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T.R.B. Live

On Monday March the 27th, the Tom Robinson Band performed live at Camden Town Hall with a number of support bands. We arrived at Camden after an assortment of short-cuts via Finchley and the M4, to hear from the support bands a mixture of misplaced guitar leads, vocal wailing, stagnant drumming and other such stimulating musical (?) sounds. This musical catastrophe went on until about 11:50pm. when they ended to an ear-splitting silence apart from an enthusiastic drunk, who apparently found the dischord-ent holocaust to his liking. If this wasn't bad enough, the only beer on sale was John Courage "Directors", which, when swallowed, tastes remarkably similar to blunt razor blades washed down with motor oil and paprika.

Fortunately, the Tom Robinson Band (Tom Robinson-vocals and bass, Brian "Dolphin" Taylor-drums, Mark Ambler-Keyboards and Danny Kustow-lead guitar) appeared 10 minutes later to estatic cheering from the large crowd. In the next hour and three quarters I witnessed music, that besides being brilliantly played and performed, was sung with great integrity and feeling that displayed the hatred against racist organisations and discrimination of the media against minority groups. This is aptly demonstrated in their contraversial song "Glad to be gay" which the BBC has banned due to them adver-tising "Gay News". However, the TRB played songs from their forthcoming LP; "Power in the darkness", which will be released some time this week and contains their recent single; "Up against the wall" which was released on the 21st of April.

Mark Ambler, on Keyboards, has recently asked to leve the band. This is due to him wanting to leave the band before he gets too involved and eventually forming his own group. Tom Robinson, who is a member of the "Anti Nazi League", hopes to replace him before this summer. Incidently, the TRB played at the recent 'Rock against Racism' march on the 30th April along with "Steel Pulse" and "X-Ray Spex".

The Putney Society Annual Quiz.

At 7 30 on Thursday 20th April 24 school boys and girls from Elliot, Mayfield and Wandsworth gathered in the main hall at Elliot for the annual Putney Society quiz for the Scott MacRobert Shield.

Scott MacRobert was a South African student who arrived in Britian in 1970. As a thesis for his degree he wrote a history of Putney. After his unfortunate early death from a disease in 1975; the Putney Society decided to start a quiz of local history in his memory, and it is his text that most questions are based on.

Wandsworth School won the first quiz and hoped for a repeat performance. The contest consisted of three rounds. In each round every member of each team was asked one question on the history of Putney. First the Mayfield number one, then the Wandsworth number one, then Elliot, then Mayfield two and so on down to number eight.

At the end of the first round Wandsworth already had a convinding lead: 16-8-8 and by the start of the third round the outcome, the result of the competition was beyond doubt.

Wandsworth eventually won with 42 points, Elliot and Mayfield each having 26 points. Dame Margaret Miles ex-headmistress of Mayfield presented the trophy to the Wandsworth captain. Handshakes with the Mayor and a photograph for the Wandsworth Borough News followed.

The winning team consisted of: C. Lyden-Cowan (captain), M. Tinsley (deputy captain) M. Coke, P. Myrmus, J. Bailey, P. Morgan, L. King, G. Yorke, R. Brooke (substitute).

By P. Morgan 5T.

LOCAL ANGLER

This is the time of year when most anglers start pulling thier hair out in large clumps and banging their heads against convenient lamposts (Ed:think about it),and generally continue extra normal behaviour.This is due to the end of the season now occuring when fish go off and do things that come naturally to them (this also applies to most of the members of 5T,the only difference is that they do not confine their activities to the close season).In this sensational (?) article (?) we have decided to discuss the more modern aspects of swimfeeding,ie. the Peter Drennan swimfeeder and another one which we don't know the name of.

Methods of swimfeeding.

