



THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION

RECTOR SAYS NO ON FEES ISSUE

The Rector has stated that accepting the demands of IC Union's tuition fees campaign is "not on", but he could support a "sensible national campaign" on the issue.

IC Union is asking College not to increase tuition fees next year and to charge overseas students the same fees as home students. The cost to the College would be around £440,000, a sum which the Rector said is just not available.

External Affairs Officer Sheyne Lucock, organiser of the campaign, commented afterwards that he had realised that it was unlikely that College would agree to the Union's demands in full.

He now hoped that a hardship fund for students suffering financial difficulties because of fee increases could be set up. The campaign would continue as it was also aimed at trying to influence Government. He welcomed the Rector's support.

The Rector was answering questions at Monday's IC Union Council meeting on a variety of issues at the forefront of students' minds.

Asked about refectories he said he had personally experienced food being served not hot enough, and sympathised with students' complaints. He was trying to improve matters.

Student accommodation was the subject of another question. The Rector outlined the efforts College was making to increase the number of places in students residence. The Linstead extension was expected to be ready in 1980, but otherwise the College was concentrating on converting older properties.

In response to a question on the failure of most postgraduate research students to finish their degrees in three years he stated that it had always been College's view that three years was long enough. The problem would be looked into very carefully.

The Rector was very much in favour of increasing the number of women students in College but was not prepared to lower entry qualifications for women. He believed College had to be made more attractive to women and he strongly supported the existence of ICWA.

Answering several questions on details such as exam resits, provision of coffee machines and

availability of associated studies, the Rector made it clear that departments had a high degree of autonomy and he could not lay down a common policy on several matters.

Asked about recruitment for jobs in South Africa, a subject of recent concern to the Academic Affairs Committee, the Rector agreed that it was reasonable for the Union to communicate its views but it should not intimidate the students involved.

He was against College having a policy not to allow firms to recruit for South African work in College, but would not allow them to distribute racist literature. The College Careers Advisory Service could not be expected to help the Union put forward its views.

Academic Affairs Officer Roger Stotesbury told a FELIX reporter afterwards that he still believed it was wrong for College to allow its resources to be used to help firms which prop up a racist regime. Sheyne Lucock said College should recognise that the Union represents the views of the students and take note of its policy on South Africa.

Asked finally whether he ever regretted becoming Rector of IC, Lord Flowers answered "never".



Battle of the Miners: The "bottle" rugby match

MINES BEAT CAMBORNE

Last Saturday, at Harlington, Mines beat Camborne by 15 pts to 3. The rugby match was described by one player as the hardest non-dirty game that he had ever played. Before any points had been scored Mines suffered a major setback when their centre, S. Andrew, had to be taken off with a broken nose. However, John Coates was on target with four penalty goals and one drop goal. Camborne managed to score one penalty goal although in the last minutes of the game they came close to scoring a try but Mines had the strength to repulse their attack.

It had been a hard game with constant pressure from both sides. Each team was positive that it would win and Mines were overconfident at the start of the match, but by the second half Mines had Camborne reeling back on their heels and Mines knew that by keeping up the pressure they would win. RSM were helped to victory by the vociferous support of over 150 people including many staff. It was pleasing to note that during all the penalty kicks there was silence from both sets of supporters. One member of the crowd described the game as more like a 'battle' match than a bottle match.

The emotive atmosphere is difficult to describe but for everyone who experienced the game the Mines win will be long remembered. The rugby captain S. Potter was congratulated for leading Mines to a memorable victory over Camborne.

Before the rugby, Mines played Camborne at football. The game opened with an own goal scored by the Camborne defence and by half time Mines scored another to make it 2-0. The supremacy of RSM led many of the supporters to expect an easy victory. The

second half saw a comeback from Camborne who drew level with a goal and a penalty. Mines were unlucky not to score several times and left it to the last minute to score the winning goal making the result 3-2. "RSM are magic...CSM are tragic," shouted the supporters and sadly there was almost a tragic end to the game for Camborne. The Camborne goalkeeper was injured while trying to save Mines' winning goal.

In the evening a sports' dinner
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LETTERS

Dear John. - Following the article concerning Liberal Students on the back page of FELIX last week, I feel a few points need some clarification.

I certainly do not believe in voluntary memberships of student unions within the framework of society as it is presently structured, but such a concept is perfectly compatible with Liberal principles of individual freedom of choice. Clearly such principles have to be compromised with the equally valid principle of collective responsibility, and at present the latter must surely be the dominant factor.

Liberal policies should always be seen in the context of striving for an ideal Liberal society - and I stress 'ideal' - and I believe that eventually, if enough progress can be made, voluntary membership of student unions would fit neatly into such a new society structure with far more emphasis on freedom of choice for individuals.

At present, however, it would be completely unworkable, and student unions would not be able to provide the wide range of sporting, recreational, representational and other services which they do now, and would cease to exist in any effective manner. I'd be happy to elaborate on this at a later date, but I thought it important to clarify my position - and indeed Liberal Students' position - now, before any misunderstanding could arise.

Yours sincerely,

Sheyne Lucock

Sir. - I am prompted to write, by the article on the back page of today's edition concerning the funding of Student Unions 'a matter of great concern to FELIX itself, I am sure).

It would appear from your article that an officer of the Imperial College Union, indeed the incumbent of a post which I once filled myself, and one who aspires to high responsibilities, has been advocating the policies of Mrs. Thatcher and a minority of the Conservative Party, of which I believe he is not a member (I am prepared to be corrected in this belief).

It might at first appear inconsistent for an individual of libertarian convictions, such as myself, to oppose the concept of a "closed shop" in industry, but to support an apparently similar situation in the student community. But such a comparison would be unrealistic. The Students' Union is not only a representational body, and in that role it is not easily demarcated from the administration of the College. It is, however, more easily "detachable" as the principal source of social and sporting life at IC.

One may be able to remain aloof from the "political" activities of ICU and apathetic towards the sports and recreational clubs, but I would opine (posh, prose, eh, John?) that each member of a community has an obligation to contribute towards the facilities provided for the whole community; and as the American Revolution was supposed to prove, those contributions are inseparable from the representation of the contributors.

Can one evaluate either (a) the marginal cost of providing the facilities per additional student (after capital expenditure on such items as the Union building, common rooms, Sports Centre, Boathouse, their fixtures and provision of heat, light, etc. to them; or the Union print unit - how much would you charge for FELIX to non-members, John?) or (b) the mean cost per student of the entirety? If so, which of these does Mr. Lucock propose to separate from tuition fees in order that such a portion should be voluntary?

The voluntary membership of Student Unions is a policy which has been condemned by Liberal Students for many years and vigorously opposed within the Conservative Party by FCS.

I have the honour, Sir, to remain your most obedient and devoted reader,

**Derrick Everett
Spectroscopy PG.,
Blackett Laboratory**

Dear Sir, - I certainly do not claim to be the world's greatest mathematician, but I am fairly sure that 6 does not equal 14. However, some people are apt to disagree. Down in Southside Refectory, deep in the heart of Mooneyland, extra vegetables are charged 14 p. Fair enough, this is consistent with the general high prices encountered there. But, if you have just the meat dish and chips, only 6 pence is deducted from the price of your meal. Then, as if enough salt has not been rubbed into the deep wound inflicted by refectory price policies, if you are fool enough (as I was, to substitute your cooked vegetable with coleslaw (which is only grass and grease) another 15 p is slapped onto your meal price. This means that the cost of lasagne, chips and coleslaw is a sky-high 80 p, the latter being an enormous 21 p. The consequence of this, of course, is that whenever students choose to eat a selection of food that deviates from the meals listed on the price-list, Mooney profit margins soar to even dizzy heights. If you extrapolate this 'buying and selling' price policy further, you would expect to pay 28 p. for walking past the till with an empty plate!

With such inconsistencies within and between refectory prices (80 p. would buy you a far more wholesome meal in the Sheffield Lower refectory) I cannot understand the mentality of such Mooneyphiles as Peter Kirkham, who confessed to breaking the boycott and actually stated in his letter to FELIX that he found the quality "quite reasonable". Even without the issue of the use of the regulator, I have enough ill-feelings to support every future boycott the Union decides to stage as will, I am sure, the overwhelming majority of I.C. students who can certainly do without the likes of Peter Kirkham.

Yours faithfully,

**Martin Sladdin
Botany 3.**

Dear Sir, - All the anti-abortionists who have put forward their beliefs in FELIX so far have been male, and this, coupled with other factors, has actually produced a strong enough reaction in me to make me get off my apathetic backside and reply.

A lot of women who are pregnant and do not wish to have a child, do not want it from before the moment it was conceived and wish to have it aborted as early as possible.

There is a form of abortion called Menstrual Extraction which can be carried out up to 17 days after a missed period. It uses a small extraction tube (like a syringe). It is done without anaesthetic, and most women only have a mild cramping sensation afterwards. It is normally used before the 10th day the period's late so the women wouldn't know if she was pregnant anyway. So it can be done without any heads being thrown in buckets of bits of bodies etc.

80% of abortions take place before 12 weeks, when the baby is about 3" long with its knees bent up.

If the woman does decide after conception that she does not want the child, it is for a good reason. Abortion is a traumatic experience; it is not something she wants to go through for the sheer hell of it.

I do not like society the way it is and therefore believe strongly in not bringing a child into this world, because I wouldn't be able to bring it up in the way I would want to. No woman should be forced to have children if she is not capable of bringing them up in the way she would want to. And if she doesn't want a child she is the last person who should be bringing up part of the next generation. Over half of the 140,000 legal abortions each year are carried out on single women, who presumably do not feel they

are capable of bringing a child up properly.

Have the anti-abortionists considered the case of a woman becoming pregnant after rape? Ought she to be forced to carry that child for 9 months?

Finally I object to anyone deciding that it is not my right to decide whether I have a child or not.

Kirsten Pratt

Dear Sir, - I am referring to Jamie Shoter's letter in FELIX 510 attacking homosexuality in the name of the bible.

He admits that he couldn't see a reason for prohibiting homosexuality by law until he had read the bible. Unfortunately yet another latent open-minded person is forced into the shackles of ignorance using the fallacious argument of authority.

Nothing makes the bible absolutely 'true'. Interpretation of the bible is also a matter of personal perception. I believe that where there is love; there is good. The feelings of attraction which we cannot explain or understand are there to be enjoyed - if we are brave enough to face them.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr. Raque Zaidan
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(01) 229 3787**

Dear Sir, - I have read with interest and in some cases annoyance the letters that have appeared on your pages concerning, amongst other things homosexuality and abortion, from students with strong religious convictions. The letter from Mr. Shoter has finally prompted me to make some comments on the matter.

Personally I have no strong objection to, or support for homosexuality. As far as I can see if one bloke wants to bugger another in the privacy of wheresoever they choose who are we to object? It's certainly not the way I would choose to spend an evening but if it does not affect me in any way then why should I say "no, you must not do this"? What does annoy me is God Squad members who quote vast chunks of the Bible (with references), accompanied by comments such as "look! God says you must not do this". Why is the Bible treated as such an absolute standard, and considered to be correct on all matters, when large parts of it are incorrect, contradictory and unproven? Presumably Mr. Shoter does not believe the world to have been created in seven days so why then should he believe, without question, that if "a man

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FELIX

editorial

Election Editorial

By now you may have noticed all the "wallpaper" springing up around college advertising the various merits of the election candidates. Posters are one of the ways in which they can make their views and intentions known to the electorate. It takes a lot of time covering the campus with posters so please don't take them down. If you want to decorate your room with election publicity please wait until after the voting has taken place. Then I'm sure the candidates will be only too pleased to have their posters removed lest they are fined.

Another way of getting to know a prospective sabbatical is by listening to or watching their IC Radio or STOIC promotions. These are broadcast regularly and are generally more detailed than a poster could be. Manifestos also appear in this and next week's issue of FELIX. Four candidates chose to put their manifestos in today's issue, the rest will appear next week.

Please make use of all the media to aid your choice. It is

important that your vote is an informed one and not just a guess. However, it is vital that you do vote. A college-wide ballot takes place on **Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th March**. All you need is your Union card.

Hustings

The Hustings UGM is a meeting devoted almost entirely to the candidates making speeches and answering questions. It takes place in the **Great Hall at 1:00 pm on Thursday March 8th**. Afternoon lectures from 2:30 to 3:30 will be cancelled that day so please do attend.

Credits

Many thanks to everyone who has helped or contributed this week especially Anita for typing and Ian for printing. Funny how the litho plays up just as the typesetter settles down! Especial thanks to Ian Alvey for the Hyde Park Relay report and Photo Soc. for the prints. Cheers,

John

SMALL ADS

FOUND

Ladies watch. Handed in to the Guilds Soccer Sixes Organisers at Harlington, Sunday 25th. CONTACT: **M. Harrison Chem. Eng. 3**

FOR SALE

1972 Fiat 127. 'K' registration, MOT. and taxed (new clutch, steering, brakes, tyres) 400 pounds o.n.o. CONTACT: **Jeanette Drysdale (Int. 2033)**

FOR SALE

Professional quality squash rackets at a low price. CONTACT: **P. O'Kelly Maths 3 or 965 2455 (Evenings)**

WANTED

Students to take part in a research project on man-computer interaction. It takes about 1/2-3/4 hr, and volunteers will be paid one pound. If interested, please see the notice in **Elec. Eng. Foyer (level 2, on walkway)** Where the full details and signing up forms can be found; or CONTACT: **T. J. Goodman, Room 1106, Elec. Eng. (Int. 3154)**

WANTED

Spanish-speaking volunteers to help on excursions with Chilian Refugees. Anyone interested, please CONTACT: **John Bearsley, Mech. Eng. 2 (Int. 2751) or 7, Beit Hall or Dave Shukker, Chem. PG (Int. 4126)**

COMPETITION

I.C. Photo Soc. Annual competition where you may enter up to 5 photos in each of the following (cash prizes in each)

- 1 B/W Prints....Open
- 2 B/W Prints....Portraits
- 3 B/W Prints....Sport
- 4 Col Prints....Open
- 5 Slides.....Open
- 6 Slides.....Landscapes

Note: closing date is **Tuesday 6th March**. Entries to the shop, or meeting on Tuesday. See notice board for further details.

