

The Newspaper of Imperial College Union

# Sixty-nine Minutes of Procedure, then QUORUM!!!

A successful challenge to quorum after one hour and nine minutes of business prevented several imporant motions on Union publicity and changes in the voting schedule being discussed at yesterday's Union General Meeting.

A motion on Union publicity, prompted by one of the H G Wells Society's posters for Freshers' Fair, had been expected to draw a large crowd. However, because of lack of publicity the meeting was obviously inquorate from the start.

Although no policy was made the meeting was useful in that it accepted the ratification of a large number of elections at previous UGMs. Several other posts were also filled; Jon Stanley was ratified as External Affairs Committee Secretary, P Simion as ordinary member of the Permanent Working Party and Christine Teller and Peter Burt as delegates to the University of London Union General Union Council.

This business was transacted during Mary Freeman's report as returning officer with a minimum of trouble, as was Stephen Goulder's report as President and Miss Freeman's report as Honorary Secretary. However the meeting was closed during Miss Freeman's third visit to the microphone during the motion on the changes to the voting schedule. Miss Freeman proposed the motion claiming that the existing schedule was wooly and citing the last sabbatical elections as an example. Jon Stanley opposed the motion on the grounds that the schedule was clear and correct and any confusion was caused by wooliness on behalf of the returning

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officer. During questions Miss Freeman stated that the amendments had been approved by the Electoral Reform Society.

Procedural motions were then put to refer the motion either to the next UGM or the Permanent Working Party but before this was decided quorum was called by Miss Caroline Scott of Elec Eng 1 and the meeting closed at 2:17pm.

## WIST DRIVE FAILS

An attempt to clamp down on offensive advertising material in College failed yesterday when the Union General Meeting was declared inquorate.

A motion was to have been proposed by a representative of Women in Science and Technology (WIST), the women's rights group, after the publication of an allegedly offensive cover on Guildsheet, the City and Guilds Union magazine. In addition, complaints had been made about a poster advertising the H G Wells Society. The motion suggested that on receipt of a petition signed by twenty or more Union members, the House Committee should con sider a complaint concerning any offensive poster. If this complaint were to be upheld, the offending society would be

fined, and after two offences permission for that society to display posters would be withdrawn.

At present any posters for display may only be put up with the permission of the Union Publicity Officer or the Honorary Secretary. In the past, however, permission has been reasonably automatic, subject to the Publicity Rules.

In the proposed amendment, Mary Freeman was going to draw attention to several posters which had been found offensive by certain groups at college.

Although officials of Wellsoc were considering making a formal apology at the UGM, it was declared inquorate before this was possible. The motion is expected to come up at the next quorate UGM.

WHO'S A PRETTY BOY THEN?

Friday, October 8, 1982

George

Free!

RCS Freshers' UGM erupts into acrimonious debate over 'sexist' beauty contest as Bobby Joe Stein is proclaimed as.....

## A RIGHT-DOWN REGULAR ROYAL QUEEN!

A fourteen stone male chemist was elected Queen of Jez at the Royal College of Science UGM on Monday. This followed a narrowly defeated motion to abolish the post as 'sexist and deliberately

uninteresting'.



Bobby Joe Stein: 'I think it's most unfair.

The motion was proposed by the glamorous Philip Nathan, who in an eloquent speech denounced the competition, asserting that it actively discourages women from entering science and technology in general and the RCS in particular. Voting was close enough for a recount to be necessary; the motion was finally defeated by twenty votes' over two hundred.

Six candidates then stood for the post; four girls, Dave Watson (who stood to prove that the election was not sexist) and Bobby Jo Stein (who stood to prove that it was). Mr Stein (in a gas mask) was duly returned to the post. His duties will involve accompanying Jez

on all Rag stunts and adding glamour to RCS functions.

As part of his prize, he receives a half-ticket for the Silwood Ball(which half?) and traditionally RCS President Karl Schmidt must take him out to dinner-but Mr Schmidt hopes that this tradition can be discontinued



Phil Nathan: 'I wouldn't want to be stuck up as a sex symbol on Jez'.

#### Back in the Lion's Den

Reggie, the 5cwt six foot long concrete lion was formally presented to Kings College London by the Royal College of Science Union on Tuesday afternoon.

The Kings College Students' Union mascot was stolen last February during a spate of successful RCS mascotry raids. Two weeks later, a team from

City and Guilds rescued him for their own purposes. After several months of non-cooperation Kings admitted that they would like Reggie back, and a ransom of a hundred pints of blood for the Blood Transfusion service, a £40 donation to IC Rag and a second donation to an undisclosed charity was negotiated. The exchange was arranged for Tuesday, after the City and Guilds UGM at which Reggie was spirited away by the RCS. Karl Schmidt, President of RCS, informed Kings that the hand over would go ahead as arranged, but with the RCS claiming the glory.

