

# RAGE AT TORY VISIT

UKC is bracing itself for the intended visit of controversial Tory MP Mr. John Carlisle. The visit has been labelled provocative and the Federation of Conservative Students have been criticised for being insensitive in inviting the MP because of Mr. Carlisle's pointed views on South Africa and black immigration and the presence of over 1,000 overseas students on campus.

In addition, it is felt that because the visit has been advertised publicly that trouble may erupt between outside elements representing the extremes of the political spectrum. It should be remembered that during the last academic year there were racist attacks at three cultural evenings arranged by minority groups.

Mr. Carlisle has had a chequered career on the University speaking circuit. He has been attacked at Bradford University and prevented from speaking at Oriel College (Oxford) and the University of East Anglia by student demonstrations. His favourite topics are sporting links with South Africa, freedom of speech and foreign affairs.

It is because of previous incidents at other universities that Student Union President, Ramesh Perinperaja urged the Vice Chancellor, David Ingram, to refuse the FCS a right to hire a room for Mr. Carlisle's visit. Perinperaja says he doubts the motives of the FCS in inviting Carlisle. He said the Students Union is organising a peaceful picket and went on: "We don't really think its a question of him coming here to speak on a specific topic, we see it as a provocative move by Kent University Conservative Association to test the limits of free speech. I think the relevant thing here, because a quarter of the student body here is from overseas, is his record, for example, in 1983 he criticised the government for failing to get tough on coloured immigration."

Mr. Perinperaja feels the

main danger comes from Mr. Carlisle's speech being distorted by certain elements not representative of the Students Union. For their part the union hopes the organised picket will be 2-300 strong, made up mainly of students. He emphasised he wished to avoid trouble at all costs. However the Students Union President stated that he'd already heard that the meeting will be attended by many non-students (ultra left groups from London planning to come to the meeting). In addition there are fears that local National Front organisations may also become involved. However, Perinperaja emphasised, "the actual picket is going to be peaceful as far as we are concerned". He did not feel the union could be held responsible for the presence of outside elements. Reaction to the visit has been highly critical; Vicky Phillips, President of the National Union of Students has stated, "Carlisle is not interested in promoting free speech. He wants to promote divisions on the campus." A Labour group spokesperson commented, "The invitation of John Carlisle by the FCS and their central office is really just an international piece of provocation to make us react in a violent manner. The FCS are trying to achieve what they couldn't by democratic means: that is, showing the union to be undemocratic (in their reaction to Carlisle's visit) and have funds cut off to the student body."

An officer of the Overseas Students Organisation labelled the visit an insult and expressed concern as to the double standards in the University "where overseas students are expected to pay exorbitant funds to study only to be forced to play host to the likes of Mr. Carlisle". Chair of OSO stated "if a man's politics distinguishes between one man and another, because of his race creed or colour then that man should not be in politics". For their part the FCS have called

the Union's reaction a classic inversion of their responsibilities, FCS Central Office Chairman, John Bercow, told KRED the FCS was perfectly entitled to invite whoever they wished. Any trouble resulting was the responsibility of the union. Mr. Bercow felt any conflict would inevitably be the result of actions by left wingers and claimed members of the Right never cause trouble at student meetings. If any outside elements were involved then it was up to the Union to prevent problems arising.

The question of who should and should not be allowed to speak on campus has been considered by the Vice-Chancellor. He sees it as an issue of free speech and will be commenting at a later date. Student Union officers feel the VC should follow the lead of the Director of North London Poly, Dr. John Beistow, who feels universities should not allow politicians to abuse the academic freedom of speech.

Doug Adams



"One man one vote is inappropriate in South Africa and would lead to chaos and inter-tribal fighting if introduced tomorrow. We have to work gradually towards an equal franchise". John Carlisle, what a nice man!



The Intelligent Network

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## UNION UPDATE

### THIRD WORLD STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship provides for the education of a Third World Student, who otherwise would not have the chance to go to university.

This scholarship has been in existence for some years now, and the Students' Union is hoping to increase funds so as to enable more than one student to come to Kent and study.

At present the SU contributes £1,000 p.a., whilst the university waives the fees. Furthermore several members of the university staff have covenants, which add to the fund. The SU has also just introduced an "opting out" scheme, whereby £1.50 is added onto the rent paid by those who live in university accommodation and goes to the fund.

The SU is hoping to find ways of increasing the funds for the scholarship. We are at present liaising with certain members of the university staff; if anybody would be interested in sitting on this committee or if you have ideas about ways of raising funds, please contact us at the Mandela Building SU. Whilst education is not the only way to bring about change it is the only way to ensure lasting change, peace and stability.

For example, in South Africa expenditure on education in 1983 was £787 for each white child, £95 for each black child. At university level the figures are no better. In 1980 three-quarters of the 160,000 students were white.

If we are to assist in bridging this terrific gap we must attempt to do something practical. For us at university one way to bridge the gap is to provide the same opportunities that we take for granted for those who are not so fortunate. Please help us to create more than one scholarship place for those in the 3rd World.

### STUDENT UNION MEETINGS MICHAELMAS TERM

SRC (Student Representative Council)

Tue 28th Oct. 6 p.m. DLT1  
Tue 11th Oct. 6 p.m. DLT1  
Tue 28th Oct. 6 p.m. DLT1  
Tue 9th Oct. 6 p.m. DLT1

SRCs are now taking place in DARWIN LECTURE THEATRE 1 so as to provide access for disabled students.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Fri 3rd Oct. 4 p.m. KJCR3  
Thereafter:  
Wednesdays 5 p.m. KJCR3

### UNION GENERAL MEETINGS

Thur 23rd Oct. 8 p.m.  
(Rutherford Dining Hall)  
Thur 13th Nov. 8 p.m.  
(Darwin Dining Hall)  
Thur 4th Dec. 8 p.m.  
(Keynes Dining Hall)

## EXEC

At present there is a vacancy on the Executive Committee for the posts of Vice President Welfare and Executive Officer for Women's Affairs.

The Vice President for Welfare works in close liaison with the SU President and our Research and Rights Officer on issues concerning student welfare (Niteline, students with disabilities and medical matters).

The Executive Officer for Women's Affairs works with the SU Women's Officer and the college Women's Officers. The post involves working on issues such as sexual harassment, safety, women's health and the general promoting and raising awareness of women's issues in general. If you're interested and would like to know more about the post please see Julie Burrows in the SU Building.

Over the summer vacation the Students' Union has successfully arranged for a paper collection to be made by a local recycling merchant.

Every Monday this collection is made from the Mandela Building so save your paper. All you need to do is to keep all your waste paper in a box, and when it is full merely take it to your Junior Common Room Committee office where the recycling is further organised.

Furthermore the SU has succeeded in getting bottlebanks on campus. In each college bottlebank bins are strategically placed. Also in the Parkwood courts there is a large skip-size bottlebank.

So remember please save glass!

Due to the absence of students in Canterbury this vacation most of the material for this year's first KRED has been produced by only a small number of people.

