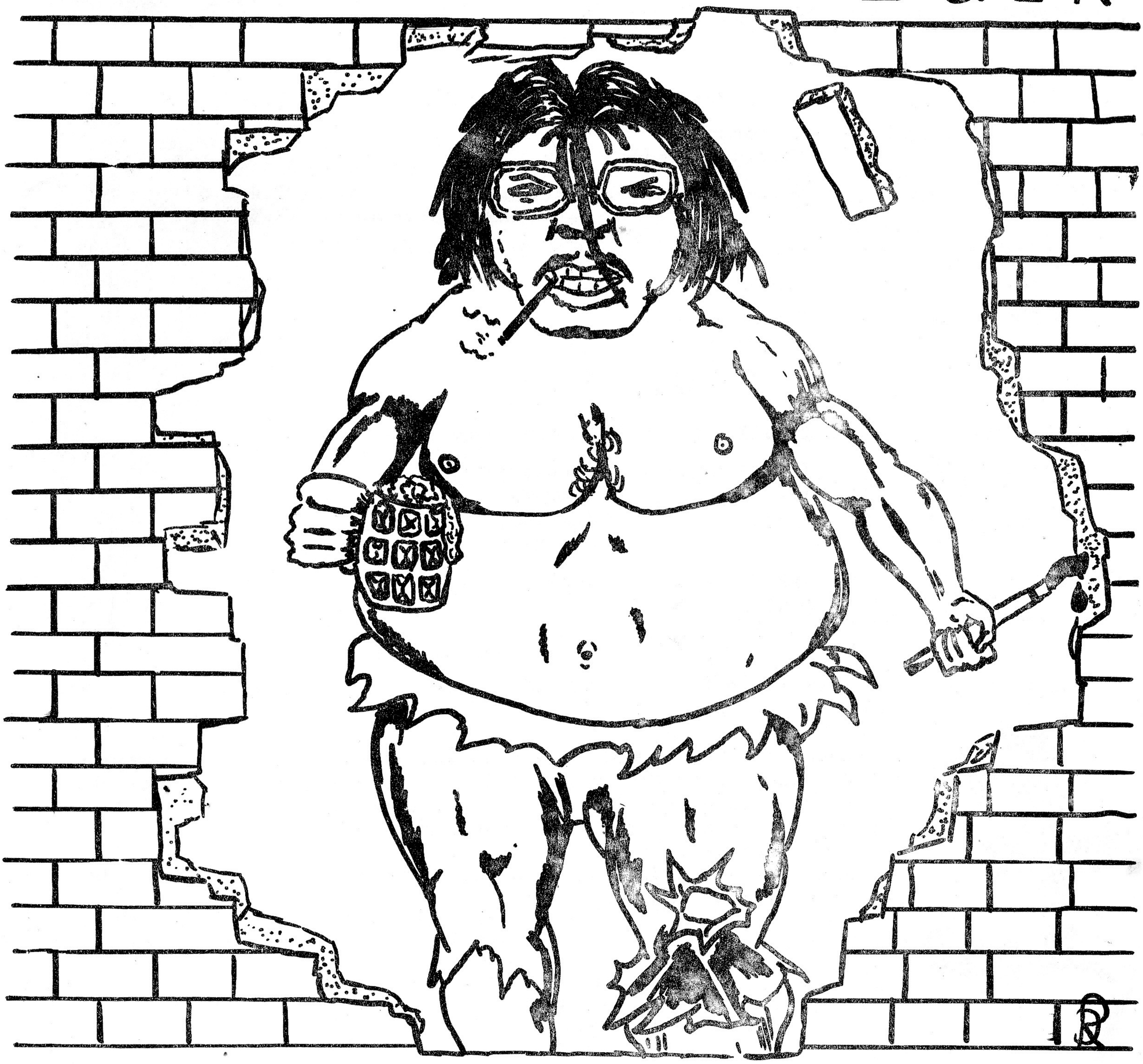
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" THE DECREPIT BULK"



A.S.A.

The following clubs have now started. Anyone wishing to join a club should report on the day and time that the club meets.

If you have any ideas for other clubs will you get your teacher to put it in writing and let Mr. Finbow have details.

CLUBS, SOCIETIES AND AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PROPOSED, OR RUNNING SO FAR.

ACTIVITY	STAFF	DAY & VENUE	TIME
ASTRONOMY CLUB	P.Richards-Jones	Tuesday Planetarium	3.50 p.m.
CANOE CLUB	N.Jordan D.Tucker	Up to half-term Monday & Thursday Wimbledon Park lake	4-6 p.m.
CHESS CLUB	Mr. Welbank	Thursday- LRI	3.50 p.m.
CHRISTIAN UNION	L6 Former (David Haines)	Wednesday Room I	I2.30 p.m.
COMPUTER CLUB	Maths Dept.	Every day Maths Dept Basement	Lunch & 3.30 p.m.
DRAMA CLUB	Mr. Howard	Post School Play	
ELECTRONICS CLUB	N.D.Price	Mondays G.S.5	3.30 p.m.
FENCING CLUB	Prof Simmonds E.Burke	Every day Mon, Tues & Fri	3.30 p.m.
FILM CLUB	R.O'Farrell	Thursday (Occasional)	3.40 p.m.
GUITAR CLUB	S.Millar	Monday Room IO	3.45 p.m.
LIBRARY CLUB	I/3 forms Library	Wednesday Library	3.30 p.m.
PHOTOGRAPHY	G.Allen	Wednesday G.S.5	3.30 p.m.
PUPPET CLUB	Mrs Schrecker	Tuesday Art 5	3.30 p.m.
SCALEXTRICS CLUB	(P.T.A.) & Staff	Thursday Old School Hall	3.30 p.m.
STAMP CLUB	Staff rota	Thursday Room F	3.30 p.m.