RCSU Mascotry Team with their Prizes



#### **Frying Tonight**

Residents of Montpelier Hall failed to notice a fire in a neighbouring shop last Sunday, assuming that the smoke and smells of burning were from their harbecue.

Last Sunday the postgraduate residents of Montpelier Hall were invited to a welcoming barbecue in their garden. The queueing for food began early and people on the upper floors, enticed into the garden by the smell of smoke, were surprised to find that only raw sausages, burgers and kebabs awaited them.

Later, while the food was being cooked the cause of the earlier delicious, smoky smell was ascertained—the Knights-bridge Pavilion of Antiques was quietly burning a short distance away on the Brompton Road. The evening proceeded to the sound of Montpelierites obliviously chinking glasses and firemen breaking glass with their hatchets.

It was not until the barbecue was well under way that all the students realised the scale of the emergency.

#### Alan Swann

Dr Alan Swann, who qualified four years ago at the University of Southampton, comes to take up some of Tony Haines' duties at the Health Centre. He will be lending a particularly knowing and confidential ear to the emotional, sexual and medical problems of the students. A display of contraceptives is already up in the waiting room, and furthermore he plans education in preventive medicine and first aid.

#### Gill Thallon

Gill Thallon, the housekeeper of Selkirk and Tizard Halls, will be leaving College in November to have a baby. FELIX would like to congratulate Gill and her husband and wish them every happiness with their family.



•26" wheel racing blke, 5spd gears, £50ono. Please contact Roger Farbey, int 3984/3854.

(Jumbo) guitar inc soft case, £35. Contact Roger Farbey, int 3984/3854. •Girl wanted to share room in all girls flat, nearest tube Putney Bridge, kitchen, bathroom, large garden, phone, plus all mod cons, rent £22pw, 4 Burstock Rd, Putney, 785-6952.

•Flatshare available now in Hamlet

Gdns: two people, together or singly, needed now. College flat, rent approx £20pw. Contact Adam Rose, 748-3655.

Share-a-Fare if you are interested in car-sharing coming into College please give details of your journey and state where you want or are offering a lift. Write these on a postcard and send them to 6M19 Huxley Building (Maths). A list will be compiled and sent out to participants and departmental libraries

mental libraries.

Ski Club: For anyone interested in learning to ski or ski competitively. We will be visiting a dry ski slope twice a week, where tuition will be available. There is a skiing trip, to the Alps planned. Please contact Club Captain W Steen (ME3) via letter-racks or ring 736-5526.

mental libraries.

•Keep fit to music: Any ladies wishing to join us come to Beit Hall Gym 12:45 on Mondays or 12:30 on Fridays. Experienced teacher. No charge. •ACC Exec Meeting 12:30, Fri Oct 8, UDH.

•ACC meeting, 6:30, Mon Oct 12, ULR. Please ensure that at least one committee member from each club is present.

•Mens Lacrosse: If anyone is interested in playing for the University, please contact Mike Slatcher via Aero 3 letter-racks. No experience neces-

 Martin Taylor is the devil incarnate in the film Brimstone & Treacle; if any other Martin Taylors are interested in getting together a group to see the film, please contact Martin S Taylor or J Martin Taylor via FELIX.

•Girl wanted to share flat, 12b Hamlet Gdns, ring 741-7095 or contact Helen Bolt via Civ Eng letter-racks.

•My sincerest thanks to Marika, Chrstine, Dan, Mike, Phil, Geoff, Guy, Neil, Rugby and everyone else who helped make Tuesday's party the best ever-Peter.



The Welfare Officer at Freshers' Fair demonstrates a new type of contraceptive.

#### Welsh Letter

Imperial College Union has received a communication in Welsh from the students union of the University of Aberystwyth.

The letter (fortunately with a translation enclosed) informed him that the Aberystwyth Students' Union is considering disaffiliating from the National Union of Students. As IC is one of the few colleges outside Scotland not to be connected with the NUS, they are seeking advice and encouragement.

Stephen Goulder, ICU President, said that he was flattered by their enquiry and would reply as soon as he had mastered the language.

#### Balancing the Books

Students could soon be charged for use of the Science Museum Library in Imperial College Road. This follows a recommendation in the Rayner Report on rationalisation of the civil service.