Naturally this is not the precedence we want to set. Anything that you want to write, report on, or comment on please use KRED, for it is your paper. Normally we try to have as many letters that are sent in to us published, so please feel free to write letters about articles in KRED.

If you are intending to write, the closing date is 12 p.m. every Wednesday. Just drop it into the Mandela building.

REMEMBER USE KRED - IT'S YOUR PAPER!  
Tim Fox  
General Secretary



## PREZ... SAYS

It is indeed a shame that the first major event on this campus is the demonstration organised by the SU against the visit by John Carlisle MP.

This visit is part of a national campaign by the Federation of Conservative Students to discredit the very idea of "student unions". Is this paranoia? No, a proposed amendment to the 1986 Education Act which is being debated in the House of Commons maintains that student unions as part of the highest academic institutions should uphold free speech.

So far, so good. But it would seem the FCS see student unions as toally superfluous. In the words of Norman Tebbit: students who protest at Tory meetings are "yobs".

Hence the FCS have chosen speakers such as John Carlisle to speak at various campuses. He tests the limits of "free speech" by provocative statements such as the need for "sporting links with South Africa". The Union thinks that a man with these ideas should be demonstrated against not because of wishy-washy moralising about apartheid, but because he offends many of our union members. For example, students who come from front line states in Africa such as Zambia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Angola and Mozambique. They may have friends, relatives and fellow country people who work as migrant workers in South Africa's gold, diamond and other mines for wages abysmally lower than Afrikaaner workers. Or their relatives may have been killed or maimed in bombing raids illegally undertaken by South African forces. For such students the experience of the apartheid system is not very sporting. Under apartheid there is no "free speech" for dissenters - would John Carlisle like to speak to Botha on the need for free speech? Or is Botha some "student yob" also?

While we wish to respect the feelings of many of our own Union members who are overseas students, we also as a Union recognise that there is a need for a student group to represent the feelings, views and aspirations of the Conservatives of this campus.

As a representative body we, the Students' Union, would

be hypocritical to fight the government's cuts in higher education on behalf of all our students on the one hand and then exclude some of our students from the Union simply because they agree with the cuts. If members of the FCS, for example, wish to make political statements that "cut off their noses to spite their own faces" they should be generally politically and not financially or physically pressurised.

The Students' Union regards the visit of Carlisle et al. as an attempt to provoke students and to cause some unrepresentative minority to disrupt the meeting. If disruption of any kind - even heckling occurs - then KUCA will use this as an example of the irresponsibility of student unions and provide such examples to their "associates" in the British House of Commons. Is this a new occurrence?

No, but as The Guardian of 16th September noted "several branches of the Federation of Conservative Students have invited MP John Carlisle to speak to them around mid October. This just happens to be before the amendment of the 1986 Education Bill which concerns freedom of speech on the campus is debated in parliament on October 21st or 22nd".

Cases of MPs being demonstrated against will cause the amendment to the 1986 Education Act - if passed - to insist on college authorities allowing speakers to speak. But what this law would mean in practice is not really important in terms of free speech. Why? Because university authorities are often capable of enforcing "freedom of speech" on their own if they see it as a priority.

But it is statements such as those by John Carlisle himself that the Union is worried about! Don't take my word for it - Carlisle on the Channel 4 programme "Comment" argued that if students' unions can't uphold free speech they should have their funds frozen and be administered by someone else.

If the government decides in the near future to question the need for independent student unions they may use evidence produced by Carlisle to attack our right to exist. If they cut funding for the University of

Kent's Students' Union this will affect all students.

If we had our budget drastically cut there would be no Sports Federation - at present they get 25%. There would be no Overseas Students Organisation - the OSO like the Sports Fed represents 1,000 of our members. Also, the activities of religious societies, representing about 1,000 students would be hampered. Besides this all other union activities would be cut down,

and even cease - from JC(R)C activities, to advice on accommodation, SU films, bands, cultural societies, the Union Shop and so on.

For students there would be nothing to do on campus, and no-one would represent students on problems relating to catering, rent levels, accommodation, transportation arrangements, academic issues, legal advice, immigration difficulties and, of course, travel discount schemes such as railcards, coachcards, buscards, and flights abroad.

So to prevent this happening, show the government that you care what happens to the Union - turn up at the demonstrations organised by us. Make them representative by your presence - the more the better. If not, only a handful of people may give all students a bad name by any undemocratic activities. As far as the press, the government and the FCS are concerned, that is what they will see as typical of UKC students.

It's a shame that the Union has to waste time organising and maintaining peaceful protests against the likes of Carlisle and Waddington (who is here on the 3rd November). There are more pressing needs that have to be met.

Students want and should get as good a deal as we can help arrange - good ents and a good social life, help in getting extra money, academic satisfaction and, of course, most importantly a job when you leave. I will be trying to campaign on such issues via the national and local media outlets and with your help.

It's your Union : let's go forward together.

Ramesh Perinparaja  
President

## Canterbury Anti-Apartheid Group

'Unban the ANC - Freedom Now!' is the demand of the people of South Africa. They are determined to eradicate apartheid and build a non-racial, democratic and united South Africa in which all the people of the country, irrespective of race, colour or creed, shall live.

Resistance to apartheid brutality continues unabated behind Pretoria's imposed wall of silence. Thousands have been arbitrarily detained. Hundreds have been massacred, among them many women, children and even babies. Many have been forced to flee the land of their birth, and seek refuge in neighbouring countries.

## Public Meeting

THE ROAD TO SOUTH AFRICAN FREEDOM,

WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER 8pm

FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE  
6, The Friars, Canterbury

SPEAKER  
GEORGE JOHANNES  
African National Congress



# Mandela Building

The Students' Union building is soon to be named after Nelson Mandela - the imprisoned leader of the African National Congress - as a result of a motion passed at a Union General Meeting last year. Mandela has been in prison under trumped up charges for over twenty years. Despite the escalating ferocity of the struggle against apartheid in South Africa his release seems far from imminent. Even black moderate leaders such as chief Gatsha Buthelezi of the Zulu nation have demanded his release.

In the coming year the Students' Union will be stepping up its campaign against the evils of apartheid which allow the black majority of South Africa to be ruled by a white minority. It would be hypocritical, however, to condemn apartheid yet do nothing practical about it. That is why naming the SU building after Mandela is the least of our activities.

Our campaign against apartheid is pitched at three key levels. Firstly, on an international level we are in contact with student groups in South Africa. Secondly, at a national level we shall continue to participate in demonstrations organised by the national Anti-Apartheid. Thirdly, at a local/campus level we make sure that the Union Shop does not stock South African goods and we also encourage students not to bank with Barclays because of the financial support the bank indirectly and directly gives to Botha's regime.

Hence the erection of the new sign will take place early this term and we are inviting someone from the ANC to come and officially "open" the Mandela Building. Hopefully Nelson Mandela, the subject of our concern, will soon be released from prison to take his rightful place as figurehead of the black people of Azania.

