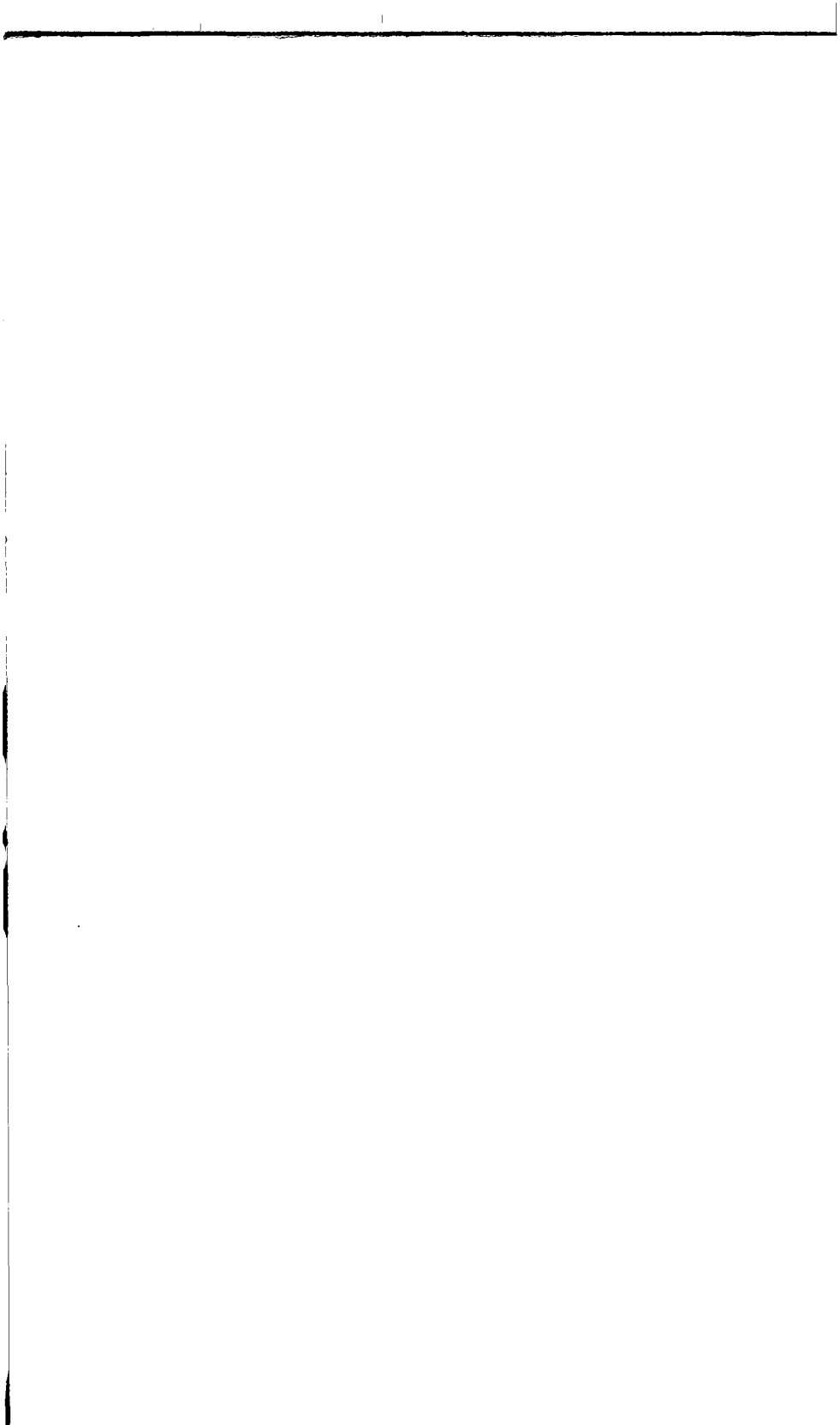


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School Notes

What's New

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Graham on the birth of their first child, a daughter, Sophie Charlotte.

Congratulations are also due to Simon Hills and Keith Halsey for two well-deserved Flying Scholarships, and to David Eccles on his Army Scholarship.

Various improvements have been instigated, and in some cases completed, around the school. The Courtroom has been redecorated, and may soon be slightly adapted to serve as a part-time theatre, to satisfy the growing interest in drama in the school. The Music School has had carpeting installed, which, I am told, will improve the acoustics, while the pavilion on Upper Field has been given a facelift. The Boarding Houses have not been neglected, however: showers are being built on to Glyndowr, while at Waste Court, parts of the house have been redecorated. Meanwhile, the new Dining Hall is progressing well: although the roof is not yet on, the builders have started some of the indoor plastering, trusting in the good weather. It should be finished and ready for use by Christmas. Many other minor repairs and improvements have been made, too many to mention, for which we must thank the Bursar's vigilant eye.

Speakers

IBM laid on a one-day conference in the school for Sixth-Formers interested in computers. Thanks are due to Dr Pirkhoffer and Mr Hay for a stimulating and informative day.

The other main visitor of the term was Dr Lionel Kochan, Professor at Warwick University, who came to speak one afternoon to the Arts side of the Sixth Form on 'Salient Aspects of Russian Development'. Despite the fact that Dr Kochan had only a limited time to speak and the perhaps rather narrow appeal of the subject, even those who knew nothing about Russia went away feeling much more knowledgeable, while those who had a keen interest in it found the talk and the discussion that followed stimulating.

Meanwhile, we are as ever grateful to the Ripon Hall students for taking the bulk of the Sixth Form Divinity Classes, supplying fresh ideas and topics for discussion. Miss Jewars came to talk and show a film of the organisation she worked for, SHELTER. Perhaps as a result many members of the school took part in or helped marshal the sponsored swim for SHELTER that took place two days later. The Gideons came again last term to distribute New Testaments to all new boys.

The boarders received two lectures by visiting speakers: George Spencely on 'Adventure and Tragedy in the Himalayas' and John Willcocks on 'Venice' They provided a pleasant change from the normal film.

