic barrier that apartheid effects. Also, a poll conducted by Gallup last summer found that 7% of black South Africans supported international sanctions against their country.

In 1981, Barclays was named by the UN as one of the main multinationals making a 'substantial contribution to apartheid'.

Because of its involvement in South Africa, Barclays has been banned from many university campuses. However, on several occasions last year (in FELIX, the ICU Handbook and PHOENIX) ICU printed full page adverts for Barclays Bank. We think IC students should be discouraged from opening accounts with a bank which is supporting, financially, a country whose constitution is based on a system of institutionalised racism. For those reason, a motion calling on the Union to cease to print adverts for Barclays Bank has been submitted for discussion at the UGM on 6 March. We hope you will come and support the motion.

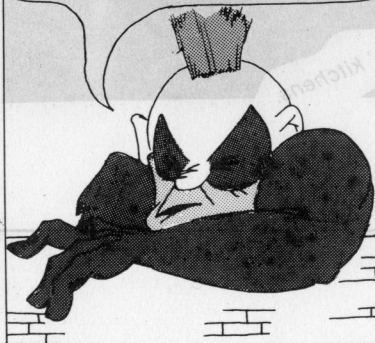
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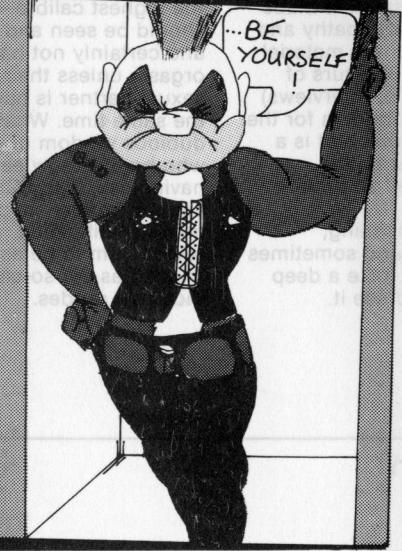
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Boat Club

Last Saturday saw the Boat Club racing for the first time this year in open competition. IC had eight crews entered in the Henley Heads of the River in a field of 160.

Both the elite coxed and senior coxless fours won their divisions by impressive margins and came second and third respectively overall, losing only to the elite leauder coxless four. Although those were the only two wins of the day for IC, the other crews came well up in the ranking. The two senior B coxless fours came second and fourth in their division, the faster crew only losing by two seconds. The senior C coxed four came eighth in their division, won by Kings College, London.

The Novice squad who only began rowing this year, entered two fours and came second and seventh in their division, the 'A' crew only losing by seven seconds to a crew in a far superior boat and after being held up by another boat. The womens' novice coxed four, again racing in open competition for the first time, came fourth.

These results are very encouraging for the future, especially as the top two crews now combine to form the first VIII, going on to race the likes of Oxford and Cambridge.

Biochem Soc

After a term of clandestine meetings in seedy cafes. A term of gathering under hazy electric light reflected from yellowing wallpaper. Tired fanatics pass briefly on frosty station platforms to hand over grubby messages.

Who are these people? What is this strange underground society? Well the time has come for the truth to be brought to light.

The Imperial College Biochemical Society (previously known as the Biochemistry Liberation Front) proudly and loudly presents its lecture of the year, kindly sponsored by the Biochemical Society, is to be held in the Pippard Lecture Theatre on Thursday Feb 27 at 1.00pm and is entitled 'Pheromones and Human Interaction'. It will add a whole new

meaning to your ideas of body language and perhaps explain the mystery of why some people wear Brut 33!

So for those of you who have missed out on our events so far be there, for this one (no secret handshakes necessary).

Cycling Club

OK then, where were you all last Sunday? In bed probably. Three people met at 10.00am for the weekly Cycling Club Sunday run, and we decided unanimously to zip down the A3. Off we set, did we have a headwind? It certainly felt like the wind was against us but we nevertheless managed to keep up a fair pace. The original plan was to pay the inhabitants of Dorking a short visit, but after we missed the turning, we ended up in Guildford where Mars Bars and Coke were the order of the day. The trip back was difficult, as we found out that we were now cycling into a fairly strong wind—we had the wind behind us on the way there! However, we still arrived back in South Kensington just after 2.00pm.