One day I was walking along a road, when I saw a cashbox; there was 8,000 pounds in it! So I took it to a police station. They took charge of the box and asked me where I found it. So I told them that I found the box underneath a newspaper, and asked them;

"Will I get a reward?"

The man behind the desk replied that I would, so I left my address and phone-number and went home.

I told my mother and father and they said that I was a good boy. The police station gave the reward to the headmaster who then gave it to me.

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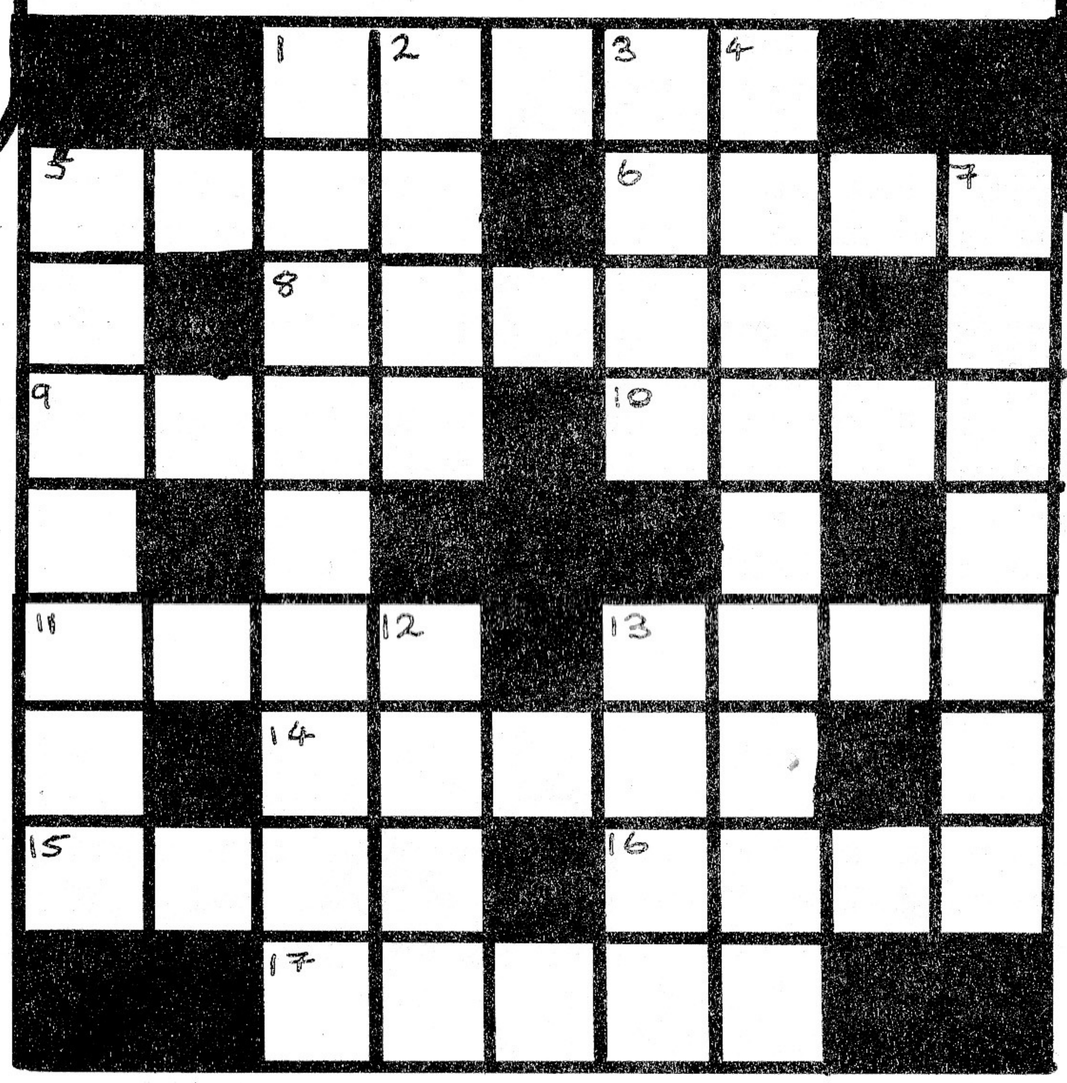
Gary Cooper 2 Tau.

EDITORIAL

I have been asked to write this editorial because this is 'Be Kind to Dumb Animals Week' and the Cactus Staff are trying to do their good deed. (It's a pity we did'nt think of our read6ers! But not to worry as by next issue it will be 'Be kind to readers of second rate school newspapers week' and their-r is no chance of this idiot writing the editor-ial. In fact on the grounds of good taste we are thinking of cancelling the next issue altog-ether. Ed.)