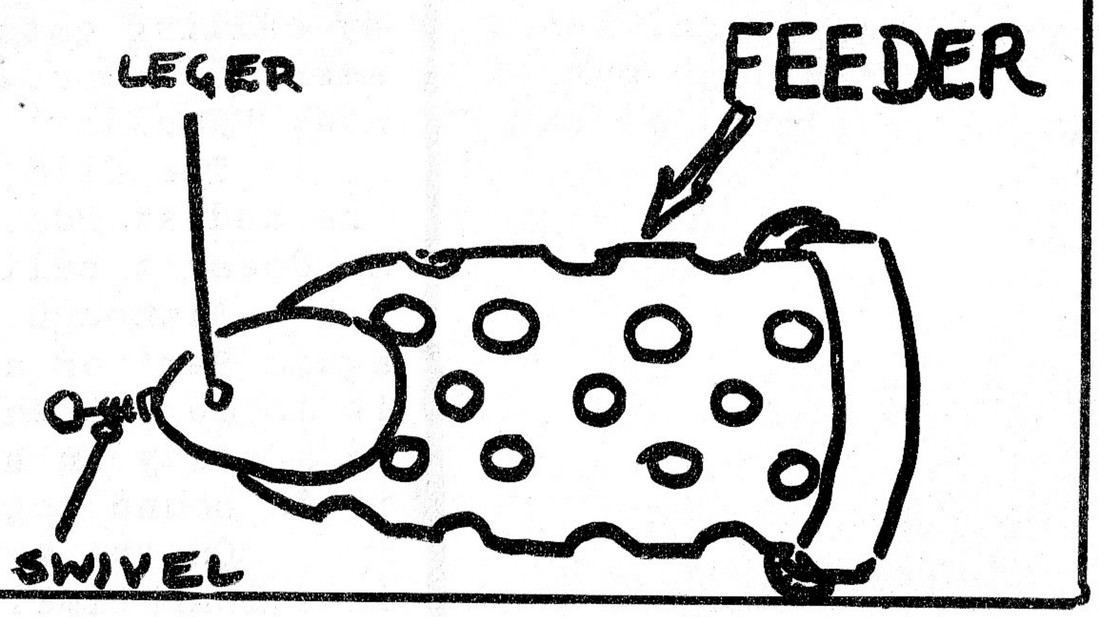
As you may just have managed to gather from our last article,we are not very enth-usiastic about the traditional "bomber"feeder.However,the two mentioned below,are in certain conditions deadly (not literally fool!).Swimfeeders are most effective in winter when fish tend to feed in small localised areas rather than all over the place. In such instances,fish are attracted around your carefully chosen hookbait which they accordingly ignore (would you eat crawling maggots that have visited every sweaty part of an anglers anatomy?).Due to this bites come spasmodically,this has ditinct disadvantages;like when you have a sandwich firmly grasped in one grubby hand, and a cup of tea in the other,and a thermos (flask to you) trapped deftly between your legs. At such convenient times the rod swings through 90 degrees admist a flurry of cucumber sandwiches,lukewarm tea and revolving reel handles you strike,and with typical skill you knock the rod in!As it is impossible to give die-hard rules about swimfeeding we will give an outline of what to do basically at most waters.On reaching your chosen swim,cast in as quietly as is humanly possible,a large swimfeeder(we realise that some anglers will have difficulty in doing this as they aren't of Earth origin,Stickells take note,).After cursing,re'cast preferably with the swimfeeder attatched to the line. For the first hour or so,cast in about every 10-20 mins,with the swimfeeder about three quarters full.Try and make the casts accurate and so they continually land in the same area.After your first fruitless hour,start exploring other places using a smaller amount of feed,making sure you do not overfeed.Concentrate on localising feed and not casting too often.As fish are timid in these conditions,strike at all bites no matter how small.If this fails tie a large brick to your neck (recommended 190 lb bs Bayer line)and jump off any bridges (make sure,in your suicide attempt,that it is a river beneath and not the M4.).

Peter Drennan Swimfeeder.

It was recently invented by Peter Dren-nan (suprise,suprise!),and obviously a great deal of thuoght has gone into its design.It comes in three sizes (large, medium and largish small Ed:stop covering up for those spelling mistakes!)and each cost about 25 pence each.They are a trans-luccent green (see through) which is appar-ently designed to prevent Eels eating them The distance that these bouyant beauties can be cast depends on the amount of weight carried by the feeder.To increase weight attach swan shot to the nylon trace coming from the base of the feeder.If the current is very fast or in flood (you will know this when you see sheep floating down-stream with their legs in the air) you can attach small leger weights.

The unknown swimfeeder!

Like the Peter Drennan swimfeeder,this one is relatively new on the market.It is black in colour and comes in only one size. Its design is streamlined to to prevent resistance to the current.However,its main asset is that the leger weight (see dia-gram) can be seperated from the swimfeeder. This means that you can alternate between legering and swimfeeding,withuot changing the tackle.



EDITORIAL.

Hi, this editorial is completely dedicated to Mr. S. ? who after many weeks of begging letters and of falling to his knees everytime I see him saying "Please, please I want my name in cactus." We have, after long debates on the subject, desided to grant his request, so here you are, for the great ? and only, here is your name,

MR. S. SILVESTER.

MR. S. SILVESTER.