Outside Visits

Early on in the term Sixth Form Biologists took the day off to go to the Natural History Museum, presumably their idea of a busman's holiday. While the party was not particularly enthusiastic about most of the museum, they were impressed and interested by the Evolution section - the main reason for their visit.

The 'A' Level Geographers, not to be outdone, spent a profitable day in the Vale of Evesham. Apart from looking at land terraces above the River Avon and making a study of the layout of buildings in Tewkesbury, they also found time to look at Tewkesbury Abbey.

A small group of keen music-lovers made their way one evening to the Albert Hall to hear Stravinsky's 'Rites of Spring' and Beethoven's Piano Concerto. The trip was much enjoyed, and such trips appear likely to increase in number.

There were only two non-society theatre trips last term and both to the same theatre on consecutive days! The Lower Sixth Form English sets saw 'Twelfth Night' at Witney, in connection with their 'A' Level studies, while the following day a Third Form party saw 'The Royal Hunt of the Sun'. The former was an excellent production, the use of music being especially admired. The latter, though spoilt by the poor behaviour of some of the audience, was also thought a fine production; by a close shave it just bettered our own school production two years ago!

The day before the end of term a large party of art-lovers (the dubiousness of this claim was quickly dismissed by the obvious enthusiasm for the trip) travelled to London to see 'Expressionism' at the Royal Academy. Although disappointed by the small size of the exhibition, those who managed to see the paintings in the Courtauld gallery as well thought the trip worthwhile.

Drama

Drama is reaching a high pitch of enthusiasm with a flood of junior plays and the formation of a new junior drama club. The three plays we were treated to last term under the general name of 'Theatre of the Fifties' showed there is plenty of talent in the school, albeit perhaps in need of a little development. All the same, Messrs McGowan and Skinner must be congratulated, as well as the teams of actors and back-stage men, for the high standard of the plays. Space precludes any special mention; no doubt those involved in

'The White Sheep of the Family', by the First Form Dramatic Society, 'Ten Little Niggers', by the Third Form, and 'Make it Murder', by the Second Form will confirm that drama is a very stimulating way of spending one's time. Good luck!

Apart from the junior dramatists, six Sixth Formers took part in the St Helen's School Play, 'Dona Rosita, the Spinster', by Lorca. Despite disliking the play itself, they lent a much appreciated hand to the girls, and contributed to the play's success.

The Boarders' Saturday evenings were lightened by some very entertaining, although not particularly renowned films: 'Explosion', '25th Hour', 'Molly McGuire's', and 'Hot Millions'.

Miscellany

The Fourth, Fifth and Lower Sixth forms in the school did their duty to the National Federation of Educational Research at the beginning of last term by undergoing a sort of intelligence test. So far we have heard nothing more about them; no doubt in five years' time we shall see some worthwhile conclusion emanating from the Federation, to show that it was worth the trouble.

The Road Research Laboratory sent a team on another occasion to question a cross-section of the school about their methods of getting to and from school.

The Headmaster contributed to two books published this term. He wrote on Scott's 'Journal' in the volume called 'Scott Bicentenary Essays', and is the author of the chapter on Scott in the Oxford University Press's recent publication, 'The English Novel'.

Finally, our intrepid ornithologist, Mr Reynolds, reports that apart from the school starlings that regularly fly to Russia (attracted, no doubt, by the country's warmth?), another of his starlings has been sighted in Nigeria.

Staff Changes

Recent terms have seen considerable changes in the teaching staff and the trend continued at the end of the Lent Term with the departure of Mr Skinner and Mr McKinnon.

Derek Skinner who ran the Mathematics Department over the last seven years is to enter the world of preparatory teaching and will be taking up a post at St Hugh's, Faringdon, next Michaelmas. He will be greatly missed and very difficult to replace in the many ways in which he served the School. The patient competence with which he coached junior games of all kinds, the running of the Scouts and the sponsoring of junior plays, quite apart from things academic, are not easily found in one individual and the 'Skinner empire' has naturally devolved on several heads. The Scouts indeed have unhappily not survived his departure! It is good to know that he will be working at a school not far away and which we know well. We wish him success and happiness in his new venture.

Rod McKinnon who brought to the English Department his own unique brand of interest and method left us in order to complete those law studies which he interrupted three years ago to try his hand at schoolmastering. He will also be sorely missed in the fields of drama and games. Whichever profession—teaching or the law—he finally decides upon, we wish him well.

The position of Head of Mathematics has been filled by Mr Charles Parker. A graduate of Nottingham University, Charles Parker comes from the Gram-

mar School for Boys, Cambridge, where he was in charge of Mathematics. We welcome him and his wife and family and hope they will all enjoy their time at Abingdon. As Mr Parker is not due to start with us until mid-term in the summer, the vacant mathematics post has been temporarily filled by Air-Commodore Edmund Stockwell, parent and ex-RAF and graduate of Oxford. We are most grateful for his willing help and hope he will have enjoyed his taste of the classroom. To keep the ship on course in the English Department, we are happy to have the assistance of Martin Cole, who is from Edinburgh University and not inexperienced in the business of teaching.

In addition, we have been helped in English by Martin Hague, a student from Culham College who also is not new to teaching. Two American students both of Arizona University and both currently engaged on an educational attachment to Oxford—Robert Church and George Benedict—joined us at the end of the Lent Term and returned for a month of the Summer Term. We enjoyed having them and hope they enjoyed their stay with us.

Chapel Notes

These notes must begin with very warm thanks to Mr McGowan. To be in charge during an interregnum is seldom easy, but Mr McGowan did wonders with the Chapel Choir in the term that elapsed between Mr le Fleming's departure and the arrival of Mr Johnson. The chief function of a choir in a school chapel like ours is to lead the congregational singing. This the Choir did admirably during the Michaelmas Term, arousing much favourable comment both from regular worshippers and from visitors.