MEETING

'The Tana River Expedition' Nigel Winster (leader). **Monday 12th March**.

6.00pm - BOT-ZOO Common Room.

CONGRATULATIONS

Shirley Roberts, on your 21st birthday and best wishes from all in the Botany Department.

TALK

'Buddhism in Daily Life' given by Ven Piyathissa; **Friday 9th March at 2.30pm in Room 408, Elec. Eng.**

FOR HIRE

Set of four vacuum gauges suitable for use on any multi-carbed, 4 stroke, Japanese motorcycle. CONTACT: **Andrew Carpenter Mining 2**

LETTERS

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lies with a male as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination?"

Previous to writing this letter I thought very hard and tried to come up with a single reason why, if this act is carried out in private by consenting and responsible adults, it should be wrong. I was unable to do so. I challenge Mr. Shotter to give me just one reason why it is wrong, that does not refer to the Bible.

On a small technical point, if God is so much against "men lying with men" why did he design the body in such a way as to make it possible? Mr. Shotter, as an engineer, must surely be aware of the advantages of designing a structure in such a manner as to prevent its use in a way other than that for which it is intended.

I look forward to hearing a

reply from any of God's representatives on Earth.

Yours faithfully,

**Tony Cox
Physics 2**

Dear Sir, - We wish to reply, on behalf of many regular customers, to the letter published in last week's issue of "FELIX" complaining about the standard of service in the Union Bar. It is not so much the specific complaint involved (about a hot-dog, the story of which the barman gives a rather different account of than that given in the letter), but rather the accusation that "college bars are very keen to take your money and offer you no service in return, no pleases or thank-yous" which we feel must be answered.

It is worth remembering that the prices in bars are determined by Refectory Committee and have nothing to do with the bar staff. It is the opinion of countless

regular customers, including ourselves, that the staff do a difficult job very well. We suggest that the author of the letter may care to ask someone who has worked behind the bar just how difficult a job it is before he complains again.

Yours sincerely,

**Malcolm Brain
Chris Fox
Andy Lewis
Mark Corrigan**

Dear Sir, - I write in reply to Jamie Shotter's letter in last week's FELIX, concerning his view on Christianity and homosexuality.

Perhaps he would like to consult the other (n-1) Christians before pertaining to state their views. Surely there as many gods and facets of religion as there are people.

He takes an example from Leviticus in support of his view that homosexuality is a sin and

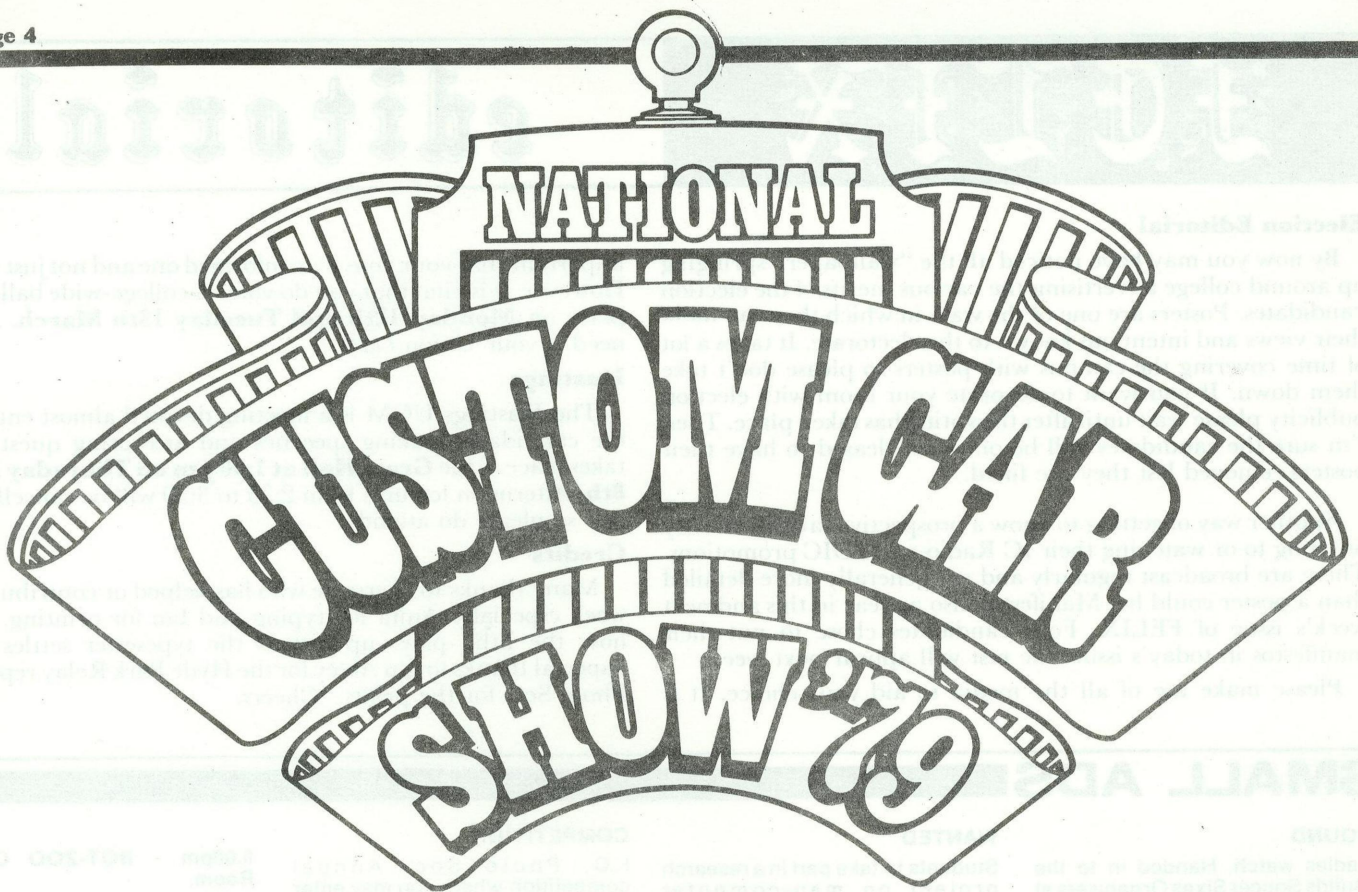
abhorant to God (whose?). Literal interpretation of the Bible is dangerous ground - what of the Genesis version of the Creation, the laws of hygiene necessary for a nomadic desert life, or the imagery of Revelations? There are many other examples.

A literal interpretation of selected parts of the Bible might be very well as a "first and last line of defence in any matter of dispute", but it ignores the conditions in which it was written, or the deeper, often hidden, meanings and lessons. An intelligent informed approach is more productive, even if it requires more effort.

Abandonment of the intellect and a slavishness to the written word should not be necessary for participation in spiritual matters.

Yours, with faith, hope and charity for the cerebral hemispheres,

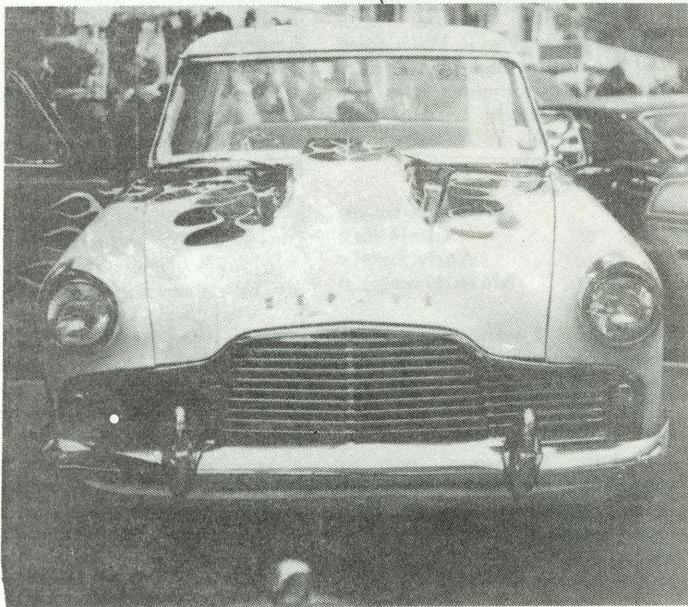
Jan H. Kool (Life Sci.II)



C.C. Spectacular

This year's Custom Car show opened at Alexandra Palace last Saturday. It's bound to be another massive success if attendance is anything to go by. Last year 110,000 people turned up to see customs, vans, rods and bikes and this year's looks like breaking that record.

Over the last ten years or so the techniques for turning a motor car into a travelling work of art have spread over from America and developed in this country. New methods and ideas with manufacturers' recognition of the demand has resulted in a huge increase in the pastime of customizing. It has also become big business. Its popularity was indicated by the numbers at the show last weekend.

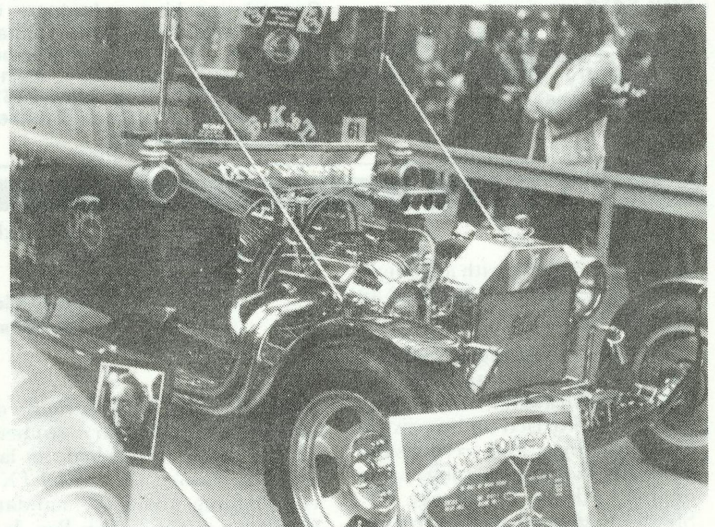


If you know anyone with a Ford Zephyr for sale...

Modifications to cars include anything from decorative paintwork and murals to complete redesigning, building and fitting.

Such additions as hood scoops, replacement steering wheels, spoilers and interior fittings are fairly common. Mural painting is almost a dying art and certainly more aesthetic than it used to be.

More extreme examples included chroming the engine and jacking up the rear.



"The Prisoner"

On arriving at the exhibition it was noticeable that many cars in the free park warranted a place inside. It was almost worth going to look around at these enthusiast-owned vehicles.

The exhibition itself was divided (so I learned afterwards) into four sections: custom, vans, rods and bikes.

If, on entering, the glittering star-spangled stands don't knock you for six then just wait till you see some of the more outrageous 'jobs'.

The standard of the murals was generally very high, though the chance to see them close-to gives opportunity to criticise more rigourously.





It's all a "Daydream". Yet another fabulously decorated vehicle to brighten up your day.

One car, built specially for the show is called "Spirit of '54" and is styled similarly to a Ford 40 Victoria. Apparently he found a model in almost mint condition and reproduced the body pressings. The car features chromium everywhere possible and lush metal-flake paintwork.

Also notable was "Mucha Bliged" a Marina van used as an advert for a business practice in mural work.

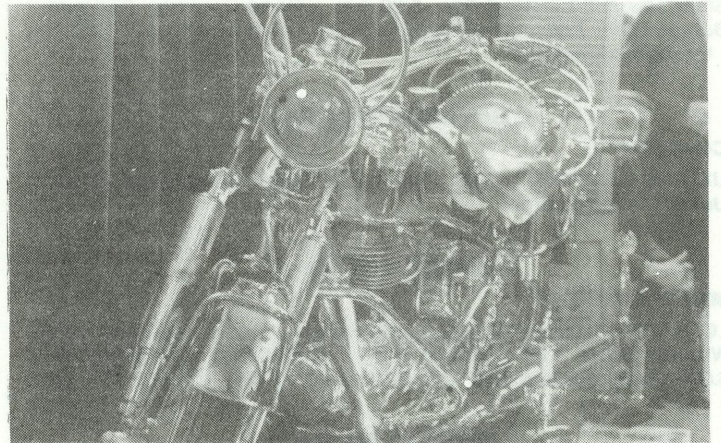
Generally mural painting can be criticised for its lack of originality and there were few examples that went against such criticism, but 'Mucha Bliged' was in a class of its own.

Also unique was the ghastly Hurlinger, a sickly pink batmobile with a similar owner who polished it with great care and attention just another gimmick to attract an audience.

There were many vehicles which originated from '32 upwards that had been completely rebuilt with chromium engines, leather, velvet or fur upholstery, jacked up with wide tyres but one was much the same as another.

The vans provided some interest and novelty. With tinted glass, cocktail cabins, TV games and revolving front seats, science fiction becomes reality in the custom world.

If you don't appreciate obvious customising, there were plenty of examples of the subtle approach, and one Capri that did not appear to have been touched.



All in chrome

The bikes were disappointing except for one all-chrome job which stood out.

If things needed brightening up at all Capital Radio provided topical sounds and generally compered the event. There was also a film that I did not get to see. One thing though. The refreshments were cheap for such events.

All in all it is a great experience. It's well worth the effort required to get up there even if (like me) you're not a mad enthusiast. It's less commercial than I had first imagined and at £1.30 not at all bad value.



The "Hurlinger"

The show is open from 11 am till 9 pm this evening and from 10 am to 7 pm tomorrow and Sunday.

Two hours is ample time to see everything worth looking at.