At present the library is open to all postgraduate students and research assistants, and in some cases to third year undergraduates. A levy of thirty pence on each book issued is now planned and there could be a reduction in the number of periodicals kept in stock.

Union President Steve Goulder and External Affairs Officer Simon Rodan have officially protested that they were not notified of the planned changes, which are totally unacceptable to the Union. Mr Goulder described the plans as an act of gross ingratitude on the part of the library, which already has all rent, heating and lighting paid by the College.

#### Winking Off

The Rag Tiddlywinks stunt has been postponed until next Saturday because of possible police intervention over licensing laws.

Traditionally, IC students have always tiddlywinked along Oxford Street on the first Saturday of term; this has always been considered the Freshers' Rag Stunt. But after last year's controversy over street collecting licenses, Scotland Yard informed the Union that if they went ahead on Saturday they would be prosecuted, despite the Multiple Scelerosis Society withdrawing their complaint after the Rag Committee had offered to collect for MS funds.

Several attempts to find a way around the law were made, but all of them failed. The most original of these was that tiddlywinking down Oxford Street had been done since 1968, and was therefore a folk tradition and exempt from the regulations. The Metropolitan Police wrote back enclosing a copy of the

Miscellaneous Provisions Act of 1916 (section 5, regulation 3(1), schedule 2) which imposes a minimum precedent of thirty years on folk traditions.

At a meeting of the Union Executive last week, it was decided to proceed in defiance of the police, but along Kings Road to avoid the waiting constabulary in Oxford Street. King's Road is London's second busiest shopping street and, a collection in excess of £1,000 for charity was expected. But at a further meeting on Wednesday, it was revealed that Mencap (the society for the mentally handicapped) had licences which would allow the Union to collect for them on the following Saturday, and so the committee agreed that under the circumstances it would be wiser to postpone the event until Saturday week.

As an alternative Rag stunt for tomorrow, the RCSU will be selling Rag Mags at the University of Kent in Canterbury, leaving Beit Arch at 9:30am.

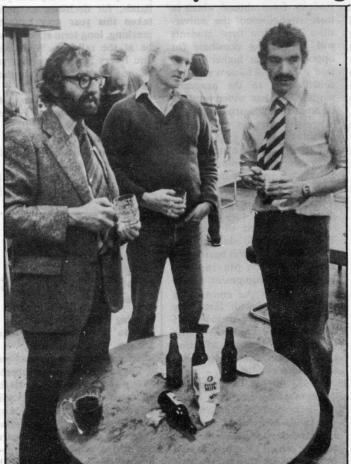
#### All Work and No Play

Students in the department of Management Science have been prevented from attending introductory events organised by the College and Union. The department have organised formal classes for the first Monday and Tuesday of term and, there are also classes timetabled for Wednesday afternoon which clash with sports club trials.

This action was taken despite an agreement between the Board of Studies and the Union that no classes be organised for the first Monday and Tuesday of term and that Wednesday afternoons should be left free for students to participate in the sports and recreational clubs.

The head of the Management Science department, Professor Eilon refused to comment and suggested that any queries involving timetabling should be addressed to the College Registrar.

#### New Refectory — Whining and Dining



Simon Perry, Refectory Committee Chairman Bob Schroter, and Deputy Catering Manager Martin Parsons agree there are too few chairs (or too many tables) in the new refectory.

The new Union Lounge bar opened on Monday to a varied reception from staff and students alike

As foreseen, there have been some teething problems. Refectory staff have complained that the kitchens are excessively hot and students have complained that the food is not. Other complaints have mostly concerned quality of the hot meals, which seems to have deteriorated since Monday; the procedure of cooking food in the Sherfield Refectory and re-heating it in the new kitchens does not appear to work.

The salads and ploughman's lunches have proved most popular, and approach the standards of those served in the Royal College of Art refectory, while being rather cheaper. The rolls from behind the bar are still generally all sold by 1:30pm.

Refectory Committee Chairman Dr Bob Schroter's initial reaction was very favourable. The fittings and decor have been criticised because the rooms looks as if building was finished in a hurry, which it was. The bare painted walls need posters or other decoration, and there is no clock. In general the new service is acceptable but not spectacular.

A new pressure group has been formed to oppose the government's education funding. Simon Rodan, the Union's External Affiars Officer, and Steve Goulder, the President, explain why it deserves our support.

## **Educational Alliance**

On Wednesday October 13, the Educational Alliance, in conjunction with the University of London Union, is staging a rally. Its purpose is to try to focus media attention on the ludicrous nature of the Department of Education and Science's current attempts at cutting back expenditure in education.