Upon Mr McGowan's hard work Mr Johnson has built, conducting the Choir while Mr McGowan has remained Organist. Appreciably increased in size, the Choir has given such a good lead and the congregation has responded to it so well that it has been possible to dispense with the unpopular congregational practices. Mr Johnson has continued Mr McGowan's policy of introducing new anthems as well as reviving old favourites. Mendelssohn's 'Hear My Prayer', sung on the last Sunday of term, is his most adventurous choice yet.

The Vicar, assisted by the Rev JV Andrews, the Rev MWH Kirby, the Rev JR Packer and the Rev LP Smith, has most kindly arranged celebrations of Holy Communion on Sunday mornings and Friday evenings.

The Headmaster preached at the Term Service in St Helen's Church. The following preached in Chapel during the term: the Rev FE Rusby, Vicar of Fyfield, Tubney and Kingston Bagpuize; the Rev G Lloyd Jones, Senior Tutor of Ripon Hall; the Rev W Suffield, Minister of Trinity Methodist Church; the Rev CP Thompson, Minister of the United Reformed Church, Abingdon; the Rev AHJ Lane, Assistant Curate of Abingdon; Mr RW Ellis, Master of Marlborough College; Mr JH Hooke, Old Boy and Governor; the Rev C Hollis, Roman Catholic Chaplain to Oxford University. We are very grateful to them all, and especially to Mr Suffield and Mr Thompson for giving us a change from mattins and conducting the services themselves as well as preaching.

Chapel Collections were for the following causes: The New Guinea Mission, £7.04; The Spastics Society, £7.92; The Church Missionary Society, £6.14; Chapel Funds, £6.12; The British Red Cross Society, £4.85; The Royal School of Church Music, £5.38; The United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, £5.05; The Imperial Cancer Research Fund, £5.66; Feed the Minds, £4.72.

While their own church underwent major internal changes, our neighbours from Trinity Methodist Church held their Sunday services in Chapel. Our thanks go to those members of their congregation who arranged the flowers until Lent began.

Finally, few people can realise the amount that Mr Skinner has done behind the scenes to try to make possible the smooth and reverent conduct of daily worship in Chapel. I personally am enormously grateful to him for all that he has taken off my shoulders this term and last. He takes with him, first to a well-earned rest and then to his new post, the grateful thanks and good wishes of us all.

HTR

Voluntary Service

The Abingdon School Voluntary Service Unit has continued to expand both its activities and membership. The Service is now run by a Committee of elected members which co-ordinates the Service; and is sponsored by Mr Hammond and Mr Blocksidge. This introduction of pupil organisation has helped to increase the involvement in society that this Service inevitably brings. At present the Service has 25 members who visit old people in and around Abingdon.

We are planning many new activities such as a tea for old people that are visited by the members of the Service, and a group of musicians to visit hospitals and other establishments. The Service will be launching a Fund Raising Campaign to help finance such operations as these. We hope to continue at our present rate of expansion and hope to continue to provide a useful and helpful parallel to the Corps.

RWK

Music Notes

The Music Department has had a very successful term. The interior of the Music School was decorated during the Christmas holidays and the main hall, corridor and office were carpeted during the Easter break. This, coupled with the arrival of the new Director of Music, gave us a speedy and prompt start in January.

There has been a considerable expansion in the variety and number of activities with a general policy of involving more boys than ever before. The visiting staff now number 14 with the addition of Mr Colin Gordon (piano) in January and Miss Shirley Day (percussion) in February.

The First Orchestra has been reorganised and expanded and at the end of term numbered 56 players. We have now an almost complete orchestra including a lively percussion section in Messrs Blocksidge, McGowan and Procter!

The Second Orchestra has now been officially launched under the direction of Mr Robinson and promises well for the future. At present the group consists of strings only and will combine with wind and brass in September.

A Wind Band has been formed to involve some of the many woodwind players the school can boast at present and has been run successfully this term by Mr Procter.

Mr Frith has now completed two terms with the Brass Band. The group are now producing a warm round tone and are at present building up a repertoire in preparation for future public engagements.

The Jazz Band is also run by Mr Frith. It too has been expanded and has

successfully rehearsed and performed several very polished arrangements by its conductor.

It is in the choral field that perhaps the most notable changes have taken place in the musical activities programme. This term has seen the formation of a full Choral Society of some 200 voices with members from each year of the school. The Director of Music hopes this will develop into an even larger force capable of presenting major choral works during the next few years. One thing is certain already that many members of the Choral Society, convinced they were tone-deaf in January are now not so sure!

The Chapel Choir has had a very successful and busy term consolidating and building on the work done during the Christmas Term. New anthems and intonations were learnt for each service and the Choir is now beginning to produce a strong confident tone. Among the non-musical events of the term for the Chapel Choir was a trip to the White Horse at Uffington and a party at the Johnson residence, which has not been the same since!

The Abingdon Singers (formerly the Choral Society) also contains a number of senior boys although it is mainly intended for parents and friends of the school. This too has been reorganised and numbers now about 50. Rehearsals were held weekly in the Chapel and the Choir gave a performance of the Requiem by Faure in St Helen's Church after evensong on Sunday 31 March.

Among numerous other activities, some more musical than others, a School Music Club has been formed and was gradually getting to its feet at the end of term. Notable Abingdon School celebrities were invited to play records and perform. The aim of the club is to involve those who perhaps are not performers but enjoy listening to music of all kinds. The club was awarded £25 by TASS which will be used to start the club's own record collection with records chosen by members.

Informal Concerts 1974

A new series of Sunday evening Informal Concerts was started this term in the Music School. It is hoped to stage twelve of these a year in which nearly all instrumentalists will have an opportunity to perform solos or in an ensemble. Two concerts were held this term and attracted good audiences. The first on 3 March included polished performances by S Williams, 4K (piano), P. Thompson, V1E (oboe), and S de Lusignan, 5H (flute). Memorable items from the second concert on 17 March were played by P Wakefield, 2W (flute), A Courtenay, V1B (cello), and the 2W Recorder Ensemble who were making their concert debut.