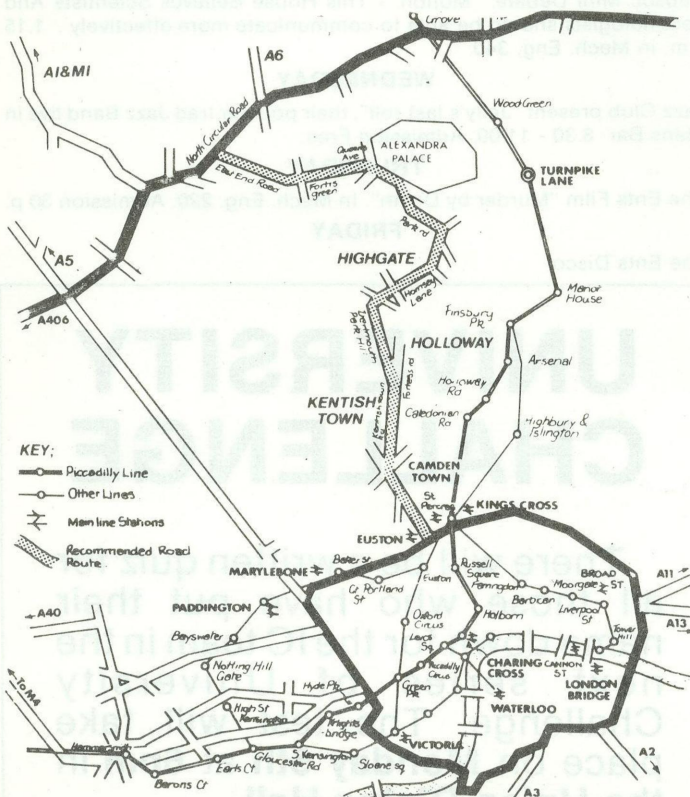
Take some sound advice if you should choose to go this weekend. Get there as early as possible because it gets crowded by late morning.

The easiest route by public transport is by tube to Finsbury Park then catch a W3 bus which stops right outside the door.

Oh, keep your paws off the exhibits 'cos there's lots of new paint that isn't quite hardened.

Words and Pix

John Shuttleworth



WHAT'S ON**FRIDAY 2nd March****DISCO**

ENTS DISCO AND BAR - 8.30. Union Lower Lounge. 10 p.

FILM

I.C. FILM SOC - presents Robin and the Seven Hoods. 7.00 pm. M.E. 220. Members free. Non members 20 p.

MISCELLANEOUS

I.C. RADIO - Broadcasting to Southside Halls on 301 m medium wave. Stans Bar and Linstead Bar. 5.00 p.m. - Good Evening. 6.00 p.m. - Boogie Time. 7.00 p.m. - Viewpoint. 9.00 p.m. - Roundabout 11.00 p.m. - through midnight.

SATURDAY 3rd March**CONCERT**

UK AND SUPPORT - 8.00. Great Hall, Sherfield Building. Student Union Cards required.

SUNDAY 4th March**MISCELLANEOUS**

I.C. RADIO - 8.00 a.m. Wake Up with Harvey. 11.00 The Wibbly Wobbly Wireless Show. 1.00 - Groovin. 4.00 - roundtable. 5.00 - Folk Music. 6.00 - Good evening. 8.00 - I.C. Radio Live. 10.30 - through midnight.

MONDAY 5th March**CLUB ACTIVITY**

COMMUNIST PARTY MEETING WITH SPEAKER - 6.30 p.m. ICWA Lounge, Union Building. Malcolm Cowell, Communist Party Election Agent on "Electoral Reform". All welcome.

MISCELLANEOUS

I.C. FOLK CLUB - presents Les Barker and Mrs. Ackroyd Mad Poet and Dog. 8.00 pm. Union Lower Refectory. Members 30 p. Others 60 p. Performers and Singers are very welcome and get in Free.
I.C. RADIO - same as Friday except: 6.00 Focus On.
I.C. PHOTSOC SHOP - 12.45 - 1.15. Linstead Hall Room 211.

TUESDAY 6th March**FILM**

FILM EVENING - 6.00 p.m. Mech. Eng. 342. Free. Title of Film: "My Son, My Son". Organized by I.C. Christian Union.

CLUB ACTIVITY

I.C. PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY TALK - 7.00 p.m. RSM 1.02. "Bird Photography in the Inner Hebrides" by C.W. Bruce M.P.S. & A.R.P.S.
LABOUR CLUB MEETING - 1.00 pm. Maths 340. Brian Sedgemore MP speaking on: "The use and abuse of power in British society".
RIDING CLUB - Information, Bookings and ULU Riding Club News. 13.00 - 14.00. Electrical Engineering Dept. Room 1110. Level 11. All welcome.
SOCIALIST SOCIETY DISCUSSION - 6.15 pm. Huxley 340. Topic: "Socialism or Reformism".

MISCELLANEOUS

"ONE SMALL STEP" - Stoic transmission. Repeat of 'Horizon' History of Space Travel. 13.00. JCR, Union TV Lounge, Southside Halls (Except Tizard), Southside Lower TV Lounge.
I.C. RADIO - 12.00 - 2.15 p.m. - Midday Spin. Evening same as Friday except: 6.00 p.m. - Thats Jazz.
ASSOCIATED STUDIES EVENT - 1.30 p.m. Read Theatre, Sherfield Building. "In the company of Scientists...." M.J. Davies, Secretary of Imperial College.
ASSOCIATED STUDIES EVENT - 1.30 p.m. Lecture Theatre 1, Chem. Eng. Dept. Engineering in the Ancient World. 3. Greek and Roman Water Raising Devices, Dr. John Landels, Faculty of Letters and Social Sciences, Reading; Author of "Engineering in the Ancient World," etc.

WEDNESDAY 7th March**CLUB ACTIVITY**

WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - 12.30 p.m. ICWA lounge. Speaker from the Anti-Nazi League. Subject to confirmation - see posters nearer date.

MISCELLANEOUS

I.C. RADIO - 6.00 p.m. Good Evening. 6.40 p.m. 301 Newline. See Friday for Rest of Evening.

THURSDAY 8th March**FILM**

ENTS FILM - Murder by Death. 6.30 p.m. M.E. 220. 30 p.

CLUB ACTIVITY

MOPSOC LECTURE - by Prof. MRC McDowell (R.H.C.) 'Conflicts in Traffic'. 1-15. Physics L.T.2.
I.C. CHINESE SOCIETY - Annual General Meeting and Annual Election. 1 p.m. Mech. Eng. 220.

MISCELLANEOUS

IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION GENERAL MEETING (Hustings) - 1.00 p.m. Great Hall, Sherfield Building. See the sabbatical election candidates live on stage! Your chance to ask them questions and get an hour free from lectures.
"LUNCH BREAK" STOIC TRANSMISSION - 13.00 repeated 18.00 (except in JCR). Union TV Lounge, JCR, Southside Halls (Except Tizard). Southside Lower TV Lounge (Nr Stan's Bar).
I.C. PHOTSOC SHOP - 12.45 - 1.15 pm. Linstead Hall Room 532.
I.C. RADIO - same as Tuesday except 5.00 - 7.00 p.m. Good Evening.
ASSOCIATED STUDIES EVENT - 1.30 p.m. The Music Room. 53 Princes' Gate. Lunch-hour Concert. The Adelphi String Quartet.

Social Cultural and Amusements Board

SCAB

FRIDAY

ENTS Disco

SATURDAY

ENTS Concert. U.K. and Support in the Great Hall. Admission £2.00 on door. £1.50 in advance. Tickets from Ents Room in Union.

MONDAY

Folk Club present Les Barker and Mrs. Ackroyd, one man and his dog, an unpredictable duo. Union Lower Refectory at 8.00 p.m. Admission 60 p. Members 30 p.

TUESDAY

Debsoc Mini Debate. Motion: - This House Believes Scientists And Technologists should be able to communicate more effectively. 1.15 p.m. in Mech. Eng. 340.

WEDNESDAY

Jazz Club present "Jelly's last roll", their popular trad Jazz Band live in Stans Bar 8.30 - 11.00. Admission Free.

THURSDAY

The Ents Film "Murder by Death". In Mech. Eng. 220. Admission 30 p.

FRIDAY

The Ents Disco.

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE

There will be a written quiz for all those who have put their name down for the IC team in the next series of University Challenge. The test will take place on **Monday 5th at 6pm** in the **Union Dining Hall**.

Do You Take It For Granted?

Although it is important to publicize grant anomalies throughout the student population, appropriate authorities and the general public, it is absolutely vital to keep sight of the basic issue, the main rate. Of course, cases of individual hardship must be pursued vigorously and, in particular, common problems, such as those arising from the Means Test, need special attention. However, the most important grant issue for most British students is the main rate and, for IC, the London rate.

This year the NUS are asking the Government for an increase of 27% on the main rate, which is at present £1100. This is based on an estimate of 12% for inflation and a revised assessment of students' costs.

Several aspects of this revision are specially relevant to IC students. The most important of these are the rent and food elements. In recent years, these board and lodging rates have increased disproportionately compared to the overall rate. For London students in particular, this has meant even less money for everything else. Rents in the private sector in London have increased alarmingly and College and University residence rents are fixed according to the appropriate element in the grant. Hence the residue for travel, pocket money, books, clothes and entertainment has become smaller proportionately, lagging behind inflation.

The other major element of the grant which is of interest to IC

students is travel. There is a certain amount (£34) in the grant for this purpose, and any extra incurred through commuting, and travel from home, is generally paid by the LEA at the end of the year. This system means that many students have a lot of money tied up in season tickets until the end of the year, which is obviously an unsatisfactory situation.

The National Grants Demonstration is next **Friday, 9th March**, and includes a float from IC. Everyone interested in the grants issue, which means **all** IC students should take part and anyone prepared to help with the float should contact me.

Tim Hillyer
External Affairs Committee

The Brain Drain

POSTERS

I've had complaints from some societies that people are taking their posters down, in some cases probably to put on their own walls. Posters can cost a lot of money, and removing them is a disciplinary offence; if you want one for your wall, have a bit of patience and wait until the event being advertised has happened, then you can take as many as you want.

NOISE

I'm sorry that I've had to be so stroppy at parties and concerts in the Union of late, but we have been visited by the police recently because of the noise and some local residents have been threatening to take the Union to court because of it. Hopefully, the use of the Great Hall for concerts in the future will help the situation, and later on in the year I will be applying to College for help to noiseproof some rooms, but in the meantime if you're organising an event in the Union, please turn the music down when I tell you, otherwise we might be stopped altogether.

REFECTORIES

I notice that there was a letter in last week's **FELIX** from someone who did not support the recent refectory boycott because he finds "the quality and price quite reasonable". The author of this letter appears to have given some thought to the issue (unlike, I suspect, the other people who broke the boycott) and I apologise to him for any comments I made in a previous article. Since he finds the quality of food satisfactory, it is presumably the standard he was accustomed to before coming to I.C. I wish to offer, on behalf of the vast majority of students at I.C., our sincere sympathy for the pains his alimentary canal must have suffered over the years and hope that the resulting stomach ulcers are not fatal.

THANKS

Thanks are due to Rugby Club for making an excellent job of washing down the Union Building, and Adrian, Mike and Howard for various help over the past week.

Malcolm Brain
ICU Deputy President

Elk's Epistle (5)

ELECTIONS (of the Sabbatical kind)

These tributes to the democratic structure of Imperial College Union are taking place by college wide ballot on the **12th and 13th March (Monday and Tuesday)**. The point of this little bit of prose is that if you know for some reason that you're not going to be in college on those days (and it has to be a good reason) then you can have a 'postal' vote. The details of this haven't been worked out yet, but if you come up and tell me next week, I should be able to tell you what you have to do.

And talking of sabbatical elections, we need people to man ballot boxes on 12/13th March for 1 pound /hr. from 10 am - 5 pm, if you fancy earning some easy money, just come up to the Union Office and tell Jen.

HUSTINGS

The hustings for the sabbatical elections occur on **Thursday 8th March at 1 pm in the Great Hall**. It's easily the best way of finding out who are the best candidates for the various positions and I urge you to attend. You can ask any candidate any question you might think relevant, so it's an opportunity not to be missed! Lectures, lab, seminars etc. for the 2:30 - 3:30 period are all cancelled so you can stay until 3:30. If you're not certain who to vote for - make sure you don't miss it!

STV

No it doesn't stand for Sex Televised Vertically or Southern Television it stands for single transferable vote and it is a method of voting by which instead of voting for one person you place all the candidates in an order of preference, using numbers 1,2,3 etc.... I'll explain the full ramifications (what?) of it all next week...same time, same channel).

Mike Elkin
ICU Hon. Sec.

MARY MUTTERS

Ever since Sonia has been visiting me to collect news stories she has pinched all the useful information. Now I can't sound very important by writing about all the wonderful things I have been doing (well at least not without repeating what is elsewhere in FELIX).

Other than hiding under my desk every time the media appear, another solution to this problem is for me to investigate new topics and tell interesting stories.

My first new story is the full unexpurgated facts (why should Mike have all the sex stories?) of the meeting held between myself, four members of the Union's Permanent Working Party (who?), Captain Lindley (College Domestic Secretary), Mr. Mooney (Refectory Manager) and three managers of individual refectories.

We discussed a fascinating report prepared by P.W.P. based on surveys of the refectories they did before Christmas. The report contained such gem comments as "About 50% of those asked were satisfied that the quality of food was up to the standard expected from University refectories. However, the majority agreed there to be room for improvement. Apparently many of the 'satisfied' 50% were actually only 'resigned' to the fact that they could expect no better".

Lots of useful information and hopeful developments came out of the meeting. These included:

1. Coleslaw in the Union Lower refectory will contain onions (to give it more taste) in future as an

experiment.

2. Fried eggs will be introduced into the Union Lower Refectory.

3. The introduction of a "students' salad" (i.e. a cheap one) will be investigated for Southside refectory.

4. All vegetables and fruit are brought fresh from Covent Garden Market on Tuesday and Thursday morning (except some frozen veg.)

5. Custard in Sheffield Lower refectory may not contain enough sugar and is to be investigated.

6. New suppliers of beefburgers are being looked into, after complaints.

7. Overhead infra-red heaters are to be introduced in some refectories in the next 2-3 weeks, i.e. food may be too hot!

8. Vegetarian (cheap) main courses will be looked into.

It was quite a useful meeting and we hope in future that the complaints and suggestions sub-committee of the Refectory committee will meet more regularly and informally in order to take up specific complaints.

The only thing I should end on is a warning about cornish pasties. Apparently they are specifically designed to have as little meat content as possible! So don't complain.