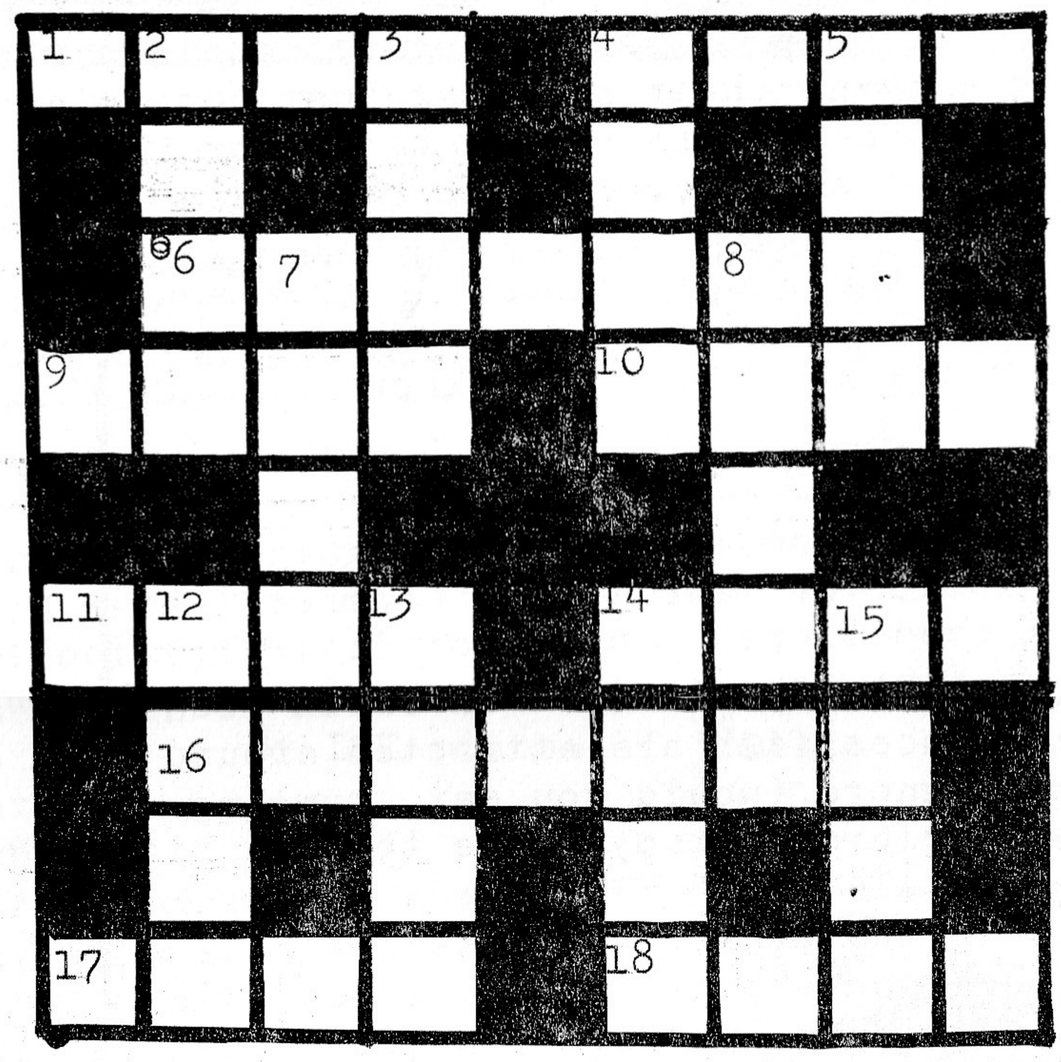
We still regret to say that due to industrial action the rest of this editorial has been withdrawn.

signed

Mr. S. Silvester.

(our guest editor.)

CROSSWORD



Across.

1) The fruit of a palm tree (4) 4) A piece of baked bread (4) 6) A crime against the state (7) 9) A fruit (4) 10) The fruit of the blackthorn (4) 11) A truth (4) 14) Above (4) 16) A short-handled axe (7) 17) A notion (4) 18) The organ of smell (4)

Down.

2) A word meaning 'before' (4) 3) For all time (4) 4) Not so much (4) 5) A river of Italy (4) 7) A Cattle farm in America (5) 8) Girl's name, or a fruit (5) 12) Bitter or sour (4) 13) A garment Romans used to wear (4) 14) Not closed (4) 15) Gone astray (4)

Answers on page 11.

