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KEYNES LASHED

Last Thursday's Annual General Meeting failed to attract a larger than average number of students. Some lack of attendance can be explained by posters commissioned which did not arrive and a considerable number of those attending, who omitted to register as voters.

The meeting began with Executive Reports. Dominic Cox, as President, vowed to continue the catering campaign by leafleting visitors to the University and explained that progress was being made towards a Mandela building on campus.

General Secretary, John Craddock, maintained that public sector cuts remained the main problem for students and proposed a "Work-In" in the library later this term. The occupation of the Conservative Party Social Club was deemed to have been a "massive success", although it was revealed that only 30 students from the university were present (compared with 55 from Canterbury Art College).

Following executive questions, procedural distractions threatened disinterest amongst the meeting but interest was revived by a point of information proposed by Mike Culling, (last year's Social Secretary), concerning the content of this year's Social Secretary's Annual Report. The report asserted that Mike Culling had stated that "he took great pride in 'ripping off' the Union", which was fervently denied by Mike Culling himself, and a heated discussion followed.

The full Annual Report was finally passed and the meeting moved on to discuss motions to the NUS Conference. A motion supporting the republican movement and rejecting the Anglo-Irish agreement in favour of a "troops out" solution was supported by two passionate speeches, but was eventually defeated. This was largely due to opposition from Northern Ireland resident Protestant, Thelma Agnew, whose speech culminated in the words - "if you pass this motion YOU stand in Belfast where people are rioting" and much applause.

RCP's second appearance of the evening was sidetracked from a call for the reinstatement of the RCP Student Society at Sheffield University (did you know that it had been banned?) to a fierce argument on the subject of abortion, which was a secondary issue in the RCP motion. David Stevens was loudly defending, as he saw it, the rights of the unborn child. This issue cropped up often last term, and Thursday night saw a reaffirmation of the majority view in favour

of women's rights to abortion on demand.

A straight-forward motion summing up the government's measures reducing students' income was given impetus by John Craddock's pointed statement: "You must know someone who couldn't get into university although their grades were as good as yours. If you don't support their right to a university place, you shouldn't be here". The motion was passed almost unanimously, which will hopefully mean a high level of support for the national demonstration in London on February 26th.

The level of excitement escalated in the next motion,

where three members of Keynes JCC tried to extricate themselves from the charge that they had been instrumental in the production of "Rights Wot Rights", a leaflet written by John Huke (ex-External Affairs rep., now Welfare rep. for Keynes) positing right-wing views. Alison Wheel defended the JCC as "enthusiastic", citing its success in restoring a milk-machine to Keynes. These newcomers were no match for the heavyweights of the political arena, who trounced their excuses and made them appear naive and irresponsible. Bob Smale, Treasurer of Gaysoc, spoke of the damage that the publication of prejudiced views can cause.

He called upon the absent Huke to appear before a UGM and explain his views.

The meeting grew restless as a motion calling for greater awareness of the problems of handicapped people, particularly students, was proposed. The speaker expressed doubt that many students had heard of the NUS's "It's Our College Too" theme; the mood in the dining hall seemed to confirm her view of student indifference.

Tempers flared up over the next motion however, when a proposal to abolish vivisection from campus was opposed by Elizabeth Okokon, a bio-chemistry undergraduate, on the grounds that experiments using animals were the only way to make significant progress in medical research. This claim was countered by the assertion that the vast majority of research involving animals is not for medical purposes, but for reasons of profit and prestige, for example cosmetic, tobacco and alcohol experiments. A minimal level of research for medicine is acceptable to the proponents. The motion was carried virtually unopposed.

Chairpeople smoked hungrily in the background as a motion resolving to create a sabbatical Women's Officer post was proposed. Janie Boullin of the Women's Group stated that "at present "no-one in the Union is interested in furthering women's rights", while women are still being discriminated against on campus. Iain Mair objected to the motion because he felt that the issue did not justify the expense, which of course enraged all feminists present. When alerted to the fact that the motion, as a constitutional amendment, could not become part of the constitution because the meeting was inquorate, a representative of the Women's Group said: "We'll come back, time and time again, because this is important".

A second challenge to quoracy revealed a small increase in the numbers present, but the meeting was still nearly 150 people short of quoracy.

As a touching footnote, Hugh Samuelson earnestly assured those remaining that the sabbaticals, "Mathew, John, Dominic and Kathy do not rip off the Union as earlier suggested by a speaker". Pass the Kleenex!



AGM focussed on women's rights.