Who is this Ed bloke anyway, he's always butt-ing in whenever I8m try-ing to say something.... and I'm sure that you will have noticed how he sticks his oar in when-ever there is a juicy, naughty bit coming up!He only does this so that he can keep the original manuscript of all the naughty bits and file them alphabetically)(You should see what he's got under 'B',wow!)in the box that he keeps under his bed,and anyway,this typewriter ain't big enough for the both of us(Imagine John Wayne type vocal) and I'm a gonna challenge you to a showdown at high noon!Hey Ed,is you a listening to me?(Ah,sure is boy.)Well ah'm a challenging you to mixed metaphors at twenty paces!(You're on!)(The rest of this has been censored as someone might just be reading this.Dep.Ed.)(Hey who is this Dopp Head guy) Ah think he said Dep.Ed. (Dopp Head,Dep.Ed.what's the difference anyway?) Yeah,let's set a'pun' him .....(?Asst.Dep.Ed.)

CROSSWORD



CLUES

Across:

I. Air passages (5)
5 2. Dread (4)
6 3. To drive out by force (4)
8 4. Titles (5)
9 5. Parts of circles (4)
10 6. To turn round quickly (4)
11 7. A successful stroke or move (4)
13. A pain (4)
14. To boast or brag (5)
15. Profound or not shallow (4)
16. Spreads out grass or hay to dry (4)
17. Destroyed or made level with the ground (5)

Down:

1. The chief port of British Columbia and West Canada (9)
2. Historical periods (4)
3. You have five on each foot. (4)
4. Regarded with suspicion or distrust(9)
5. Flabby, or hanging loose or limp(7)
7. Supply-ships(7)
12. An old-fashioned word for father (4)
13. A word meaning 8 'before'.

ANSWERS TO THE LAST ISSUE'S CROSSWORD.

Across:

3. Words 6. Crated 7. Doris 8. Moor 10. Basra 13. Stow 15. Peril 17. Easier 18. Sword

Down:

1. Scum 2. Nabob 3. Wed 4. Odours 5. Sash 9. Rapier 11. Attic 12. Apes 14. Ward 16. Lad

OPEN VIEW

Wandsworth School 6th form held another Open Views meeting on October I2th in their school hall. This time they and their Mayfield guests were asking questions about crime and punishment. On the platform were Chief Inspector Metcalf of Tooting Police Station, Colin Ferguson, a Battersea Probation Officer and member of the Howard League for Penal Reform and Mr. Brown, the Deputy Chairman of the Wimbledon Magistrates.

The meeting really came to life when the Head Boy, Michael Coke asked a question about the 'SUS' law and how it was used in connection with black youths. Inspector Metcalf explained that a policeman was required to see two suspicious acts committed in order to make a charge of 'being a suspected person'. The Inspector stated clearly that black boys were not more prone to crime than white boys, but they were over represented in this particular type of offence. Mr. Brown pointed out that there was more mugging in Glasgow than Brixton although it was not an area with a large immigrant population. Mr. Ferguson said that both the Howard League and the Probationary Service were in favour of a repeal in the 'SUS' law, as they were out of date and more exact charges should be used.

Boys asked how and where they should complain if they thought they were wrongly used by the police. Inspector Metcalf gave them several alternatives. They could complain by writing or telephoning to any police station or Scotland Yard or by going to the Community Liason Office or the Council. The boys were not happy about this. They wondered if they would get a fair hearing complaining about police men to police-men. They might also be both confused and frightened and formal police procedure would not be suitable.The school offered help if it were useful.

The meeting was a good oppurtunity to question and clarify various points.Thanks again to

Michael,Crispin and Co.

A SHORT POEM

By Ian Anderson.

SAMUEL PETERS

Samuel Peters is his name,
Written in the book of fame,
Super sportsman big and strong,
All goes right and nothing wrong,
Large ball, small ball, bat or gun,
He can swim and he can run.
We all wish that we could be,
A great success the same as he,
See the conquering hero come,
He often does a hole in one.
Pity that he's such a bore,
NO-ONE likes him any more.

WALLS HAVE EARS

BY MUSTAPHA GOSSIP

Rumour has it that;

Mr.Dar believes that an erogenous zone is where you find tropical rain forests (He must bxe told the truth!)

Geoff Howard became very violent and abusive when he was called a thespian. (Something must be done about his hearing).

Mr.Williams is Welsh....
Mr.Archer isn't!!!

Brian Molyneux our very own 6½ million dollar man (that's inflation for you), has been cautioned by the law for showing his bionics to the first for--mers.

The Science Department have discovered that Crispin Lyden-Cowan is unique. Whereas most people have a nose that smells and feet that run,he has a nose that runs and feet that smell!

Overheard in the swimming pool;
"glug,glug,glug....."

Michael Coke has now exhausted his supply of suits,after appearing at official functions in his boiler suit, swim suit,track suit,jump suit,diving suit and was arrested wearing another suit leading to a law suite!!!!!

The closest Paul Doubledee has come to having a wet-dream was when his water-bed sprung a leak.

FOCUS ON...

Michael Coke, Head Boy.

M. Coke the head boy of Wandsworth recently gave an interview to Cactus over a wide range of topics here are the results.....

Q/ Do you think that the role of head boy is too demanding, should 2x people do your job or perhaps the role should be expanded further ?

A/ I feel the head boy is a very demanding job, he has to make many sacrifices to the school, contributing to the boys. With the aid of my deputy I feel that at present it is fine, there is a balance; one can do the finance & administration, the other can do the organisation. So I think the present system is succesfull.