FILM REVIEW

ANNIE HALL

Annie Hall, is probably Woody Allen's most offbeat film to date. Some examples are when he is walking down the street asking passers-by what he did to cause the break-up between himself and Annie, when he's in a cinema queue and he walks to the camera after an arguement has been settled by calling onto the screen a real life writer whom the arguement is about. He walks to the camera and says to the audence, "Wouldn't it be good if you could do this in real life?

The film, as you probably know, has won many nominations and awards..Strangely, Woody is not intrested in them as he doesn't believe that awards should be given for films.

Although it is not as continuity hilarious as 'Play it again Sam' or as funny yet sad as 'Take the Money and Run' it is an extremely well made and funny film. The film itself is a study in human character, a love story yet throughout, it is bound together with that typical Woody Allen humour.

On the whole it is probably the best film I have seen in a long time. Vincent Osborne 4T.

THE WALLS HAVE EARS

BY MUSTAPHA GOSSIP

Rumour has it....

The engineering department has invented a car that is run entirely on baked beans...it is said to go like the wind!

A laxative was accidently added to the school dinners yesterday.It is the first time for twenty years that the school has been running smoothly.

We have decided not to knock Mr.Lince, something may drop off!

Did you know that Mr.Hill keeps chickens? No,well one gusty day one of his chickens sat with her back to the wind and laid the same egg 4 times.

Mr.Bedford was recently seen in the maths basement eating wire coathangers.He said that he was on a staple diet.

That Mary is a dromedary?However this information is false,and so is the other one!!

Mrs.Rock went into a restaurant and asked the waitor if they served crabs? He replied "Sit down madam we serve anyone".

On a recent sponsered walk Mr.Sankey did 6miles,15 pubs,2 barmaids and a one-armed bandit by mistake.



MODELLING

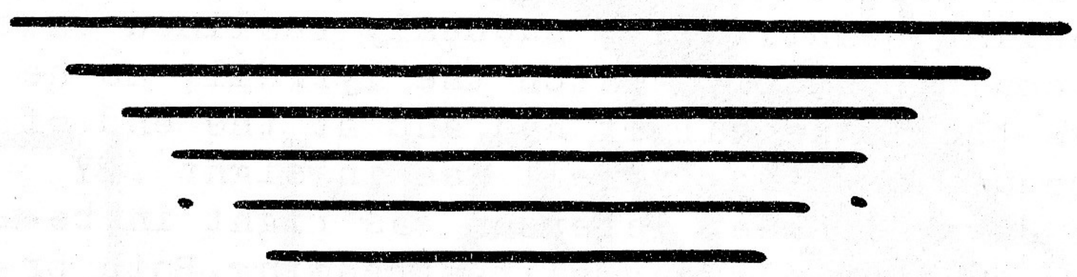
In this issue,there will be a review on how to apply decals and scene settings. There were two mistakes in the last issue; first on the fourth line how to paint,it said "and allow to dry,it should have said "and allow the paint to half-dry.The sec--ond mistake was in the seventh line;"A mottle effect"not a malting effect.

DECALS.

On previous models,you should have noticed a shiny surface around the decals,this is their backing.The way to get rid of it,is to cut around the marking(or as near as you dare) before soaking.Only apply decals once you are satisfied with your painting, but when you are adding effects eg mud, don't forget to make the marking look muddy as well.The way to do this iis to thin your mud colour with thinners and the n paint it over the decals.This gives it the muddy effect without hiding it.One final word on decals,when your friends come round to admire your models,never let them handle your models as you will find that when they have left,a few decals will be missing.They are easily rubbed off with clumsy fingers. this can be prevented by applying a coat of matt or gloss varnish to the finished model.

SCENE SETTING.

Models look very nice when they are fini--shed and just put in a display case,but some look better with a scene around them. Professional madellers can areate such good scenes that when you look at a photo--graph of their model in its scene,it is difficult to tell it apart from the real thing.Now back to your scene;grass to scale can be bought from your local model shop or made from twigs.Gravel can be made gfrom dust.Sand can be used and cards can be painted light grey to represent a runway. 'Airfix' make some good scenes for around one pound each.A lot of spares come with it which can be used for future scenes.Paper mache molded into shape and suitably pain--ted makes a good sea.



MOTOR SPORT

Since Gunner Nilson left Lotus to become team leader in the Arrows team, His place was taken by another Swede, Ronnie Peterson. Who left Lotus several years before to join the Tyrrell team ;saying he had lost faith in Colin Chapman the Lotus team manager, but now he's back second to Mario Andretti,after a number of unlucky seasons with the P34, 6 wheel Tyrrell which never quite paid off, but I can only offer praise for Tyrrell on staking their reputation on a novel and refreshing developement programme. But this year they have reverted to an orthadox 4 wheel car designated the 008.