Come on all you cyclists! Make 10.00am next Sunday a date for a cycle ride its not that early, and anyway the fresh air is certain to wake you up pretty quickly.

PS May 24th is a date to keep free for the Bicycle Belle—a delightful trip through the Cotswolds with a massive tea afterwards. For more details turn up on Thursday, 12.30, Southside Upper Lounge.

Guilds

On Monday papers go up for elections to the City and Guilds Union Executive. There are a number of exciting, challenging, satisfying jobs for candidates of the right calibre. These include:-

President Master of traditional Union activities shrouded in mysticism since time immemorial.

Hon Secretary Incredibly important person who does so much, specialises in Freshers dinners.

Academic Affairs Officer Wears smart suits and knows all the important people in College; Sits on lots of committees.

Entertainment Officer Masterminds the Guilds

Ents organisation, carnivals, balls, cocktail parties, Entertainments with style.

Publicity Officer Somebody has to tell the people! Controls the Guilds Print Unit.

Old Centralians Representative Liases with past students and meets lots of people who have gone through IC and lived to tell the tale.

Papers are down on the 28th Feb Don't be put off if you've not had much experience in Guilds. You could be the one for the job. Come to the office and find out.

S&G

I have written this article because the paper has been decidedly weak on S&G trips recently. So for all you poor students out there cooped up in bedsits and flats studiously putting your all into your work here's a breath of the Snowdonia air. Yet another glimpse of that wonderful freedom that everyone who has a stout pair of legs, waterproof clothing, strong boots, a map, torch and compass and the will to get away from it all can experience.

Unfortunately Snowdonia trips with S&G always fall into the same pattern, and after 3 years, its becoming a bit boring. First on Saturday there's a crowd ready to attempt the Snowdon horsehose, seven of the finest upland miles in Great Britain, wonderful scenery and a truly enjoyable walk, but is it still enjoyable when everyone goes for it everytime? I know I don't enjoy crowds, especially on Crib Goch when half of them are coming towards you. The knife edge becomes tricky then, so as happens most years a small contingent (about 12 of us, forty were on the trip), headed for Tryfan and the Glydyrs. Again an enjoyable scramble with some good walking. This time though the weather was against us, too windy by half and dangerous as Tryfan was covered in ice. Nine of us came down after getting three quarters of the way up, approximately 2700 feet above sea level. We had taken the North ridge but found it too icy nearer the top. In years past Saturdays groups have headed for the Carnedd's (Kevin and Pete in 1985) but I have never heard of

anyone going for Moel Siabod (2860) GR 708545, Elidir Fawr (3030) GR 612613, Carnedd y Fihusb (2695) GR 621 628, Myrnydd Perfedd (2665) DR 623 618, Foel-yoch (2727) GR 628 611, Y Foel goeh (Moel-y-Caseg) (2636) GR 582 678, Galt y Ogor (2499) GR 587686. I know they are lower but they're but they're ideal in worse/bad weather.

Attempts could be made for Pen yr Helgi-du (2622) GR 726626. Come on S&G widen your experience, dont just rely solely on tradition.

It's good fun and most people enjoy it. Come on, liven it up. Do some more exploring, give it a try!

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Firmly clutching his loofah, the writer wondered what to do next. He knew what he would like to do next. But, he mused, it was probably illegal and anyway the nearest farm was miles away. His early morning reverie was disturbed by a stoat flying in through the bathroom window and striking him sharply on the cranium.

Retrieving the unfortunately beast from the washbasin, the writer found a note tied around its neck. Written in green crayon, the note read as follows: KUM TO THE NECKST QT MEATING OR I'LL KIK YOR HED INN' Some of the writing was joined up, he noted appraisingly, that must have taken the Chairman hours.

Arriving at the meeting early, the writer was met by the irate chairman. The latter was, as always, immaculately dressed, sporting a three piece suit of finest red striped wallpaper, complete with matching chequebook.

'Now look', began the chairman, 'you have missed three meetings in a row. Any more of this absenteeism and I shall have to take away your executive perks.'