The Educational Alliance was formed this year in a concerted attempt by various groups involved in the field of education to call to a halt the severe scaling down that is at present being implemented. The Alliance represents University teaching staff, students, and all nonacademic staff employed by the universities as well as involving teachers and parent-teacher organisations from secondary education. Clearly, it is not just one part of the system that is objecting, but everybody involved in a unanimous rejection of current DES policy.

Some examples of the anomalies in the present round of cuts show the lack of long term thought that has gone into the policy making so far. Salford and Aston are two technological universities which are turning out science and engineering graduates who are the top priority requirement of the manufacturing industries. Both have suffered enormous cuts while other institutions. Oxford. Cambridge and Bristol spring readily to mind, which have very smaller fractions of science and engineering graduates have not suffered at all.

Thus, in ten years hence there will probably be, as a direct result, a shortage of qualified professional technologists which can only be detrimental to the country's economy and industrial base.

Another example nearer home could be drawn from the drastic reorganisation being brought about within the University of London as a consequence of the shortage of funds. QEC to avoid complete closure has had to seek merges with other London colleges, notably our own, last year and this year, with Kings College and Chelsea College. Bedford is another smaller London college which faces closure unless they can complete a deal within the University of London to split itself amongst several other colleges.

Full cost fees for overseas students is yet another contentious issue. Fewer students can now afford to study in this country if they come from abroad. This restricts the foreign students to those who have government or industrial sponsorship plus the handful of others who can afford to pay the enormous fees bill.

For example it is now cheaper for foreign students to study at prestigious American institutes such as the California Institute of Technology, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Berkley and others than for them to come for example to Imperial. While previously this was not the case, we attracted a large number of highly talented students from abroad which in turn strengthened the universities here. Now these students will be looking elsewhere for opportunities in higher education and we will loose a valuable contribution to the academic world. This has wider implications in the industrial sector. A large proportion of foreign students coming from the developing countries to universities in both America and Britain go back to their home countries to take up, or very likely end up in, important government advisory positoins or highly placed in industry. Trends indicate clearly that those ex-students will be strongly biased towards placing any industrial or equipment orders with firms in the country in which they studied. Hence by loosing a large number of foreign students we will in the long term be adversely affecting our export market to these developing countries.

Losing foreign students has other repercussions such as on the School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the Postgraduate Medical School, both of which take a very high proportion of foreign students each year.

Cuts in the secondary education system have been as severe as in higher education. Schools are having to operate on shoestring budgets, with fewer teaching staff hence higher pupil teacher ratios, and almost no money for renewing antiquated equipment.

While mandatory grants remain conditional on the offer of a university place, discretionary grants for courses such as physiotherapy, and speech therapy are becoming more difficult to obtain.

And of course there is the hardship of redundancies as institutions are trimmed or closed, still further increasing the number out of work.

I have tried to outline the problems the Educational Alliance is trying to combat by insisting on a halt to the decimation of our education system, brought about in this illconceived and haphazard fashion. The rally on Wednesday is important, probably the most important this year. While it may all seem a little strange to some of the freshers, it is above all to them to whom this article is addressed. The Alliance needs your support and above all your participation. It really is in your hands, for decisions on policy taken this year may have far reaching, long term effects. I will be at the rally on Wednesday and I very much hope that you will make every effort to be there as well.

Steve Goulder, Union President 10:30 Meet Beit Arch 10:40 Depart by coach 11:00 Arrive Lincolns Inn Fields 11:15 Rally begins 12:30 Arrive County Hall, speeches, disperse 1:00 to 1:30.

Simon Rodan, EAO

#### **Honorary Scribblings**

#### **Parking Permits**

If you're reading this after 5:30pm, then hard luck.

Those who have remembered Those who have remembered, the parking places will be allocated this weekend and a list of the successful applicants published in FELIX next Friday. Permits (and barrier keycards for those who need them—deposit of £5 needed) should be available the following Monday (October 18).

Mary

#### Gouldieri Rants

At last Friday is here and the weekend looms, hopefully everyone got through the first week without too many hassles, (a great institution—the British queue!).

This short article is really an introduction on how to complain at Imperial College. You may be living in College accommodation. If you have any complaints beyond/other than those of cleaning/cooking facilities which can be dealt with by the Warden, send a letter to Mr John Lauwerys. He is an assistant to John Smith and is currently doing an in depth study of College accommodation and is interrogating interested parties in College. This is your chance to be included in his report which will be published at Christmas.