James Hunt meanwhile is still in the running,although his chances of recapturing the title are steadily declining,with the M26 and is joined by the promising Patrick Tambay after Jochen Mass's departure to head the ATS-March team.

It suprised me to see Niki Lauda in such good form scoring points in the first two GP's,after changing teams from Ferrari to Brabham,demoting JOHN Watson the only successful failure in Formula One from team leader to second. On closer examination there are marked similarities between two teams. Both are Italian engined and have 12cylineders horizontally opposed;hence the term flat- 12. For the first part of the year, Lauda and Watson were driving an intermediate version of the BT45 awaiting the eventual arrival of the BT46, the mid-version being catalogued the BT45/...C.

Meanwhile back at the ranch ,so to speak,of Italian prestige, Ferrari have still been able to hold onto Carlos Reutemann who had a salary increase on moving to team leader er when Niki Lauda departed in ah huff,no it's not another Japanese car,to the Alfa-Romeo engined Brabham team run by flamboyant team manager Bernie Ecclestone. Into the Ferrari team came the new talent of Gilles Villeneuve a French -Canadian living in Italy;work that one out;who set the fastest lap time in this years Argentinian GP and finished a respectable 8th place, of course right behind Carlos Reutemann who was 7th 16.28 sec ahead. Reutemann won the following GP, the Brazilian in fine style funny enough on Michelin tyres which appeared to give a higher adhesion to the track while almost all the others where having trouble with their Goodyear 's.

A few years ago Firestone pulled out of Formula One and left the entire job to Goodyears. Goodyears later said it would be better to have a standard tyre so an unfair advantage cannot be blamed on the tyres. Then last year Renault with their 1.5 litre a turbo-charged Renault-Gordini V6 effort was seen on occasions with Michelin tyres. This year Ferrari have signed a contract with Michelin to supply tyres to run on the new Ferrari 312 T2/ and the new 312 T3/ which although on the outside looks much like a modified 312 T2/ inside it is a completely differant new car . 'What about the engine', I here you cry, well the car is still based on the ever faithful Ferrari flat-12, with very minor minor changes.

So now Goodyear will have to step up thier developement programme to fend off this new challenge from Micheline. So it seemss to be a very promising year.

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SUPERHERO



MARVEL MAN

DEBATE PAGE

LIVING TOGETHER

Living together, to me, is everybody, black, white, or Indian. People should be able to live together without a racial superiority complex. But here we are in 1978 with racist organistions, like the National Front, which want to repatriate all black immigrants. The reasom they say, is justified apparently they are to be blamed for our present economic crisis, this is absurd as it it stems from the world wars, long before black immigrants started to come into Britian. As to their complaint that "black are overrunning this country"; less than 3% of our 56million inhabitants are black.

Why these people state these false accusations cannot be said for sure, however they cannot be sane and probably do so to gain political support from misled voters.

In past issues of Cactus, we have read all the pro-National Front letters, all based upon carefully constructed lies. For example, one letter states that black people are unfriendly and unsociable. We would be fools to say that none of them are but can you blame them?? In 1955-6 they were invited over to Britian by the Minister of Health, Mr. Enoch Powell, to, solve the under--manning in social services e.g. the Nation--al health and London Transport. Within two years of them arriving they were abused by racist organisations such as the British Facist Party, the National Front and the Klu Klux Klan. The amount of black crime is high but is only proportional to that of white thugs and not what the NF lead you to believe. The letter also stated that "the Polish Air Force is twice as large as the RAF", this is total nonsense, and anyway what has this got to do with the immigrants The writer also neglected to signit, due to "socialist terrorists", he said, or was it because he knew he was lying and was trying to promote disturbance within the school, which he could then attribute to blacks?

The message is clear; the NF is a racist organisation, intent on fooling voters to give them them the neccessary power to impose their fascist doctrines on Britian. 6th formers, who now have the vote, do you want to live in a Fascist society resembl--ing Nazi Germany.

By
T. Wellbelove
and
H. Potter.

Mr. Dar has replied to the Mustapha Gossip printed in the last issue. This was:

"Mr. Dar is the London link in the recent PLO Jaffa orange scare!"

HIS REPLY.

The editor,
"Cactus".

Sir,

Since your revelations about the 5th Year's P.L.O. connection (your last issue), reprisal raids on room 18, as well as visits by violin salesmen from Mossad? Irgun? Stern Gang? are daily anticipated.