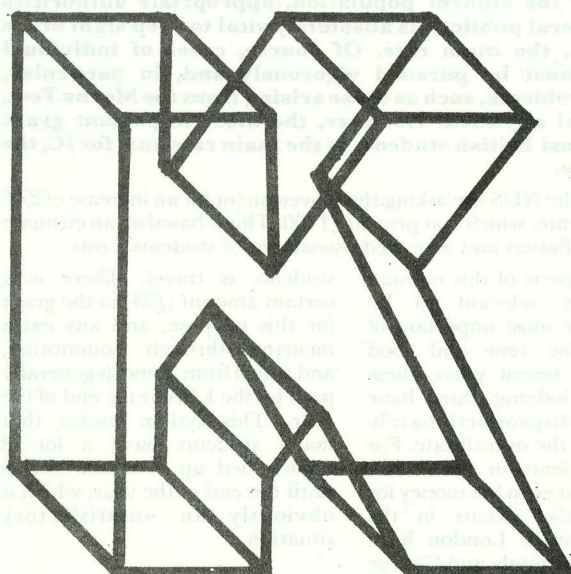
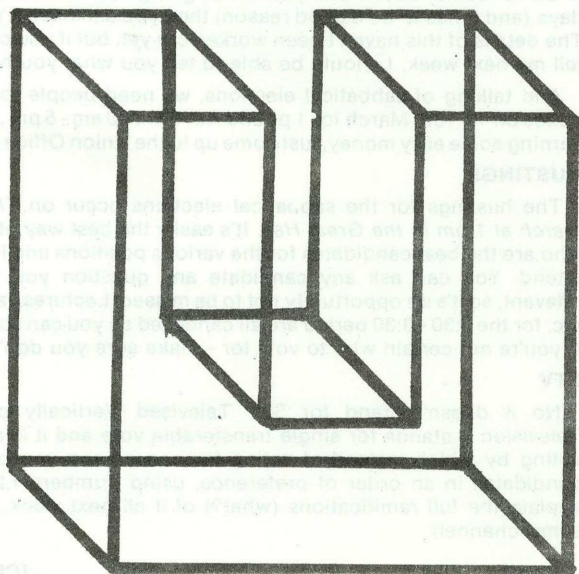
More stories next week.

Don't forget Hustings on Thursday. You get until 3.30 p.m. off from lectures. See you on the Great Hall.

Mary Attenborough
ICU President

ENTS PRESENTS

THIS WEEK'S GIG IN THE GREAT HALL
PROMISES TO BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF
THE COLLEGE CONCERTS THIS YEAR.



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THE CONCERT WILL BE THE ONLY LONDON
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Day By Day

A ROUND-UP OF LAST WEEK'S NEWS



Wednesday 21st

British Leyland use Biggs for advert

The latest poster advertising the Mini states that the Mini nips in and out like Ronald Biggs. The advert is part of a £400,000 - advertising drive by British Leyland. Austin Morris denied charges that the campaign glorified crime.

The Biggs poster is one of three being exhibited throughout the country on 300 sites. The other two say "More gripping than Agatha Christie" and "Better in jams than strawberries."

Ronald Biggs was involved in "The Great Train Robbery" that took place on 8th August 1963.

Thursday 22nd

Budget will be tough

A budget described in Whitehall as "strict" is to be unveiled by the Chancellor on April 3rd. Increases in the price of tobacco, drink and petrol are expected, which could amount to at least 30 p on a bottle of whisky, 1 p on a pint of beer and 2 and a half p. on a packet of cigarettes.

NUPE urge rejection of 9%

The executive of NUPE, which represents at least half of the council workers, recommended rejection of the latest pay offer. Mr. Alan Fisher, general secretary, recommended acceptance of the offer, which applied to local government, health service and ambulance workers.

Get a degree for £10!

...with a reduction of £2 if two degrees are required. This is provided by a firm in San Francisco. The Universal Life Church at Modesto in California enables school caretakers or dustmen who fancy becoming bishops or even cardinals to do so for as little as £2.50.

Luxuries for The Queen

A special toilet costing £150,000 was installed for the Queen's visit to a racecourse in Qatar.

Friday 23rd

Owen angers strikers

Dr. David Owen strode across a civil servants' picket line outside the Foreign Office, declaring "I have great pleasure in crossing this picket line. This is one of the most irresponsible strikes I have ever seen." The pickets were junior and middle-grade civil servants who were holding a 24 hour strike in support of a pay claim.

Radiation Leak at hospital

Liquid radioactive waste leaked from a container in a store at Essex County Hospital's radiotherapy department. Hospital staff are undergoing tests at Harwell Atomic

energy centre. The radioactive material used in clinical diagnosis could cause cancer and associated illness, and could be spread by people touching contaminated surfaces. There is, however, thought to be no immediate danger to health.

Man's abuse of world could change climate

Scientists ended their world climate conference in Geneva with the warning that significant climatic changes could occur within 10 years if mankind continues to disregard his environment. If man continues to burn fossil fuels and cut down forests at the present rate, the increased Carbon Dioxide in the air would gradually raise the planet's average temperature.

Saturday 24th

Soviet naval threat to China

Sources in Tokyo state that there has been a steady build-up of the Russian Pacific Fleet in the East China Sea. 11 Russian surface fleet units are already at sea after leaving their base at Vladivostok. Many nuclear-powered missile submarines are on patrol within sailing distance of Vietnam.

Japanese sources believe that the threat exists that the Kremlin may lose patience with China's war against Vietnam and may decide itself to take "punitive action" against the Chinese perhaps by blockading Chinese sea traffic.

Concorde bill written off

The British Airway's £160 million bill for its fleet of five Concorde has been written off by the Government. In return British Airways has agreed to hand over to the Treasury 80 per cent of the running profits of Concorde flights.

Sunday 25th

USA criticises China over invasion

Chinese forces continued to press southwards on three fronts in northern Vietnam. Mr. Michael Blumenthal, the American Treasury Secretary who is visiting Peking, sternly rebuked his hosts for launching the invasion. He declared that "even limited invasions risk wider wars and turn public opinion against the transgressor."

Russians send armoured divisions to Bulgaria

Diplomatic sources in Sofia and Belgrade state that the Russians have sent three armoured divisions, each consisting of about 10,000 men, to Bulgaria. Joint Russian-Bulgarian manoeuvres were held in 1978 and a "sea-bridge" was recently completed to link Russia with Bulgaria across the Black Sea by means of huge ferryboats.

Yugoslavia has reacted to the arrival of the troops by moving armoured units to the Bulgarian frontier.

Monday 26th

Callaghan intends to hold on until the autumn

The Prime Minister was interviewed on "Panorama", this evening. He said that an election should be held every five years, and that the Government's term would be up in October.

Speaking about the strikes and their threat to the economy, Mr. Callaghan said he was hopeful that the level of pay settlements this year would be lower than last. This would mean something below 15 per cent.

Scientists less interested in eclipse

The last total eclipse to be seen in North America this century interested American and Canadian citizens but scientists who have obtained much information from the Sklab project were less concerned about carrying out experiments than during the last total eclipse.

People in Britain's West Country will see the sun totally eclipsed by the moon on Aug 11, 1999.

BBC urge Unions to accept news cameras

News cameras using video tape instead of film have been "blacklisted" by the BBC unions.

The great advantage of the lightweight electronic news-gathering equipment (ENG) is that it cuts out time-wasting film processing. Pictures are ready for transmission as soon as the video tape can be transported back to base.

The unions have objected because they fear that the use of ENG could ultimately mean loss of jobs. ITV, who deal with a different Union, have not been allowed even to begin experimental operation.

At Imperial College STOIC have been using cameras using video tape for several years.

Tuesday 27th

Miners accept pay offer

The National Union of Mineworkers voted 15-10 to accept the National Coal Board's offer which could eventually bring rises of upwards of 10 per cent. The settlement includes a productivity agreement.

Iran Oil from Monday

Iran is to export oil again from Monday. The new managing director of the Iranian Oil Co., Mr. Hassan Nazih, announced today that Iran would be selling oil at between \$18 and \$20 a barrel. This compares with the present opec price of about \$14 a barrel.

Woman sues over abortion failure

A mother sued a Harley Street surgeon for damages for breach of contract and negligence because an abortion operation did not work.

She claims that as a result of having the baby she has suffered anxiety, distress and sorrow and was unable to continue a course at a teacher's training college.

THE PANCAKE RACE

Photos by John Shuttleworth

Last Tuesday, 27th February, the Annual Pancake Race took place in Beit Quad. The race, between an Executive team and an ICWA team, is made more arduous by the simultaneous "testing" of the Union Building's fire hoses. The referee for the event is traditionally the FELIX Editor, who completes the final lap in case he/she has managed to remain dry until then!

The water started flowing at noon. Hoses by the main entrance and from the Dramsoc vantage point, outside their store-room, covered the front of the Union Building, while the residents of new Beit, armed with saucepans and waste-paper baskets showered bystanders on the South side of the quad. Tansy Hepton had a hose to herself in the entrance to the Union Bar, but the Botany and Zoology sides remained dry. This was probably due to the fact that this year onlookers were kept off the roofs.

The race itself started fifteen minutes late at 12:45. Daphne Websper and Mark Corrigan were the first to run: the course being one complete circuit of the quad starting from and returning to the centre. In addition to the hoses, one of the hazards encountered on the route was a dustbin-wielding Bruce Willis.

ICWA cheated first by taking a short-cut to one corner of the quad from the centre. Their advantage was lost, though, when some of the Exec. team "held-up" the ICWA runners by Beit Archway. Despite a pact between Daphne and Andy Lewis to dead-heat, ICWA finished first. The race is, however, traditionally a draw since both teams usually manage to get disqualified.

After the event the two teams retired for a shower and pancakes before the Exec. left for the UGM at 1:30 p.m. One late-comer, Mr. Ron Nash of the Nat. West Bank, thinking it was safe to enter the quad was duly drenched and has sworn that he "will kill the bastards that soaked him on Tuesday." He knows Mark Corrigan and Andy Lewis were involved. Beware you others!!

A slightly damp Exec. arrived for the UGM which started, as usual, six minutes late.



Liz Lindsay, standing in for Chris Fox, running for the Exec.



John Harris on the final lap.

An Alternative Society

In this article we approach you not as citizens of one country but as world socialists speaking to fellow members of the working class. Our appeal is based on the recognition that capitalism is world-wide and that the workers of the world have a mutual interest in taking action to abolish it and establish Socialism.

The Socialist Party of Great Britain is an independent organisation opposed to the British Labour Party and all other parties in this country. It is associated with companion Socialist Parties and groups in Australia, Canada, Jamaica, Ireland, New Zealand, the U.S.A. and Austria.

The independence of the Socialist Party of Great Britain and its companion parties rests on the fact that our object and our views on economic and political questions are quite different from those of other political parties which claim to be socialist.

Capitalism or Socialism

We live in a system of society known as capitalism.

Under capitalism we get the things we need in order to live - food, clothing, housing, travel, entertainment etc. - only by buying them. They are all produced in order to be sold at a profit. What each individual can buy depends on how much money he has. The life of leisure and luxury enjoyed by the rich few is far removed from the laborious and insecure existence of the great majority. Under capitalism this contrast of riches and poverty is universal. The privileged minority, either through direct ownership of property, or through nationalisation or State capitalism (as in many countries including Russia), share in the proceeds of the exploitation of the mass of the population in every country in the world.

The object of the Socialist Party of Great Britain, in common with its companion parties, is to replace capitalism by a world-wide social system - Socialism - in which the means of production and distribution will cease to be privately owned and will pass to the whole community. This will bring to an end the present competition for markets and sources of raw materials between the different countries which causes international rivalries and leads to war. In a socialist society articles would be produced solely for the use of mankind. All forms of income derived from exploitation (rent, interest and profit) would disappear. The problem to be tackled by a socialist society would be that of organising the able-bodied population to co-operate in producing food, clothing, houses and all the articles and services needed for the full life of human beings. All will have free access to the things needed, production and distribution being in accordance with the socialist principle: "From each according to his ability: to each according to his need".

Socialism cannot be brought about inside the capitalist system. One social system must be replaced by the other and Socialism is necessarily world-wide.

Social Reforms do not lead to Socialism

There is only one road to Socialism, and the policy of dealing with social problems one by one is useless from the socialist stand-point. The object of socialists is to achieve a fundamental change in the basis on which society is constructed. Whatever effect reforms may have in ameliorating particular evils they fail because they cannot bring about the necessary fundamental change.

Among the problems facing the working class are unemployment, rising prices, the insufficiency of wages and the shortage of decent housing. These same problems were also harassing workers 50 and a 100 years ago. The workers' struggle to improve their living standards goes on but the problems will *never* be solved under capitalism.

The Socialist Party of Great Britain recognises the importance of keeping up the struggle over wages and working conditions but this is not enough; it still leaves unchallenged the hold of the capitalists on the means of production and distribution.

The Socialist Party of Great Britain does not support nationalisation, properly called State capitalism. Nationalisation is not Socialism and does not lead to Socialism.

The Road to Socialism

Socialism cannot come about until the majority understand and desire it and democratically take the steps necessary to achieve it. The socialist majority, using the vote to gain control of the political machine, will use that control to introduce the fundamental social changes required in the interests of the human race. The control of the State machine necessary for Socialism cannot be achieved by strikes, general strikes, or insurrection.

Because social reforms cannot lead to Socialism, the Socialist Party of Great Britain restricts its membership to those who are convinced socialists, and does not admit people who are interested merely in lessening the evils of the capitalist system.

The S.P.G.B. and Leadership

The breaking of election promises by other political parties is inevitable while capitalism lasts, but even if all their promises were kept it would still leave capitalist exploitation intact.

The Socialist Party of Great Britain has never made promises that it would solve the problems of the working class within capitalism.

Nor does the Socialist Party of Great Britain offer to act as leaders. Leaders cannot solve the workers' problems. The workers have to solve their own problems by making the effort necessary to understand how capitalism works, and how it must be replaced by Socialism.