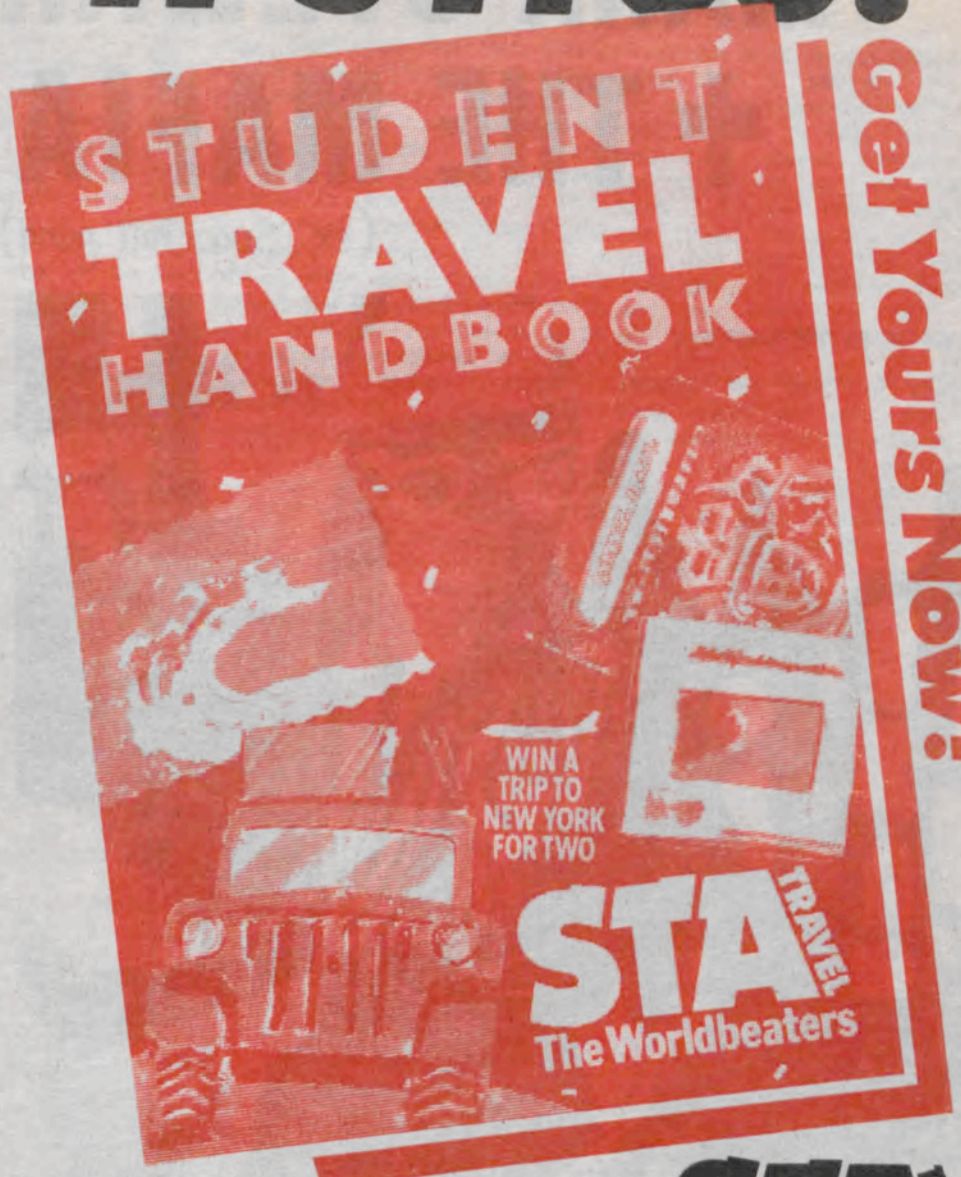
Phil Singleton and Michael Parkinson

Fear of Darkness

Rutherford JCR
Tuesday

It's Free!

STUDENT TRAVEL HANDBOOK



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The Worldbeaters

LIBRARY AT RISK



The message emerging from a paper prepared by the Librarian, Mr. W.J. Simpson, on the subject of "Junior staffing in the Library" is that if further cuts are made in the Library's resources, it is inevitable that the service it provides will be dramatically reduced.

Pressure on the University as a whole to reduce spending has resulted in various departments being asked to indicate the probable consequences, were

certain posts to be lost. Mr. Simpson's paper outlines the likely effects of the loss of particular posts on the Library's services. It is apparent that if any of these options were implemented, the reduction in the service offered by the Library would be drastic. For example, one option is to reduce the shelving team and open the Library at 10 a.m. each day to enable all staff, senior and junior, to re-shelve during the

first hour of the morning. The hourly rate for a shelve on Grade 1 is £2.12, while an Assistant Librarian at the top of the scale would earn £8.12. This solution would be a grossly wasteful use of limited staff time available.

The Students' Union Executive are opposed to any further cuts in the Library. Dominic Cox, SU President believes that "the Library has been trimmed to a level where further reductions are unacceptable. The Library should be the last University department to be affected".

Mr. Simpson concludes, in his paper: "A library service not geared to the needs of the University ... will lead to frustration and poor morale for all who depend upon the Library and for those who work in it".

M.P.

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to M. Parkinson
c/o BU Please!

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THE PREZ

be a further reduction of capable students who are financially able to enter or continue their university education.

The response clearly has to be a national one. The National Union of Students has called a demonstration in London on Wednesday February 26th. It is vital that students attend this in large numbers in order to bring widespread public awareness to tory education policy. In November '84, 400 UKC students went on the national demonstration. We need at least that number again.

Last week saw the Students' Union's first action against Fowler's proposed cuts in social security. Despite the fact that there was only a week for students to familiarise themselves with this new round of cuts, it is surprising and unfortunate that there wasn't a higher turnout.

In addition, it is important that students write to their MPs, particularly ones in marginal seats, to express their disgust at Fowler's proposals. 'Model' letters are available, and the Students' Union will be setting up stalls this week in the colleges with lists of MPs.

What Fowler is proposing will be a devastating blow for all students. If you are thinking of living in Parkwood next year, you are liable to be £300 worse off. If you are presently a first year and wish to claim anything (even supplementary benefit in the summer) in your third year, you are likely to be disappointed.

VALENTINES DAY

Fowler's proposals are a worse attack on students than was the attempt to introduce tuition fees in November '84. Then it was only the better-off parents who suffered. Now, everybody is hit. The likely effect will

Serenade your loved one from the pages of Kred! Valentine's Day messages will be printed (Free). Bring your message to the SU or send it by Internal Mail to, Cupid, C/O General Secretary, Union Office, by 12 noon, Wednesday 5th February.

Scandalous Skunk

Readers will be relieved to know that this column has been ratified by the Students' Union executive and the Vice-Chancellor - as laid down by new government guidelines.

do not constitute art. Enter our heroine stage left - his devoted girlfriend Crystal Tips - who, horrified at the bad taste of her juvenile lead removed the offending object.

A bemused Hugh Samuelson (Sports Fed. sabbatical) has been the unwilling recipient of a mountain of mail and countless phone calls, demanding payment for unsolicited goods and services. The latest in a series of double-glazing and home improvement offers arrived a week ago; a London-based company has requested £1,000 for shares allegedly ordered by "tycoon" Samuelson - who now, apparently, has a controlling share in Westland Helicopters.

Highlight of the social calendar, Thursday's Sailing Club "extravaganza" left just a little to be desired. The unfortunate revellers, after a short mystery tour were abandoned somewhere outside Canterbury and left to find their own way to the pulsating night spot. They formed, crocodile fashion, cross country, to eventually discover that the Country Club only pulsed on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. The disillusioned would-be party goers dispersed in various directions in search of alternative, liquid, entertainment.

The innocent Jock has been the victim of puerile pranksters, Messrs. Cox, Craddock and Venables (President, General Secretary and NUSKA Convenor, respectively), who clearly see this trivial pursuit as more worthy of their attention than your or my interests, unless Fowler is a double-glazing salesman.

Cleverly spread rumours ensured that they returned to the Country Club at closing time to savour the delights of the organiser's emergency arrangements. These included a "disco", without records or D.J., and a severely understaffed bar. A bargain at only £2 a head.

The serene harmony of the dramatic clique was rudely disturbed by the appearance of an ideologically unsound calendar on their office wall. The flirtatious Adam Shaw was blissfully unaware of the fact that stills from a wet dream

And finally, who is the phantom Tankerton tooth-knasher keeping Tony from his much needed beauty sleep?