(Pssst...! It seems "Cactus" has been infil--trated by a sharp Zionist secret service man 'Cactasia' could never have blown my cover!)

F. H. Dar
Room 18 Refugee Camp.

A SPECIAL "CACTUS" NOTICE.

VArious changes are about to take place to the basic make-up of the "Cactus" staff for the new acedemic year. A staff list will be printed in a future edition of "Cactus", but we would like to outline some of them now.

Firstly A. Wellbelove of the sixth year has left "Cactus"! He was the founder member of "Cactus" and has been the mainstay of it for over a year. We would like thank him greatly as "Cactus" would not be what it is had it not been for Tony. We wish him the best of luck in his future career.

Secondly H. Potter of the present fifth year has taken-by a democratic vote (believe it or not) the position of Editor. And thirdly Miss Ackerman of the English Department has decided to assume the post recently vacated by Miss Szeja of the Art Department. We would like to exercise our great thanks to her for her valiant gesture!

FILM THINGS

This is a chart which should make film going easy for you:-

'Star Wars' is a phenomenon.

'Close Encounters of the Third Kind is an odyssey.

'Saturday Night Fever'is fantastic.

So, stay sharp, kid. And may the farce be with you.

I am now glad to tell you that not all directors have jumped on the science fiction band wagon. Some directors are still on the old Jaws horror/blood band wagon. Two films which when released (unleashed) in (on) this country will probably be a double bill. One film is called 'Rattlers' and the other 'Axe'. Here is the story run down on both films.

'Rattlers',if you saw, and enjoyed, 'Sssnakws or 'Frogs' and are expecting the same from 'Rattlers'....I think you're going to be disappionted. Actually it should be pretty frighting stuff (especially if you have a thing about snakes) but in essence it's Jaws meets Dr. Frankenstein, or any other friendly neighbourhood mad-scientist. This one though, is a us army colonel, filled with post-vietnam war feelings (he's from 'Company C').

Rattlesnakes in and around the Mojave Desert start acting up (which is more than can be said for the cast). Snakebites disfigiguring a pair of lads on camping holiday. Kill a man in his sleep. Wipe out an entire family-dog,,chicken, livestock and all. Chase a glider pilot at nightfall, one rattler sticking fast to his leg and biting furiously. And make a mess of Cella Kaye's bath night, crawling through her drain and pipes and, if nothing else, providing a great poster illustration.

Now rattles, as out heroic young expert Dr. Sam Chew tells us, just do not behave like this. 'They don't usally attack unless provoked',says he. So, next question— what's provoking them?

Aided by a photo-journalist, Elisabeth Chauvet, who has just returned from Vietnam, Sam works out that all the fatal attacks happened with a certain radius. Bang (if that's the right word)in the middle of this vicious circle—an army base. Col. Dan PRiest informs them that many of his men have been bitten that month. What the colonel doesn't say is why. He's been experimenting with a CT3 (CNTK) nerve-gas causing wild and manic behaviour. The cannisters sprang a leak add were buried in concrete down an desolate mine-shaft, which just happens to be the ancestral home of the local rattles.

'Axe', Frederick J. Friedal might, just might, be a Gothic disciple to watch. Friedal certainly tries hard enough in 'Axe', a bargain-basement'massacre' movie (Axes come cheaper than chainsaws). He wites, directts, edits and plays the youngest of the three armed killers on the run, hiding out in an isolated farmhouse, inhabited by one paralysed old-timer and 13 year old Lisa, his granddaughter,

Fred also gets to spill alot of ketchup. When the gang's leader (Jack Canon) attacks young Liza,she very nearly severs his head from neck with an open razor.She then shoves the body in a bath tub and proceeds to hack it up into little pieces with a similarly handy axe.By the time Canon's chopped remains are secured in an old truck, the same fate befalls Lomax,the triggerman for exactly the same reason.He makes a grab for the girl,as grandad is sitting,helplessly watching,she splits Lomax's head in two with the axe.

Director Friedal (in the part of nervy Billy) misses his mates and notes a small pool of blood forming on a log in the fire-place. He looks up. Bang! Lomax's mutilated body slams down from inside the chimney. Billy 'bottles'and runs straight into the cops who gun him down for no apparent reason. While upstairs in the farmhouse, Lesile Lee feeds soup to her grandad, who is oblivious to everything.