What is required is not trust in leaders and their promises but an attitude of self-reliance and the determination to understand the nature of the problems themselves. The working class, the vast majority of people, has the great task of achieving Socialism and thus enabling the human race to take a step forward in social progress.

The world you live in, like the one your forefathers lived in, brings you little more than hard work, insufficient wages and insecurity. Is this all you want, all you are prepared to bequeath to your children, when a world free from those and other problems is within your grasp? Leaving the job of understanding and acting to others gets you nowhere.

Those who would be free of insecurity and the tribulations of capitalism must themselves understand and join with their fellow-workers to take the action that will obtain their mutual emancipation. It is the only effort that will bring worthwhile results.

At the formation of the Socialist Party of Great Britain an Object and Declaration of Principles were drafted and adopted as the basis of the organisation. Admission to membership is dependent on acceptance and understanding of the Object and Principles. The original draft has been retained without alteration because no change has taken place in the structure of capitalism calling for a change in the statement of the socialist aim and principles.

Where We Stand

Socialists belong to a single world movement for the achievement of Socialism by majority democratic action through the ballot. Socialists do not support or collaborate with any of the governments or political parties of capitalism, and refuse to take sides in capitalist wars and quarrels which set worker against worker. There is only one working class and only one socialist attitude.

Disputes about frontiers, campaigns to capture markets for exports or to restrict imports, and demands for barriers in the way of immigration or emigration are capitalist issues. Socialists do not allow themselves to be drawn into such capitalist quarrels as those about frontiers - between East and West Germany, Italy and Austria, Northern and Southern Ireland, Israel and Egypt, North and South Vietnam or any other of the so-called nationalist, religious or language conflicts that divide the working class. Socialists do not support any of the groupings of the capitalist world - British Commonwealth, European Economic Community, American, Russian or Chinese power-blocs. The enemy is capitalism in all countries.

Socialists are opposed to the senseless violence of rioting, bomb-throwing and guerrilla warfare, which serve no interest except that of the capitalist reaction.

If you would like to discuss any of the above please come to a meeting "Socialism or reformism" in Huxley 340 at 6-15 p.m. on Tues 6th March. Arranged by IG Socialist Society.

THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF GREAT BRITAIN

OBJECT:

The establishment of a system of society based upon the common ownership and democratic control of the means and instruments for producing and distributing wealth by and in the interest of the whole community.

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

The Socialist Party of Great Britain holds:

- 1 That Society as at present constituted is based upon the ownership of the means of living (i.e., land, factories, railways, etc.) by the capitalist or master class, and the consequent enslavement of the working class, by whose labour alone wealth is produced.
- 2 That in society, therefore, there is an antagonism of interests, manifesting itself as a class struggle, between those who possess but do not produce, and those who produce but do not possess.
- 3 That this antagonism can be abolished only by the emancipation of the working class from the domination of the master class, by the conversion into the common property of society of the means of production and distribution, and their democratic control by the whole people.
- 4 That as in the order of social evolution the working class is the last class to achieve its freedom, the emancipation of the working class will involve the emancipation of all mankind without distinction of race or sex.
- 5 That this emancipation must be the work of the working class itself.
- 6 That as the machinery of government, including the armed forces of the nation, exists only to conserve the monopoly by the capitalist class of the wealth taken from the workers, the working class must organise consciously and politically for the conquest of the powers of government, national and local, in order that this machinery, including these forces, may be converted from an instrument of oppression into the agent of emancipation and the overthrow of privilege, aristocratic and plutocratic.
- 7 That as all political parties are but the expression of class interests, and as the interest of the working class is diametrically opposed to the interests of all sections of the master class, the party seeking working-class emancipation must be hostile to every other party.
- 8 The Socialist Party of Great Britain, therefore, enters the field of political action determined to wage war against all other political parties, whether alleged labour or avowedly capitalist, and calls upon the members of the working class of this country to muster under its banner to the end that a speedy termination may be wrought to the system which deprives them of the fruits of their labour, and that poverty may give place to comfort, privilege to equality, and slavery to freedom.

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Submitted by Barry Austin.

Urgent Notice

WHEN DID YOU LAST SEE YOUR CHEQUE BOOK/CHEQUE CARD?

Too frequently, cheque books and cheque cards are stolen from brief cases, hand bags, jackets etc. left in unattended offices and laboratories and in some cases very substantial withdrawals have been made from the losers' accounts.

The banks - in particular National Westminster Bank - are gravely concerned about these fraudulent withdrawals and you are urgently requested never to leave your cheque book/card in unattended brief cases, clothing etc. and above all keep the two items apart so that they cannot be lost or mislaid together.

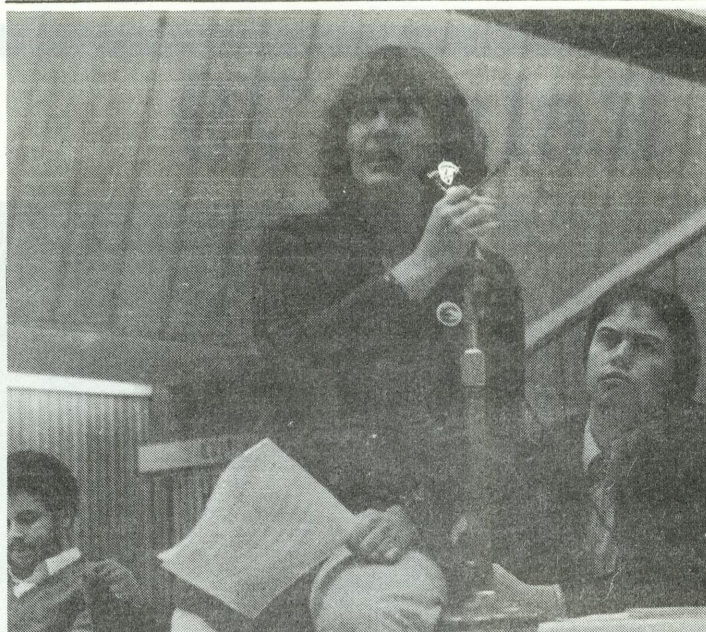
THEFTS OF CASH AND VALUABLES

Students and staff are again requested not to leave their jackets and brief cases containing cash, cheque books cheque cards, pocket calculators etc in unattended rooms where they attract the attention of walk-in thieves.

During the last two weeks there has been a spate of this type of offence and on one occasion four wallets were stolen at the same time from one unattended laboratory in a Department.

Cheque books and cheque cards should always be seperated and never left in a situation where both could be stolen together.

A. D. Dawson
Chief Security Officer.



Mary Attenborough speaking on the Gay Rights motion

Photo by John Shuttleworth

Speak-In Successful

Last Sunday saw the opening shots in IC Union's tuition fees campaign with a 5 and a half hour "speak-in" at Speakers' Corner.

Fourteen people mounted the soap box in turn to put the Union's case for charging overseas' students the same rate as home students and keeping fees at their present level.

To emphasise the cause of overseas' students there were speeches in Chinese, Hindi and Dutch, as well as English.

There was no press response but plenty of people appeared to be listening and the speakers received some attention from regular hecklers.

An amusing incident occurred when Scott Murray and Rick Ellis decided that Mike Elkin was too

small and went to rectify the situation by "borrowing" another speaker's soap box.

A problem arose when the other speaker discovered the loss and sought to retrieve his property, resulting in Mike Elkin being literally swept off his feet.

The organiser of the speak-in, External Affairs Officer Sheyne Lucock, said that it had been a worthwhile exercise in that the speakers had become more aware of the arguments and issues. He had not expected to convince a lot of people but considered the action a success.

The tuition fees campaign is continuing with daily lobbies of MPs despite a recent discovery by Sheyne that Parliament is not sitting until March 5th because of the devolution referendums.

UGM Supports Cannabis and Gay Rights

IC Union has come out in favour of legalising pot and is to affiliate to the "Legalise Cannabis Campaign".

The Union is also to press for the Haldane Library to stock "Gay News", following votes taken at Tuesday's Union Meeting. "Gay News" is the fortnightly newspaper for homosexuals which was recently fined £1500 for blasphemy.

Union Secretary Mike Elkin, proposing his motion on cannabis, said that there was no evidence that smoking pot was harmful, nor that it led to the use of hard drugs. Quoting several Government reports in favour of its legalisation he appealed to Union members to support the motion for the sake of the 5 million people who, he said, had tried cannabis and liked it.

The meeting defeated an amendment proposed by Colin Palmer. He was against the legalising of cannabis because not enough was known about its long term effects. There were enough legal drugs, like tobacco and alcohol already.

Barry Austin also referred to tobacco in his speech against the motion pointing out that before the war tobacco was thought to be harmless. He was concerned about the effect of pot on driving.

Mike Elkin maintained that there had been extensive research on cannabis. On a vote the motion was carried.

GAY RIGHTS

The motion on gay rights, proposed by IC Gay Society Chairman Bob Rigby, called for school sex education to include information about gay relationships and opposed the ban on Gay News by W.H. Smith.

It also called for an end to the refusal of some newspapers to print advertisements for gay organisations and asked IC Union to place such an advertisement to see whether it was accepted.

The call for Haldane Library to stock Gay News was added by Union President Mary Attenborough.

The meeting erupted into hilarity when Barry Austin, speaking against parts of the motion referred to school education on gay rights as "ramming it down their throats". He did not appear to understand the joke.

Despite a speech by Tony Leech who, referring to the Bible, claimed that homosexual relationships were wrong, the motion was almost entirely carried. Only a section supporting the right to "AID" (artificial insemination by donor) for lesbians proved unacceptable to the Union and was defeated.

OLD POLICY

External Affairs Officer Sheyne Lucock proposed a motion dealing with the updating of old Union policies. The meeting agreed to his proposal.

Policy of three years ago will now be brought to the attention of a Union meeting. It will be automatically ratified unless any amendments are put forward, in which case discussion will take place at a subsequent meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2.35 pm leaving two motions on the agenda, one on "Time and Celtic Discrimination", the other on Job Recruitment for South Africa.

Council Report- Monday 26th

All departmental representatives are to be given pots in the Union bar following lengthy discussion at Monday's IC Union Council Meeting.

The Union is to buy the pots at the rate of three each year and the order of awarding them is to be decided by lottery.

At present only the Physics representative has a pot which was presented by his department several years ago. Council defeated an initial move to remove the Physics pot from the bar until all departmental representatives had pots.

HALDANE LIBRARY

Council passed a motion setting up a committee to deal with the

buying of books and records for the Haldane Library. The committee will replace the student book buyer and record buyer.

Committee Chairman will be the Deputy President, a Union Meeting will elect two members and IC Radio will appoint a fourth, as they are recognised to have considerable experience with records. The President and Honorary Secretary will be ex-officio members.

STUDENT RESIDENCE

Discussion took place on a proposal to be put to College's Student Residence Committee that selection of 3rd and 2nd year new applicants for places in College residence should be random.

Council disagreed with this suggestion and decided to support College's present policy of giving preference to final year students because it was their last chance of getting into hall.

RAG COMMITTEE

All College Social Representatives are to be ex-officio members of Rag Committee. Council agreed to a change in the Rag Committee Constitution which will bring the Committee membership up to about 100 people.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT

A new job description for the sabbatical Deputy President was agreed by Council and will be put to the vote at the next Union General Meeting.

The job includes responsibility for financial matters as well as all the tasks of the present D.P.

WOMEN INVITED

Following complaints by Queen Alexandra House residents about noise from the Union Building, Council decided to try to foster good relations between them and IC students.

Deputy President Malcolm Brain is to write to the residents, who are all women, inviting them to use IC Union facilities and informing them of events.

SILWOOD MEETING

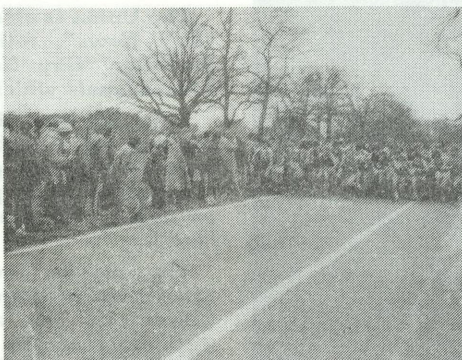
Council decided to hold one meeting next term at Silwood. The Union would provide transport but Council members would have to pay for it.

Hyde Park Relay '79

I write this as I recover from the alcoholic haze induced by the celebrations on Saturday night following the completion of yet another successful race. The medals have been given to the right people (I hope!), and the trophies sent to their lawful resting places for this year. In brief this means that Loughborough and Borough Road Colleges (or as they prefer to be called, WLIHE) have shared out the prizes between themselves.

Well what of the race? The start, at 3.00 p.m. alongside the traditional lamp post, was its usual stampede as 120 runners carved a path for themselves through the Saturday afternoon crowds (no injuries have been reported, luckily).

The race was really on! On the third lap Sebastian Coe of Loughborough, finding his team second, decided to alter placings with the leaders WLIHE. However, John Davies, had other ideas. The two of them proceeded to set the race alight. At the end of the lap John Davies stormed away from Coe to finish ahead. In fact this sprinting gave John the time of 13 mins 17 secs, a new record, for the three mile course. Sebastian Coe crawled in, defeated, in the second fastest time of the day.



The start of the Hyde Park Relay

Later on, in the final lap, Loughborough finally achieved their aim and got ahead of WLIHE. Incidentally Leeds were third. The first foreign team home was the Katholieke Universitet Leuven (Belgium) in 9th place. Just to show you how keen some of these foreigners are, one guy from that team was running in Germany on Sunday afternoon having caught the overnight ferry.

Concerning foreign teams we were gratified by the massed arrival of 20 such teams.

What about our own team? Well um....er...Mick Kelly was not on his best form. Steve Kirk ran somewhat better and Gary Longhurst, who is still improving, ran a creditably fast time. However Geoff Sherwood was not so fast. Bryan Acford,



Dave Clarke (WLIHE)

recovering from the sight of Coe and Davies nipped round quickly to hand over to Ian Morton who ran, in his usual inimitable style, to finish off the team in 46th.

Meanwhile your Captain, Ian Alvey, was running for the college old boys. (Yes I have retired). His time can be found on the club notice board.