## THE THREAT OF A GOOD EXAMPLE

As the opponents of the Sandinista government celebrate Washington's 100 million dollar gift for the further erosion of Nicaragua's self-determination, the ghost of Vietnam rears its ugly head.

It would seem that in President Reagan's dictionary the word "Freedom" has two distinct meanings. Firstly America supposedly respects the struggle for freedom of black South African's, as signified by the imposition of token sanctions last month. However, America has effectively imposed sanctions on Nicaragua by severing trade links following the overthrow of the Somoza regime. The mining of Nicaragua's ports last year is indicative of the determination on America's part to hamper the development of Nicaragua's economy. Hence America recognises the right of black South Africans to self-determination whilst denying that right to the Nicaraguan people.

Defending the country against the terrorism of the Contras has drastically affected the campaigns for health and literacy initiated by the Sandinistas. Since 1979 a nation-wide campaign has doubled literacy. Furthermore the Nicaraguan people's progress in improving health since 1979

has won acclaim from both the World Health Organisation and UNICEF. Besides the physical improvements in people's lives through better nutrition, health care and community services, another major change for those who lived through the Somoza years has been the loss of fear. Thousands of Nicaraguans suffered institutionalized violence at the hands of the National Guard.

International support for the right of the Nicaraguans to develop independent of external intimidation is coordinated by the Nicaraguan Solidarity Campaign, which has an office in London and many branches throughout the country.

Last term a branch was established at UKC with the hope of rallying support and raising consciousness of the situation in Central America. We shall invite several speakers this term to talk on aspects of Nicaragua and the involvement of the United States. Also we hope to show films and ideally organise a Nicaraguan Solidarity week in the Lent Term. If you are interested in helping Nicaragua to survive, see us at Societies' Bazaar or get in touch with:

- M. Parkinson (E)
- P. Wainwright (K)
- T. Last (K)
- T. Fox (S.U.)



AND THOUSANDS OF OTHERS FALLEN SINCE 1927 IN NICARAGUA FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION AND DEFENCE OF THE SANDINISTA POPULAR REVOLUTION

# Lynx Fights Back

## Fuhrer at ukc

The visit of John Carlisle MP to UKC is just one instance of the growing assertiveness of racism on campus. Another, more worrying, example is British Nationalist Party (BNP) member Denis Whiting, who manages to combine a career as a UKC librarian with a life as a Nazi activist.

Whiting, who in the past has stood as a National Front candidate in Canterbury, is still to be seen around Canterbury selling the 'British Nationalist' complete with its odious mix of anti-semitism and Nazi historical revisionism. He is also to be seen delivering leaflets about town about the threat to the British race posed by 'alien' races.

To anyone who thinks that the man is a harmless nutter bemoaning the end of Empire should bear in mind that the BNP is an implicitly fascist organisation. Its leader John Tyndall is currently serving a jail sentence for incitement to racial hatred. He wrote in 1976: "To be frank, I do not believe that a movement with an open Nazi label has a hope of winning national power either in Britain or Europe in the foreseeable future... Our strategy is to use the moderate elements, to work behind them for as long as necessary, but to effectively control them."

People like Whiting are central to this strategy - posing as right-wing nationalists but in reality building the core of a Nazi movement.

In this situation it is deplorable that the university defends Whiting rather than sacks him. That it is more worried about the safety of racists like Proctor and Carlisle than the NF attacks on overseas students that occurred last term.

Whiting is dangerous - he is the Trojan horse on campus. Who knows who he is feeding details of student activities to. It is time for him to be sacked.

Mark Pang (the legend lives on)

The fur trade's barbaric and indiscriminate trapping methods in the USA and Canada are threatening the lynx into extinction. However, here in Britain, a different breed of lynx is fighting back against the vicious leghold traps and inhumane factory farms. - Aislinn Duffield reports on location.

The leghold traps, though banned in this country in the 1950's, is still extensively used in Canada and the USA. The pelts of victims caught in these traps are imported and marketed in Britain today; thus rendering the original legislation a sham. This form of trapping is barbaric; when pressure is applied to the base of the trap the steel jaws slam shut on the animal. Victims are commonly left for several days experiencing a lingering death through cold, starvation or exhaustion, whilst some, in a desperate attempt to free themselves, gnaw off their own limbs. These animals limp off and generally die through blood loss or gangrene.

The fur trade claim that this form of trapping is an effective method of conservation and population control. When every year thousands of domestic pets are trapped and discarded as "trash" by trappers how can such a statement be defended? The traps are indiscriminate.

LYNX, the only organisation devoted solely to the abolition of the fur trade is on tour this summer and autumn throughout Britain. It has adopted a three pronged attack against the fur trade. First, most obviously directed towards the media has been the presentation of a "Public Seal of Disapproval" to the managers/esses of fur shops and department stores in major cities. This has drawn considerable attention and favourable media coverage as these protests have been accompanied by large and peaceful pickets.

The second tactic which is employed has been an educational one taking information boards, leaflets and petitions into the main shopping areas.

The aim is to smash the image, created by the fur trade, of the "glamorous" fur coat. Instead, people will be made aware of the barbaric realities that are of necessity, the ingredients of the so-called status symbol.

What beauty is there in the slaughter of 40 million animals per year, whether they die in leghold traps abroad, or in one of our 80 factory farms in this country.

There are more than animals' lives at stake. In one factory alone, the mink consume 1 tonne of food per day. When more than half the world is hungry, how can such a waste of the world's resources be justified?!

LYNX also holds the rights to the controversial and highly acclaimed "Dumb Animals" commercial which is being shown in the West-End and regional cinemas this winter. The main advertising material is aimed at the consumer. It goes further than merely presenting the moral arguments, it is actually aimed at raising the awareness of the prospective fur wearer. This winter's bus-shelters poster depicts a salesman holding a fur coat with bloodstained hands, enquiring, "How would you like your fur Madam? Gassed, strangled, trapped or electrocuted?"

LYNX is a new organisation. The fur trade made a profit of £400 million this year in Britain alone, so LYNX desperately needs your support to win the battle. It can be done!

The fur season in Canterbury is just starting. Get out there and educate those people.

Through the campus Animal Rights Group organise a picket outside those shops which sell furs.

Arrange to get the LYNX commercial shown in the local cinema or Cinema Three perhaps. The battle is on, it's up to you.

If you want more information regarding the LYNX campaign, contact LYNX, PO Box 509, Dunmow, Essex CM6 1UN.