Q/ Could the present system involving head boy , senior prefects and prefects be improved for example like at Mayfield by the addition of form prefects ?

A/ I think that this is one field thetw we could look into improving, the prefects presant role is to clear the building and help boys with their difficulties and to be assistants to the teachers. IIfeel that if we can build up a relaitionship between the boys and prefects it would be a great achievement perhaps we could take assemblies, and even take our own classes which would give us a further sence of responsibility.

Q/ Teacher-6th form-pupil relaitionship, would you care to comment?

A/ I feel it depends on the teacher and the kind of relaitionship he has ,he can be there to mark the register and help them with any problems they may have and that's all,not neccessarily encouraging them, or finding out about their background life , their activities, where they go, things they do.And some of the difficulties that they as young boys might encounter, I think that herethe prefects and 6th formers can play a major part in that boys can express themselves to the 6th formers during their school day. For example the 6th form has now established the remedial section whereby 6th formers during their free periods go into the class and help boys with their reading and their maths, this has been a great success.

Q/ And what about the Teacher / pupil relationship as a whole do you think that stiffer penalties should be bought into school or are the present punishments adequate or perhaps they are too stiff, what power should a teacher have over a pupil ?

A/ The punishments as they now stand are just right one does not always achieve everything by punishment a lot of talk and understanding often has a great effect ,by saying that Ido not mean to say that punishment should be completly abolished only used as a last resort.

Q/ We could expand this to a more social relationship within society itself. At a recent 'Open Veiws' discussion over Crime and Punishment you were very strong in your opinions of the SUS law, could you please outline them ?

A/ I feel very strongly against SUS charges the reason being that it seems to be directed against black youths most of the time. We heard of the many experiances of black youths 'encounters with the police on charges that they did not commit yet treated very unfairly ,and this I feel is wherewe must stand up for our rights.

Q/ You are standing up for the fact that the police seem to misuse the SUS laws ?

A/ Yes I do think that they exploit it, they go down the road and they see a group of black youths and immediately suspect trouble from the youths, they don't realise that black people are very xxxxxxx lively, energetic in their speech and style. They don't accept this they exploit the SUS laws to an extent in a way that causes resentment and an inferior feeling towards the xxxxxx police. We lack the knowledge of our rights, being unaware of them and who we can go to should we find ourselves in such circumstances

Q/ What about expanding links with other schools, not just Mayfield but Elliot, John Griffiths etc etc..?

A/ This is a very goodx idea,we as 6th formers, young people can come together on our own terms and discuss issues which we feel affect us and being a united body we can be more effective, sharing our thoughts,building up a closer inter-school relationship,

The interview will be continued in a later eddition, when we get time to finish it!! Should you disagree with anything Michael has said why not write to our debate page ?

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RECORD REVIEW.

IMAGES:THE CRUSADERS:ABC 5250.

For those of you unaquainted with the Crusaders,they are a funk-jazz band who have been together for over 25 years. It is a generally accepted fact that they are in a class of their own in their field. They combine the funkiest of rhythm sections with the smoothest, most subtle of all jazz saxophonists to create a totally personal and captivating sound.

On this,their newest set, I feel that they have surpassed all of their previous achievments. Indeed for a band to have this much drive, enthusiasm and creativity after such a time is amazing in itself. I must confess to having pre-listening doubts, due to the fact that they have lost 2 stalwart members over the last year, but they are not missed greatly, and my doubts were unfounded.

The album starts off with a sprightly-funky number called "Fairy Tales" which is instantly memorable (catchy) and is probably my favourite track on the album. Next up is the relaxing, sensual "Marcellas Dream" which has delicious textures and a marvelous soprano-sax solo.

The closing two tracks on side one "Bayou Bottoms" and "Merry-Go-Round" are very creative and proof that this music is very much for listening to as well as dancing. Thinking-mans' music!?!?

"Cosmic Reign" opens side-two and is very danceable and has the most stupendous bass playing imaginable. The following track "Covert Action" has the distinction of being both sensual and funky and the album ends in high spirits via "Snowflake".

I must confess to being totally biased but for anybody who likes 'soul' music and wants something in that vein with a jazzy-bed, I would, without reservation, recommend this album.

By The Music Man.

BOOK REVIEW.

The first book review for Cactus;the first book I'd like to review is the "Overland Launch".This is the true story of the terrible winter storms and wild seas that threat--ened to drive the Forest Hall onto the Exmoor coast on Friday,13th January 1899.The author,C.Walter Hodges,has put slight alterations in,but it doesn't alter the story. It is about the Lynmouth lifeboat going overland to launch at Portlock Weir,£ 13 miles away.'It's us or nobody,and it can never be nobody,not in the lifeboat service.Go we must'.So said the Coxwain of'Louisa',the Lynmouth lifeboat,and go they did.Puffin books;40p.

"Aces High" is the second book.It is the story of the Royal Flying Corps."Aces High is the story of Croft,Gresham,and the men of the 76th Squadron-a vivid evocation of the death and despair of a generatioh set against the murderous chivalry of the first great aerial conflict.For pilot Officer Croft,shining with youyth and idealism,it was a glorious adventure extending the loyalties and friendships of his schooldays.

For squadren leader Gresham,hardened and cynical after a year's desperate survival it meant ragged nerves,grim death and despair as he watched young heroes eagerly flying to their own destruction.Published by Futura books at 60p.

REVIEWS.