'Such as?' Inquired the writer. 'Use of the executive ashtray' snapped the chairman, who frequently snapped under pressure. At this the writer became pale and silent, and listened attentively while the group planned an arson attack on the Albert Hall 'just for a laff'. The following morning the stoat registered with BUPA.

Indoor Cricket

The day started bleakly at 5.00am at Beit and continued right up to the end of the day at 8.30pm outside Aero. The days events were dominated by the van. Some inconsiderate and probably pissed Bastard from C&G had chundered in the van and it stank. The journey to Brunel was not bad, the roads were clear but Capt Bridger's driving left something to be desired. Due to some excellent navigation by Le Poisson we arrived half an hour early and picked our 7th man up from Uxbridge station before returning to the ground. It took the umpires about 45 minutes to fix the pitch before we took on the professional Brunel side. Capt Bridger batted well in the face of tight bowling and fielding to return with 25. King and Devon were out quickly then Turner and Wright batted well as did Bridger on his return. Hammer was run out without facing as IC closed on 125 for 5 from 12 overs. The bowling did not match up to the batting as Brunel knocked the three off for the loss of two wickets with an over to spare. Hammer being the only bowler to come out with any credit as he bowled his 3 overs for only 16 runs. After a quick visit to Pizza Hut in Uxbridge, we watched Brunel paste East Anglia. We then took on Surrey. The early bowling of Wright and Devon restricted Surrey but later on with some smiling they scored freely against Bridger and Turner, so close on 112 for 4 from 12 overs. IC responded in fine fashion with Fish and Devon striking the ball well with Fish scoring the fastest 25 of the day from only 11 balls in 3 overs including a 6. In the middle IC crumbled a bit with Devon, King and Turner getting out in quick succession. Bridger and Wright then took the score to 102 with 10 needed from 2 overs. Bridger was run out followed by Wright who stood and watched when he should have run. This left Fish to score 7 on his own. A 3 followed a 2 and with 3 balls to go he was run out leaving Surrey winners by 2 runs. Brunel

SPORTS

Cricket UAU Indoor Competition

IC v Brunel

IC 125 for 5 (12 overs) (Bridger 52, Wright 26, Turner 27 not out)
Brunel 127 for 2 (11.5 overs)
Brunel won by 4 wickets

IC v Surrey

Surrey 112 for 4 (12 overs)
IC 110 all out (11.3 overs) (Fish 31, Bridger 23, Dewan 20)
Surrey won by 2 runs

IC v Univ East Anglia

IC 55 all out 6.2 overs) (Dewan 17)
UEA 56 for 4 (8 overs) (Dewan 2 for 12)
UEA won by 2 wickets

Rowing Henley Fours Head

Crew
Elite 4+
Senior A 4-
Senior B 4- (A Crew)
Senior B 4- (B Crew)
Novice 4+
Women's Novice 4+

Division	Position	Overall
Elite 4+	1st	2nd
Senior A 4-	1st	3rd
Senior B 4- (A Crew)	2nd	11th
Senior B 4- (B Crew)	3rd	
Novice 4+	3rd	
Women's Novice 4+	2nd	

pasted Surrey and IC vs UEA was just academic. IC reversed the order and failed badly to get all out for 55. UEA were in some difficulty at 20 for 3 but then they scored 18 (including) 2 sixes in the only over from Le Poisson and then they won by 2 wickets. All one hopes for is that we play far better outside in the Summer UAU games.

Team: Dave Bridger, Tim Harmer, Lionel King, Rajiev Dewan, Andy Wright, Sean Turner and Gareth Fish and thanks to Julie Davies (the Capt wife) for scoring and looking after us.

Water polo

Following a slow start to the new year the water-polo squad had begun to rediscover some of the skills that took them to the UAU Finals to be held at Shrewsbury at the end of the month.

An early defeat by a stronger heavy side that lost to Imperial last term did nothing for our morale and the absence of two key players didn't help. After two matches were cancelled due to opposition

pulling out at the last moment a subdued team recorded their first win of 1986 in a difficult match against the Womens National League champions Potters Bar Ladies.