Finally a word of thanks to Steve Kirk for disorganising the foreign teams, to all club members for helping. And finally thanks to Lady Flowers for presenting the prizes, Mr. Eric Ratcliffe "Assistant Regional Director of the national Westminster Bank" not manager as stated (sorry!) for presenting the Nat. West. Trophy and to St. Marys College Twickenham for being such good sports, as we could not give them a trophy we did not have, but should have had.

P.S. Many thanks to IC Photographic Society for the photographs taken.

Ian Alvey (ret'd)



P. Joliffe (Thames Poly)



Keith Marshall at The Presentation

Hyde Park Relay Results

Individuals

- 1) John Davies (WLIHE) 13-17 (New record)
- 2) Sebastian Coe (Loughborough) 13-26
- 3) M. Prince (Loughborough) 13-32
- 4) Dave Clark (WLIHE) 13-33
- 5) A. Armitage (Loughborough) 13-35
- 6) R. Hackney (Birmingham 'A') 13-39
- 7) Pete Daeners (Leuven 'Belgium') 13-41
- 8) Nick Brawn (Oxford) 13-43
- 9=) T. Hutching (Loughborough) 13-49
- 9=) Graeme Fell (Nottingham) 13-49

Old record 13-21 jointly held by Jim Brown, Ray Smedly and David Moorcroft.

6 other runners completed the 3 mile lap in under 14 minutes.

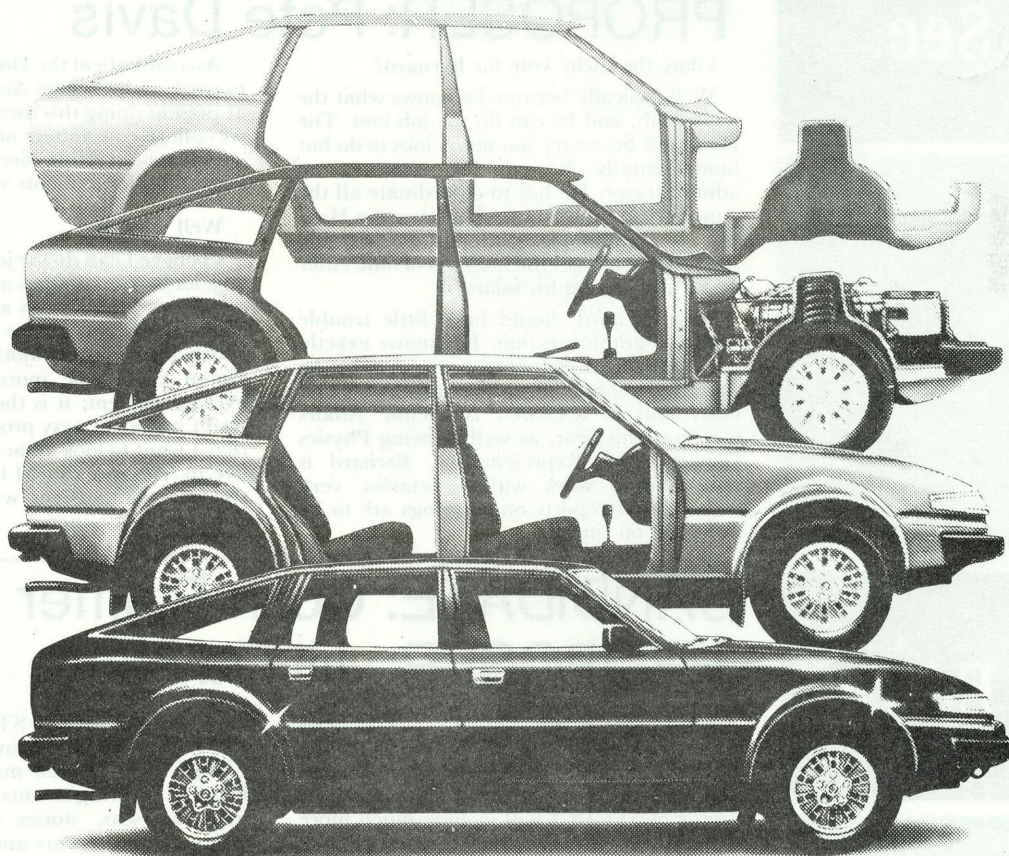
Team Results

- 1) Loughborough 83-33
McGrath 13-54
Bristow 14-32
Coe 13-26
Batler 14-20
Hutchings 13-49
Prince 13-32
- 2) WLIHE 83-48
Lowe 13-59
Stevens 14-17
Davies 13-17
Adams 14-19
Clarke 13-33
Capper 14-23
- 3) Leeds 85-15
Calvert 14-21
McCullagh 13-56
Johnson 14-35
Irvine 14-01
Rothwell 14-01
- Evans 14-15
- 4) Birmingham 86-16
- 5) Oxford 86-18
- 6) Kent (INVICTA) 86-33
- 7) Loughborough 'B' 87-06
- 8) WLIHE 'B' 87-11
- 9) Leuven (Belgium) 87-21
- 10) London University 87-46
- IC finished 46th
- National Westminster 14th
- I.C. Old Boys 56th
- I.C. team (94-53)
- Mick Kelly 16-12
- Steve Kirk 15-20
- Gary Longhurst 16-06
- Geoff Sherwood 16-38
- Bryan Acford 15-29
- Ian Morton 15-08

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President



CANDIDATE: Mick Maghar PROPOSER: Victor Corleone

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"To be great is to be misunderstood" - Ralph Waldo Emerson 1803-1882.

"Oh Lord, please don't let me be misunderstood" - The Animals Mid Sixties.

Now what made a normally sentient and logical boy like me stand for I.C. President? It's not exactly the kind of activity that most people associate me with (when they associate me with any kind of activity at all). Perhaps I can't find a job or I'm failing my degree and just want somewhere to hang around for a year until I can fool some unsuspecting firm to take me, with the title providing me with a little more hope. Perhaps I just want another pot in the Union bar and to increase my pulling power. Perhaps I just want the job for the hall place it provides, or the grant without any lectures to go to. Perhaps I just want the fame.

These are all good enough reasons for standing, and I must admit that all these crossed my mind. In fact if some of these perks didn't exist you'd find it hard to find anybody to stand who wasn't an out and out masochist, whereas I'm much better known for my sadistic tendencies. Nevertheless, a little genuine motivation never did anyone any harm and I've got a scrap of it somewhere. Without being sentimental, I've really enjoyed the past three years here, and have always at least tried to get involved in both I.C. Union and the C.C.U.s. A year without lectures getting in the way of that involvement seems custom built. I'm not a power fiend, the President does not run I.C., he coordinates it. I know I've got the ability to do that. I hope I can make you believe that.

And would I lie to you?

Mick Maghar

Hon. Sec.



CANDIDATE: Bernard Smith PROPOSER: Pete Davis

Okay then why vote for Bernard?

Well basically because he knows what the job entails, and he can do the job best. The Honorary Secretary has many jobs to do but fundamentally he can be seen as an administrator. He has to co-ordinate all the paperwork of the Union. However the Hon. Sec. is a sabbatical post and as such the students should get the most out of him. After all we are paying his salary!

Well Bernard should have little trouble with the administration. He knows exactly how difficult the job of secretary can be: he was the R.C.S.U. Rag secretary in his first year, and is R.C.S.U. Academic Affairs secretary this year, as well as being Physics Departmental Representative. Bernard is also able to work with secretaries, very important if reports on meetings are to be prepared on time.

As a sabbatical the Hon. Sec. must be able to work with College Authorities. Bernard is at present doing this through his work on the six college committees on which he sits. So if you want an Hon. Sec. who will achieve something for students vote for Bernard.

Pete Davis

Well why me?

I believe I can do the job well and I want to do a lot for the students at Imperial. I hope to see higher attendances at next year's Union Meetings by getting the Union to do things which benefit the majority of students. The Union should be more interested in the average student; it is they I want to help. I won't make any easy promises to you, except that I want to look at facilities for students in five to ten years time. I believe in looking to the future. I hope you will all use your vote, one way or another.

Bernard Smith

FELIX Editor



CANDIDATE: Colin Palmer PROPOSER: Jill Dawson

RSM Win Bottle Match The news report in today's FELIX is important for Mines and especially the teams and supporters who experienced the match. As Editor of FELIX I will include much more space for the coverage of such events and will make it a priority to include photographs to accompany the news stories.

At Imperial, after spending hours attending lectures and writing coursework, students need to relax. The Drake's Seven cartoon is the most popular feature in FELIX! I understand the importance of including political articles and I will make their layout attractive. To balance them I will include more lighter material ... more cartoons, a regular crossword and amusing news stories that cover the fun side of college life.

My experience as a journalist has included writing for my local newspaper while serving a four year apprenticeship in industry. I have

been a scriptwriter for STOIC and appear on IC Radio by reviewing their review of FELIX. I've written many news items for FELIX covering events involving students from overseas, stories from the halls of residence, rag events and CCU activities. I write the Day By Day page jointly with Jill Dawson. It contains more than just headline news and I hope many students enjoy reading it. Much time is spent making the layout of the page as interesting as possible.

There aren't enough photographs in FELIX. Dozens of my Polaroid photos have been included and when elected Editor I will use the FELIX camera and develop prints in the college darkrooms as well as using a few Polaroid photos for the last minute news.

My interests include composing music by computer. As FELIX editor I will make sure that musical events, at Imperial, will receive the fullest coverage.

Colin Palmer

Dep. President



CANDIDATE: Malcolm Brain PROPOSER: Sean O'Boyle

The Deputy President is the most diverse and difficult job in the Union, and a good candidate must have a wide range of personal attributes. He should be able to command sufficient respect to capably deal with difficult disciplinary situations in the Union, whilst at the same time being a popular and well-known figure to whom people feel they can go and talk to easily. He needs to have the ability to speak well at various College committees in order to represent our interests. Above all else, he must be sincere and trustworthy.

The post will be sabbatical next year, and will incorporate the job of Hon. Junior Treasurer and much of the financial work at present done by permanent staff and voluntarily by the Hon. Senior Treasurer. To ensure that this is done properly, we desperately need someone with considerable knowledge of the Union.

This year, Malcolm has proved he has the personality which had made him an excellent D.P., and he undoubtedly has the necessary

experience. This, together with his ready sense of wit and good humour must surely make him the ideal candidate.

Gary Nichols

Next year, I will give priority to the following issues which should be the D.P.'s responsibility. London Student Travel: More attention must be given to LST, both to protect our investment in it and to provide a worthwhile service.

Discount Scheme: Since we can no longer use the NUS discount service, I propose to set up a local discount scheme.

Redecoration: I intend to continue the programme of redecorating Union areas (much of which I have initiated this year).

Safety: I would undertake to be the student representative on all College safety committees.

More details of these and other matters will be given in a leaflet which I shall be publishing soon.

Malcolm Brain

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1:00pm Great Hall

Thursday 8th March

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SOCIETIES' PAGE

ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY

Elections for committee posts in the newly constituted Environmental Society are to be held at a meeting at 1:00pm on March 12th in the centre for Environmental Technology, 48 Princes' Gardens. Nomination papers will be available from Friday 2nd. March. We are particularly anxious that people interested in environmental matters who are from outside the centre and who could help continue the activities of the society next year will stand. If you are interested, why not join now at the discount price of only 30p (with talks, films and field trips still to come), and if you wish to discuss the aims of the society and the responsibilities of committee posts come to the centre and talk to Paul Tomlinson, Ros Atkins or David Trevor-Jones.

The next Environmental Society talk is entitled 'Resources are What Really Matter' by Dr. Eyre, Senior Lecturer in Geography at Leeds and author of 'The Real Wealth of Nations', which will be held in the centre, 48 Princes' Gardens at 4.30 on Thursday March 8th.

DEBSOC

So far, 'This House' believes that 'The box is mightier than the bomb', that 'Mines freshers' dinners are Sexist' and that 'Presidents and Sex-Kittens are Mutually Exclusive'. It believes in Father Christmas, although not in Proportional Representation, it supports the Campaign for Homosexual Equality, and believes in Equal Opportunity. It is to be hoped that its views on Northern Ireland, Infinity, Cannabis and the 'Role of Women' will soon come to be known.

Last Thursday's motion was 'This House defends the right of every student to remain aloof from the activities of his/her Student Union' and was proposed by Chris Fox and Bernard Smith and opposed by Jo Armitage and Colin Palmer, both of whom made a gallant effort without finding any defence in which they really believed! The motion was duly passed after several floor speeches from the large audience (only one seat was empty). Papers for the 10 committee posts go up soon and the AGM is on March 22nd. See you at the last MINIDEbate on March 6th.

Mick Berry,
Chairman 1978-79

C&G Field Cup

The City and Guilds Field cup took place on Tuesday 20th February. The object was to visit ten pubs in a pre-determined sequence, collecting as much treasure as possible in the process.

At each pub the competitors were given a clue to indicate the next destination. Yet again the Union Lower Lounge was strewn with debris as it is after every Field Cup. This year, however, along with the normal treasure there did seem to be a great number of bodies, there was someone asleep under the pool table, someone asleep in a Waitrose trolley, someone asleep under a bench - with someone asleep on top of the same bench, not to mention a certain Mr. Halsey who was cuddled up next to the juke box. All the stories haven't yet come to light, but among those that have include: how the Marras managed to get everyone else but themselves banned from the Crown and Sceptre, Mary Attenborough making her own split-crotch panties and peep-hole bra, rcs getting the wrong Dayvilles peach flavoured ice-creams, Alan Cable wearing a kilt, Elec. Eng. 1 getting the wrong pub - when sober, Malcolm Brain nearly got arrested.

The result was:

1st	Marras
2nd	rcsU
3rd	ARBs 1
4th	Elec 1
5th	Superheros

Thanks to Dayvilles for the excellent organisation that made the night a real stormer. Although I've only just recovered from the Field Cup I won't have recovered from the Guilds' Soccer 6's which were held on Sunday. Twenty-three teams - 138 people - turned up to play, thanks to Clive Whiteside's magnificent ability to persuade people they were all latent masochists, and a great time was had by all (Hit me, Hit me!).