Roots- A Review by D.Reynolds and W.Steele.

Roots the television series is based on a best-selling novel by Alex Haley. When Haley wrote his book he was retracing his family tree and how he and his family settled in AmErica,and managed to trace as far back as Africa to a tyoung Mandinka warrior named Kunte Kinte.Kunte was abducted while looking for a log to make a drum and was then taken to America and sold into slavery.Kunte learns the ways of the white man;he learned how white man treated slaves and considered themselves superior in some macabre manner.Kunte had what they called 'runaway blood' for he was always attempting and planning to escape from his slavery and to know what it would be like to taste freedom again.Kunte was a grown man when his foot was removed to prevent him from running away again,which ought to say something.

When the story was first screened in America,there were riots;this story actually stirred up racial hatred.To think that people actually didn't like this story and violently objected to it.In our view,we cannot see what is wrong with the story or why some people must insist on believing that the programme was screened to promote racial hatred.

The programme has its bad points,but nothing the producers couldn't redeem.On the whole it is an excellent programme that universally appeals due to its ability to 'infect' people's conscience by the vast maltreatment of Africans in the 17th to the 19th century.

A new series is being planned by the producers,portraying the lives of the anscestors of Alex Haley after "Chicken George" dies;rumour has it that the producers are being accused of exploitation by the original cast.

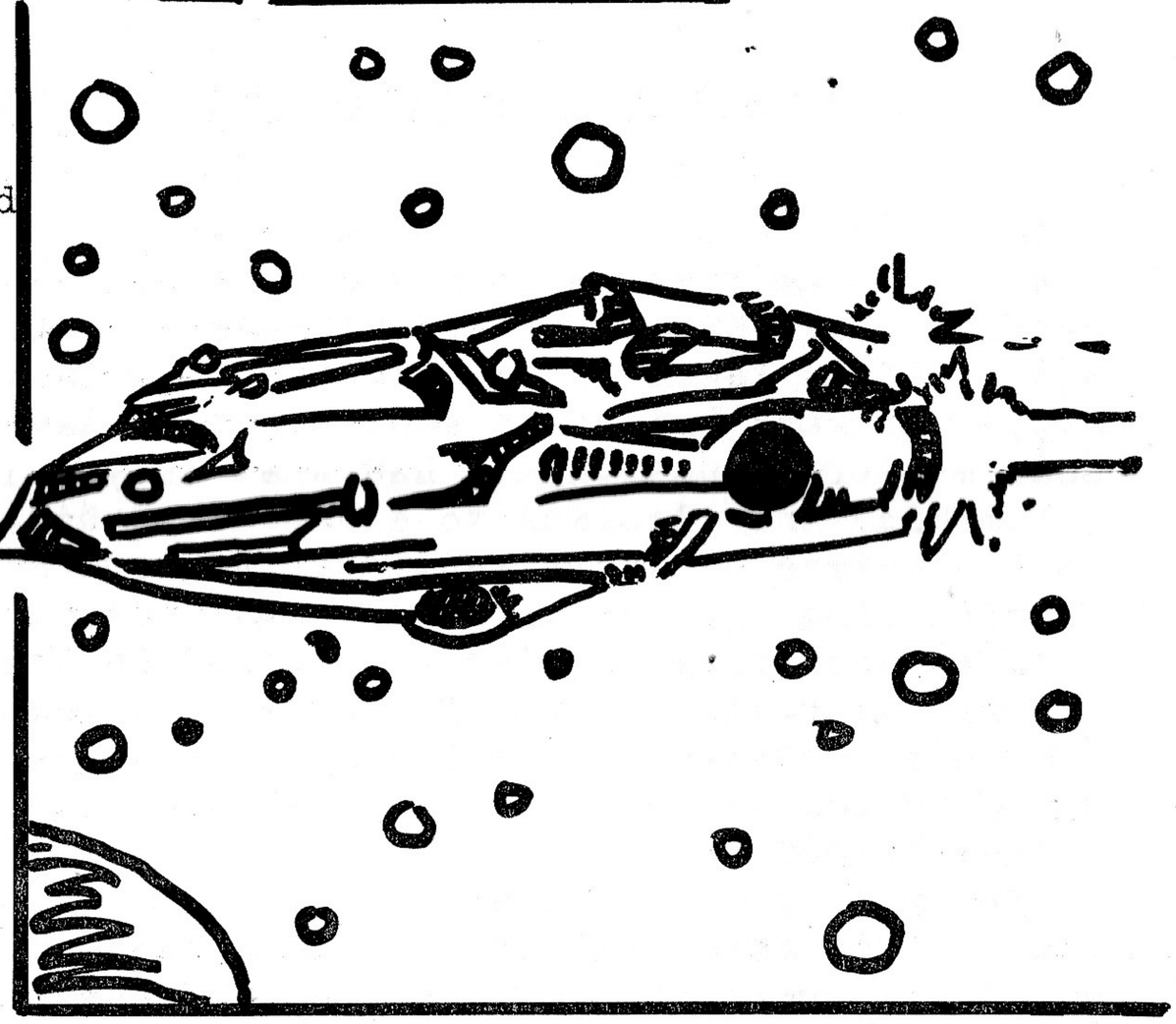
The TOM ROBINSON BAND Live at Hammersmith Odeon.