The return of Andy Langman to midfield told in our following match against Selworth which Imperial won 10-7. Although still not 100% fit our players controlled most of the possession during the game. However defensive errors allowed several goals against us, mistakes which were not in evidence in December when Imperial's marking was made tighter.

Last Friday saw the return of Steve Davis after protracted glandular fever and his two goals early in the first quarter contributed to our unfortunate win against a less fit Avondale side. Although the game was quite slowpaced Imperial's defence seemed much safer with stalwort work from Johnston and Eastman. Passing also was quicker and more accurate in the midfield with good work in particular from Paul Richardson although he still could use faster and more accurate service from his wingers Williams and Ireland.

Cross Country

The latest London Colleges League race was held on a building site somewhere near Surrey University. Having home advantage, Surrey managed to run out their stars, and hence closed the gap on us at the top of the League. This was despite a good run by Bryan Gamblin, excelling in his natural habitat of knee-deep mud.

Keele was this year's venue for the BSSF Championships. The team arrived more or less intact due to the excellent driving of Jon, 'was that a bridge' Lea. IC provided half the London University team, which finished a creditable 5th in BUSF, while the college team came 15th in UAU, boosted by a rare appearance of little Mike (is that the right way round?) Ball. Further entertainment was provided on the return journey when a new method of windscreen cleaning (or was it a novel type of circuit training) was tried by his holiness Pope John.

Wednesday Results

Hockey			
ULU League			
RSM	1sts 1	RCS	1sts 2
IC	1sts 2	QMC	1sts 2
Football			
ULU League			
IC	1sts 3	QMC	1sts 3
IC	2nds 1	St Marys	1sts 1
RSM	1sts 4	IC	3rds 0
Upper Reserves Cup Semi-Final			
IC	4ths 2	UC	3rds 3

Thursday February 27th
Inter CCU Swimming Gala/Waterpolo
6.30pm IC Sports Centre
Come and have fun, whether getting wet or supporting.
Prizes and 'refreshments' afterwards
Interested? Then contact:
Jane Ryder Physics 3 for RCS
Nigel Owen Room G13a for Mines
Clare Lupton ME1 for Guilds

Five-a-side

Although reeling from sensational tabloid disclosures alleging that four of the IC squad had been found vanquishing in the gutter outside Durham's trendiest night-club, coach Rob Clarke's footballing elite still managed to stumble their way to the semi-finals of last Sunday's tournament, before admitting defeat in order to catch the last train home.

Hangovers were lifted early on as Dave Lynne maintaining a scoring run which had begun the previous night, put IC ahead in the opening group game v Bradford. Hopes of a good start were dashed, however when Bradford equalised with the last kick of the game; the headaches and dry mouths soon returned.

UWIST proved a tough nut to crack in the second game, as chances came and went, and another stalemate seemed likely when tragedy struck.

Engberg was harshly adjudged to have encroached into his own area, and the resultant penalty, clinically despatched, plunged IC deep into a crisis.

Fearing his job was on the line, Rob Clarke pressed the panic button and rang the changes, dropping top-scorer Lynne and the ever-popular but strangely leg-weary (!) Goldsworthy for the final group match. His controversial moves looked to be vindicated when Alex Lunghi fired home a beauty only for the pressures of management to return as Nottingham equalised against the run of play. With the title slipping away, IC's travelling support turned spitefully on the beleaguered Clarke, and calls for his head grew deafening. Engberg realising his managers' desperate plight, bludgeoned his way through three tackles, and with the referee's whistle poised for action, crashed the ball into the roof of the net for a sensational winner.

Sneaking through one goal difference, IC were paired with Birmingham in the quarter-finals. An ashen faced Barnes kept his place, much to the disgust of the still axed

Goldsworthy, although Lynne was restored to add some much needed charm to the front line. Two quick goals from our latter day Romeo killed the tie as a spectacle and the entertainment value was not aided by the 2nd half appearance of stopper Clarke in order to protect the precious lead. With only home favourites Durham now standing between IC and a coveted final spot, the talk was of glory and medals and beer until it was discovered that another win would mean a night on the snow-covered cobbles of Tyneside. Common sense prevailed and the Oxbridge rejects were gifted a couple of simple strikes, thereby handing Loughborough an easier than expected ride in the final. The Sports scientists were no doubt relieved that their most dangerous opponents had

by that time boarded the 6.37 to London King's Cross, safe in the knowledge that the inhabitants of Durham were glad to see the back of them.