Aislinn Duffield fights for the Lynx on location

# WHAT'S ON

**BARCLAYS PICKET**  
 Mon - Fri. 9.30-  
 3 p.m.  
**SMASH APARTHEID**

## Sunday

- 10.00.am - First Years start to arrive.  
Coffee all day in JCRs.
- 3.00.pm - College welcomes.  
Dining Halls.
- 4.00.pm - Wine/Cide parties (organised by JCC).
- 8.00.pm - Christian Union: Prayer & Praise.  
Rutherford Upper Senior Common Room.
- 8.30.pm - ENTS - Keynes - BENT & THE RENT REBATES & 60s DISCO.  
Darwin - ITALIAN EVENING & DISCO: WINE PROMOTION!  
Rutherford - TONY TIRELLI & THE STARLIGHTERS.  
Eliot - CAMPUS PUB CRAWL & DISCO.
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

## Monday

- 11.30.am - Societies Bazaar.
- 4.00.pm - Union Welcome  
Rutherford Dining Hall.
- 6.15.pm - Sherry with College Masters.
- 7.00.pm - College Dinners.
- 8.30.pm - ENTS - Eliot - THEME DISCO.  
Keynes - TONY TIRELLI & THE STARLIGHTERS.  
Rutherford - DISCO & BAR EXTENSION.  
Darwin - DISCO.
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

## Tuesday

- 12.00.am - ENTS - HELEN CHADWICK - GULBENKIAN FOYER.  
A CELEBRATION OF THE LIVES AND WORKS OF WOMEN POETS.
- 7.00.pm - Christian Union: Overseas Students.  
Rutherford U.S.C.R. Reception.
- ENTS - Keynes - PUB CRAWL.  
Eliot - OOMPAH BAND - BEER PROMOTION.  
Rutherford - BAND.  
Darwin - SLEAZY BEATS & DISCO.
- 7.30.pm - "The Famous Rag Pub Crawl": Eliot Causeway
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

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U.K.C.S.U. presents  
**FIRST YEAR BALL**  
 "MINT JULEPS"  
 & Support & Disco  
 RUTHERFORD DINING HALL  
 Doors open 8.00 pm  
 Tickets - £4.00 in advance,  
 £4.50 on door.

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## workshops

### Tues

- 3.00.pm - Assertion Training - Women Only  
Keynes JCR3.
- 5.00.pm - Lesbian/Gay Workshop.  
Darwin Lecture Theatre 1.

### Wed

- 10.00.am - The Student Movement Workshop.  
"Where do you stand?"
- 2.30.pm - Anti-Apartheid Workshop & Video.  
Darwin Lecture Theatre 1.
- 3.00.pm - Drugs & Alcohol Workshop - RLTL.

## Wednesday

- 11.00.am - Tour of Back Paths to Canterbury - meet at Porters Lodge.
- 3.30.pm - Christian Union: Prayer & Praise.  
Rutherford Upper Senior Common Room.
- 4.00.pm - Indian Society Tea Party.  
Eliot Whitehouse room.
- 5.00.pm - FILM - "DANCE GIRL DANCE".  
Directed by Dorothy Azner - RLTL.
- 8.00.pm - ENTS - Keynes - SUPERHEROES & DISCO.  
Eliot - DISCO.  
Rutherford - RAG & DISCO.  
Darwin - CAMPUS BAR CRAWL.
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

## Thursday

- 7.30.pm - Christian Union: Drama & Music - RLTL.
- ENTS - Keynes - PYJAMA PARTY.  
Eliot - KILLER RABBITS & DISCO.  
Rutherford - BUT..... & DISCO.  
Darwin - FASHION SHOW & DISCO.  
Keynes - JCR3 GAY/LESBIAN PARTY.
- 8.00.pm - Rag Party: Eliot Seminar Room 4.
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

## Friday

- 7.30.pm - Christian Union:  
"God in this place? You must be joking!"  
Eliot Lecture Theatre 2.
- ENTS - Keynes - PERRY WHITE'S JAZZ BAND.  
Eliot - FRENCH EVENING: DRAMA GROUP & DISCO.  
Rutherford - 3-LEGGED BAR CRAWL & BAR ENTS.  
Darwin - UNCLE LUMPY & THE FISH DOCTORS.
- 7.30.pm - S.U. Film - Citizen Kane - CoLT.
- 12.00.pm - Minibus service to Whitstable & Herne Bay.

# Interrogation

To the Students' Union.  
 By Monday week in advance.

**Whatson**

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society	date
event	cost
time	
place	
special info.	

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## JULIAN COPE



Pop's best-loved looney and ex-front man with Liverpool trend-setters, The Teardrop Explodes, emerges from two years away from the limelight with a new band, a new single - World Shut Your Mouth - a new album with the brilliantly self-parodying title of Saint Julian and a five date mini-tour including the date here in Keynes dining hall on Friday 31st October. Tickets are £3.50 in advance - £4.00 on the door - the cheapest anywhere on the tour.

Always something of an eccentric (who else would pose for an album cover with a giant turtle shell on their back ?), only his refusal to slip into standard pop formats has kept him from becoming a "star" and has consequently kept him fresh and exciting.

For those of you who haven't heard either of his solo album I recommend the 12" version of his current single - 5 tracks which show the versatility and variety of this great performer.

But it is live that the intensity and humour of Julian Cope really show through. The six club dates he did this summer were rapturously received by all the major music papers and it is evident that he has lost none of his energy or originality mixing new and old material and even playing Sleeping Gas and Bouncing Babies, the first two Teardrop Explodes singles.

I strongly advise you not to miss this gig. You won't get another chance to see him this year and who knows, maybe ever!

Antony Blackshaw  
SOCIAL SECRETARY



### STOP PRESS!

Apologies all round but Helen Chadwick will not be playing on Tuesday 7th in the Gulbenkian Foyer as advertised. The date has had to be cancelled and she'll be playing at a later date.

## First Year Ball



## Mint... Juleps

Naa Naa Be Doo Be Doo Dum Dum Dududa ... Oh, excuse me. This is not merely the insane rantings of a Social Secretary but an attempt to explain the sound of the Mint Juleps.

Essentially they are a six-piece acapella group (they just sing) who perform a set of covers and original material including such classics as Jimmy Mack, Da Do Ron Ron and Shout.

They have been gigging extensively this summer including an appearance at the Elephant Fayre.

I challenge anyone to stand still while they're on stage!

Antony Blackshaw  
Social Secretary

## Vive Le Festival

Cinema 3 contribution to the Canterbury Festival.

J.J. Beeneix will speak after the preview of 'Betty Blue', with Neil Norman, freelance writer for 'The Face' and 'The Guardian'. Wednesday 8th October, 7.30 pm CoLT.

Tickets £1.50 students from Gulbenkian Box Office from Monday 29th September.



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## JOO LZ

October 22nd sees the much awaited return to U.K.C. of the highly acclaimed performance poet, Joolz. As the first female poet to sign to a major record company (EMI) Joolz has released two singles this year - 'Love is (Sweet Romance)' and 'Mad Bad and Dangerous to Know' - as well as publishing a book of her poetry and illustrations also entitled 'Mad Bad and Dangerous to Know'. Success also came in the independent chart with two singles on Abstract Records - 'War of Attrition' and 'The Kiss' - and her spoken word album 'New New Land' drew critical acclaim from every quarter.