MDJ

The Stock Exchange Finance Game

This annual game is a theoretical introduction into the changeable world of the Stock Exchange. This year 316 teams entered the ten-week game and explored the market with £25,000, on paper. Brokerage charges and Capital Gains Tax were deducted from the final valuation (unfortunately a 'Capital Loss Refund' was not credited!).

The game allowed its participants to explore the most worthwhile corners of the market for investment, and familiarised them with Stock Exchange terms and procedures. It also underlined the fact that with the present wave of crises, investment in the Stock Market is not necessarily the 'Rich man's Paradise' it is reputed to be. Although three out of the four School teams made a profit, it must be remembered that the game, being theoretical, encourages speculation.

The School teams fared as follows:

Scl. Yr.	Code No.	Position in game	Final Valuation	% increase/ decrease
6	002	42	£26,380	+ 5.5%
6	003	74	£25,588	+ 2.4%
6	004	82	£25,468	+ 1.9%
5	005	117	£24,844	- 0.6%
Approximate average market fall during game:				-10.0%

RWK

Tass

The major event of the Lent Term was the amendment of the Society's Constitution. It had been felt for some time that the Constitution as originally laid down had become too restrictive: the activities of the Society had grown commendably and successfully but too much was being expected of too few in the way of organization and responsibility while, at the same time it had become increasingly obvious that there existed among the members a tremendous goodwill and potential for service which was not able easily to find expression. Amendments to the Constitution were therefore worked out and presented to the AGM on January 31st when they were unanimously adopted.

Basically the change has meant the substitution of a Council, some forty in number, for the old Committee. This new Council has the usual principal officers, President, Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and the Headmaster (ex-officio) but in addition includes one parent from each form in the School, a representative of the Governing Body and of the OA Club, three boys elected from within the School and five representatives of Friends of the School who, of course, are not necessarily parents. As will be at once clear, the parents henceforth will have more influence and more opportunity to work for the Society and School than has been so in the past and can do so by the formation of smaller committees to deal responsibly with all those activities formerly controlled by members of the old main committee. A Finance Committee consisting of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Headmaster will have overall control of monies, the making of policy and the calling of Council meetings.

Already the new arrangements have proved their worth. As will be reported in the next issue of the magazine, the TASS Fair on May 10th was an outstanding success and involved a great number of very enthusiastic parents and boys, and it is confidently expected that the Brains Trust Evening on June 20th will be equally successful. This event is scheduled for 8.00 p.m. in the Court Room and we hope for good attendance.

MEW

School Council

At the beginning of term Chris Jones resigned after two terms as Chairman and Adrian Luto was elected to replace him. Simon Hills was re-elected as Secretary.

Messrs Fletcher and Crawford represented the Staff.

Three meetings were held during the Lent Term and the Council discussed many topics ranging from boarders' entertainment to ways in which School expenditure could be cut by 10 per cent.

This term's meetings were not as well attended as they should have been, indeed one meeting had to be cancelled because only one-third of the members were present. Members should ensure that in their absence a 'deputy' represents their form.

Agendas were generally 'bare', but lengthy and enthusiastic discussions followed points raised in 'Any Other Business' which always dominated meetings. It would be helpful if these items could more often be placed on the Agenda so as to give the Council Members and Officers prior warning. It was a great pity that the proposed meeting with the Headmaster at the end of term had to be cancelled because no items were put forward for the Agenda. There is little doubt that there would have been fruitful discussions had a meeting been held. Unless the Council is used as the means of communication which it was designed to be, there is justification for accusations of sterility.

However it was pleasing to see junior members taking a positive part in discussions—this bodes well for a more energetic School Council in the future.

SMH

Hammarbank

During the Easter holiday, an expedition of Second Formers accompanied by a number of masters spent a week walking the fells in the Lake District. Overall control of this experiment was in the hands of Mr Haynes and its success means that a repeat will take place next Easter when, however, the dates booked fall squarely inside the holidays so that there will be no repetition of this year's use of the first three days of Summer Term to complete the week. We publish an account by Stephen Mulvey of Form 2B.

'To prepare ourselves for this visit, we had been meeting on Tuesdays after school during Lent Term. At these meetings, we were told how to use a map and compass, what clothing to wear while walking, how to avoid an emergency, what to do if one occurred and how to prepare ourselves generally for fell walking.

Hammerbank is a large house near Windermere, owned by the Lancashire Association of Boys' Clubs and which we were privileged to use. There were plenty of things to do in the evenings: one could play table tennis, soccer, cricket, or draw, keep a log or watch television. One evening we visited Brockhole, the National Park Centre to view the exhibitions. We slept in dormitories taking up to twelve people and everyone shared the responsibility of keeping them clean and tidy for daily inspection. At the end of the week, there was a prize for the best-kept dormitory.

The timetable for any one day was: reveille at 7.30 am followed by dormitory inspection at 8.15 am and breakfast at 8.30 am. The day's walk lasted from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm and on our return we all had "showers". The evening meal was at 6.00 pm, briefing for the next walk at 7.15 pm, cocoa at 9.00 pm and bed at 9.30 pm.

We walked in four groups of eleven with two masters and one sixth former in each group. In the six walks we did, we were able to cover an amazing area of the Lake District. Fells visited include Loughrigg Fell, Langdale Pikes, Pike o'Blisco, Great Gable, Helvellyn, Blencathra, Pillar, Fairfield and Sca Fell Pikes. Excluding Wednesday which was rather cloudy, there was very good walking weather although long distance views were marred by haze. According to my log, Tuesday's walk to Helvellyn went as follows:

After a breakfast of sausages and egg, we set off in a coach to Glenridding which was the start of our walk. We followed the beck for the first two miles and then cut across the slopes of Catstye Carn which made harder work. We rested by Red Tarn, a pretty tarn between Striding Edge and Swirral Edge, and then climbed up to Helvellyn by way of Striding Edge. This edge is very sharp and it was quite windy there although that didn't spoil the marvellous view. By the time we reached the top there was a tremendous wind blowing and although we ate lunch beside a shelter windproof clothing was essential.