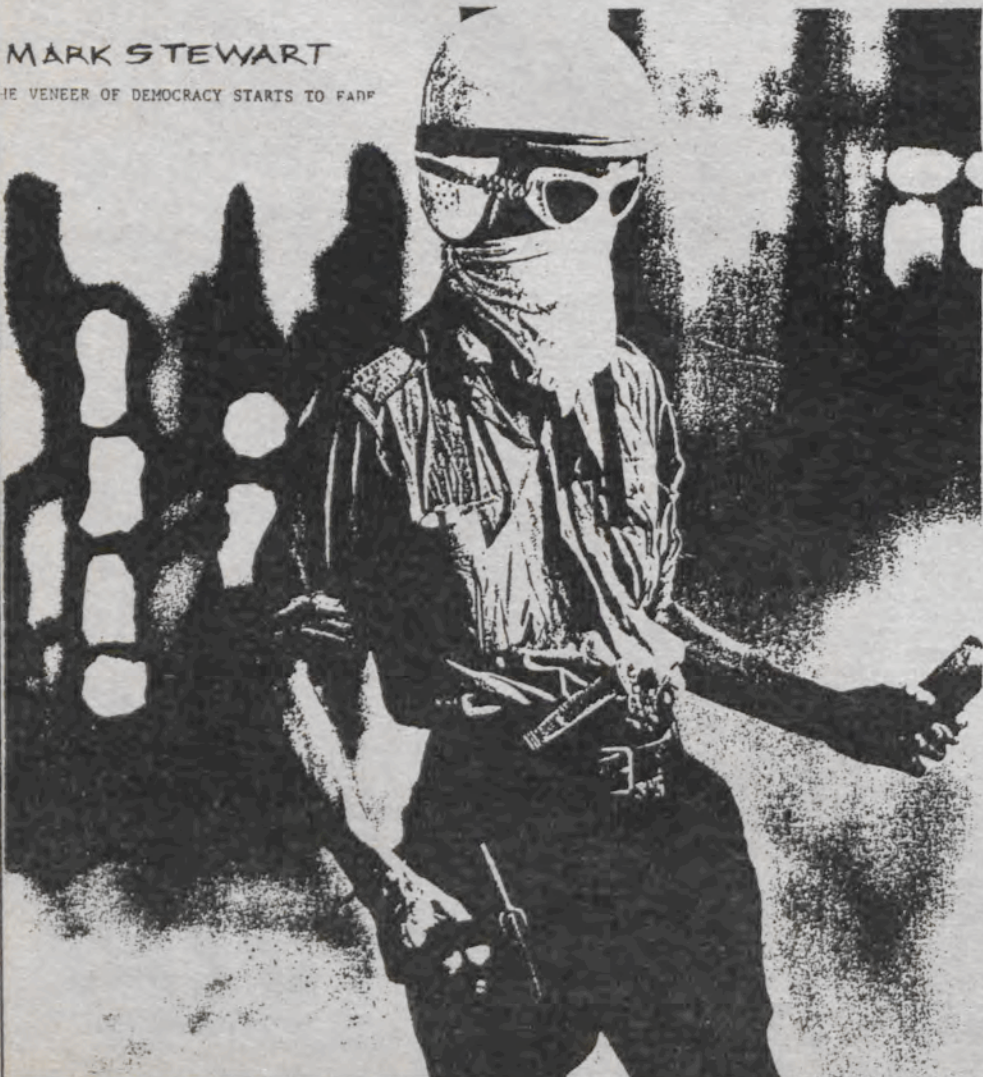
Till next week, stinkers....

UKC SU PRESENT

MARK STEWART + THE MAFIA

(ex Sugarhill gang)

MARK STEWART
THE VENER OF DEMOCRACY STARTS TO FAD



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Ann Bird at the TV Studios

On a cold January afternoon, when it rained cats and dogs enough to keep the R.S.P.C.A. busy for decades, a group of us set off for the TV studios in Maidstone. The journey was more eventful than an episode of the Sweeney, since our driver decided to go ten rounds with a recalcitrant windscreen wiper on the edge of the motorway ... the juggernauts came so close to me it was indecent. Anyway, we arrived looking like a bunch of drowned Rolands and were given an excellent tour by Margaret Mills, a highly efficient P.R. officer, who unlike many so called P.R.'s was neither affable nor irascible. The last time I saw such a pleasurable visage was when my mum saw me get my brownie needlework badge.



Information about child sponsorship with the 'Action Aid' scheme is now available from the hatch at the Students Union Building. Sponsorship costs £7.92 a month - that's less than the cost of a daily loaf of sliced bread. Yet this small amount can do so much to change a child's world, and bring hope to a village in a developing country.

'Action Aid' is an independent and non-denominational international development organisation. It was established in 1973 to provide education and training opportunities for children in the poorest countries of the world.

Sponsorship is based on personal links. The sponsor knows who he or she is helping, and can follow progress through letters and reports. As a sponsor you will see where your money is going and how much is being achieved.

All of your monthly contribution will be used to help your child, his or her family and community. 100% of a sponsor's donation is used for the overseas work. All U.K. expenses are met from the tax Action Aid recovers from the government.

The sponsorship you give will make possible digging wells for clean water, building schools and storehouses, improving health and hygiene, planning and building irrigation schemes and helping to grow more food.

When you become a sponsor you will be sent the photograph and details of a child who needs your help, along with information about the Action Aid project.

Collect a form from the S.U. Building or write to: Action Aid, 208, Upper Street, London N1 1RZ

WE CAME WE SAW

More seriously, they say there's nothing like being on the spot when history is being made and our visit just happened to coincide with the first announcement of the Space Shuttle disaster. From a purely practical angle this meant a whole load of re-scheduling, since news flashes etc., play havoc with scripts and gives production assistants the nightmarish task of still trying to include seven minutes of commercials in every hour. We were politely ushered into the control room and watched as 'Coast to Coast' was broadcast. It was also uncanny that who should pop up on the screens as we walked in, but the ubiquitous Vice Chancellor, talking about cuts. I was feeling homesick for UKC already... So what happens in the control room? Its home for the vision mixer, who controls special effects and cuts and fades pictures; the production assistant who assists the director, times, edits and dubs; the operations supervisor who ensures good sound and vision; the producer who decides on the content of a programme; the 'caption man',

and the director who turns a script into action and supervises editing and dubbing - the buck stops with him.

