

Andy Butcher (right) celebrates his win in the Felix editor elections in the Union Bar last night.

# Non-Sabbatical Felix Editor Elected

In the election for the Non-Sabbatical Felix Editor Andy Butcher was returned the winner against New Election. When asked how it felt he said that it 'Hasn't sunk in yet' and he would get used to the idea in time.

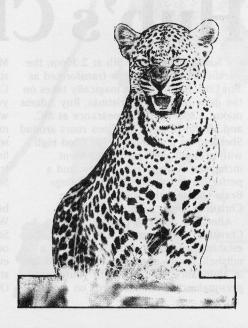
The election was called after nobody stood for the post of Sabbatical Editor at the beginning of the term. That election was run due to the failure of the elected candidate in last years vote for all the sabbatical posts.

Despite the poll being run in conjunction with the Union's referendum on the College Day there was a poor turn out all round. Out of the 517 who voted on the College Day only 450 voted in the election. Andy Butcher gained 300 votes with New Election taking 78 votes. There were also 72 spoilt papers.

The result means that from next term

Felix will have a full Editor controlling the paper as opposed to it being run by the Union Print Unit Production Manager, Chris Stapleton. In this way FELIX regains complete editorial freedom. Chris Stapleton commented that 'It's a good job that we don't have to have another election. From January FELIX will be able to have un-restricted comment from it's boss on the Union as well as College, something that I haven't been allowed to do.'

The newly elected editor will receive an equivelent of two terms rent in Southside for doing the job, which is equivalent to the honoraria that a CCU president receives. For this he will take over the complete running of Felix, although this will involve much liason with the Print Unit Manager, over the production of the magazine.





## College Day: Referendum Result

Students rejected the proposed change to the College Day in yesterday's referendum. Out of the 517 who voted, in the Student's Union poll on Monday and Tuesday this week, 457 said that they were against changes and only 59 agreed with the proposal. There was one spoilt paper.

It has been proposed by a Working Party, chaired by Professor Alan Swanson, that the College Day be extended from 9.00am to 6.00pm. This is to cope with timetabling problems, particularly in the final years.

Various questions have arisen from the proposal, particularly those of increased cost to the College. A longer day would lead to increased overheads, such as

power consumption and staff wages. There is no financial advisor on the Working Party, and no-one is prepared to confirm where the extra finance will emerge from.

The possibility of staff such as cleaners and security having to arrive in College earlier has also been considered. Mr Reeves, Chief Security Officer, seemed confident of the staff's ability to cover a longer day. Security provide cover for all 24 hours and messengers already work 9.00am to 6.00pm, covering 7.00am to 9.00am on overtime. Departments are opened at 7.00am regardless, as are the car parks and so would be affected by an earlier start. However, his deputy, Mr Briley, thought that the day 'would affect

working arrangements' and that it was 'a matter we're keeping clear of at present.'

The Party hope to be able to alter cleaning schedules so that the cleaners will not have to arrive any earlier. This will avoid the possibility of them having to travel before the first tubes, or disturbing early starters. The Rector, Sir Eric Ash, and Mr Angus Fraser, College Director, were both unavailable for comment.

If the proposals are implemented by the College, then the clubs and societies of the Student's Union will have problems with running meetings. Many students will not be able to attend meetings if their department is running along an opposing timetable to that of the clubs.

### **Linstead Hall**

### Christmas Bash

7.30pm Saturday 8th December 2 Bands, Disco, Bar Extension... **Admission: Linstead Free** Ex-Linsteadians 50p Guests £1.00

STRICTLY NO ADMISSION AFTER 10PM

#### Small Ads

- Help! Lost: two lab books, calculator and Felix pencilcase - please ring Felix on 3515 and ask for Toby Jones.
- ICCS Christmas Party. 7.30pm 7th December, 1990. Union Building, Level 1. Members \$2.00. Non-members \$3.00.

### No Managers Bit today just the...

Credits: Sarah, Adam T, Richard and one

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## Christ

On Sunday December 9th at 2.30pm, the Sherfield Building will be transformed as Jim Gibb from Physics magically takes on the guise of Father Christmas, Roy Adams makes a spectacular appearance as MC, and Martin Douglas of Mines roars around Sherfield on a magical sleigh filled high with presents. Other entertainment includes a comedy circus show and a performance by the Imperial College Brass Quintet who will make some Christmas music with your help.

After four years of Capers this Christmas extravaganza is a firmly established feature of the IC year. In a nutshell, it's an afternoon of food and fun in abundance. You can print your own personalised Christmas Cards on Apple

Macs, make faces on sticks, weave a sparkling Christmas wreath, watch Father Christmas float in a jar of snow, capture your footprint in plaster, learn all you want to know about pottery and much more. The afternoon has a uniquely scientific flavour as children are invted to listen to their heartbeats with the team from St Mary's, and be dazzled by Science with the Launch Pad.

This year, handicapped children have been invited from the social services of Westminster, Kensington and Chelsea. Students are invited to bring their families or friends to enjoy the party or to help entertain the children, along with other students and staff from all departments, Olave House and Fisher Hall. Proceeds

from the Christmas Caper raffle will go to Capital Radio's 'Help a London Child' (first prize a \$200 travel voucher from STA). We also ask that gifts be brought by children to be given to two of the local services listed above.

#### THE DETAILS

Imperial College Christmas Caper Sunday 9 December 2.30-5.30pm Tickets \$2 adults \$1 under 14s under 5s free Available from Departmental Superintendents or HUB, Sherfield 355, ext 3405.