On Sunday 8th October, the Tom Robinson Band performed live at the Hammersmith Odeon, as part of their current U.K. tour. Since their last London concert in Camden , their keyboard player Mark Ambler has left to form his own band. He has been replaced by Scottish-born Ian Parker.

The concert started with the support band,Irish New Wave band Stiff Little Fingers. Their explosive stagnant set and irish accent prevented us hearing a word of their doubtless Chaucer like lyrics. Their rythms tended to be repetitive to the point of paranoia, making one song indistinguishable from the rest. However, for some obscure reason it was great, probably due to the intake of booze beforehand. After an hour or so, the euphoria began to wear off, and the continual noise became tedious. It was thus a good thing that they finished.

At about nine o'clock, the T.R.B. entered to mad enthuisiasm from the packed hall. Opening with 'Don't take no for an answer' ,from their EP 'Rising Free',the band played a succession of tracks from 'Power in the Darkness',previously released singles, 'Rising Free' and tracks from their forthcoming LP which should be released some time next year..Robinson has a great ability to win support from a crowd by his simple but well-contrived rythms,but particularly his reactionary lyrics.These lyrics,not only stating his advertised disgust of racists,support other often exploited sections of society,such as women in 'Right on sister',homosexuals in 'Glad to be glay'and victims of Police brutality.In my opinion,TRB are more compact in their arrangements and their delivery than they have ever been.Their doubtless ability was well appreciated by the audience who were still cheering an hour after they had concluded with three encores.

EXII



The calender had just marked the second thousand and twelfth year following the coming and going of Jesus the carpenter, and man, despite his agonies and turmoils, delved onward into the limitessness of his surrounding ; space.

In the night-sky you could see her, Exodus II, dwarfing the stars and even the Moon. Exodus II, 25 miles wide, 80 miles long, carrying a population of 17.5 million people. The largest space-ship in the world perhaps the Universe.Mission? now how did they put it? are yes-to seek out new life and new civilization to go boldly where no-you get the picture.

Exodus II was more than just a space-ship, much, much more, she was a city. Inside Exodus II was not unlike London, Paris or New York, except everything was on different levels. London was on level 29 Leuk, not the actual city but a detailed copy, the same for New York (Nyna 39) and Paris (Pef 49).These had been the three countries who had funded the project. There had been one before this ,although everyone tried ti forget about Exodus I, especially the crew of Exodus II.

"So they never regained contact, Sir"

"Thank you, Telecomunacations officer Sutton, it's about time someone filled me in !"

"I agree Captain but isn't this a family story ? "

"Quite right, it's not exactly a moral booster"

"Poor old Exodus I"

"The less said the better, anyway Sutton, the reason I called you was to fix this rotten computer". He jerked his thumb in the general direction of the black box on the wall, "can't get a single peep out of it".

"Have you tried the vollume control Sir ?"



"What!What!I didn't get to where I am today not trying the volume control!What do you think I am a moron?"

He slammed his fist on the plasi-rubber table,which warped and then sprang back sending weed-crackers into the air,most of them landed on Sutton.Sutton hated weed crackers.

"No sir,but..."

"Oh cosmics cataclysms."The captain sat down looking very dejected.

"Have you tried..."

"I have tried everything;tri-dimensional hyper-bolts,solar-conducterisation shots, computer characterisation therapy.This rotten computer just will not work"

"Captain,have you ever considered thump--ing it on the side?"

Has the Captain ever thumped it on the side, does his wife know?See next issue for the answers.

SPEEDWAY ☆ WIMBLEDON

As promised from the last issue we will kick-off with a report on the National Lea -gue Riders Championship, held at Plough Lane on Sep 23rd. The meeting was a bit slow in taking off but as the second half started the meeting woke up.

Like the World Final the early races were to prove significant as regards the final result. Whilst Steve Koppe was winning his races his main rivals were dropping vital points in their early starts. F'rinstance Dave Gooderham got 3pts from 2 rides and won his last 3 rides including a win over Koppe. Ray Bales even had a last place in his 2nd race and like Gooderham won his last three rides. John Jackson was consist -ently good in taking 2nd place. Tom Owen was a great failure for a rider who was the hottest favourites for many ages.

The top 3 in the NLRC were: Steve Koppe I4, John Jackson I3, Ted Hubbard I2, after a run-off with Gooderham also on I2.

The following Thursday Dons rode against Coventry in a challenge match. Ole Olsen, the World Champ was their and scored a sup- reme maximum for the Bees but Wimbledon won 44-34, to rub it in Larry Ross won the 2nd half final beating Olsen from the back.

Next was Dons final league match against Poole. With fit riders becoming a rarity at Plough Lane this match was tough for the Dons but thanks to some resilient, forceful riding by the team they won 42-36. Visiting skipper scored a fine maximum yet even he, Ma;colm Simmons could'nt stop the Dons from ending with a win. Larry Ross chipped in with IO, Eddie Jancarz got 9 and Stefan Salomonsson got back in the scoring groove with 8.

At last some silverware!!!

Wimbledon beat the Hackney Hawks easily for the London Cup. In the Ist leg Hawks won by I point 39-38, at Wimbledon it was a merciless (check spelling) massacre! 55-23 was the score despite the Hackney Promoter saying that the 'Awks has the capacity to lift the Cup'..... They were pathetic, and failed to even win a race in the 2nd leg. Ross, Muts and Jancarz all scored maximums of a kind and the aggregate score was 93-63.