We continued our walk past crags dropping away on our left, going south over Nethermost Pike, High Crag and Dollywagon Pike to Guisedale Tarn. From there we ascended Seat Sandal where we met another group who descended along the Old Packhorse Road while we went directly to the coach at Dunmail Raise.

It was a week most certainly enjoyed by all and we are grateful for the opportunity.'

Societies

Last term, due to a combination of factors, school societies were not very active. The Lent term is, of course, the shortest of the school year and time is limited; this year the notorious power crisis can also take some of the blame. Especially badly hit was the Inter-Schools Sixth Form Society. Two cultural and one social meeting were planned as normal. A dance due to take place at John Mason school had to be cancelled because of restrictions laid down during the energy crisis. A debate on the future of independent education proved very popular. Lastly, a theatre trip to see 'Godspell' was well supported but unfortunately the coaches arrived late and part of the production was missed.

The Scientific Society continued to be active. The first meeting of the term was a talk by Mr Swiland on the subject of the applications of biology in pig farming. This was poorly attended but turned out to be a fascinating talk. At the second meeting Dr Manning from the Rutherford Laboratory gave a very interesting talk on 'What's inside the atom? What's new and is it interesting?' This was a joint meeting with St Helen's and raised some controversial points for discussion including antiparticles, quarks and partons.

The Literary Society met twice last term. One meeting comprised three short talks given by members of the English Department, highlighting different aspects of 'The Winter's Tale'. As a result a trip to see the OUDS production of the play was more fruitful despite the fact that the performance was poor. The second meeting was an excellent paper on 'Jane Austen' given by Adrian Courtenay. Although it was a short paper a lively discussion followed and ranks soon divided. In the Summer Term meetings will concentrate on 'A' Level English texts providing a different and more interesting form of revision.

There were three Film Society meetings during the Lent term. A showing of 'The Raging Moon' was enjoyed by all and at an open meeting two screenings of Jacques Tati's 'Traffic' were very well attended. Even though the film was in French the classic comedy filming was fully appreciated. Third film of the term was Sam Pekinpah's 'The Wild Bunch', also a great success among the Society's many Pekinpah fans.

The Jazz Club held a concert in the Music School given by the local group 'Mandala'. Members also saw several concerts in Oxford.

The Bridge Club did not hold regular weekly meetings last term. However

one meeting was held at which seven pairs played in the Charity Challenge Cup 1974, a national competition. This was a very enjoyable event, and of our seven pairs, Stephen Lawson and Mark Taylor of the lower sixth finished top. Our thanks go to Mr Pritchard for spending so much time organising the event. Several players took the odd trip to the Harwell Social Club's Duplicate Bridge meetings during the term.

It proved difficult to organise Scrabble Club meetings last term due to lack of supervision. Two games of 'Diplomacy' were carried on throughout the term. This term it is hoped to get at least three club members into the National Scrabble Championships.

The Model Railway Society has been involved in the construction of a new layout in sections. The club's old layout had to be dismantled and removed from the conservatory because the space is needed for biology experiments. There remains the hope that another room can be found to house the layout when the new Dining Hall has been completed.

The Wargaming Society is another which lacks a room of its own, but a few stalwarts held regular meetings this term and recreated battles of varying periods.

On Monday lunchtimes last term various people presented their record choice, producing much variety and enjoyment down at the Music School.

The Astronomical Society has fallen by the wayside in company with the Senior Debating Society, although the latter should be revived in the Summer Term. The Lower Sixth hope to pump new life into the Historians also this term.

SPORTS REPORTS

Hockey

First Eleven

A welcome but complicating factor in team building this year was the considerable competition for places in the 1st XI; welcome, because the overall standard of the 22 in Game 1 was the highest that I can remember (clearly resulting from the earlier introduction of hockey to the Lower School), but complicating because there was so little time to find the right blend before one was plunged into matches. More than one of our school opponents had already played hockey throughout the Michaelmas Term. A further difficulty was the lack of obvious replacements for Paul Abraham and Anthony Baumann in the vital positions of centre-half and inside-right. In the event it was not until the second half of the term that the problems were at least partially resolved, and it is to the credit of the XI that despite lack of success in the first few matches they never became discouraged and, indeed, ended up by winning 5 of their last 7 fixtures.

Trevor Roberts eventually filled the centre-half position; his excellent intercepting and stopping of the ball was an asset and his positional sense and distribution improved markedly with every match. The quietly effective Jeremy Oakley and industrious Nicholas Gale won the wing-half positions after strong competition from Chris Baumann and Nick Shephard. Oakley and Gale tackled consistently well, but they might have used the cross field pass in attack more. Charles Lowe, on loan from the Colts, played three times; his clean striking of the ball was impressive and promising for next year. Chris Driver, of course, remained as another half-back from last year,

but he eventually moved to outside-right in the reorganisation of the forward line which proved necessary.

Apart from Jefferson in goal, only Taylor (full back) and Seaver (inside-left) played in the same position throughout the season. However, once the final line-up became established (no less than 19 players having been tried) and the most obvious early season error of poor ball distribution was overcome, the XI showed considerable qualities of resilience in defence and were, from the Magdalen match onwards, always a difficult side to beat. Nicholas Jefferson in goal, Jeremy Taylor and Robin Woods (for whom Ian Cowan deputised most ably when Woods was injured), earned much credit. Jefferson made some outstanding saves and drew appreciative comments from a number of good judges. (Once again the tradition of Abingdon goalkeepers has been maintained.) Jeremy Taylor and Robin Woods were both strong in the tackle and hit the ball beautifully; they had to absorb intense pressure at times and were usually equal to the task. The forwards, too, played their full part in defence by tackling back. Only 8 goals were conceded in 10 games after a flood—almost literally, it was so wet—at St Edward's.