Publicity lines for Lew Grade's new movie, 'Medusa Touch' sound intriguing. "What if a man had the psychokinetic power to make planes crash, buildings topple, spacecraft miss their target....and people die? And what if he were unable to die himself?" Yeah, how about that. 'Carrie' was better.

Stephen Hooker 4K.

EARTHQUAKE.

I come from a country called Chile which is situated in the west part of South America.This is a long and narrow country. with the eastern parts dominated by the great Andes.I used to live in Santiago which is the capital of Chile,from which you can see the Andes.In the middle of the Andes there is a problem;I am not sure where,but there are volcanoes which are still active.In Chile earthquakes occur frequently.When an earthquake occurs it leaves a trail of disaster.The earthquakes do not occur very often but they can occur at anytime and when they do they can be devastating.I still remember the earth--quakes from when I lived there,fortunately we lived in a strong house so we were quite safe.

I don't remember the time it was,when I was disturbed by a small tremor which grew larger each second.When there is a tremor you can hear windows vibate,the floor starts shaking and the roof top moves. Fortunately nothing is usually destroyed. Furniture shakes and moves;in fact every-thing shakes,moves and vibrates.It was about 4 oclock in the morning when it started.I was scarred,very scarred,but I just kept in bed with my eyes open. Suddenly I jumped out of bed and ran outside my father and mother also left their beds and joined me outside.We stoomd underneath the doorway as it was the safest place.BY then people were waking up,turning their lights on and switching on their televis-ions to see what the news was saying (when there is an earthquake,televisions and radios inform people of what has happened and if another tremor is likely to occur).

We went to see our relations in our car whil our neighbours did the same thing. Outside fire engines were driving along the main street as fires easily spring up. Although I didn't see any destroyed buil-dings,many people had been killed as we laernt the next day.The electricity went out,as the pylons were shattered by the tremor.

It has always been the same,the tremors come in the night while I am sleeping. Occasionaly slight tremors are felt as opposed to the big tremors,which arre in reality the earthquakes.One earthquake, which also occured at night sent us hurrying to our doorway (the safest place). My dad went with a torch to the back garden to see if things were alright.Whie he was there,he was terrified;he heard thousands of people screaming just like a crowd at a football match.

Tremos do not only occur at night but during the day as well,however,the worse ones occur at night.When tremors at school occur the school is evacuated by the teac--hers similar to that of a fire drill.

Sometimes I hear noisy sounds similar to that of an earthquake,but these are made by large planes.I do get scared but I know that in this country you do not get earthquakes. But you never know,do you?

By L.Espinosa of 3 Delta.



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F.X. BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! Those were the three cannons firing the new season into action! Wimbledon began the new term with a British League match against Sheffield Tigers who must have lost their claws on the way south as they were trounced 52-26! Larry Ross scored a maximum and Colin Richardson a paid I2. A great start which was to get better as the season rolled on. Next on the team front was an away match in the GBL at Belle Vue. The riders from both sides splashed about in the rain on a track that could have been described as a weak excuse for a lake. Still the Dons pushed the Aces to a last heat decider but lost 35-43, Larry scoring IO points.

On Bank Holiday Monday Dons were to play White City at Wood Lane in the afternoon and have the return leg at Plough Lane the same evening. You may remember that last year The LBC Rebels won both matches against The Dons. Well this was all to change in the six hours to follow. At White City Eddie Jancarz and Larry Ross led the team to an emphatic win by 42-36 with only Gordon 'pig farmer extrordinnaire!' Kennett proving to be any great trouble. At Plough Lane Dons swamped the Rebels 47-31 but again Kennett was too good for the Dons scoring a maximum but the rest of the team were dreadful. Also in the league the Dons went to Cradley and lost 35-43 again, Larry Ross was top scorer with 12. In the Gauntlets (that's British Leylands clapped out old bangers bought and sold dept.) Spring Gold Cup Dons lost all three away matches, at Poole 37-41, Exeter 36-42 and Bristol 35-43 with all three matches going to last heat deciders. At home the Dons beat Poole 48-30, had the Bristol match washed out after six heats with the Dons leading 26-IO. However the match against Exeter saw the Dons win by 57-2I a total massacre of the Falcon Flyers from Devon (Ooh arr!!).

The Dons won a four team tournament at Reading scoring 26 pts to Bristols 24 with Reading and Poole joint last with 23

In Individual Tournaments Plough Lane held the Daily Express Spring Classic in the 2nd week of the season, here is, reporting from Donsland our space ace writer Luck Starsquasher: "Well hello lunar friends, the Spring Classic was won by Scott the Rocket Autrey His Saturn V engine propelled starts were something to observe (under a telescope of course!) Autrey got I4 pts with Peter Collins riding a Weslake "Moon Buggy" 4-valve 2nd on I3 pts. John Davis (whisper, whisper) was 3rd on I2 after after an inter-galactic run off with (wait a minute Luck you big Alpha Sentori Gordon Kennett was 3rd not Davis!)! So sorry Pluto people, anyway the meeting was better than a trip to the Mars!"