Election papers are up for all 8 Guilds Exec. posts. Please see the relevant Exec. member and chat about the post. You need the signatures of a proposer and ten seconders.

FUTURE EVENTS

Sat 3rd March: - JOINT CCU MONOPOLY. Where everyone gets a bus pass - they'll get reimbursed - and goes round the real places on the monopoly board collecting for rag and solving clues.

Sun 4th March: - ELECTION BAR NIGHT. All the candidates need to turn up for this one.

Tue 6th March: - SWIMMING GALA. Please come along and support Guilds and help them win again.

Sat 10th: - ELECTION RAG COLLECTION. All the candidates must turn up in fancy dress.

Tue 13th:- ELECTION UNION MEETING. Hustings and election of the Guilds Exec.

Hunk

IC Audio Society

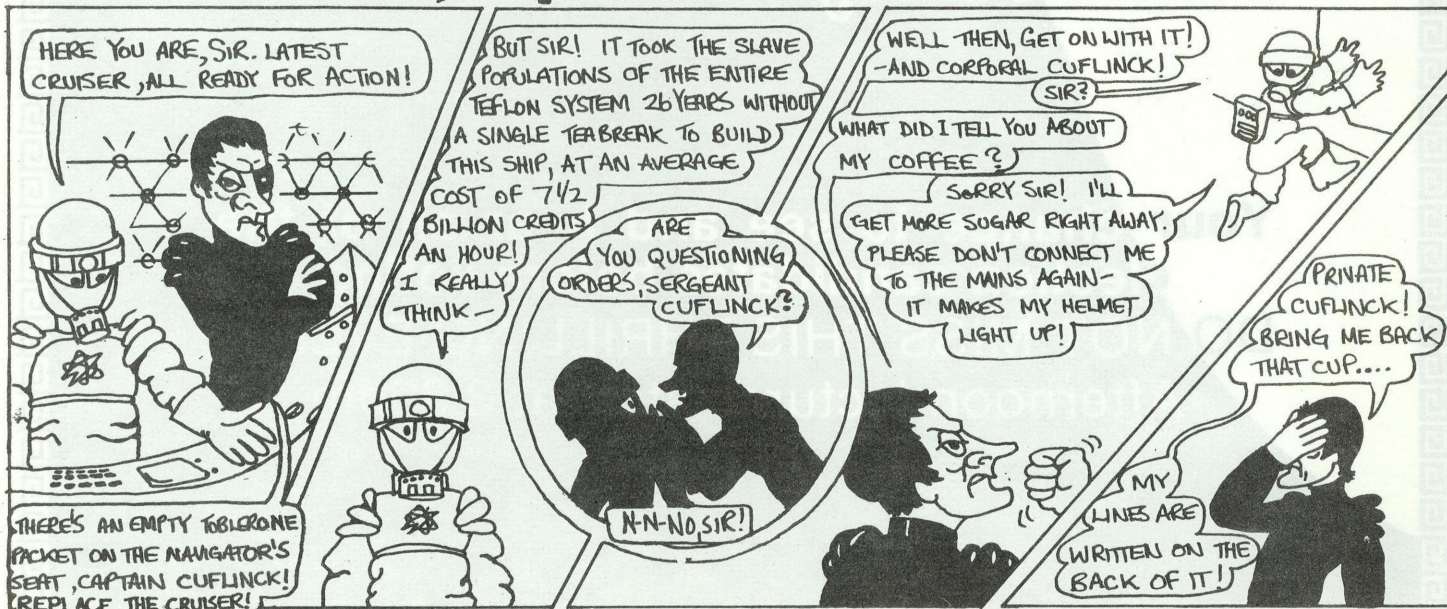
IC Audio Society nomination papers are up in the lower lounge for posts on next year's committee. Members who wish to stand require a proposer and two seconders (all society members). Elections, if necessary, will take place on Tuesday 6th March.

Posts available are:
Chairman
Hon. Sec.
Hon. Junior Treasurer

Publicity Officer
Ordinary Member

Drake's Seven part 6

AS D.T. LEAVE DE WHO ON THE PLAINS OF TEFLON 2, THEY ARE ... UNAWARE THAT THE FEDERATION'S NET IS CLOSING AROUND THEM..



JUDO-Imperial Win

Last Sunday saw six teams from five colleges gather in the Great Hall for the first Imperial College Judo Invitation Tournament. Despite a scheduled start of 10:00, the first match didn't get under way until 11:00. A good thing too, since most of the IC contingent didn't arrive until 10:15.

The teams were divided into two pools of three, with the top two from each pool going into the semi-finals. In the first pool (IC 2nds, Kings, Chelsea), Kings made it abundantly clear that they were after the trophy. Although they were two men short, they won both their matches 3-2. The final match in the pool started well for IC, with Dave Brown winning his fight with a fine hold down. However, even the appearance of Barry Wareing's naked legs when his kit ripped (and of Steve Wright's after he generously loaned Barry his trousers) couldn't save IC; they lost the remaining fights to go down 4-1.

The second pool (IC 1sts, QMC, QEC) provided a completely different story. Imperial College absolutely annihilated the opposition. Owen Tutty put IC into the lead against QEC with a very good shoulderthrow. The other members of the team followed this up with a succession of hold downs to win the match 5-0. Against QMC, Owen again gave IC the lead, this time with a hold down. Brian Clarke put IC two up with probably the most spectacular win of the competition- a superbly executed hip throw after less than a minute. The rest of the team won their fights to give IC a second 5-0 victory. With QMC winning their match against QEC, the semi-final line up was Kings vs QMC, Chelsea vs IC 1sts.

Realising that there was a chance of finishing the tournament before Stan's Bar closed, the teams opted to carry on straight away. The first semi-final gave Kings their 3-2 victory, but the second was more of a nail biter, with some fine judo from both sides. In the end, wins by Owen Tutty, Tony Hall and Nigel Blott carried IC through.

After a five-minute break to allow IC a chance to get their breath back, the final began. Kings won the first fight, but then Nigel won his fight with a choke hold. This gave IC an unassailable 3-1 lead and, despite losing the last fight, the trophy.

I would like to thank all those who helped in the organisation and running of the tournament, especially Steve O'Connor and Jeff Walker for refereeing, timekeeping and scoring. Special thanks go to IC Red Cross Society for providing the medical cover.

Steve Morris

TEAMS

IC Firsts

O. Tutty
B. Clarke
N. Blott
A. Hall
S. Morris

IC Seconds

D. Brown
T O'Brien
M. Jackson
S. Wright
B. Wareing

Snooker Poem

There is a short guy from Mauritius,
Whose snooker is tastefully delicious,
He tries 24 hours a day to play,
Perhaps wanting to beat Higgins one day,
And that certainly is ambitious.

When sitting on a toadstool he feels at home,
With pipe and fishing rod he likes to roam,
On a table he climbs to give deep screw,
To sink many a ball with his cue,
His name, you know, is the laughing gnome
He has a friend with an infamous shot,
Who guarantees to fluke every pot,
He thumps the ball hard to start a frame,
Never needing even to take aim,
Then flukes a snooker and laughs a lot- yaah!

J. Davis

Go Club

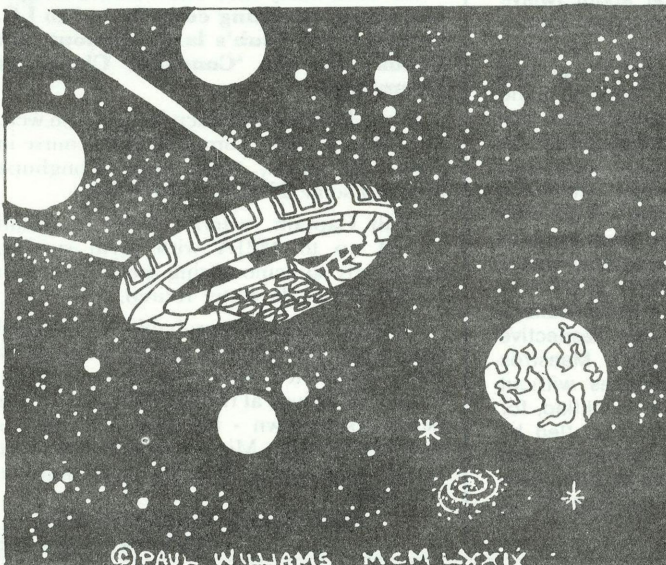
Results of Sunday 18th February's 3 round Tournament were :

	PS	DM	BB	JW	NA	RC	
P. Smith	-	-	1	-	1	1	3
D. Moore	-	-	0	-	1	1	2
B. Belcsak	0	1	-	½	-	-	1½
J. Winfield	-	-	½	-	0	1	1½
N. Arnot	0	0	-	1	-	-	1
R. Cant	0	0	-	0	-	-	0

Thanks to Richard for providing the sandwiches and organising things generally.

John Winfield (Physics 3)

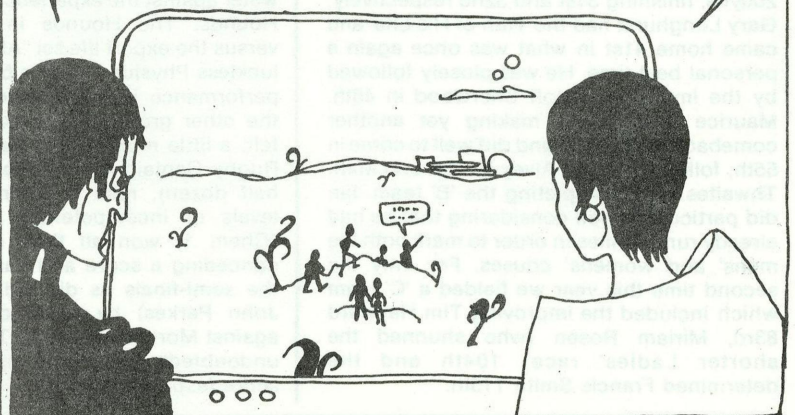
AND SO, HASTILY READING FROM THE BACK OF A COFFEE CUP, COMMANDER CREVIS LEADS THE FEDERATION BATTLE FLEET TOWARDS TEFLON 2.



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CREVIS DISCUSSES THE SITUATION WITH SUPREME GALACTIC REAR FLIGHT SUPERINTENDANT BRATT.

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REVIEWS

What You Will

"As You Like It" by William Shakespeare. Aldwych Theatre by the Royal Shakespeare Company.

Perhaps I could be accused of dogmatism; after all, this is the third seventeenth century work I have reviewed in three weeks, but it was, on the other hand, a very good century for plays.

The production is a return to the rather more traditional style, with well designed backdrops and a great deal of stage masking; gimmicks are kept to a bare minimum. Inuendos based on modern interpretation of old speech are non-existent and a genuine approach has been adopted, striving more towards accuracy than commerce. The music of Stephen Oliver (Tom Jones, The Duchess of Malfi etc.) is subtle and manages to convey an atmosphere appropriate to the era and the various scenes, and confirms my belief that

there is really no substitute for live music written specifically for the work in question.

In this play, Shakespeare's wit is keen and quick; so much so that by the time the intricacies of one line have been mentally sorted, there have already passed several more, and this is particularly true of the dialogue between Jaques and Touchstone (once again the wit and fool duet) played with masterful skill by someone whom the programme just didn't quite get round to mentioning (apparently) and Alan David (respectively). Touchstone even had half the audience joining in with the 'seven points of an argument'. I wasn't sure what to think about that, but the fact is that at this point of the play, Rosalind, who has been playing a counterfeit man, has gone off to change, leaving both the characters (in the story) and the audience (in fact) with nothing really important to think about. Hence Touchstone, in line with his profession, commences to entertain both (so much that Jaques, who must have been through it all many times before, had difficulty getting his

lines out afterwards, more due to his own amusement than that of the audience). Both of these characters would have "stolen the show" had it not been for Rosalind (Charlotte Cornwell). Now, whatever I thought about "Rock Follies" (I must admit I thought it was abysmal), it was almost unbelievable for me to see such a superb performance from someone I had always associated with a TV failure.

Michael Bulman, who sings more than he speaks, (Shakespeare evidently understood that good actors and singers are seldom found in single entities), is a very good Amiens and handled the music of Stephen Oliver with apparent ease.

The one jar in the whole affair was the sudden descent from the fly tower of a gaudy celestial cloud-like configuration, which whether intended to be realistic, symbolic or whatever ruined (for about five minutes) a very tasteful set. In spite of this (insignificant) observation, this is a play I can strongly recommend.

David M. Weston

SPORT

Cross Country Club

At the start of the final race of the London College's League, last Wednesday, IC had a slender 29 point lead over both UC and LSE. The race was held over our home course at Petersham, in Richmond Park, and drew 120 starters. Yet again IC were dogged by injuries and illness causing the absence of key first team members. However, all was not lost, for help was at hand from the Royal College of Music, as staff member Mick Fuller and Old Boy Stu Littlewood arrived.

Despite his advancing years, Fuller still has all the power and grace of a would-be superstar, and he shot off with the leading bunch, and was lying 2nd at the half-way mark. Further down the field the remainder of the team, with the exception of Gary Longhurst, started slowly but were soon forging through the field in fine style. The conditions underfoot were nearly perfect and were favourable to fast times. Fuller lost a place on the final hill but still came 3rd in 27-20 (thus gaining a mention in the Daily Mail). Next home was Ian Morton in an astonishing 28-40 (14th place) slashing one minute off his best for the course. The trusty Littlewood was on top form and came in 18th, just ahead of Mark Pickard 20th. Steve Kirk caught a bug and had a poor run to come in 23rd completing the scoring 5 in the 'A' team. A short distance behind, Brian Acford and Mick Kelly had ploughed through from the back and caught the fifth UC runner in the final 200yds, finishing 31st and 32nd respectively. Gary Longhurst had the 'Run of His Life' and came home 41st in what was once again a personal best time. He was closely followed by the improving Geoff Sherwood in 48th. Maurice Wilson was making yet another comeback after injury and did well to come in 55th, followed by Ian Alvey in 71st and Mark Thwaites 77th, completing the 'B' team. Ian did particularly well considering that he had already run 10 miles in order to mark both the mens' and womens' courses. For only the second time this year we fielded a 'C' team which included the improving Tim Hayward 83rd, Miriam Rosen (who shunned the shorter Ladies' race) 104th and the determined Francis Smith 115th.