Boat

Henley Fours Head

Imperial College Boat Club picked up another two wins at the weekend and were close to winning several other divisions. The Elite coxed four having broken their fin and rudder on the way to the start required Bill Mason to make hasty repairs. Despite this and starting out of position they won their division weaving their way through many slower crews. The other win came for the senior A Coxless four. Both Senior B coxless and Novice coxed fours came second in their divisions. The overall position of the top two crews is most encouraging as they were only beaten by a Leander crew racing on the home water.

Sports Centre

Are you making the most use of the Sports Centre?

It makes a nice change to write about a facility for students that has not only increased its service, but also maintained the same student prices since 1983/84! Hopefully, this article will inspire more students at IC to use the Sports Centre, and thus ensure that prices stay low. Currently it costs 30p for a student to have a swim or use the multigym. Half an hour of squash costs 60p! Whilst these facts may be known to many of you, you may not be aware that:

- The Sports Centre is fully open on Sunday mornings from 9.00-12.30, (recently

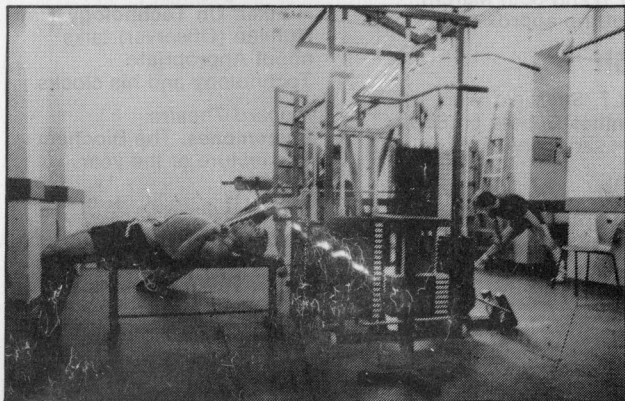
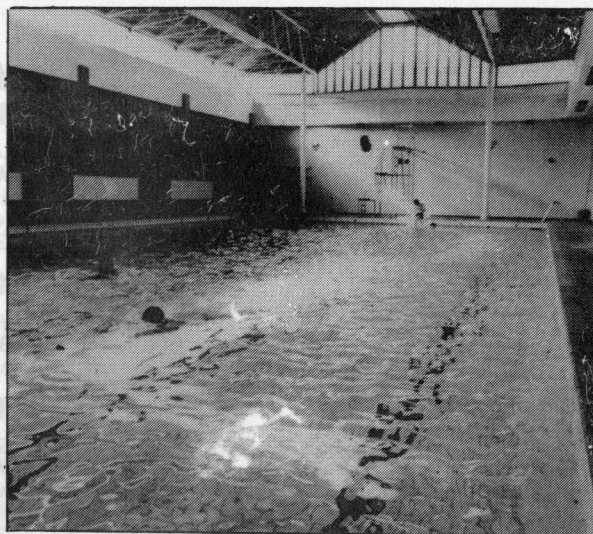
there have been empty squash courts!)

- There is early morning swimming from 7.30-8.30 on Wednesday mornings.

Please contact the Sports Centre staff if you want any further information.

Season Tickets

Student Season Tickets cost £7.50 and only £5.00 if you are a member of a club that uses the Sports Centre. (NB members of clubs such as squash, swimming and water polo, canoe and Rifle and Pistol are reminded that they must either have a season ticket or pay entrance every time they use the Sports Centre).



Weights Club free weights Wednesday only

The IC Weights Club now has 80 members, but is not represented by any officers! The Weights Club urgently needs a Captain to represent them on the ACC.

Until the Weights Club gets organised it is only possible to reserve the Free Weights Room in Southside for The Weights Club on Wednesdays from 11.30am

onwards, (starting 26 February).

Could a representative (Captain?) of the Weights Club please contact Paul Dubenski via the Union Office or Mech Eng 4, to discuss how Weights Club wishes to continue. Once organised the club should be able to reserve extra session in both the Free Weights Room and the Sports Centre Multi Gym.