Have you recovered from that banal, childish little episode? Good 'cos there is some great news from the recent league matches.... Dons beat Reading 56-22 at home, Ross I2 pt max and Roger Johns 9 pt max. Away Dons won 50-28 at Wolves a great victory for the Dons which could prove to be the launch pad to a league championship! Ross II and Jancarz IO were the two top scorers. Away at Reading Dons lost a controversial match on a last heat decider 40-38, Johns 9 Mick Hines 7 were the best for the Dons. Bad news from this match was that Ed Jancarz broke a finger in a spill. Also a brick was thrown through a window of the Dons supporters coach the first real violence at speedway for some time.

Competition news: Due to the flood of entries we will extend it and revise it slightly so as to allow more younger people to enter. So we will disregard the team lists and concentrate more on the race jackets. Dont forget two race jackets incorporating England and Rest of the World teams and the Jubilee year. Prizes are to the winner a I978 Year Book to the runner uppers (?) 50 Years of Speedway by Dave (bedwetter) Lanning.

Next issue we will promise a picture and reports on the Levis for feet meeting at Wimbledon and other wonderful speedway action at Plough Lane. Meetings to look out for are in June the Speedway Star Cup comes to Wimbledon in the form of Belle Vue in a 2nd round match. Embassy Internationale and a special Jubilee meeting the day before the Internationale at the end of May. Well folks we have run out of things to say so..

SPORT

ROWING

On Sunday, April 16th Wandsworth rowed at the River Lea regatta. After getting through to the final we failed to finish the course due to a mishap in the boat; but last Saturday (29th April) at Putney Amateur regatta we defeated Westminster School in the first round and went into the final where we meet London Rowing club and Thames Rowing club.

The race started at Wandsworth park and from there until Putney Bridge we were neck and neck with Thames. Then due to a large wave Thames lost their rhythm and lagged back about ½ a length (a length is the length of the boats). Our coxwain then got a warning to move over, but instead of doing this he moved further over into Thames water. At the finish the final verdict was a win for Wandsworth School Over Thames Rowing club by ¾ of a length and 4 lengths over London Rowing club.

We had now finally crossed that hurdle called 'Novices' by winning the 'Beresford Cup'.

The triumphant crew was;

Cox	C. Lyden-Cowan.
Stroke	S. Johnson.
3	P. Roberts.
2	G. Spice.
Bow	P. Hawkins.
Coach	R. O'Farrell.

Our next regatta is on Saturday, May 13th, this being Putney Town regatta where we race as schoolboys' fours' and in the famous Putney .v. Fulham representatives race in 'eights'.

FOR SALE

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SPORT COURSES FOR THE SUMMER

LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS

Learn to play tennis at the LTA/Prudent--ial training centre over the summer holiday at the very resonable rate of 6 lessons (1 hour each lessons) at a rate of £1·50. Anybody who is interested in joining this course should contact Mr. William.

TRAINING AND COACHING FOR ATHLETES

Anybody who wishes to train and be coached by Hercules Wimbledon A.C. should come to Wimbledon park athletic track on Sundays between 10-12a.m. And on Tuesday and Thursday between 6-8p.m.

ONE WEEK TRAINING COURSES

Anybody interested in taking part in a one week course in; Tennis; Badminton; Squash; Cricket and Hockey at the Bank of England sports ground, Priory lane, Roehampton S.W.11. During the week 7 to 11 August 1978. Should contact Mr. Williams.

SPACE FILLER

Er hello....that is to say....we are in aunfortunate um position....that is..... we....as I asy (or even say) ......as yoyou know...we, at this present moment in time... Arsenal 0:1 Ipswich....we think...though .. ...Editor (still supporting Blyth Spartans) was...that is...as I say...you know...then he was slightly.....p-----, AND not many people know that (up yours M.C.-)..... We would like to thank Miss Ackerman again and again and again and again and again.....

The reason why we are forced to write this drivel is. the lack of articles! Please send in your articles (including staff) before we get desperate and call on the ser--vices of stars such as KURT JANSON (no not that, anything but that, please-Ed: yes I'm afraid its true).

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR ARTICLES!

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