The end of the season has finally come at Wimbledon in what has been a truly fantas -tic year. The Laurels was an example of this as Rudy Muts finished 2nd to John Davis and infront of Steve Weatherley. The final meeting of the year was the Farewell Pairs. Ed Jancarz and Roger Johns won from Ross and Stapleton.

Achievements durimg the year have been good, 4th in the league Champions of London, Four team tournament winners at Reading in the Daily Mirror Tourney, The Golden Wonder Fours at Plough Lane and the Jubilee Fours at Birmingham. Ed Jancarz rode in the World Team Cup Final for his country as did Rudy Muts for Holland in a qualifying round. Ross was a key figure in the Durex sponsored England/Australasia test series. Dons found a new heat leader in Johns who climbed to 3rd in the averages with all the Dons averaging over 6 points a meeting. Larry represented the Dons in the BLRC at Belle Vue and was 4th behind Olsen (pictured), Peter Collins and Stevei Bastable.

So the Dons have gerreat (super) hopes for the title in '79. Jancarz looks set to come back yet again, Ross wants to ride for the Dons next year, Muts, Salomonsson, Johns, Richardson and the rest of the gang except Mick Hines are raring for the next season to start. Mick says that speedway can't pay his bills so he will be retiring if the pay scales don't go up. However rumour has it that an American may well be coming to Wimbledon next year. With that we leave you until March I5 I979.....

OLE OLSEN, DENMARK AND COVENTRY



one small correction... Rudi Muts partenered Jancarz not Johns OK!!

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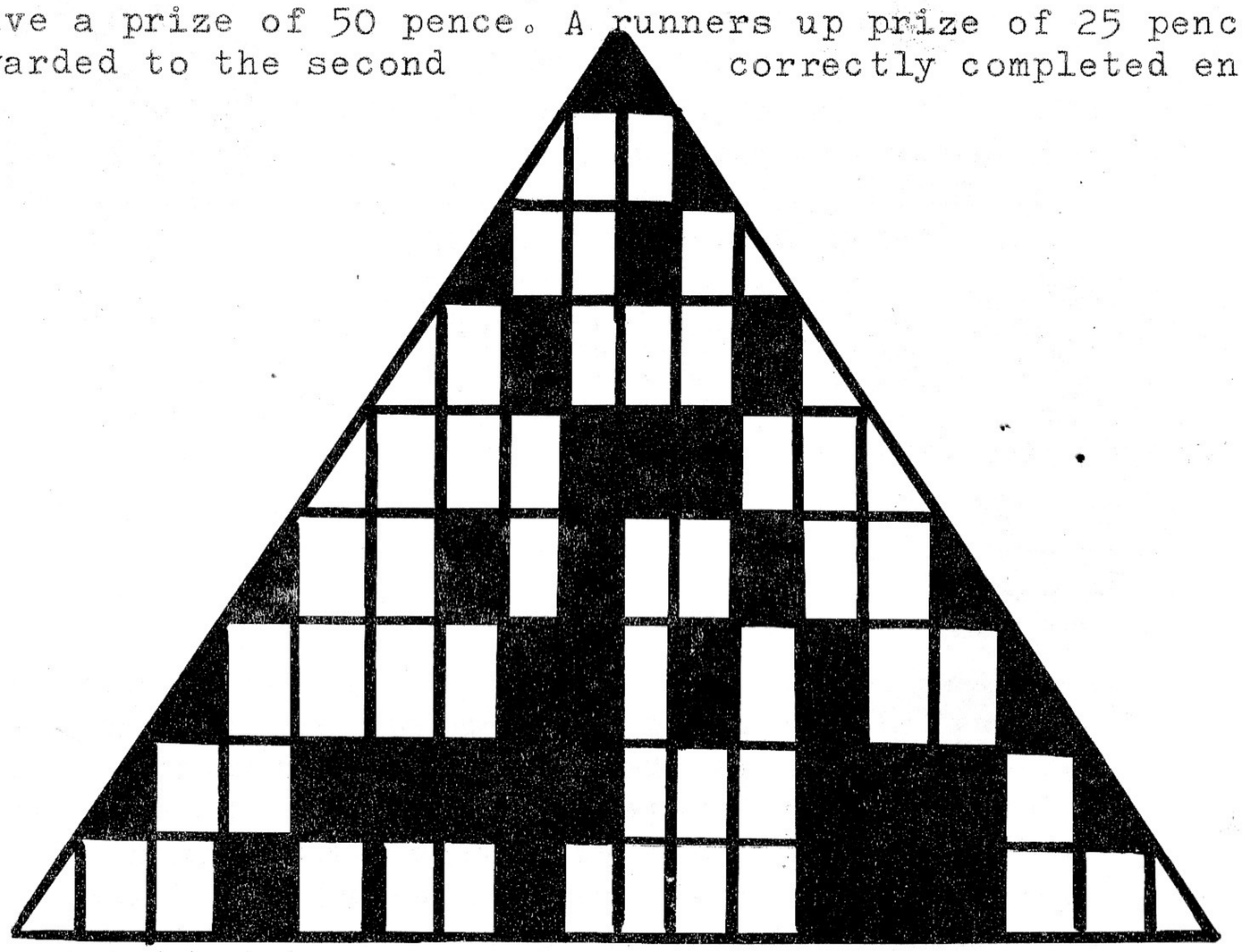
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7788,6796

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594,873,648,694,169.