Once John Seaver began to find his goal-scoring touch we began to win matches. Unfortunately we relied too much on him in this department, and in retrospect it was disappointing to realise that only Frost (twice) and Driver (once) found the back of the net apart from Seaver. As a forward line they often played some impressive mid-field hockey but, partly because the direct pass was delayed for too long, moves tended to break down near our opponents' '25' and the amount of goals they scored were far less than one would have hoped for from an individually talented five. Chris Driver's pace on the right wing promised much, Nick Francis's and John Seaver's stick-work at inside forward was skilful, and Angus McPhail was a neat left wing. Rupert Frost, who won the centre-forward position from Giles Woolley, showed a terrier-like persistence. Perhaps he, like rather too many of the XI, lacked a yard in pace and, again on reflection, this was a basic weakness of the eleven. A certain lack of aggression in our opponents' circle was another and, in common with every other side in the country, one felt one should have scored more from short corners.

Nevertheless, one's final impressions are of a determined, spirited and sporting side who were a pleasure to be associated with. I would like to thank all those who, either in playing or administrative capacities, have helped to overcome the frustrations of the adverse weather conditions of a Lent Term and made the hockey so enjoyable. In particular I would mention David Bagshaw and his staff for their work on the pitches, Geoffrey Drummond-Hay for his help with coaching Game 1 and Nick Francis and Chris Baumann for their excellent help as captain and secretary.

Congratulations to Francis, Jefferson, Woods, Taylor, Driver and McPhail who joined Seaver as Full Colours and to the rest of the team for their Half Colours. The final team was: N Jefferson, JMG Taylor, RA Woods; JN Oakley, TG Roberts, NP Gale; CDG Driver, ND Francis (Capt), RJ Frost, JP Seaver, AW McPhail. Also played: IL Manning, GW Woolley, CJ Baumann, PA Noble, CR Lowe, MW Stimpson, MG Wartke and I Cowan.

NHP

Results

Pangbourne College	Wednesday 23 January	(a) Lost 0—2
St Edward's School	Saturday 26 January	(a) Lost 0—5
Magdalen College		
School	Wednesday 30 January	(h) Lost 0—1
OU Occasionals	Wednesday 20 February	(h) Drew 0—0

Oxford School	Wednesday 27 February	(a) Lost 0—1
Old Abingdonians	Saturday 2 March	(h) Won 2—0
KAS, Wantage	Wednesday 6 March	(h) Won 2—1
Solihull School	Saturday 9 March	(h) Won 1—0
Bradfield College	Saturday 16 March	(h) Lost 0—2
RGS, High Wycombe	Wednesday 20 March	(h) Won 1—0
Radley College	Thursday 21 March	(a) Lost 1—3
Bloxham School	Saturday 23 March	(h) Won 1—0

Matches against Newbury School and the Hockey Association were cancelled.

2nd Eleven

The immediate problem at the beginning of the season was to establish as quickly as possible a regular 2nd XI team. This proved a very arduous task, partly because we were confronted with a cold and wet January, and mainly because the spread of talent in the first game was so evenly distributed.

These two factors resulted in a slow and frustrating build-up to the 2nd XI squad. However, once the team was established and the boys were given the opportunity of playing together for a few games, it soon became apparent that they had the determination and ability to enjoy a successful season. To lose only one match at the beginning of the season is a record to be proud of, and the team certainly deserved the draws and victories they fought for. To hold a strong Shiplake College 1st XI to a draw and to beat Radley College on their home ground were accomplishments I was proud to witness.

Ken Taylor captained the team very well from centre-half, and I was particularly impressed with his good sportsmanship when the team was under pressure. Taylor was well supported in mid-field by Christopher Baumann and Nicholas Shephard, the three combining well both in attack and defence. Only five goals reached the back of our net during the season which says a great deal for the defence, and in particular Alan Arm, the goalkeeper, who prevented many good opposing forwards from scoring goals. A good goalkeeper is essential in any hockey team and Arm proved this point on several occasions.

The forwards were unlucky to score so few goals, but those they scored were well taken. Peter Noble ran with determination on the left wing and served his forwards well with accurate and well-timed passes.

It is very encouraging to note that many of this year's 2nd XI will be returning next year and are looking forward to what I am sure will be an enjoyable season and I hope an equally successful one.

The following represented the team: AP Arm; NA Malein; AN Plant; NJ Shephard; KP Taylor (capt); AN Davies; PA Noble; IL Manning; MG Wartke; CJ Baumann; PD Hallum; IS Thackwray; MW Stimpson.

Results

Pangbourne College	Wednesday 23 January	(h) Won 3—0
St Edward's School	Saturday 26 January	(h) Lost 0—2
Newbury School	Saturday 2 February	(h) Cancelled
Magdalen College School	Wednesday 13 February	(a) Cancelled
Oxford School	Wednesday 27 February	(a) Won 5—1
Shiplake College	Saturday 2 March	(a) Drew 1—1
KAS Wantage	Wednesday 6 March	(h) Drew 1—1
Solihull School	Saturday 9 March	(a) Drew 0—0
RGS, High Wycombe	Wednesday 20 March	(h) Drew 0—0

Radley College
Bloxham School

Thursday 21 March
Saturday 23 March

(a) Won 1—0
(a) Cancelled

JDED-H

Colts Eleven

Competent individual players who did not always settle down to playing as a team. The main fault with the forwards—a tendency to hold on to the ball too long, insufficient exploitation of the square pass, and failure to keep a cool head in the circle—as a result chances were sometimes not snapped up. Changes in the wing positions due to illness and other causes did not improve the situation. The defence, dominated by the Captain, Lowe—an excellent pivot, extremely hard to beat, who distributed the ball with considerable cunning—on the whole played soundly and kept its head under pressure. Allen's courageous goalkeeping was a feature of the season.