WHAT'S ON

Today

1930h

Concert Hall
Princess Ida by Gilbert and Sullivan. Opsoc's annual show. Go and see a quality performance. Tickets:£2.50 (£2.00)

Eve

Southside Bar
Disco

Saturday

1015h

Sainsbury's
Sainsbury's still sell South African goods. Help the campaign to change their minds. Organised by IC and Earl's Court Anti-Apartheid Groups.

1930h

Concert Hall
Princess Ida by Gilbert and Sullivan. Quality Performance.

Sunday

1030h

Concert Hall
Opsoc Clearing-Up. As many people as can make it please.

1100h

Great Hall
Choir Rehearsal for Mahler 2. Anyone welcome—just come along.

1800h

More House, 53 Cromwell Road
Mass followed by bar supper and talk — 'Women and Ministry' — by SR Hannah, Society of St Francis.

Monday

1930h

Physics LT1
Wellsoc Talk. Harry Fairbrother gives a practical guide to time and space travel. Free to members.

53 Prince's Gate
Opsoc Easter Auditions.

Eve

Southside Bar
Lowenbrau on draught 55p/pint plus chance to win a Lowenbrau stein.

Wednesday

1230h

Union Snack Bar
RAS Brewery Trip to Greene King Brewery. Contact J Varga Physics 3. Tickets £3.

1330h

616A, Met & Mat Sci
Pakistan Society General Meeting.

1430h

Upper Lounge
Fight Choreography. A special workshop by Dramsoc on all aspects of stage fighting. All welcome

1830h

County Hall
SDI Organised by Engineers For Nuclear Disarmament

1900h

Great Hall
Orchestra Dress Rehearsal for Mahler's 2nd Symphony with choir

Tuesday

1200h

ULU, Manning Hall
Working for a future. An alternative careers fair (organised by ULU Green Group).

1245h

Jazz Room
Big Band Practise. All welcome.

1300h

Stans Lounge
Windsurfing Easter Trip. Meeting to take names and finalise plans for trip to the Gower (22nd-30th March). Price of trip approx £30.

1315h

Read LT, Sherfield
Humanities Debate on South African sanctions. Free to all.

1800h

Union SCR
Wine Tasting. Don't forget this week's event. Ticket holders only.

1930h

53 Prince's Gate
Opsoc Chorus Rehearsal. All welcome.

Thursday

1230h

Huxley 413
Methsoc 'The World Worldwide' led by Rev Stewart Morris, who has a missionary position overseas. Lunch:50p

1300h

Elec Eng 403A
Hunken On Technology Tim Hunken (Observer) talks about Appropriate Technology and his clocks.

Pippard Theatre
Pheromones. The Biochem Soc lecture of the year.

1700h

Union Snack Bar
RAS Brewery Trip to Gates Brewery, Portsmouth. Contact J Varga Physics 3. Tickets £4

1830h

Prince of Ornage Pub
Balloon Pub Outing. Meet Southside Upper Lounge.



field—at the moment things seem to run along the lines of 'labs and problem sheets are so tedious, boring and unimaginative that any old gore movie is likely to be more mentally stimulating'. In fact the more I think about it the more I come to the conclusion that the worst thing about College is that there is an underlying tendency to drive peoples thoughts away from reality.

Before I get carried away with columns about us all suffering from mass mental



As one figment of my imagination once said to another "there's sod all to do half way to nowhere" a comment which seems to go someway toward summing up this point in the year. All the initial enthusiasm seems to be petering out as thoughts turn to exam preparation followed by summer holidays or jobs. This is where you begin to suss how apathetic and boring college can really be. Most of you are probably hanging around in your own little groups of friends, going out to the same sort of places and not bothering too much about looking for something radically different—all fair enough in its own way I suppose. Fittingly this year's 'total hype' group Sick Sick Sputnik, or however you pronounce it, have chosen this time to release their debut single. Having already devoted too much

illness I think I'll skip straight to the point (calling your readers a bunch of nutters is poor house style anyway).