Joolz began writing poetry as a child but it was not until 1979, after the breakup of her marriage to a Bradford biker and a succession of 'strange and ill paid occupations' that she resumed her writing and

began performing. She has supported numerous bands on the rock circuit and done extensive T.V. and radio work as well as touring successfully throughout Europe and Canada. She has also been instrumental in shaping the career of New Model Army whilst continuing her own work as a writer and illustrative artist.

Her set is sharp, humorous and contemporary covering a whole range of issues from periods to nuclear weapons, unemployment to drugs (she is a fervent supporter of the anti-heroin campaign). With her inimitable style and dress and her hardhitting yet passionate poetry, Joolz is undoubtedly one of the best performance poets around.

Joolz is performing in Darwin JCR on October 22nd. Tickets are £1.50 in advance, £2 on the door - don't miss her!

Julie Burrows - Women's Officer



# Bribing Banks!

Which bribe are you going for? A calculator, a clock, a Microfile wallet, a record token, cheap tapes, cheap loans or will you take the cash? The big banks are spending almost £2 million on grabbing their share of new student accounts. With a little bit of thought you can make the most of their scramble for your grant cheque and open the account that will suit you best.

You shouldn't let the freebies influence your decision. The four big banks all offer money or gifts to the tune of £10 or thereabouts (see table below). What's more important is convenience - branches and cash dispensers that are easy to get to, both at college and at home. Midland, Nat West, Clydesdale and Northern banks have a shared network of cash machines. Belong to one of these banks and your cash dispenser card will operate any of 2,700 money machines. Lloyds claims 1,700 machines though only about 1000 of these are open 24 hours a day.

Most of your "banking" will probably just be withdrawals from cash dispensers. Apart from paying in your grant cheques, your only visits to your bank will be to arrange an overdraft. Whatever your good intentions you're very likely to need one. Nat West estimated that last year 75% of students took out an overdraft (up from 56% the year before). A National Union of Students spokesperson commented that "in the coming year we expect more students will end up overdrawn and to a greater extent. This year because of delays in sending out the grant cheques the overdrafts will also start earlier than ever before." Interest charges on student overdrafts vary only slightly - between one and three per cent above base rate. Make sure you stay on the right side of your bank manager. Arrange your overdraft in advance and tell your manager why you need it and how long for. Banking is free as long as you stay within an agreed overdraft. If you don't, charges can be very expensive - 29p to 50p per cheque and only slightly less for cash dispenser withdrawals. The limit for overdrafts tends to be £200, but this is generally negotiable. The important exception to all this is Nat West which claims you won't pay charges whatever overdraft you run up, arranged or not. With the others you could get stung for charges for up to three months just by going £1 over your overdraft limit.

Bob Larkham, Nat West's marketing manager admits that students shouldn't choose their bank on the basis of "giveaways", but that they do. "Students

make up their minds for themselves to a greater extent nowadays. They no longer just bank with whoever their parents bank with." One of the issues on which students have been making up their minds is South Africa. Barclays has for the first time had to join the other banks in offering an account opening incentive (£7 plus a Microfile). They've seen their share of the student market collapse. An internal Barclays memo leaked to the NUS blames "intensive anti-Barclays activity mounted by the National Union of students and the Anti-Apartheid Movement on account of our South African involvement, accentuated by the extensive media coverage afforded to South Africa last year."

The memo goes on to hope that "the incentive, coupled with a more positive stance on South Africa" will recapture those lost students. It's a vain hope according to an NUS spokesperson. "All the Big Four banks lend money around the world in syndicated loans, but none of the other banks has the scale of involvement in South Africa that Barclays has. For those who are really concerned that their grant cheques aren't used to support the South African economy then the National Girobank, the Co-op, and the TSB are safe bets." The NUS however banks with Nat West. From a purely practical point of view there are several good reasons for not banking with Barclays. Many Student Unions will not accept Barclays' cheques. (Since March 1986 our SU has had a policy of not accepting Barclays cheques.) Karen Talbot of the Anti-Apartheid Movement said "the campaign against Barclays has developed quite a momentum. When Barclays' contracts for branches on campus come up for renewal some of the college authorities will be looking carefully at the renewals and not just for political reasons". Several Unions are attempting to get "Barclays kicked off campus". Barclays branches on campus are regularly picketed, particularly during "Freshers Week" and their cash dispensers occasionally vandalised.

If you've nothing better to do with your first week at college you could always see how many freebies you can pick up. Since the abolition of the minimum grant the banks can no longer limit their offers to those students paying in a grant cheque. Barclays and Lloyds end their offers on October 31st. The others have no deadlines. Barclays will only pay its "loyalty bonus" after the first term. "Crafty" commented the Nat West spokesperson.

# Students Owe £20m

The four big banks estimate that students will owe them almost £20 million in overdrafts this year. In this situation of rising debt the government seem intent on making the students' plight yet worse by a series of proposals rushed through last June. Increasingly, students are paying for their education by taking out loans; Sir Keith Joseph's dream of a loan system is now being realised under Kenneth Baker.

Norman Fowler has described the Government's long term aim as that of "removing students from the benefit system". This academic year students will no longer be eligible for Supplementary or Unemployment Benefit in the short vacations and those in college accommodation or halls of residence will no longer be able to claim Housing Benefit.

There are some gross inefficiencies in the existing system. For example for the whole of my second year at college I received, fortnightly, a cheque for 98p. The DHSS themselves estimate that it costs 60p to pay each £1 of Housing Benefit to students in halls of residence. Many students, however are dependant on Benefits to make ends meet. The Social Security Advisory Committee was told last year by the DHSS that while "20 years ago virtually no students claimed Social Security benefits, today over half the student population is thought to be drawing Housing Benefit in term time and short vacations. A similar number receives supplementary benefit in long vacations. The total benefit cost is approaching £120 million.

The reasons for this are obvious. It's only because their other sources of support are inadequate that students need these subsidies. There are three sources of finance for most students - their LEA grants, their parental contributions and their earnings. None of these are what they were.

In real terms the value of

student grants has been steadily declining under the Tory Government. The Department of Education admits a decline of 12% since 1979, while the National Union of Students (NUS) claims 12%. Between 1974 and 1979 grants just about kept pace with inflation.

The abolition of the minimum grant has meant that parents are now asked to contribute more. An estimated 36% of the total cost of student maintenance now comes from parents compared to 20% in 1980/81. The NUS estimates that 70% of all students are entitled to some parental contribution. About one half of them do not receive part or all of that contribution.

At the same time, holiday employment is harder to come by. NUS research shows that student unemployment in the long vacation has increased by 70% since 1979. However in the South East of England long vacation unemployment since 1979 has increased by 131%.

All this means that parents may well find their children returning from college already in debt, when I finished my second year, this July, I was £1,300 in debt, and nearly all of my friends had overdrafts of £400 or so. If they didn't manage to pay them off this summer they'll most probably have to take on jobs in their final year.