Played 5, won 3, lost 2—not a bad record—two games cancelled by bad weather (and the first two played in pouring rain). Some good, fast, skilful and enjoyable hockey was played and the margins were not great. Against St Edward's we were leading 2—1 fifteen minutes before the end, at Radley (on their all-weather pitch in glorious sunshine) we camped in their half for the first twenty minutes, but failed to score. The Bloxham game was affected by illness, and as their team was seriously weakened, we played three Junior Colts in our forward line; it was an enjoyable game.

The team was: Allen; Morden, Thackwray; Barnes, Lowe (capt), W Home-wood; Howat, Hobson, Thomas, Hallum, Scibilia. Also played: Hurry, Kay, Lanham, Madin and McCreery, Rimmer, Stephen.

Results

Pangbourne	Wednesday 23 January	(a) Won 2—0
St Edward's School	Saturday 26 January	(h) Lost 2—4
Solihull	Saturday 9 March	(a) Won 2—1
Radley	Saturday 16 March	(a) Lost 1—2
Bloxham	Saturday 23 March	(h) Won 2—1

LCJG

Junior Colts Eleven

No wins; something of a chapter of accidents, with key players falling ill at the last moment, but a fair amount of enjoyable hockey was played and valuable experience gained. All the opponents start their hockey a year earlier of course.

All the players improved a great deal during the term. The captain, Jones-Walters, had played before and he was a great asset to the side who were able to learn from his example but never quite able to catch him up in terms of stickwork and positional play. I must also thank Baranwanath, on behalf of the team, for filling in as goalkeeper for the Shiplake match after but ten minutes of 'keeping in the last two years'.

RCBC

Regular members of the team were: CT Reid; MP Hills, N Hitchcock; LM Jones-Walters, AG Hillary; DC Rimmer, JJ Stephen, RG Gilbert, CM Sackett, GA McCreery, J Baranwanath, JM Hingley, M Herring RJ Harmer, AM Robinson, R Howell, MA Kelly and DJG Driver also played.

Results

Pangbourne College	Wednesday 23 January	(h) Lost 1—2
St Edward's School	Saturday 26 January	(a) Lost 0—5
Shiplake College	Saturday 2 March	(a) Lost 0—5
Solihull School	Saturday 9 March	(h) Lost 3—4
Radley College	Saturday 16 March	(a) Lost 0—5

The matches against Newbury School, Magdalen College School and Bloxham School were cancelled.

Crosscountry

This was an extraordinary term with little turning out as expected; disappointments and successes came in about equal proportions. The North Berks Championships produced the third win in a row but only after a short-lived but effective snowstorm had forced a switch to a Monday afternoon with a road run around Icknield School, thus making quite useless the spikes that many boys took. Here Iain Cullen became North Berks champion just beating his neighbour, the redoubtable Gareth Jones of Fitzharry's School. The most important inter-school match of the term against Wellington and Marlborough was doomed when 9 boys were unavailable due to illness or injury. Indeed, Chris Vernon due to inflamed tendons in his foot missed most of the season but when he eventually ran at Radley, warning us beforehand not to expect too much, he chalked up yet another win with a course record to boot.

Other unexpected events during the term included the Newland Park match which was only confirmed by them on the morning of the match. Their team did not include John Brown, their crosscountry international, but did include a girl runner. Also Mr Pritchard ran but disqualified himself as he was not a bona fide schoolboy, though he did allow himself to represent the Old Abingdonians along with three third-formers, and he set new figures of 18:14 for the Sunningwell course as compared with the school record of 18:28 by Nick Smart.

The ambitious project of having the matches at Wantage and Radley on consecutive days was 87½% successful as we only lost to the Cheltenham Colts. Both M Owen and PNC Gale missed the second match after being badly spiked when jumping into the brook at Wantage. Several boys commented that they felt surprisingly strong for the second run.

As last year we had two matches over half-term with the Berkshire Inter-area on the Saturday. After this race four boys were selected to run for Berkshire against three other counties at Guildford. AG Morfey (36) and M Owen (47) were in the Under-15 team, and IS Cullen (16) and RC Hingley (52) in the Under-17 team. For the other match at half-term we competed in the Oxford University Tortoises Road Relay on the Tuesday against schools from as far away as Barking and Bath. Second were Kingswood, Mr Moody's new school, and fourth were our friends from Marlborough, now coached by former European 5000 metres champion Bruce Tulloch.

The following competed for the first team: PC Moore (7 times), JP Gotelee (6), DP Lynn, SK Fabes, IS Cullen (5), RC Hingley, AH Courtenay (4), RG Geere (3), CF Vernon, S Wilson, AP Marsden (2), SG Boatright, ADA Walker, AMJ Young, AG Morfey, M Owen. The captain was CF Vernon for his fourth term and the secretary was SK Fabes.

First team results

Sat 26 Jan	Dr Challoner's Relay, Amersham	9th (22 teams)
Sat 16 Feb	v Wellington & Marlborough (at Wellington)	3rd (W 39, M 57, A 89)
Tues 26 Feb	Oxford University Tortoises Relay	A team 6th, B team 24th (36 teams)
Wed 6 Mar	v King Alfred's & Oxford (at Wantage)	1st (A 40, KA 62, O 78)
Thurs 7 Mar	v Radley & Cheltenham (at Radley)	1st (A 50, C 61, R 64)
Wed 13 Mar	v Newland Park College (home)	2nd (NP 25½, A 30)
Sat 23 Mar	v Old Abingdonians (home)	1st (A 23, OA 32)

Other Matches

The four boys who were selected to represent Berkshire in the All-England Championships at Brighton were DP Lynn, SK Fabes, IS Cullen and AG Morfey. We had nearly written off Lynn due to his painful back strain but he qualified with a 4th place in the Berkshire Inter-area despite virtually no training in the previous month. The other three trained very hard during the term and well deserved their selection, and Cullen has another chance in the same age-group next year, though, of course, this will be for Oxfordshire. It is interesting to note that the winner of the All-England Under-20 race was K Dumpleton of Herts who ran the fastest leg in the Dr Challoner's relay for St Albans.