Occasionally even the dullest undergraduates can show a potential for concern about greater things than their starting salary (who wants to employ a boring yuppie engineer whose sole interest is bank balance collecting anyway?). While you all sit there

comfortably folding this page into a paper dart to lob at your poor innocent maths lecturer millions of other poor innocents around the world are being terrorised, persecuted, exploited and tortured by governments less restrained than ours (and you thought governments were there to take care of you). The Human Race learns very slowly from its mistakes. But opportunities to learn from history abound in London. One of the best documentaries of how tyranny affects ordinary people was the writing of Anne Frank who was a victim of a regime whose hideousness was made unique from many others past and present mainly by the scale of its horror. There is an Anne Frank exhibition at the Mall galleries, Pall Mall until March 2. Entrance is, appropriately for the circumstances of many of us, free.

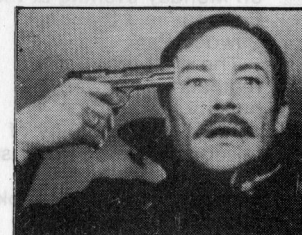


While I'm in a 'self-nihlist' mood I think I'll move on to music. Punk may be dead but that's no reason to avoid live gigs where the emphasis is on gut wrenching power and vitriolic vocal contortions (what a pretentious little phrase). The Swedish group Leather Nun last toured this country some years ago with Throbbing Gristle, when they became notorious for leaving a trail of riots. They return this Tuesday 25 to play at the Bull & Gate, Kentish Town, with Zodiac Mindwarp & the Love Reaction. Cost is £3 for what should be an OTT gig.

Having hyped Half Man Half Biscuit it would be a bit hypocritical to slag them now, especially before I've actually heard all of their new EP, The Trumpton Riots. But all the same Nigel, Neil and the boys appear to be having a tough time following up their initial spark of genius. If you want to get in on the Camberwick Green punk cult then you can see them at Dingwalls on Thursday 27 -personally I think it's a cruddy little hole of a club. In fact, in general, I'd much rather go to a pub venue than most of the London clubs - not only is the beer less likely to be expensive fizzy water, but at the Bull & Gate for instance the actual room itself is better. Bouncers from the police state school of audience

subjugation are a big put off at clubs too (the worst ones always wear bow ties like those at the Croydon Underground). Small pub gigs can be a good night out and all the good bands started small once. The range is so vast that the best suggestion I can make is to check the music papers or Time Out. One gig I'm going to personally is Twice Bitten at the Pearly King, Bromley-by-Bow, on Thursday March 16. This is a very good folk venue and brews some excellent beer on the premises. I've got to be careful not to forget the union bar if I'm talking about beer, maybe Sean will get some Irish folk music for the next promotional evening.

Can't think of any droll throwaway quotes to end this week's speil, and anyway they take away all the seriousness. But I've observed that the best films are always meaningful or stylish and are often re-run at the Scala. This all applies to Apocalypse Now and Dr. Strangelove two films I go to see there whenever I can. But what puzzles me is who goes to see all the old Russ Meyer flicks they run like 'Beneath the Valley of the Leather clad Nymphets with Big Knockers'. In the words of Herbert D. Ross the little known blind US director of the early 70s "I don't see what its all about.....".



Bye for now folks.....



space to it I'll just say that it actually appears to be Giorgio Moron or someone and has a title about 'love missiles' which seems like it might have been pinched from the spoof film 'Spinal Tap'.

If you intend to write a column about alternatives to work, it seems to me you should try and understand something about the student psychology. Personally I must confess I'm still struggling in this

Hack Race 1

Dave Kingston, IC Union Deputy President has announced that he will be contending the post of ULU President. Mr Kingston believes that he can improve the Union's standing with the University of London and the Government.

He is unhappy with the poor image ULU has presented in the past, particularly with its response to the Government's green paper, 'Education in the 1990s'. 'A student body which doesn't reason and argue clearly is a waste of time', he added.

Mr Kingston is anxious to increase the public's awareness of the problems facing students. He feels

that his work in the General Union Council and his experience as a sabbatical at IC will stand him in good stead.

IC Welfare Officer Pete Wilson will be running for Science and Engineering Senator at ULU. Mr Wilson aims to encourage the broadening of Science curricula, and the improvement of Computing and Maths sub-courses. He is also very keen to make the ULU Executive less remote for students at Imperial.