#### Refectories

This especially concerns the two newer outlets: the JCR Buttery and the new Union Lounge Bar. If the food is still execrable I want you to write to me and tell me why. Changes can only be forced if there is sufficient feedback. Any business concerning the bars can be brought to me because I am Chairman of the College Bar Committee.

#### Courses

The other area you will probably (and ought) to have fresh ideas about are academic affairs. Here we have a very good representational structure and the best person to contact is your CCU Academic Affairs Officer.

If you are unsure at any stage write to or phone me at the Union Office and we can proceed from there.

#### **Educational Alliance**

It used to be the case that part of every student's life was participation in rallies. Alas, those days are over but I still hope you have a genuine concern over the educational strategy in this country. Please make every effort to attend the Rally on the 13th

See you there.

Stephen Goulder Union President

#### CLUBS & SOCIETIES

#### Amnesty International

Name: Amnesty International Occupation: Human Rights Watchdog Place of Birth: England Date of Birth: 1961

Home address: in any of 110 countries Height: 340km (if you stood the 200,000 members one on top of the other).

Distinguishing features: vilified by both the CIA and KGB.

Qualifications: consultative status with the UN, UNESCO, and observer status with the Organisation for African Unity.

Qualities: perserverance, objectivity
Failing: never makes allowances for tyrants
Hobbies: denouncing dictators

Aim in Life: to ensure that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is observed. Motto: "Je ne suis pas d'accord avec ce que vous dites, mais je me battrai jusqu'au bout pour que vous puissiez le dire" Voltaire.

If you would like to know more about

If you would like to know more about Amnesty International come to our first meeting on Tuesday October 12 at 5:30pm in the Brown Committee Room.

#### Jewish Society

For those interested in Kosher lunches, a local businessman has very kindly opened his canteen to Jewish students and staff, and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 12-14, anyone new who would like to visit the canteen is asked to meet at Beit Arch at 12:40pm.

Happy New Year.

The Committee

#### **ICYHA**

Opening up Britain; our program for this term: Oct 15-17 Peak District (Derbyshire); Oct 29-31 Lulworth (Dorset); Nov 12-14 Quantock Hills; Nov 26-28 Snowdonia; Dec 10-12 Yorkshire Dales. Come along, and get away from it all.

#### Veg Soc

Vegetarian meals are available for Mr Mooney's freshers' dinners; if you want one, then inform who is organising the meal, and in addition either visit the catering officer on level 1 of Sherfield, or find a catering manager on the night, at least thirty minutes before the start of the meal. A list of vegetarian dishes is available from the Vegsoc Committee.

## PG Group

Just a note to say that there will be the first social event on Thursday October 21. This will a ploughman's lunch at 12:30pm (lunchtime) in the Union Concert Hall (Union Building, 2nd floor). Tickets £1 will be on sale from next week. They are available from the Union Office.

As various committee posts are vacant elections or voluntary conscription will be held at the ploughman's lunch. The post are really just to help in organizing future social events, so if anyone is interested please come along.

If anyone is interested in organizing the ploughmans lunch, wants a chat, is lost, I can be contacted through the Union Office.

Bye for now.

John Passmore

#### **C&G** Union

City and Guilds Union will be holding their Freshers' Dinners on the following days: Thurs Oct 14 Elec Eng; Mon Oct 18 Chem Eng; Thurs Oct 21 Computing; Mon Oct 25 Civ Eng; Mon Nov 1 Mech Eng and Man Sci and Thurs Nov 4 Aero.

The cost to second and third years will be £7.50 which is subsidised by the Union. The cost to freshers is as follows: Elec Eng, Mech Eng and Aero £6.75; Computing £6.50; Civ Eng £6.00 and Chem Eng £5.50.

The dinners for freshers are subsidised by the respective departments. The cost includes a three course meal with sherry, wine and port followed by coffee.

The events provide an opportunity for freshers to meet second and third year students, members of staff in the department, and to be introduced to the idea of a formal dinner.

After the dinner formality ends and a party atmosphere starts.

Tickets are on sale now, with the departments or from the Union Office at lunchtime.

Don't miss your Freshers' Dinner!

#### Astrosoc

Astrosoc's first lecture this term is called 'Novae and Supernovae' and is on Tuesday October 12 in Physics Lecture Theatre 2 at 7:30pm. Future lectures will cover topics from Halley's Comet to Star formation, galactic evolution and X-ray emission from active galactic nuclei. We hope to have a filmshow on October 19. Watch the noticeboards for details as lots of other exciting things are in the pipeline. There will probably be trips to Jodrell Bank so keep your eyes on all the noticeboards for details; see you Tuesday I hope.