Where do the grants go then? The NUS survey of student expenditure for 1984/85 found that rent accounted for 35% of the grant for those outside London. London students were in a worse position; 40% of their grants went on rent. A Department of Education spokesperson responded that the student grant included £17.70 a week for accommodation in London and £13.60 elsewhere, and that it was "up to them to live within their grants ... students are quite bright, they shack up and take over houses".

While this may be so, most students will nonetheless find that rent is taking a higher and higher proportion of their grants. Those in private accommodation paying more than £13.60 a week (£17.70 in London) should apply (as soon as they move in) to their local council for Housing Benefit and a rate rebate (the grant includes no allowance for rates). If your rent doesn't include services such as heating, gas or electricity you should get most of the difference back.

No such luck if you're in a hall of residence whatever you're charged. A recent survey found that the average cost of selfcatering accommodation in a hall of residence in London would be £23.17 for 1986/87 and £17.95 outside London. Expensive enough to entitle you to several pounds of Housing Benefit last year, but no longer. The DHSS estimated that these new regulations should stop over 85,000 students from claiming.

Parkwood accommodation will cost £22.70 per week. This means a loss of about £300 over the year.

Students also will no longer be able to claim Housing Benefit at all during any absence amounting to a full benefit week. So if you're contemplating taking on a year's lease you'll have to remain "in occupation" for the whole of the long vacation (with effect from Summer 1987) in order to claim benefit.

This year the overdrafts are likely to be taken out earlier than ever before. Due to the delay in drafting the grant regulations (because of the changes in Benefit entitlement) grant cheques may well be two or three weeks late next term. The S.U. has asked the banks on campus to treat moneyless students sympathetically. They may find that their sympathy will have to be extended for longer and longer periods as overdrafts become the *de facto* system of student finance.

	FREE GIFT	NO. OF CASH CAMPUS DISPENSERS	CAMPUS BRANCHES
Lloyds	£10	1063	70
Midland	£6 for clock (£8) and a coachcard (£3.50)	2700	80
Nat West	£10	2700	300

	1983	1984	1985
% share of the student market			
Barclays	27	23	17
Lloyds	20	20	25
Midland	20	18	25
Nat West	33	40	36

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# RIGHTS - WOT RIGHTS?

**YOUR UNION provides you with a legal rights and advice service. We can offer help and assistance on a wide variety of legal problems. Anything from help with applying for housing benefit to advice on immigration regulations.**

In addition we also provide academic related services. Students can get from the Union **free copies of past examination papers** (Humanities and Social Science only) and **free copies of standard essays** from the Essay Bank. We do need to update the essay bank from time to time so if you get a good grade for an essay bring it along to the Union and we can put it on file for other students' use. (To retain confidentiality students names are not printed on the essays.)

In KRED each week this column will keep you up to date with your right to claim welfare benefits and grants. During the past year these rights have been eroded by the present government. Your Union has been active in trying to protect your income and standard of living. It is only with your support that the Union can keep up the campaigning. Last year's activities were partly successful in delaying some of the plans which the government introduced. Help your Union to help you.

### HOUSING RIGHTS

As mentioned above the Union can help you apply (if you live off campus) for housing benefit. The majority of students who come to the Rights Department are those seeking help with other housing problems.

We maintain a close contact with a sympathetic firm of local solicitors who are keen to assist students in difficulties. Last year we had a number of notable successes. Through the Union one group of students received over £2,000 back from a landlord to whom they had overpaid their rent. We were also able to help others get smaller amounts of money back.

During the summer one local landlady was convicted in the Crown Court for the illegal eviction of a UKC student. It is only if you come to us with your problems that we can hope to make Canterbury a better place for students and others to live.

### Checklist for housing

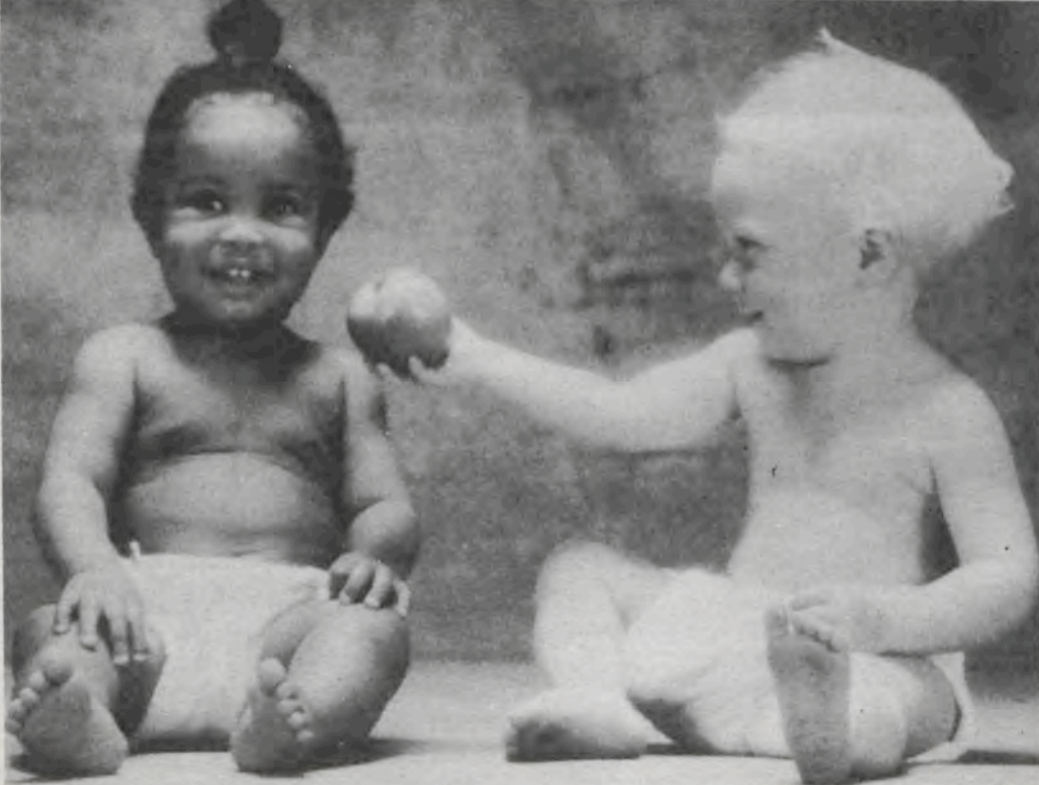
- Do you have:-
- \* A receipt for your rent?
  - \* A receipt for your deposit?
  - \* A written contract?
  - \* An inventory of furniture (and its condition) supplied in your home.

These are basics for any person moving into private rented accommodation.

### UNION SERVICES

- 1) Exam Papers - Apply at Reception.
  - 2) Essay Bank - Apply at Reception.
  - 3) Housing Benefit forms - Di Potter, Information Assistant.
  - 4) Legal Rights - Gerry Glyde, Research & Rights Officer.
- Housing, Supplementary Benefit, Grants, Finance etc.  
Academic Problems  
Course transfer and intermission.