'I have a closer contact with 'more' Science and Engineering courses than students of other Colleges' he said.

Shattered

Between £150-200 of damage was done when the window of the Southside shop was smashed on Tuesday evening. The three people concerned had been participating earlier in the Guilds' Field Cup. They were found immediately by the security guard, and were interviewed by Mr Reeves of College Security. One of them was suffering from cuts to the face, hands and leg; all three claimed that they had sustained these injuries after slipping on the steps

in front of the shop and falling through the window.

Although Mr Reeves said he was inclined to believe their story, the security guard involved said that he thought the incident was no accident, and reported that as he arrived on the scene, he saw the injured student kicking at the already shattered shop front. Mr Reeves is investigating the matter further. No one was available in the Guilds' Office for comment.

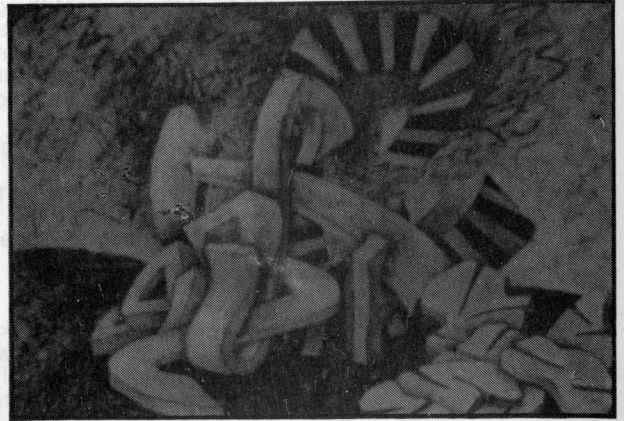
Discipline

Sections of the proposed new College Disciplinary Regulations were rejected by ICU Council, meeting on Monday evening at the College Field Station, Silwood Park.

The draft of the new regulations allowed the penalty imposed on students found guilty of misconduct to be increased on appeal. Several members of Council spoke out strongly against accepting this, saying that it was 'contrary to natural justice'. The present regulations do not allow

the appeal panel to increase the penalty, only to confirm or reduce it. The new code was drafted by Michael Arthur, former Student Services Officer and now Assistant College Secretary.

Council amended the draft changing the offending phrase so that the penalty may not be increased on appeal. The new regulations must be agreed by the Union before they can be adopted, so the objections are likely to be accepted by the College.



Surrealist Rocks

There will be an exhibition of drawings and paintings by John Davidson in the Consort Gallery from Tuesday 25th February until Friday 21st March.

The exhibition entitled **The Chamonix Series** contains pictures from the Chamonix area in the French Alps.

The exhibition has been organised by College Safety Officer Dr Gordon Hargreaves. He described the paintings as tending towards a 'surreal

interpretation'.

Dr Hargreaves collects paintings himself and first came across Mr Davidson's work at the Artists' Market in Covent Garden. This venue, which no longer exists, gave unknown artists the opportunity to show their work. Dr Hargreaves said he tries to keep the styles and subject matters of the exhibitions in College as varied as possible. He said that they were usually well attended.

No Confidence

The University of London Union avoided a vote of no confidence on Tuesday at General Union Council. Royal Holloway and Bedford New College Students' Union had originally proposed the motion. After talking to the Executive they decided to withdraw the motion. The ULU constitution, though, meant that they were unable to do this. The

Executive proposed an amendment praising their performance. On a vote, the amendment was accepted. The motion, though, was rejected.

At the same meeting an anti-racism motion was passed although an amendment that would have resulted in ULU adopting a 'no platform for racism' policy was rejected.

Hack Race 2

Chris Hendy has withdrawn from standing for the post of ICU President. At the time of going to press J Martin Taylor and Christine Taig are the only contenders for the position of President. Running unopposed for Deputy President and Honorary Secretary are Jackie Peirce

and Dave Colley respectively. Dave Jones and Nigel Atkinson have their names down for the post of FELIX editor. Papers are up until 5.30pm next Friday. Anyone interested in running for a sabbatical should see one of the present sabbaticals as soon as possible.