## REVIEWS



#### Neapolitan Art

Why is it that October, with the start of the new academic year, should be far more a month of beginnings and of good resolutions than January ever is? A fresh crop of freshers (!), in smart, dark jeans and neat haircuts must have something to do with it. But even when the chaos of Freshers' Week and unfamiliar timetables has subsided, the crisp autumn days that come between the drizzle and downpour seem far more envigorating, mentally, than a biting wind on New Year's Day. Autumn is also the time that the galleries get into a higher gear again, after a somnolent summer, and the new season's major exhibitions open. So I've paid a visit to the Royal Academy of Arts to see the exhibition 'Painting in Naples, 1606-1705', which started on October 2.

It's quite a large exhibition, over 150 paintings, dating from the arrival of Caravaggio in Naples in 1606, to the end of Luca Giordano's career in 1705.

I find Italian history incredibly complex, so resorted to an old schoolbook for the historical background to the Neapolitan school of painting. Italy had been part of the Holy Roman Empire since 1530 and in 1559 fell by treaty to the Spanish branch of the Hapsburgs. As such the Kingdom of Naples was controlled by strong Spanish garrisons and ruled by viceroys who imposed crushing taxation. The city of Naples, with its large port, was the administrative capital and a centre of banking and trade. No doubt the commercial sucess and the huge gap between rich and poor, financed the opulent viceroy's court, the building of churches and palaces and their decoration with works of art by the most famous contemporary artists. The bulk of the Royal Academy exhibition is of these paintings-vast, magnificent and totally unliveable-with.

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The starting point is Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio, and his influence on the Neapolitan painters of the 17th century can be traced throughout the exhibition. He reacted against the convention that biblical stories should be enacted by handsome/beautiful people: he introduced stark realism, and in his 'Crucifixion of St. Andrew' the saint is a withered, weather-beaten old man. His pictures are violent, often brutal, yet with the odd flash of gentleness and sensitivity. But, maybe, his most impressive effect is that of 'Chiaroscuro'—the harsh contrast between spotlit figures and inky shadows, which seems

all the more intense for the surrounding areas of pitch darkness.

Painters from all over Europe, who visited Naples early in the century, also influenced the local artists and softened the drama and realism of Caravaggio's followers. The warm colours, and the exuberant painting technique, of Reubens' 'Feast of Herod' can be seen in Luca Giordano's pictures. Here, the colours come straight off an iced birthday cake and the restless style is appealing rather than disturbing.

By contrast, Gallery V is concerned with still life painting: Neapolitan artists were amongst the first to explore the possibilities of a picture totally without figures. There are some superbarrangements of gaudy, overblown flowers and succulent fruits, just asking to be eaten!

Small scale pictures, for private collectors, were also made in Naples. The Small South Room is devoted to those by Cavallino, which are comparatively light and fresh, and are full of young, pretty (and very foolish looking!) saints and singers.

On the whole the exhibition is rich and grand, rather than sympathetic—but then so too were the pictures' original settings and so too is Burlington House, which is probably worth a visit in its own right!

Painting in Naples 1606-1705 is at the Royal

Painting in Naples 1606-1705 is at the Royal Academy, Burlington House, Piccadilly, W1 till December 12. It is open daily (including weekends) from 10:00am to 6:00pm. Full admission £2.50, students etc £1.60.

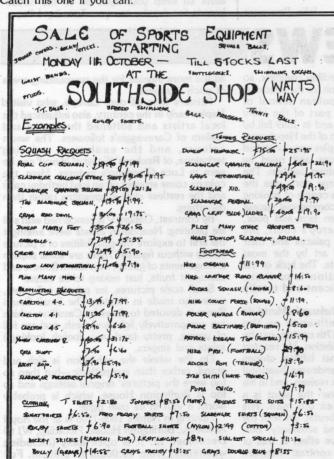


Woody Allen's latest film A Midsummer Night's Sex Comedy (AA, ABCs) looks pretty dull from the publicity, but it turns out to be one of the most subtle and funny films in recent memory.

Having kicked his Fellini period (Manhattan, Stardust Memories), he's back to glorious colour and a fairly direct story about three couples spending a beautiful summer's day together. In typical Allen style all six have a complex relationship and weird personal anxieties; Allen himself is a madcap inventor (slightly out of place in the turn of the century setting) with a frigid wife played by the talented Mary Steenburgen. His wife's elderly cousin Leopold (Jose Ferrer) arrives at their country home with his bride-to-be Ariel (the beautiful Mia Farrow). Maxwell (Tony Roberts) and his 'experienced' girlfriend Dulcy (Julie Hagerty) make up the sextet.