In South Africa 14 babies die in every thousand in infancy. White babies that is. As many as a quarter of all black babies die before they are one year old. Life expectancy in South Africa can be quite good. The doctor for every 330. Black have one for every 19,000. So if you buy a Cape Apple today you really are helping to keep the doctor away. Don't buy South African products. Don't buy time for apartheid.



# A Disruptive Force

Some will say that we are only here to disrupt

This is entirely correct, this pamphlet goes on 'Always be provocative. Remember you are here to wind them up so much they lose control and disrupt the conference, e.g. "You Red Fascist Scum"! This is not a 'quote' from a revolutionary Communist's pamphlet but from the Federation of Conservative Students' pamphlet.

The Federation of Conservative Students, better known as F.C.S., is the official student body of the Conservative Party. Kent University Conservative Association is an affiliated body of the F.C.S. and K.U.C.A. members are incorporated in its national membership, as you may realize when they are often referred to as F.C.S.

The F.C.S. was originally seen as the student wing of the Young Conservatives. In recent years the F.C.S. has gone beyond being the 'socialite set' for young urban professionals, and has become an alliance of the traditional right and the more recent libertarian faction. The F.C.S. views are considerably to the right of Mrs. Thatcher with their beliefs running to the extreme of advocating the legislation of heroin. Many of its leading members have advocated liaison with the British National Party and like-minded nationalists! Recently the F.C.S. South East Regional Chairman, Mr. Stuart Millson, defected to the B.N.P. Mr. Millson described himself as 'a fascist'. "My main aim at university has been to drum up as much support as possible for racialism". Mr. Austin Redmond, a leading F.C.S. officer at Staffordshire Polytechnic said "Quite a few of my members do support the B.N.P., I support the B.N.P. on most causes". If this was not enough to incite traditional Tories, two years ago at their

much publicized conference at Loughborough University, an 'orgy of violence' occurred at the first night party.

This latter occurrence led to an inquiry by the Conservative Party Central Office and a three month suspension of payments to the F.C.S. If that was not enough, traditional backbench Tories were particularly alarmed at the new depths the F.C.S. had sunk to recently. When their official magazine, 'New Agenda' edited by Harry Phebb, contained an article which claimed Lord Stockton (Harold MacMillan) was responsible for the deaths of 30,000 Serbo-Croats at the end of the Second World War, Norman Tebbit, Chairman of the Conservative Party, in reply put a writ on the paper preventing its distribution to the Federation's members.

More wider afield the Conservative hierarchy were angered by open support by the F.C.S. in Ireland for Ulster loyalists while Mrs. Thatcher was working on the Anglo-Irish Agreement. An F.C.S. spokesman said that "it was firmly against the Anglo-Irish Agreement."

However, Kent University Conservative Association can be just as offensive as its national body, with policies designed to cripple the Students' Union by cutting its funding, a union it could not gain control of democratically.

K.U.C.A. have produced many outstanding pieces of literature in recent times. For instance, John Huke (Treasurer of K.U.C.A.) then the welfare officer on Keynes Junior Common Room Committee, produced a leaflet called 'Rights...Wot Rights?', and here are a few examples. (I apologize for any obvious offence).

'Despite Student Union policy and despite the traditional role of the J.C.C. to promote that policy, I wish to make it clear

that I shall not be fighting for any rights.'

'Gay and lesbian rights "Seemingly the union endorses the view that such people have a right to be employed on equal terms with normal people".'

This leaflet led to a storm within Keynes College and the University, and eventually led to the removal of the F.C.S. dominated Keynes J.C.C. by a mass meeting of the college members.

John Carlisle's and David Waddington's recently announced visits will not be the first provocative action, for last year another well known right winger - Harvey Proctor, M.P., was also invited in an attempt to antagonise the union into freezing their budget, thus allowing them to bring legal action against the Students' Union. This attempt failed as the Students' Representative Council saw through it. K.U.C.A. is now independently funded, and has decided to be no longer a Students' Union funded society as all other political groups.

Its only real aim now seems to be to paralyse the Student's Union and 'all its societies by reducing its funding, it hopes to achieve this using individuals such as John Carlisle, hoping for violent confrontation which will lead to a cut in Student Union funding and hence cause that disruption which so often is its main aim.

One can only ask, will K.U.C.A. be seen wearing F.C.S. produced T-shirts saying 'I love South Africa' and 'Hang Nelson Mandela' or follow in the steps of its Vice-Chairman, David Hoile by carrying a gun with the Contras in Nicaragua?

Richard Winton

## In S.Africa

## Dangerman

**JOHN RUSSELL CARLISLE (Conservative) Luton North**

**Born:** 28 August 1942, Henlow, Bedfordshire.  
**Education:** Bedford School, St. Lawrence College (where he was caned with 100 strokes), College of Estate Management.  
**Occupation:** Grain trader: London Corn Exchange, Consultant, Louis Dreyfus (grain traders); ex-Director, Granfin Agriculture Ltd., Stoke Ferry, Norfolk (grain traders), Sidney Banks Ltd., Sandy (grain traders)  
**Majority:** 11,981 over Labour 3 way.  
**Former Seat Description:**  
 Luton West 79-83  
**Description:** Industrialised Bedfordshire market town with own airport.  
**Position:** Chairman Conservative MPs, Sports Committee 83,81,82; Secretary, British South Africa Group 83; ex Treasurer: Anglo Gibraltar Parliamentary Group 81-82.  
**Outlook:** Hard Rightwinger: the leading pro-South African (especially in sports), anti-unions, anti-coloured immigration, antiEEC, hanger and flogger; scourge of 'wet' Cabinet Ministers Prior and Whitelaw.  
**History:** Became Vice Chairman of the Mid-Bedfordshire Conservative Association 73, its Chairman in 74; selected for Luton West Oct.75; welcomed Thatcher leadership as ending consensus; called for death penalty for terrorism Oct 75; attacked Jim Prior for 'bended knees' to unions March 74; won Luton West May 79; urged Schipol be London's third airport June 79; criticised government for failing to produce quota on coloured immigration Dec. 79; pressed Jim Prior to end 'industrial anarchy' Feb 80, urged people to 'shop' neighbours who were 'scroungers' Feb 80; urged scrapping of anti-apartheid Glenegles Agreement June 80; parents of hooligans should pay Nov. 80; said South African soccer 'is fully integrated' June 81; founded pro-South African 'freedom for sport' June 81; said Government was 'gutless' for not fighting British Gas unions Oct.81; lined up 50 Tory MPs in favour of English cricketers going to South Africa Mar. 82; urged restoration of corporal punishment and sacking of whitelaw Mar. 82; urged Enoch Powell to join government July 82; urged closing of Channel 4 for showing homosexual play Dec. 82; deposed as Chairman of Tory MPs Sports Committee Dec.82; again urged sporting links with S.African Feb.83; rebelled against government easing of immigration controls Feb.83; wanted joint Anglo-American control of Cruise missiles Mar.83; re-elected Chairman of Tory MPs Sports Committee July 83; led campaign to send MCC to South Africa July 83; led over 100 Tory MPs in campaign to send Rugby Union team to South Africa Feb.84.