In this race IC were narrowly beaten by UC, but had enough in hand to win the league overall. Over the season 28 educational establishments in the London area have competed and victory was a fine achievement. Just to emphasise our strength in depth, the 'B' team finished 6th, which was a superb performance. Would we have won without Mike and Stu? - Yes, but only by 3 points in 1900! Still all good things come to an end, for IC put up a dismal performance in the Hyde Park Relay-but that's different story....

Bryan Acford

RCS Rugby

Sunday saw the return of the R.C.S. Rugb, Sevens, after two years absence due to adverse weather. It was a beautiful day and the combatants were gathered early in Belt Quad, many of them suffering from hangovers owing to adverse drinking habits. Nicky Morton, in particular, was still "fairly gone", having breakfasted on white shield.

The tournament started at about twelve with nine teams whose extravagant names varied from Wedgie's Wankers to Fox's Hounds. The teams were split into two groups and played on a league basis. Early on in the day the Wankers found themselves in hot water against the experienced but ponderous Hounds. The Hounds in turn foundered versus the expert life sci "Allstars", whilst the luckless Physics 1 gave a brave but doomed performance in every match. Meanwhile in the other group, where competition was, I felt, a little more fierce, Maths 1 and R.C.S. Rugby Captain Andy Baker's team (Baker's half dozen), rose to their own respective levels of incompetence. Myer's Maestros (Chem 1) won all their matches without conceding a score and easily qualified, for the semi-finals as did Selkirk Hall (led by John Parkes) by virtue of a narrow win against Morton's Motleys. The Motleys were undoubtedly hampered by an inability to score (esp on the wing).

In the semis the Allstars overcame the Selkirk team, but only just and the spirited Chem 1 beat the, by now much substituted, pack of Fox's. The final was a very close and exciting match with the score tied at six all (one try and conversion apiece) so the outcome of the day was decided on "Next score wins". Eddie Budgen immediately burst through with a fine run enabling one of his colleagues (whose name unfortunately escapes me) to score, the Life Sciences Allstars thus winning. Plenty of beer followed in the bar with almost everyone having had a superb day out. Long live the Sevens!

Special credit must go to Liz Lindsay for coping with the league tables and paperwork all afternoon. Thanks also to the poor referees including Chris Fox, Hugh Barrett and Martin Black. The day must have been made the great success it was by its organisers Nick Morton and Andy Baker.

Seán O'Boyle

ORIENTEERING CLUB

An unusually late start and a bright and sunny morning contributed to I.C. Orienteering Club's large turnout last Sunday for the 'Concorde Chase' at Hermitage.

In the M19A course Ken Warren ran well, but below his best, completing the course in about 80 mins., with Gary Longhurst finishing some 20 mins. behind him.

Club Captain, veteran Andy Quickfall moved up to M21A with great success, apparently so demoralising Steve Kirk with his speed that the latter retired.

Sunday's hero was probably Nigel Ward who broke 100 mins on M21B, while Mick Berry completed an extensive tour of the forest and arrived at the M19B finish as it was being taken down - his time of 2 hrs was matched by Alan Minney who had to retire on the same course. You lose some and you lose some!

Mick Berry, Transport Officer, Orienteering Club

SPORT

RUGBY

IC 1sts 15 _____ SIDCUP 2nds 10

Sorry about not writing this up last week but you know how it is (?).

A good win this but I can't remember much about it since it was so long ago.

As usual with club sides Sidcup were heavy in the forwards but lacking in any real skill in the backs and as a result this match turned out to be a predominantly forwards game. This resulted in the usual fights etc. culminating in one of their forwards being sent off (thank God he was too- a real animal!).

We had drafted in Huw Price-Stevens and Mines' skipper Simon Potter for the match due to another abundance of injuries and these two players managed to retain quite a strong line up for us.

Early on in the game Huw was injured and had to go off leaving the effervescent Steve Dobney to stand in at scrum-half. Although Steve seems to end up as utility man in these situations he put on an excellent display and one wonders whether or not he should make scrum-half his regular position. I can see his 'beard' swelling as he reads this so I'll go on to other things!

I can't remember who scored so apologies to those who did, but I do remember that the tries scored were all good ones- ie mostly team tries ending up with the winger scoring etc. To sum up, a good performance from everyone and in particular from S. Potter.

IC Firsts _____ 64
N.E. Surrey College _____ 0

After our original fixture against the All Blacks had been cancelled late on (the cowardstypist) we were left with the above opposition, arranged at short

notice.

The game is not really worth reporting since they were nowhere near our standard- however they never gave up and supplied us with hot-dogs and beefburgers in the bar! I will,

therefore, only mention the point scorers.

E. Budgen _____ 3 tries, 6 conversions
S. Townsend _____ 3 tries
B. Thomas _____ 2 tries
W. Burgoyne _____ 2 tries
D. Lilley _____ 2 tries
J. Chandler _____ 1 try

P.S. The referee deserves a mention for disallowing n! tries and being a complete idiot!

More significant is the next report.

IC 1sts _____ 26
Rosslyn Park 4ths _____ 6

What do you mean why are IC 1sts playing a fourth team!

The facts behind the matter are that Rosslyn Park brought the wrong team along- due to a mix-up between the fixtures secretaries the day before (Steve Dobney wishes to state that it was totally their fault!)

Anyway, as is to be expected with top class clubs there is not much difference in the standards of their sides below the second team, so we still had a hard match in the offing.

Having said that, IC dominated the whole of the game and showed, at least in the forwards, that they could not touch us. Unfortunately the supporting play from the forwards was not as good as it should have been, particularly from the back row (myself included!) but this should be ironed out in training before the Gutteridge Cup Plate Final on Wednesday 28th February.

We maintained pressure throughout the game and were 16-0 up at half time.

The second half continued much as the first though Rosslyn Park rallied somewhat to keep the score respectable- with the help of the referee, who disallowed three tries.

In the end IC ran out easy winners with Richard Smart playing particularly well.

Scorers:-

E. Budgen _____ 1 try, 3 conversions
S. Townsend _____ 1 try
M. Russell _____ 2 tries
W. Burgoyne _____ 1 try

S. Townsend

FOOTBALL

THIRDS OFF THE WINNING TRAIL

I.C. III 2 vs Q.M.C. II 2

Sat 24th February

On Saturday the thirds' tour of scenic soccer grounds brought them to Ditchleys, the Q.M.C. ground in deepest Essex. Skipper Dave Hall was in such a rush to breathe in the country air, that he took 2 goalkeepers and Stu Dillon with him by mistake. At 3 o'clock a car load of thirds players arrived to complete the team. They had had trouble asking the way, as none could speak, nor understand the local dialect!

A hard-fought game followed with Q.M.C. scoring 3 minutes from the kick-off and 3 minutes from the final whistle. In between, Mo Misra and Dave McPhail scored the I.C. goals, with Dave also hitting the crossbar. I.C. dominated the second half and this can be regarded as a point lost rather than a point gained!

Even Skipper Hall is giving up hope of the league championship now!

Team: Barry Witts or George Okuniewski, Dave Hall, Des McGuckin, Giles Brereton, Dave McPhail, Alan Donaldson, Bob Mills, Ken McPhail, Mo Misra, George Okuniewski or Barry Witts, Stu Dillon.

THIRDS BACK ON THE WINNING TRAIL

I.C. III 3 vs. U.C. III 0

Wed. 21st February

Dave Hall called 'heads', and the fate of John Shuttleworth was decided; he was promoted from the fourths to the thirds, to bring their number to 8. 3 hockey players were quickly signed up to complete the team, and we set off for that northern outpost of London soccer, Shenley.

Several hours later: -

Dave Hall called 'heads', and elected to play uphill. The first 20 minutes saw the thirds trying a daring new plan. They attacked instead of defending! This so confused U.C. that they mounted

only one real attack in the first half. Fortunately keeper George Okuniewski woke up in time to push the ball against the post.

At half time, it was decided, over oranges, to continue with this rare new policy of attack. Five minutes

I.C. 5ths 1:0 Birkbeck III

With Steve Veats looking completely in control the only danger to the Fifth's appeared to be John Healy, but despite his usual erratic driving, eleven Fifth teamers arrived, intact, at Birkbeck's ground to do 'battle'.

The Fifth's took an early lead when a fine run by Mo Misra, in his debut game, carved up the Birkbeck defence and from the resulting cross Aled Phillip's buried the ball in the back of the net. Having seen what the Fifth's were capable of, if allowed to play football, Birkbeck realised the best solution was to kick anything that moved, and for much of the rest of the match were allowed to do so by a fairly weak referee.

In the second half a good goal from Mo Misra following some clever interplay by Mark Clegg and Steve Kaye was disallowed by the referee who now seemed to be deteriorating rapidly. Apart

from these isolated incidents of football, ruining what could have been a very good clogging match for Birkbeck, particular credit must go to Steve McPhail and Adam Esberger who proved not only adept at playing football but also very handy at mixing it when required. As for Al Cable, the Fifth's mild mannered sweeper and captain, the whole game seemed a long way removed from the normal Shakespeare recital.

Before finishing, it must be mentioned that Mo Misra, and Russ Gilbert, in goal, both played exceptionally well on their debut games, and Steve, Jaws, Veats seem to cope admirably with his sudden change from keeper to centre-half. All three having just been promoted to the Fifth's from lower teams

Team: Russ Gilbert, Steve McPhail, Steve Kaye, Al Cable (Capt), Steve Veats, Damien Kelly, Adam Esberger, Mark Clegg, Aled Phillips, John Healy, Mo Misra.

later, Giles Brereton scored. Instead of fainting in amazement, the team played on and John Shuttleworth scored our second. Our unimaginative opponents decided they would copy us and try attacking themselves. After a few minutes of practice they became quite good at it, and hit the crossbar. Lito Rich thought they needed another demonstration of how to score, and promptly put the ball in their net. Full time came, and it was hard to tell which

side was more shocked with the final score.

Sadly ITV lost their recording of this epic game and had to show the Wrexham vs. Spurs cup-tie that evening instead.

Team: George Okuniewski, Dave Hall, Des McGuckin, Giles Brereton, John Turton, Alan Donaldson, Adrian Leach, Ollie Pio, John Shuttleworth, Scott Murray, Lito Rich.

The Kensington Cruncher

NEWS IN BRIEF

ACCOMMODATION

College has obtained another house in Evelyn Gardens which will accommodate about twenty students.

The house, number 53, was bought out of the surplus on the College's residence account. Union president Mary Attenborough hopes that students can move in in October this year even if full conversion work is not complete.

Additional accommodation available at that time will be twenty five places at 9 Princes Gardens. The Linstead Hall extension, expected to be ready in 1980, will provide space for a further 76 students.

TITLE ANNOUNCED

Baron Flowers, of Queensgate in the City of Westminster, is the full title chosen by the Rector, following his elevation to the peerage in the New Year Honours.

Lord Flowers, as he will generally be known, received his Writ of Summons to appear before Parliament last week.

He will be introduced to the House of Lords on March 28th in a ceremony in which he will appear dressed in ermine and supported by two peers of equal rank. After the Summons has been read to him he will have to bow three times to the Throne

while walking backwards out of the Chamber.

Until the ceremony he is not a member of the House of Lords. When he becomes a member he will not be able to take part in the proceedings until he has made his maiden speech.

He hopes to make his maiden speech this year as soon as the opportunity arises, and will attend the House of Lords when he can. He is, however, unlikely to have much time to do so in the next twelve months, he told a FELIX reporter.

CRASH PAD

Crash pad is to close on March 8th when the remaining students move into a Union flat.

This year crash pad has been open almost continuously since the beginning of the year to accommodate students who were forced out of their flats.

The ICWA Lounge is the room used by the students, a fact which causes complaints from the Women in Science and Technology group that the room has not been available as a lounge for women.

The Lounge is to be redecorated shortly. ICWA President Daphne Websper is to discuss the details with Lady Flowers and come up with a colour scheme.

IC STUDENT GETS GRANT

One of the students refused a grant because of the change in the ordinary residence qualification has now been given one.

He had at first been considered ineligible although his father had lived in this country for seventeen years.

Six other students affected, who have had their fees waived by College, are no further in their grant applications.

REFECTORIES

Overhead infra-red heaters are to be installed above service counters in the refectories during the next few weeks in an attempt to solve the problem of food getting cold.

This is one of several proposals for improving food quality to come out of a meeting between representatives of IC Union and the refectories. Details of the other decisions can be found in Mary Attenborough's article elsewhere in FELIX.

JOINT UNIONS MEETING

IC Union and four other of the five trade unions in College held a joint meeting on Monday at which representatives decided that it would be useful for them to get together to exchange information on issues of mutual concern.

The unions involved were ASTMS, NUPE, NALGO, and the electricians' union EEPTU. The lecturers' union AUT didn't

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was held in Southside. Mr. Hoddinot, mines Hon Sec, had to make the speech because Mr. Lewis was "very overcome by the occasion." 8 barrels were drunk and 1 was consumed. (a bill will be sent to Camborne). The dinner ended in the early hours of the morning.

Rugby team

Brinell Adams, Mecklenbergg, Spot, P. Woodentop, Falman, R. Pascoe, Bat, Goat, D. Hoffmeyer, Hoppy, J.C., 'Vision' T., S. Andrew (deceased), A. Armstrong, Chris Rule, K.B. (used), B. Jones (reserved).

names supplied by next month's Git of the month.

attend on this occasion but may attend future meetings.

The main issues raised were refectories and the day nursery.

STUDENT RESIDENCE

A meeting of College's Student Residence Committee on Wednesday decided not to change College policy of giving preference to final year new applicants for places in College residence. A proposal to introduce random selection of 2nd and 3rd year students was defeated.

NEW TREASURER

The Social Clubs Committee has a new Senior Treasurer. He is Dr. Henry Rzepa, a chemistry research fellow and sub-warden of Weeks Hall. He take over from Dr. L. Phillips who is leaving College.



DOWNSTAIRS

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