By a series of complex twists Allen lampoons romance, marriage, philosophy (as ever) and, of course, sex. The film is by no means a 'knee slapper' and does not have the pace of Annie Hall, but it is certainly a very enjoyable and entertaining piece. Allen's wisecracks come thick and fast and the beautiful filming, coupled with Mendelssohn's atmospheric score, is a real bonus.

I was very glad that Allen has chosen to move forward with a subtle, clever comedy which is not just a remake of his greatest hit, Annie Hall. Catch this one if you can.





In case you missed Freshers' FELIX, this is the new detailed guide to what's on in and around IC. It is a mixture of fact supplied by the society placing the ad, and comments from the supposedly cynical and witty FELIX staff.

FELIX can, obviously, except no responsibility for any errors howsoever caused (ie cock-ups can not be blamed on FELIX), however it does help if we actually receive the correct times,

dates and places......
If the What's On feature is going to be a success we must be contacted before the deadline (5:30 Monday, rigidly enforced). It would also help if the society secretaries could write a few words about what they are promoting and send a photo that is appropriate for the event. Hopefully you like the idea of the What's On feature and find it useful when you forget just what time the gig/concert/party/lecture starts.

## Today

1300h

**Congregational Prayers** 

Queen's Lawn

Union

Hall

Concert

**RCS Barbeque** 

1830h

Mines Pub Crawl

2000h

Meet

Saturday

Soup Run

Hall Ents present: Rip Rig & Panic

Meet

Beit

Arch

Great

Falmouth Kitchens

1930h

**Guilds Bar Night** 

-After the RCS pub crawl and Mines bar night, it's Guilds turn to spend a night getting paralytic. But, the bar nights do present a good opportunity for freshers to meet their CCU exec in reasonably informal surroundings.

## Sunday

0930h

Meet Beit Arch

Concert

Hall

Union

S&G Freshers' Hike

A chance to chat with club members about what we do, while taking a gentle stroll out of town. Bring a strong pair of shoes and a waterproof. All welcome.

**Dramsoc Auditions** 

A repeat of last Wednesday's extravaganza. Allows you to follow the fortunes of assorted thespians as they try for parts in Simon Gray's 'Butley' or Stoppard's 'Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead'. Cast of thousands, including: The Great Dictator

Chris Bartieri

0930h

Rag Mag Trip

Your chance to flood Canterbury with Rag Mags. Please bring £1 for transport.

The Vice Man

Adam Tandy The Colossus of Halifax

Mark Priestley

The Scribe

Colin Cooper

Mad Max II

Shirin Chandy

The Elephant Man

Stephen Ball

The Beautiful Defector

Nikki Triscott

The Invisible Man

Himself Directed by 'Eric' Jarvis and Chris Ovens. Staging by Matthew Tonks Ltd.

1900h

Union Bar

**RCS Barnight** Free beer

## Monday

346 1300h Huxley (Computing)

Introductory Talk on Transcendental Meditation Everyone welcome.

Union 1300h Upper Lounge

**Debating Society Meeting** All welcome

Elec 1815h Eng 606

**IC Youth Hostelling Association** Showing photographs from their latest exploits.

Bot/Zoo Common Room Beit Arch

West London Chaplaincy Freshers' Party Food, drinks, games, etc. Free.

Mech Eng 1930h 220

Cheating at Cards and other other wonders. Wellsoc presents Mike O'Brien, a magician from the Magic



Circle, who will give a demonstration of just how much quicker the hand is than the eye.

-Mike is one of the best closeup magicians in London, and what he can do with a pack of cards has to be seen to be disbelieved. Definitely not to be missed

1930h JCR

**Dancing Club Advanced Class** 

#### Tuesday

1300h

**STOIC Broadcast** Lawrence Windley interviews Jon Pertwee.

1300h

Lecture Theatre 2

MOPSOC Lecture

'The Meteorology of Jupiter and Saturn'. Entrance by membership. Membership available on door £1.

1330h

Pippard Lecture Theatre

Television

Lounges

**Blackett** 

**Exploring the Uninhabitable** A series of three lectures arranged by IC Exploration Board. This week Dr Charles Clarke speaks on Some High-Altitude Medical Problems.

1330h

Read Lecture Theatre

The Evolution of the Orchestra Richard Dickins, conductor of IC Orchestra, in the first of three illustrated lectures. This week The Orchestra up to Beethoven.

1730h

Brown Committee Room

**Amnesty International Meeting** 

Union 1800h Upper Lounge

Vegsoc Party at which will be arranged events for the rest of the year.