# SPORT

## Oasthouse to go?

In the August period Ramesh Perinparaja (President) and Chris Lane (Sports Federation) were informed by Mr. David James (Sports Centre Director) that the Oasthouse Bar be cut down to opening 2 nights a week.

To those of you who don't know; the Oasthouse started life as a bar which opened only twice a week. It was the Students Union which campaigned for it to be kept open under the Presidency of Robin Britton (1983-84).

If this year the bar is to open only 2 days a week it would be turning the clock back 3 years. The Students Union in conjunction with the Sports Federation have argued with the authorities that a comprehensive, properly coordinated campaign by the Students Union (on behalf of Parkwood residents) and Sports Fed. (on behalf of individual clubs that use the bar) is needed.

The recommendation by the Students Union was that the bar would be kept open for the first term on a 7 day basis. If the figure for the first term of trading showed a minor loss then keeping the bar open would be valid.

The losses at present are £2,399 for the 1985-86 financial year. If the bar is to be viable a £25,000 turnover is needed in the 1986-87 period.

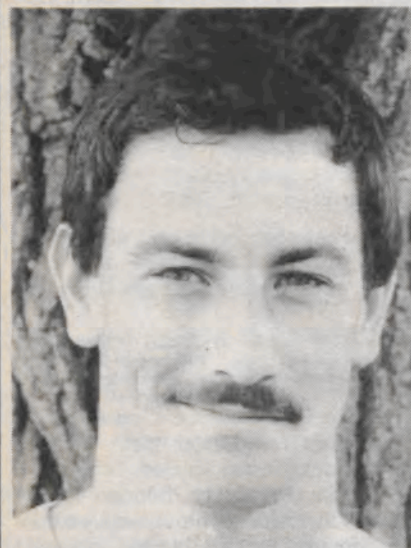
This breaks down as:

Term 1	£10,000
Term 2	£8,000
Term 3	£7,000
<b>total:</b>	<b>£25,000</b>

If 90% or more of the £10,000 figure for Michaelmas term is met then the bar may remain on a full-time basis. If not it

### Sports Federation

Chris Lane



UKC is fortunate to have an excellent Sports Centre, with well maintained and varied facilities, run by a friendly and helpful staff. Four squash courts, a new training gym (with a wide range of weights and training facilities), a solarium and sauna, and numerous all weather tennis courts combine with a large indoor sports hall which provides for badminton courts, table tennis, indoor soccer, cricket and hockey, indoor cricket nets and trampolining. It also converts into an indoor tennis court, as well as basketball and volleyball courts, and even has a climbing wall as well.

closes down to 2 days a week - this may later lead to a total closure if it is felt that staffing arrangements etc. for 2 days are inadequate.

So we are asking you to do your bit for the Oasthouse campaign. If it closes during your year of involvement with the S.U. it will not impress Parkwood residents. What else do Parkwood students have in terms of services compared to the colleges? The answer is not very much!

If students don't want the bar kept open the argument that it is used by them as an important service will be correctly seen as shallow. It's up to all students to campaign to keep it open: if you want it closed - it will close.

Chris Lane  
Sports Federation

Ramesh Perinparaja  
President

### OAST HOUSE CLUB

At the far end of the playing fields is the Oast House Club, which combines its roles of providing changing facilities for outdoor sports with that of being a bar and social area, providing a full range of drinks and hot snacks (much sought after following an exhausting game of whatever!).

All paid up members of any Sports Club (i.e. members of the Sports Federation) are automatically members of the Oast House Club. They may take friends by signing them in on entry.

The Sports Federation, as distinct from the Sports Centre (which is run by the university), is the body which runs the students' sports clubs. We are a financially autonomous part of the Students' Union, receiving 25% of the union grant, which we use to finance the many and varied sports clubs at UKC (which at present number 35).

We operate in close conjunction with the Sports Centre staff, who control the playing fields and the Sports Centre facilities, which clubs can use free of charge when officially booked.

Our office is upstairs in the Sports Centre, where you can find myself and our administrative assistant, Jean Nevett. If you want any information about Sport at UKC, please come and see either myself or Jean, and we will be glad to help you.

We look forward to meeting you.

If you intend to use the Sports Centre regularly, a user card scheme has been set up, which enables a student to book up and use the facilities free of charge (except for the hire of balls and rackets). Keep fit (aerobic) classes are also frequently held, and are free to card holders. The card costs £5, and since the cost of using the Sports Centre is at least 35p a time for noncard holders, it is well worth buying one if you use the Sports Centre as little as 15 times (i.e. if you use it once a week or more frequently, a user-card will be worth having).

### FACILITIES

As part of the Sports Centre, there is a small shop selling various items; mainly footwear and clothing. Compared to prices in town they are very reasonable and money can be saved without having to go down town. See reception for details.

Upstairs in the Sports Federation, we stock all items of club clothing from shorts, shirts to ties and jumpers. For clubs, some items have the club's crest embroidered onto them. We also sell T-shirts and sweatshirts for some of the clubs. So, if you want to buy something come along to the office and we will do our best. If we do not have your size, it is usually possible to order one, the length of time taken before delivery depends on what time of year it is.

### SPORTS CLUBS

Most, if not all, of the sports on offer at UKC should be represented at the Societies Bazaar, and we well as joining clubs whose activities you have sampled before, why not try something totally new? All clubs welcome total novices as well as experts, and given that the Sports Fed. uses its budget to subsidise sport at UKC, it is worth making the most of the opportunities you will have here. You'll probably never again have so much on offer at such a cheap rate.

Joining a sports club is an ideal way of making friends and meeting people early on in your university career, as well as providing much enjoyment throughout your years at UKC.

# CLAIM IT

While you can

- The Government believes that students should not be able to claim benefits.
- The Government believes that people under 25 should live with their families and be financially dependent on them.
- Government plans to cut students totally out of the benefits system have not succeeded.
- Students should claim the benefits they are still entitled to, to stop further cuts being made.
- NUS believes that all students should have the right to claim benefits on the basis of low income.
- For higher education students the grant is now worth 1/3 less than it was in 1979.
- For further education students, most of whom receive no grant at all, benefits are the only source of finance available.

## ACT NOW TO DEFEND THE BENEFITS SYSTEM

Contact your students' union or Area NUS for further details

### SPORTS CENTRE OPENING TIMES

Monday	9.00 a.m. - 9.30 p.m.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m. - 9.30 p.m.
Wednesday	9.00 a.m. - 9.30 p.m.
Thursday	9.00 a.m. - 10.30 p.m.
Friday	9.00 a.m. - 10.30 p.m.
Saturday	9.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.
Sunday	2.00 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.

### SMALL GYM/WEIGHTS ROOM

Monday to Friday	10.00 a.m. - 9.00 p.m.
Saturday	10.00 a.m. - 5.15 p.m.
Sunday	2.00 p.m. - 5.15 p.m.

# Kent Union Travel

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