It was quite entertaining watching the presenters chatting and scratching when a videotaped item was running - so that's what they get up to! It was also bewildering watching the weatherman print out banks of cloud and areas of high pressure on what appeared to be a plain yellow board ... The viewer apparently sees a satellite picture. Paul Daniel's has nothing on this guy... After the broadcast we wandered around the set, which was surprisingly small and nowhere near as opulent as I'd imagined. On our way into the next room we past the 'Company prop. cage'. Inside were mugs, plates toat racks, for that late night evangelical 'Pause for thought' programme - you know the one - where the viewer is a 'fly on the wall' in some priest's kitchen. I want to know what a man of the cloth is doing up at that forsaken hour and can't he afford one of those sticky papers to hang from his light?

Well, all my illusions were shattered - "wot no kitchen?" Apparently viewers rant and rave if the kitchen roll is ever put in the wrong place on any given height. Who cares about saving the human race from eternal damnation, the brillo pad's in the wrong place. Next stop was the largest studio where they film "no. 73". The set was brilliantly made, down to the last Enid Blyton book - I wouldn't let them build my house though - since when has a cellar been next to the hall?! We glanced in the make-up and news rooms and passed by the dressing rooms. I wanted to stick my head round the door of one of them and shout 'five minutes to curtain Miss Piggy', but I didn't have my green jumper on. We certainly felt we'd seen a lot - 800 square metres of studio floor alone. The studios boast the latest equipment including five ENG camera units and TVS can be seen all over the South filming, reporting, recording outside broadcast programmes, including 'Questions'. TVS has also established a trust to donate

WE TOOK

HOME A CAR STICKER

TVS

money to community ventures. They clearly provide a service in every sense. They satisfy the taste for regional particularism and stimulate a type of homogeneity within the area. For a relatively new company they do that with considerable success.

Well, we left the studios having seen everything except the outside loo and the restaurant upstairs. "Any Questions?" enquired our guide in reception. Just two - did the VC have to hold up that 'Hello Mum!' sign and what do you have to do for the Brownie Broadcasting badge?

SABBATICALS?

The time of year is nearly upon us when sabbatical elections are held. For weeks all you get is prospective candidates banging on your door promising wonderful things if you vote for them. Then there is the added horror of seeing thousands of manifestos plastered all over the walls. Thousands of passport size photographs grin at you from every direction. So if you want to put up a notice during elections - FORGET IT.

For those of you who don't know, at present there are five Sabbaticals - President, General Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary and Sports Federation. At the time of writing, there could be a sixth - Women's Officer Sabbatical but this is as yet undecided. They are here for one year only starting in July after the end of the Summer Term.

For the rest of the summer life is fairly quiet. It's about the only time during the year when you will be able to work 9 - 5 if you want to. Probably the rarest sight you will ever see during the summer is a sabbatical at work before 10 o'clock - but we do actually get some work done.

As the beginning of term approaches, the work load increases as a mad rush goes on to prepare for Intro Week. There's a stream of endless phone calls from society committees asking about Freshers' Bazaar, club budgets, club purchases, newsletters and so on. The BANG - Intro Week starts. Never in one week will you meet so many people and forget their names within ten minutes. Having

had a quiet summer it comes as rather a nasty shock. High or low lights of the week include laying that bloody drugget, driving the minibus at midnight (take some advice: if you have a licence try to lose it for the first week of term), making a complete fool of yourself at Union Address and so on. Oh and by the way you can forget about "nine to five" days for the next three months.

With batteries fully recharged, you have a ten day period prior to the beginning of term. What clever trick has the University tried to pull in our absence? How much mail is waiting on your doorstep? Will the President get a respite from abuse? Will the General Secretary continue to communicate? Will the Treasurer finally start to sign cheques apart from his own pay cheque? Will the Social Secretary continue to keep us amused? Will the Sports Fed. President still be running? These questions are yet to be answered.

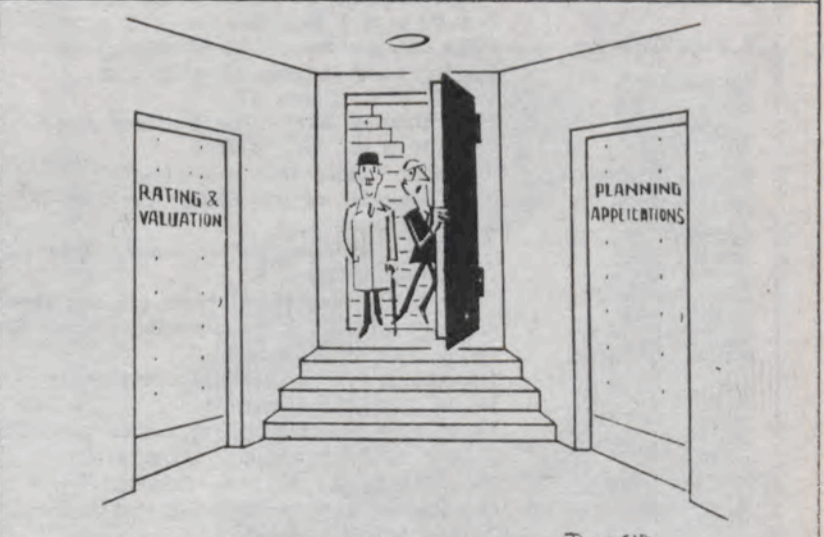
It's now you are reminded about all the things you should have done when you were at the County Ground watching cricket. The hangover is finally wearing off from the Sabbatical handover meal, and the V.C. has just about cleared up his house after the Sabbaticals have destroyed it. For each of the Sabbaticals the first term sees totally different lifestyles. For the Presidents its stick, stick and more stick about new university proposals. For the General Secretary its a time spent chasing around trying to communicate. For the Social Secretary its a time spent trying to keep everyone amused. For the Treasurer its flak, flak and

So you want to be a Sabbatical? Good luck. If you are prepared for more than you can ever expect then you will do well. Remember you can't please everyone all the time. So do your best to keep everyone happy most of the time. Treat the staff like your own Mum and Dad. Without them the Union would not function, and you won't get paid. But all the time remember as you get abused: it was the people abusing you who are likely to have voted for you, and they can always do the other thing.

For once in your life, Christmas is longed for and come the end of term, barely has the last pen been laid down in a lecture than Sabbaticals are fleeing to the safety of their parents for a two week supply of free food, cleaning and other such luxuries.

To next year's five (or it may be six) lunatics: GOOD LUCK - you'll need it.

Hugh Samuelson



"And here, a hundred feet below ground and blast-proof, the normal functions of local government will go on."

WHAT'S ON

Tuesday

Lesbian and Gay Group: Regular weekly meeting - Keynes JCR III at 8 p.m. All Welcome.