1800h

Television Lounges

STOIC Broadcast repeated from 1300h.

1830h

Eng 220

**Physics** 

Lecture

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Mech

Scanners

SF Soc screening of this classic horror film; admission by membership available at door.

Swimming 1830h Pool

Canoe Club Meeting

1830h Theatre 2

Astrosoc presents a lecture on Novae and Supernovae.

1930h

Maths Freshers' Dinner

1930h JCR

**Dancing Club Beginners Class** All welcome

1930h Theatre 2

Mountaineering Club Slideshow

Material includes Mount Kenya expedition and club activities in previous years.

## Wednesday

1230h

Chem Eng F400

**Methodist Society** 

Evidence for Christianity: Was Jesus really who he claimed to be? Lunch available.

1300h

Union SCR

Wargames Club Meeting

53 **Princes** Gate

Fair flaked and hungry? Welcome to the Christian Union Freshers' Supper. It's free. There will be a speaker from the Royal Free Hospital.

Great

IC Orchestra rehearse The **Planets** 

-String players, especially, are still invited to boldly go along.

**Maths Freshers Dinner** 

1930h

JCR

**Dancing Club Beginners Class** All Welcome

Old Lower Refectory Union 2000h Building

Jazz Club Party

2 College bands (Blue Max and Support), disco. All welcome.

## **Thursday**

Southside Upper Lounge

IC Youth Hostelling Assoc Butty Meeting. Butties and coffee provided.

1300h

341 Huxley (Maths)

Introductory Talk on Transcendental Meditation All welcome.

Music 1330h<sub>53</sub> Princes Gate

**Lunch Hour Concert** Ann Mackay (soprano) and Kathron Sturrock (piano)

1330h

The Great Hall

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Huxley

(Maths)

The Ascent of Man Lower than the Angels. Jacob Bronowski's masterly documentary on the evolution of culture.

1730h

Introductory Talk on Transcendental Meditation All welcome

745h

Mech Eng 342

IC Choir rehearse Dyson's The Canterbury Pilgrims

1800h

Union Upper Lounge

**Jewish Society Freshers' Party** Entry by membership (50p).

1900h

Union Lower Refectory

Are you from abroad? Do you like people overseas? Welcome to an international supper. Run by Christian Union

## A Fair Fight

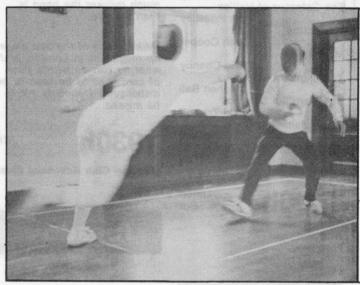
Freshers' Fair on Tuesday when the Jewish and Islamic Societies found themselves occupying adjacent stalls, following a reshuffle.

The mix-up was caused when Robin Graham, chairman of both Vegetarian and Jewish societies, suggested that the two stalls change places so that Vegsoc would have access to an electric socket.

Neither society was deterred from displaying strongly political posters, and Social Clubs Committee Chairman

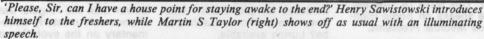
There was an angry scene at Jonathan Miller was called in to arbitrate in the ensuing shouting match. As an exchairman of Jewish Society himself, this was impossible, and Union officials were forced to remove posters from both stalls before peace was restored.

Union President Stephen Goulder criticised both societies for their conduct and claimed that religious societies should not display political posters, but that putting the two societies in the same room at all was in retrospect rather foolish.



Fencing club at Fresher's Fair.



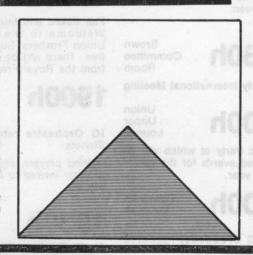




# NCCCI-IIC

General Reisenschein's army is on the march, and he is basing his new HQ in Khan Tsimi. There is a square room available for the offices of General Reisenschein and his four chiefs of staff, the heads of the Secret Service (Heidensieck), the army (Gunter Schutzem), the navy (Admiral Zinkorschwimm), and the air force (Di Van Zoom). The General has already commandeered a right-angled isosceles triangle (see diagram) and, to save arguments, the four chiefs of staff are to have the same size and shape offices, each with a continuous perimeter. Can you help them achieve this dissection?

Solutions, comments, criticisms to me at the FELIX Office by Wednesday, 1:00pm. £5 from Mend-a-Bike for a randomly selected entry.





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