Twofigure numbers.....81,20,92,98,62,46,74,27,97.
24,70,48,31,42,37,91.

The first person to give a correctly completed form to the editor on any day ~~af the~~ break in the morning will be adjudged the winner. The editors decision is final, no member of the Cactus staff is eligible to enter or any other person who may have had an insight into the answers through a member of the Cactus Staff. Other than that every member of the school, be they staff or pupil are eligible to enter. The winner will receive a prize of 50 pence. A runners up prize of 25 pence will be awarded to the second correctly completed entry.



Our

DEBATE PAGE

With reference to the last debate page, we have received this letter from Crispin Lyden-Cowan the Deputy Head Boy.

Sir,

With reference to your illadvised comments on Steve Pederson's letter, may I draw your attention to the basic principles of freedom of thought, speech and criticism.

Mr. Pederson has a right to expect a clear and locical answer to his letter. He has expressed his dissatisfaction with the style and bias of your paper. Instead of producing a reasonable justification you engaged in a series of weak excuses and nit picking comments.

You stated that you are not biased in the printing of anti NF material. You ARE! If you wanted to be unbiased you should go and seek out articles like most decent papers do and not just sit contented that more people write anti NF material than pro NF. NF supports (of which I am not) tend to be inhibited in a school of our nature and need encouragement to write- even anonomously.

I was disappointed that you did not refute the justifiable criticism levelled at your paper and I hope that we can expect, in the future, a cooler more cerebral approach to any criticism of your journal.

On past experience I find your paper has tended to support left wing principles. Have you considered that the readers might like to read both points of view and I see it as the paper's job, to certain extent, to get both points of view and not concentra-te on pressing for just one, or not bothering about the second.

Yours truly

C. Lyden-Cowan (6Q)
Deputy Head Boy.

Dear Crispin,

Thank you for your letter, as the editorial staff are tired of contributing 100% of the articles in this newspaper.

Your criticism of a political bias is true, but then isn't it true of any newspaper? For a long while now most students have been prepared to buy 'Cactus', but they haven't felt the urge to do anything positive to help. When only a small group of people are concerned in an enterprise it is ~~significant~~ very difficult to prevent their views from permeating the whole newspaper. The obvious solution is for all members of the school to feel free to air their views; no matter what they may be. I also believe that a school newspaper should be as free of polotics as possible. After all there are plenty of other areas which could be explored.

You also say that the editorial staff should seek out articles. This is rather unfair as all the students involved do this in their spare time and, unlike ordinary reporters, most of their time is tied up in their studies. What they need is the help of the student body. There must be plenty of people in this school who have something interesting to say. I would like to see the 'Cactus' office beseiged by eager contributers.

COME ON EVERYONE!! NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE YOUR PRESENCE FELT. SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL NEWSPAPER.

L. Ackerman.

Just before half-term, the prefects unanimously voted to go out on strike. One week later they were told to return to their duties. We would like to know why this occured and would like to have your views on this subject.

Is it still necessary for subjects such as Religious Studies to be compulsory when more time could be devoted to essential subjects such as English and Mathematics?

SPORT

UNDER-14 SOCCER.

The under-14 soccer team continues on its winning path, having won all their games this season.

Their most recent success (at the time of print), was in a Cup competition against a strong, well drilled side from Sinjuns. They were trailing 1-0 to a breakaway goal but managed to pull back to 1-1 at half time after some tremendous pressure.

With their confidence growing all the time and the help of a stiff wind they soon went into a 2-1 lead, In the second half and at this stage the Sinjuns defence gave way. Peters added to the pressure moving up from the defence, whilst McCoy, Mattos and P.Williams were tireless workers. McCoy cracked in a fine left foot shot to put the score to 3-1. Following enormous pressure the 4th goal for Wandsworth came just before the end.

A fine display by the Wandsworth team - let's hope they carry on the winning run.

UNDER-15 SOCCER.

Despite poor showings on the score sheet this season, the 4th year soccer team is already showing signs of recovery and after half term should be producing much better results.

A few weeks ago they went out of the cup competition to Christopher Wren, an excellent side who won the trophy last year. However the match was far from one sided with Wandsworth eventualy losing out 3-0 but going down in fine style and hitting the woodwork twice.

As far as individuals are concerned most of the players are putting in fine performances. Mark Tidbury has brought off several fine saves; Stafford, Wheeler and Thompson are begiining to mould together as an efficient defensive unit, whilst up front Bosher and Butler are begining to show encouraging signs of working together. Both R.Clarke and S.Pullen are now regular members of the squad and their industry in midfield is helping provide our forwards with plenty of scoring opportunities.

It is also pleasing to welcome back Mark Banks, a fine dominating defender, and Terry Francis,- a fine bustling striker who should help the team get the goals they need so badly.

Also deserving special mention is Steve Tutt who is regularly representing the district team.

All inall a poor start but things will certainly improve as the season goes on.

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SPORTS QUIZ?

1/. Name four members of the English Whitemen Cup team ?

2/. Name the teams in the European Cup, England have to play ?

3/. Who is the leading American prize winner, in golf ?

4/. Who is the leading goal scorer in the Third Division ?

5/. If someone talked about the Fenner Trophy and the Tilcon Trophy, which sport would they be refering to ?

6/. Name the scorer of the only try in the recent Wales versus New Zealand test match?

Next edition we will start a series on: Judo.