Bridge Club Night: every Tuesday 7.00 p.m. R. Seminar Room 12. All standards and teaching available.

Wednesday

Indian Society: regular weekly meetings. Everyone welcome. 4.00 p.m. Eliot Lecture Theatre (E.L.T.) II.



Film Soc. 5th Feb.
'It Happend One Night' 7.30 p.m.
CoLT.

CYCLING CLUB: Training run for racing cyclists etc. Every Wednesday 2.00 p.m. Eliot Roundabout. Contact M.Noel KUNB.

Thursday

Overseas Students Organisation: Meeting every Thursday 1.00 - 2.00 p.m. Keynes. Open to all students.

Liberal/SDP Alliance: Weekly meeting for anyone interested. 7.30 p.m. E. Seminar Room 7. FREE.

Table Tennis: Regular club night. All welcome. 7.30 p.m. Sports hall. £2.00 yearly membership.

Volleyball: Regular training session 8.00 p.m. Sports hall. £4.00 yearly membership.

SIGNS OF LIFE?

A SERIES OF TALKS BY ROGER FORSTER 3-7 FEBRUARY 1986

Monday - Friday 7.30 p.m. Roger Forster speaking on:

- 3.2.86 'History or Hoax' (RLT2/RLT1)
- 4.2.86 'Jesus' (RLT2/RLT1)
- 5.2.86 'Universal Illness' (RLT2/RDH)
- 6.2.86 'End of Restriction' (R.D/Hall)
- 7.2.86 'Warning Danger Ahead' (RLT.1)

Daily Seminars:

- 3.2.86 Monday 'Do all Religions lead to God' (2-2.30 p.m. Eliot Stirling Room)
'Rich Christians in a Poor World' (3-4.30 p.m.) K.JCR3
- 4.2.86 Tuesday 'Who lit the fuse?' (A discussion of the big bang theory) (1-2.30 p.m. (K) Seminar Room 5)
'The Unholy War' (The Nuclear Age) (3-4.30 p.m. (R) W4N1.
- 5.2.86 Wednesday 'Darwin - More than a college?' (The Theories of evolution) (1-2.30 (E) Seminar Room 5.)
'Woman - a Misbegotten male' (2-4 p.m. (R) Seminar Room 8.
'Why should the Devil have all the good music?' (3-4.30 p.m. Darwin Seminar Room 2)
- 6.2.86 Thursday 'Man, God or Prophet?' (Comparison of Islam and Christianity) (1-2.30p.m. Darwin Seminar Room 2)
'A discussion between Communism and Christianity' (3-4 p.m. (R) Seminar Room 5.)
- 7.2.86 Friday 'Sex' (1-2.30 p.m. (K) Seminar Room 7.
'Faith: An intellectual Cop-out?' 3-4.30 p.m. Darwin Seminar Room 2.

Please check the posters around campus for information too.

What's on at UKC.....?
A weekly entertainment guide.

Friday

Amnesty International Meeting: 1.00 p.m. Eliot Lyons Room. All welcome.

S.U. 7th Feb.
'Evil Dead' - 7.30 CoLT.



Sunday

S.U. 9th/10th Feb.
'Ghost Busters' - 7.30 CoLT.

CYCLING CLUB: Club runs, anyone welcome, bring warm clothes, tools, spare tube if possible. Every Sunday 11.00 a.m. Eliot Roundabout. Contact M Noel KUNB.

Monday

Anglican Society: Regular meeting every Monday, 8.00 p.m. - Landon.

Women's Group: regular Monday Meeting 8.00 p.m. K.J.C.R.3. All Women Welcome.

SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY SOCIETY: Don McCreary will talk about 'SEX ROLES'. Hut 4, Bev.Farm. 7.30 p.m. Members Free. Non-Members 20p.

To further his research Don would like a questionnaire to be completed, a chance to take part in a REAL Social Psychology experiment! Come along and find out more.

Poetry Competition:
£75 prize.

Entries to Master's Sec. Eliot
(Before 7th March).



"Of course, there are some advantages to living near Windscale."

If anyone wants something in
What's On - come to S.U. building
Tuesday.

The students' union at Hatfield Polytechnic has called its loo "The Thatcher Toilet"; they will be opened formally next month by Steve Nallor, who does that terrifying Thatcher voice for Spitting Images.

WHAT'S ON

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FLAMING MUSSOLINIS

Apart from acid rain and mass unemployment, you may think Teeside hasn't produced much. However on 27th February it will be time to think again as five-piece band, The Flaming Mussolinis will make a triumphant return to UKC.

Early last term, eightyeight people saw them play Rutherford JCR and with their combination of dynamic vocals, fluent guitars and cheery optimism, the evening was a total success. At the time, the band had released their first single, 'Swallow Glass', and with a lucrative contract with CBS and an enthusiastic producer in Phil Thornally, their debut album was eagerly awaited. Now on their album tour they are receiving airplay on all the major radio stations - even Mike Read was far sighted enough to play their new single, 'My Cleopatra!' - but little is known about this unique band or their meteoric rise.

Singer Sav has a welcome sense of humour, and more stamina in his stage act than Daley Thompson in the decathlon. However, despite his imposing stature (six foot two, eyes of blue) and his dynamic voice,

he too views the music business with less respect than most. "You've got to have a kind of childish sense of humour where we come from." Beginning as a telegram boy, and then joining a series of club bands (one of which supported OMD on their 1980 British tour), Sav finally formed the Mussolinis with local musicians. They were lucky to have a dedicated manager and within a few months they had a deal with CBS. The rest is history!

Sounding rather like a cross between The Alarm and Duran Duran, these lads are clearly no Northern 'cult' band. As with their music, they view life in



THE FLAMING MUSSOLINIS

a rather Errol Flynn fashion, and drummer Clune, a mix between Marty Feldman and Rambo, spent most of his youth watching 'Lost in Space' and 'Fireball XL5'. Rather different from the man from Manchester who read Oscar Wilde, but then there isn't much correlation between The Smiths and the tongue-in-cheek attitude of The Flaming Mussolinis.

The Flaming Mussolinis are unashamedly proud of their north-eastern roots, and with their present attitude, a string of tour dates, a new album, and their present role as support to OMD, they are as close to success as they ever have been or ever will be.

The Flaming Mussolinis will be playing Rutherford JCR on Thursday February 27th. Tickets are £1.50 in advance or £2 on the door and available from Rutherford JCR.

Syed Haniff

Trio (consisting of piano, double bass and drums).

All five were able to show their considerable skills by mutual consent of all in the quintet, a situation which worked well, but for the fact that the same format was used each time improvising then dropping out leaving the rest to carry on until only one was left (usually the drummer).

However, the excellently played music far outweighed this repetition and at the end of over two hours, only the jazz itself was remembered.

LET'S HAVE MORE!!

S. Dunham

JAZZ AT UKC

Well the Friday night had come round again, the week had gone so quickly - "Wacky" student life eh? What was a poor Natural Scientist supposed to do? No parties, no bands, the house too cold to spend the evening in, and not enough money to go pubbing. When suddenly a poster caught his eye.

SPECIAL JAZZ CONCERT AT THE GULBENKIAN (only £2). Being only slightly interested in jazz and a miser to boot, it seemed the ideal solution; two pounds spent and an evening

in the warm, what more could he wish for?.

The evening comprised of two halves, each lasting about an hour, in which they played about twelve pieces of brilliant, entertaining music in a variety of jazz styles, including blues, ballads and a Dizzy Gillespie number.

Pete King (Alto Saxophone) and Hank Shaw (trumpet) both excelled themselves whilst stealing no limelight from each other, or the members of The John Burch

ELIMINATORS

Eliminators and Customary Spanking: Darwin JCR 25/1/86. Yes, bottom fanciers everywhere! Whip out your crumpled back issues of "Wallop and Welt Weekly" and dust down the flagellation kits - those naughty ELIMINATORS boys are back!

And so it was that aficionados of the rear end from every suburban dungeon in the south-east descended upon Darwin College, much to the horror of the bar staff and the delight of the JCC members for whom punters meant profits (as in money!), and profits meant palpitations (thank God for rubber underwear!).

The imaginative musical frolics of Messrs. Babych and Poree revolve around an infectious brand of well-disciplined rhythm and

blues shackled to the kind of base toilet humour which brought the world such classics as "29 ways to make it to my baby's door (and if she needs me real bad, I've even got 2 or 3 more)!"

Arguably the best band on campus, The Eliminators enjoyed the luxury of a well publicised event and rewarded a packed audience of sub-intelligent inebriates with two thoroughly entertaining sets, culminating in the earth-moving climax of the world renowned 'Spanking Song'.

Pert ones; pear-shaped ones; big fat wobbly ones with gristly lumps in, the bottom of Kent rise in salute to Whitstable's premier whip-merchants. MASOCHISM - YOU CAN'T BEAT IT!

Dave Taylor

ARE GO!



BEST OF BRITISH

As British Film Year draws to a close in March, the ABC Canterbury plans to show a selection of top British films to play out the year in style.

One day specials will be showing every Monday until March 24th, starting with;

- Feb 3 The Little Drummer Girl
- 10 A Soldiers Story
- 17 The Cotton Club
- 24 The Killing Fields
- Mar 3 Once Upon A Time In America
- 10 Dance With A Stranger
- 17 Birdy
- 24 Beckett

Entertainment USA

In a week when the flannel of a door-to-door saleswoman forced me into joining a rip-off Book Club and our idyllic family atmosphere was shattered as we adopted the neighbourhood drunk, the prospect of a quiet Sunday night was the light at the end of the tunnel for my fragmented nerves. However, in a blaze of Budweiser, Pizzas, Waffles, Mouth Braces and an assortment of social diseases, our American friends put paid to any ideas of convalescence with their very own cup final: SOOPERBOWL TWENTY HAD TOUCHED DOWN!

So what's it all about then? Why is it that half of Britain got pissed up and sat bleary-eyed until 2.15 in the morning glued to Channel 4 watching a bunch of All-American boys kicking some ass? There can be little doubt that the allegiance of the less devoted members of our throng waned somewhat following the exit of the pizzas. For the dedicated though, there was the magical thrill of diminutive Nicky "I'm American Really Guys" Horne's sparkling links: "So glad you guys could make it to our Sooperbowl Paarty!" Does the dwarf mean us? Human interest came from the tear-jerking bias of ex-New England Patriot John "They were never 36 points better than us" Smith, whilst in London's Video Cafe we were titillated by the wit of such contemporary giants as Dave Lee Travis and David Essex: Enough to break the ice on even the coldest American diluted lager shandies!

But of course the English style verbal diarrhoea looked positively solid alongside the copious gushing of our starred and striped friends: commentator Dick End (Berg) provided the first two O-FFICIAL STATISTICS before the first brain was haemorrhaged and the first ball kicked; How about the use of the 17 previous superbowl MVP's (Most Valued Players ie. Men of the Match) to toss the coin - a trifle over-the-top perhaps? Top score on the Idiotmeter however, must go to what is surely the ultimate in American stupidity! THE CHALKBOARD! A recognised expert scribbles all over the screen entirely obliterating the play in order to endow the ignorant with educated eyeballs. How enriching to be enlightened!



CHILLER-Chicago defender "Refrigerator" Perry

What of the stars? Biggest of them all, and we're talking 23 stones big here, is mountainous William "Refrigerator" Perry, the humongous defensive tackle of the Chicago Bears, famous for his attempt to physically carry team mate Walter Payton over the line for a score earlier in the season! The Fridge stole superbowl glory with a touchdown score in the Bears' crushing 46-10 victory over New England.

Success meant an immediate payout of \$90,000 each for the Big Bad Bears. Add to that a \$5,000 superbowl ring (almost the same size as the New Orleans Astrodome!), and eight months of intensive advertising before the new season in September. You begin to realise that boneheaded brawn equals big bucks as America continues to look for heroes (just ask Rambo!). William Pudge Hefelfinger, the 1st Pro-American footballer would turn in his grave if he saw the true price of victory today.

When the final time-out is called and the clock runs down though, it's neither our secret desire to be macho or a fascination with the pom-poms of the leggy cheerleaders which holds us a captive audience. Rather, we simply cannot resist a free opportunity to be as silly as we like without fear of the neighbours complaining because we all know that they're pretending to be American too!

Dave Taylor



Feb 24 The Killing Fields

THE KRED INTERVIEW

Ace store detective Mrs. X sorts out the Greedy and the Seedy from the Needy.

In the wake of Christmas chaos and sales mania, security measures are being tightened up all over town. Mrs. X in particular has her beady eye on you!

Mrs. X is the head of security at a large department store in Canterbury. Due to the secrecy which surrounds her job and the need for her to remain anonymous, I can neither give you her name, describe her appearance or tell you which chain store she works for. All very hush-hush and exciting! I managed to drag her away from her endless fight against crime for a fifteen minute interview down in the very bowels of the building in a small and sinister security office.

The tasks which fall under the heading of 'security' are varied and mostly not too thrilling. Duties such as stock-taking, checks on the pricing of goods and investigating any 'overs' or 'shorts' in shop floor tills are all in a day's work. It's the tracking and eventual apprehension of would-be shoplifters that is the exciting bit!

Mrs. X declined to give me a rough idea of the amount of revenue lost by the store through theft, this was one of a few questions which she felt that she should not answer. Undaunted, I plunged straight into the nitty-gritty and asked what the procedure was if a member of the public was suspected of shoplifting. Mrs. X put me straight that there was in fact no such crime as 'shoplifting' and the correct term was 'shop theft', then proceeded to lay it on the line:

"If we suspect a member of the public of having stolen something - and normally it has to be something more than suspect, we know that something has been stolen - than we will follow that member of the public out of the store where we will stop them. We will then invite them to accompany us back to the security office. More often than not we receive a reply of two words and I'll leave it to your imagination what those two words are!"

GOTCHA!

... and if it is someone who works within the store?

"If we suspect that a member of staff has attempted to steal something, they are taken to the office and interrogated by myself or by a member of the personnel department. Depending upon the outcome of the interview they are either dismissed or put on a warning. If they have actually stolen something, then the police are called."

Being a part-time member of staff myself, I was anxious to know how much of the 'shrinkage' problem was due to theft within the store. Mrs. X told me,

stolen something, she may be under some sort of stress because she has lost her husband or a close member of the family and really does require some sort of medical help. In this type of case the police will ensure that they receive the right attention. We get our goods back and therefore no prosecution will follow."

Did Mrs. X and her staff ever feel sorry for the criminals they apprehend?

"I think people have the wrong idea of security staff, normally they have the impression - through the publicity we receive - that

Hm! Mrs. X was a little more forthcoming on the subject of times of the day or days of the week when shoplifting was most likely to occur.

"I think most people believe that shop theft takes place mainly at lunch-times or when the store is particularly busy. This is not so. It mainly happens when the store is very quiet and this is especially the case for professional shop thieves. This is because they like to know where each and every member of staff is. They find this very difficult when there are a lot of people in the store such as lunch-times and on busy Saturdays."

also, I regret to inform you, students from the University, the Technical College and other further education establishments that we apprehend from time to time but I certainly wouldn't say that the majority were young people at all.

I asked Mrs. X if she had ever been tempted to steal anything herself.

"I must admit, no I haven't! I don't think, at least I don't like to think, that any of my colleagues have either. We try very much to tread down a central white line, not deviating from

WATCHING THE DETECTIVES

"I'd like to think that the measure of staff theft is very low, because don't forget that we work with these staff all the time and they become our friends. It is very difficult for us to arrest and send to the police people who we have known and worked with for a long time. Obviously, my staff and myself would be very naive if we thought that there was no staff theft. There are approximately three hundred people working here and you have to expect that six or seven of these are being dishonest in one way or another at any one time."

Did the store always prosecute when you apprehend a shop thief?

"Normally all shop thieves are brought into the security office and yes, normally the police are called. It is a very difficult thing to say, 'Do we always prosecute' because in this area the prosecution is left in the hands of the police. The reason for this is, for example, if you have an elderly lady who has

we have two horns and a tail, and that we have no sort of compassion or caring feelings for the people we take off the street. This is far from the truth and yes, I personally feel very sorry for some of the people that we apprehend and so do my staff. We come across three types of shop thief which we call the Needy, the Seedy and the Greedy. The ones that we would obviously feel most sorry for are the Needy - but then we find that they are often not the people who steal from our store, it is more often the Seedy and the Greedy."

On replying to a question about which particular factors about a shopper's behaviour made store detectives suspicious, Mrs. X became a little evasive. After all, you never know who might be reading KRED!

"I think the thing to do is think about when you go shopping yourself - you know how you always shop. What we look for in a customer is someone who is doing something that you wouldn't normally do."

Is credit card fraud a particularly serious problem for a large store?

"The credit card problem is now one of the largest problems any of us have to deal with and it takes up a great deal of our time. In the last few months we have caught a great many people fraudulently using our cards and the main credit cards. Sometimes it is very difficult to apprehend these people as it has become a business for them."

On being asked whether most shop thieves apprehended were young people, Mrs. X pointed out that,

"We do get a completely mixed section of the public, but we do obviously get quite a number of young people. These days in secondary schools often gangs are responsible for taking an awful lot of things during the lunch-hour and at week-ends, then they sell the goods to their friends and make a good deal of profit out of this. There are

any rules and regulations so that nobody can have any doubts in their mind about myself or my staff."

Finally I enquired whether store detection ever became boring. Were there ever days when nothing suspicious happened and she almost wished that someone would steal something? Mrs. X was adamant!

"I've done this job for three and a half years and boredom is one thing that I have never suffered from, tired feet and an aching head are two things that immediately spring to mind, but I am never bored."

So remember - somebody is watching you!

Jenny Hammerton



Sylvie with an old flame!

KRED MEETS...

Those of you who move in Sailing Club circles may already be familiar with the French Bombshell, otherwise known as Sylvie Godquin, the bubbly Sailing Club President.

Late of Cannes, what was it that attracted her to spend two years rather than the usual one in Canterbury of all places? Believe it or not, she reckons the social life here is much better than at French Universities, English students apparently tend to base their social life more around campus. When I asked Sylvie if English men were part of the attraction her answer was coy, but she had to admit they often found her accent 'fooney'.

Just how does a French girl get to be President of the Sailing Club? Basically, she gets drunk at a Sailing Club bash at Nero's and when asked takes the job because "no one else will do ett."

Sylvie is only just coming to terms with the English road system: when she came back from France after Xmas, she paid the toll on the Dartford 'toonell' with French Francs and her car promptly blew up in the toll gate. But luckily a sympathetic workman took pity on "a pour leetle French person with a coot accent."

Mind you, in France, Sylvie tends to pay all her tolls with English money, perhaps that's what an English University education does for you!

Sue Osborne

Gay Community Survey

We are trying to find out about attitudes to Gay issues held by people at UKC, and we would be grateful if you could fill in this questionnaire and return it to the Students' Union Building. Please feel free to ignore any questions which you feel are too personal.

- Who are you:
Undergraduate - if so, which year? ()
Postgraduate
Staff Member
Sex: (F or M)
College (D,E,K,R)
Are you Gay, Straight or Bisexual (G,S,B)
Age?
- If you are Gay or Bisexual:
Are you, or have you been a member of UKC Lesbian/Gay Group (formerly 'Gaysoc')? If not, Why?
.....
Are you in any other Gay Organisation? Which?

- General (please answer this whether or not you are Gay)
Do you know any Gay people?
Do you feel comfortable in the presence of gays? If not, why?
.....
Do you think there should be a different age of consent for gay and straight relationships? (At present it is 21 for Gay men, 16 for straights, and no age limit for Lesbians). If yes, then why?
.....
What SHOULD the age of consent be for gays?

S.O.C.

SOC-wise it's been busy lately with a UGM and having just filled a new Student Union Executive. However, enough of things past and on to the future.

Thursday sees elections in Rutherford College for the posts of President, Treasurer and two Ordinary Members. The President in particular is a very important post and has been hotly contested in the past. All Rutherford students can vote at the normal times at 1.00-2.00 pm and 6.30-7.30 pm at the polling table set up between the dining hall and bar.

The most important elections of the year also happen this term and these are for the four full time sabbatical officers and the Sports Federation sabbatical. These are students who are elected for a year and are your full time representatives. They are paid a salary out of the Students' Union funds, and in return run the Union for you. The lure of a job for a year will no doubt provide a few candidates eager for your vote.

- The timetable for this year's sabbatical elections is:
- Mon. 17th Feb.
NOMINATIONS CLOSE 12.00 noon to the Union building hatch
 - Mon. 24th Feb.
HUSTINGS for President and General Secretary
 - Thurs. 27th Feb.
HUSTINGS for Treasurer and Social Secretary
 - Mon. 3rd March
ELECTION for President and General Secretary
 - Thurs. 6th March
ELECTION to Treasurer and Social Secretary

Hustings are a chance to hear the candidates speak and ask them embarrassing questions. They will be held in the evening in a lecture theatre and it's well worth going along, even if just to find out what the sabbaticals do!

With all this high excitement on the cards SOC will be very busy, and so, just a final word that we are still on the lookout for new members. Anyone interested should see John Craddock in the Union building or come along to an SOC meeting at 1.00 pm every Monday in RUJCR.

Mark Love
SOC

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UKC 1st XI 3
CHRISTCHURCH 1

1st XI moved nearer promotion with this win over a mixed Christchurch team of 9 females, 1 male and tinkerbell. Jill Gambling despite an occasional attack of arthritis showed good skill and finished scoring the first two goals. Prima Reynolds knocked in the third by taking on the Christchurch defence herself after deciding none of the forwards were good enough to pass to.

UKC became very apathetic in the 2nd half (perhaps due to the loss of their only supporter who had forgotten her green wellies). This allowed Christchurch, aided by Rabbi Samuelson, who was looking at Melissa anyway, get one back.

In fact, the only highlight of the 2nd Half was listening to an ageing, irate, Jane Blake loudly give the referee a few simple lessons on her offside rule.

P.L.Stake

UKC 2nd XI 2
SITTINGBOURNE 0

Luckily the team had all arrived in one piece, but got off to a strong start with good central support from a relegated Jo Neep. UKC had some good thrusting moves initiated from stand-in goalie Sue Murphy. The first goal came from a well engineered short corner from guesting player Lucy Collier and followed up by Freya Nedderman. By the second half UKC had run out of steam but after a powerful shot at goal following a goalmouth scramble Francie had made it 2-0. Generally a well played match despite a few warnings for the more obnoxious members of the team.

NEWS

Womens Rugby Practice:

Wednesday 2-4.00 p.m.
Sunday 12-2.00 p.m.

£2.00 subscription fee.

Meet on the Rugby pitch -
All welcome.

Michelle Wilcox

HELP!

U.K.C. LADIES BASKETBALL

This is a call to any women interested in promoting the cause of basketball, whether newcomer or ex-professional.

We play in the local Kent League and are hoping to improve our record of no wins for last term in the coming weeks, so if you fancy joining a winning team please come along to the sports hall on a Sunday afternoon.

There are only 5 women in a team, but we all get very tired and need substitutes, no matter what your're like - you don't even need to be able to catch, just bounce the ball!

S. Johnson

UAU

The wintry weather caused the postponement of the mens Hockey 3rd XI game with Nottingham University.

Now the UAU quarter final clash will be played next Wednesday on February 5th and support will be very welcome. The other remaining Kent survivor in the UAU competition are the Ladies Netball who travelled to the Midlands to meet Leicester University. A report on the game will appear in a future edition of KRED.

ON THE OCHE!

OAST HOUSE DARTS

FIRST ROUND
PLAYED BY 16 FEB. '86

Thanks to all those who have entered this year's Tournament. May I say that your response in all three sections (Singles/Team/Women) exceeds even last year's.

TOURNAMENT RULES

TEAMS - STRAIGHT - KNOCKOUT

- There will be 6 persons in each team.
 - 6 Singles - Best of 3-301
- Straight Start - Double Finish
 - 3 Doubles - Best of 3-501
- Straight Start - Double Finish

2) All matches must be arranged by team captains at times convenient to both sides.

All First Round matches to be completed by 16th February '86.

Please notify Bar Manager of proposed dates so that overlap does not occur.

SINGLES

Best of 3-501

First round to be completed by 16th February '86.

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| 1.L. O'Connor | S. Orwin |
| 2.N. Harper | S. Goodwin |
| 3.M. Binns | M. McCarthy |
| 4.O. Bulleugh | D. Williams |
| 5.P. Brennan | D. Stevens |
| 6.D. Pedley | J. Wolfenden |
| 7.B.Glothead | B. Webb |
| 8.J. Jenner | P. Elston |
| 9.L. Thompson | D. Oliver |
| 10.T. Clark | A. Sanders |
| 11.H. Samuelson | J. Murray |
| 12.N. Booker | S. Brown |
| 13.D.Hudson | L. Anderson |
| 14.G. Fallows | A. Parkes |
| 15.S.Paterson | P.Shorrock |
| 16.J. Porter | S.Harrison |
| 17.J. Cassell | J. Castello |
| 18.D.Farley | M. Berwick |
| 19.A. Cobb | T. Gardiner |
| 20.R.Lang | C. Baggaley |
| 21.R. Crow | K. Treny |
| 22.J.Jenk | M.Tate-Smith |
| 23.J.Clifford | M. Ingram |
| 24.M. K. Brown | J. Sanders |
| 25.D.Armstrong | P. Reynolds |
| 26.T. Oliver | J. Yates |
| 27.G. Bradshaw | D. Jones |
| 28.M. Usselman | M. Tindale |
| 29.D.Washbourne | D. Morgan |
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