After the North Berks races 15 boys were chosen by Mr Pritchard, the team manager, to run in the Berkshire Inter-area but three were ill and had to withdraw and two others-very unluckily had to drop out during the race. In the Berkshire Schools race it was the Under-17 team that surprisingly gained 2nd place certificates: they were IS Cullen (4), RC Hingley (6), MD Isahak (17), AP Marsden (30), ADA Walker (64), SF Wakeford (70), AMJ Young (75), MNK Saunders (77), and 126 boys ran.

This term there were 50 boys who were full-time members of the cross-country club and 31 boys competed for the school in the various age-groups. The following boys ran in the other matches: AG Morley, M Owen, RP Martin (7 times), RC Hingley, IS Cullen, ADA Walker, AMJ Young, PNC Gale (5), AP Marsden, TFK Booth (3), SK Fabes, RG Geere, PC Moore, AH Courtenay, S Wilson, SF Wakeford, MNK Saunders (2), DP Lynn, SG Boatright, MD Isahak, CP McKenzie, TDW Olliffe, MD Andrews, G Mitchell, RJ Regan, Schmaltz, Littlewood, Lovering, Mellor, Jefferson, Wilson (1). Full Colours were awarded to DP Lynn, RC Hingley and SK Fabes. Half Colours were awarded to IS Cullen, JP Gotelee, PC Moore and RG Geere.

Other Matches

Sat 2 Feb	Berks Schools AAA Champs (Prospect Park, Reading) U/15 5th/32; U/17 2nd/10; U/20 5th/5
Mon 11 Feb	North Berks Schools AAA Champs (Wantage) U/13 1st/11; U/15 1st/11; U/17 2nd/6; overall 1st/6
Sat 16 Feb	Colts v Wellington & Marlborough (away) 3rd (M 39, W 43, A 101)
Sat 23 Feb	Berks Inter-area (Prospect Park, Reading)
Sat 2 Mar	Berks v Hants v Kent v London (Guildford) 4 boys ran
Wed 6 Mar	Colts v King Alfred's & Oxford (away) 1st (A 37, KA 62, O 78)
Thurs 7 Mar	Colts v Radley & Cheltenham (away) 2nd (C 40, A 49, R —)
Sat 23 Mar	All-England (Brighton) U/15 Morfey (158); U/17 Cullen (187); U/20 Lynn (219), Fabes (unfit)

Inter-House Road Relay (Monday 28 January)

This was a curious race with the four guest teams out ahead and Peter Flavell of Oxford City AC knocking a ludicrous 1:59 off the record with 33:38 all on his own. The Smart Cup went to Reeves after a very close struggle with the holders Bennett. Lynn took over 2 seconds ahead of Fabes on the last leg and stayed just in front with both recording 8:22. The winning team of Green, Morfey, Marsden and Lynn took 36:24, while the runners-up were SR Martin, Owen, Isahak, and Fabes in 36:26. Owen set a new record for the second leg of 9:21.

Order of teams: R1, B1, T1, Staff, K1, B2, K2, B3, R3, K4, R2, K3, T2, T3.

Inter-House Paarlauf (Thursday 21 March)

Due to clashes with other activities it was only possible to hold races for the lower school, and these were held around the 'wall', i.e. around the outside of Upper Field. All runners wore their House vests and, since there was no overlapping except at the end of the last race because of the larger lap, spectators could see much more clearly this year who was winning at any stage. In fact it was Tesdale who dominated throughout winning all three races and overall points.

Overall points: 1st Tesdale 38, 2nd Blacknall 27, 3rd Bennett 22, 4th Reeves 21.

NAFP

Rugby Football

Junior Fifteen

The successful Junior XV of last term found it hard to adjust to the quieter tempo of the Lent Term and despite performing creditably in all their matches, they were unable to raise their game sufficiently against Solihull, who were by far the strongest opposition faced. However, this was their only loss in five games and the individual potential is a good omen for the future.

The greater part of the term has been spent in developing better teamwork and relying less on individual ability and to this end many of the backs were played in unfamiliar positions. None did better than Robinson in adapting to their new roles and King again impressed whenever he was selected. The pack was more settled and with Slingsby, Mitchell and Swan in the van are turning into a formidable unit in all phases of the game.

For once a 2nd XV had a chance to show its paces, winning two out of three matches and showing considerable skill, although their tackling was at times less than enthusiastic.

In all it has been an unexceptional term, but hopefully the groundwork has been done for successful seasons ahead. Thanks are due in no small measure to the expert help received from Mr Eden and John Griffin.

The following played for the first team: C Holding; CJM Wort; SJ Hobbs; BR Hodgkinson; BW Burles; NS Edwards; MS King; JD Robinson; ARA Johnson; CJ Wyatt; MO Andrews; MPG Swan; G Mitchell; RS Harries; RA Joy; KW Larsen; JS Slingsby; GM Gnapp; PG Spittles; RV Scriven.

Results:

Oratory School	Saturday 26 January	(h) Won 3—0
Newbury School	Saturday 2 February	(a) Won 11—0
Burford School	Wednesday 27 February	(h) Won 27—16
Solihull School	Saturday 2 March	(a) Lost 24—6
John Mason School	Wednesday 6 March	(a) Won 26—0

The second XV played Newbury School (won 34—10), Solihull School (lost 24—0), John Mason School (won 36—4). JRF

Minors Fifteen

This year's side surpassed even last year's, in numerical terms at least: over the two terms, in a total of 11 games, they scored 312 points, and conceded only 22.

The forwards, though lighter than last year, were probably quicker, and did a very professional job. The back row scored a total of 19 tries and in their contrasting ways played a major part in the team's success: Gary

Rogers, invariably the biggest player on the field, played most intelligently and never took unfair advantage from his physique; Simon Moore, invariably the smallest, covered and tackled like two men, while William Hoggarth, in the key role of blind-side wing-forward, showed real flair in his positional play and his running. Nicky Williams only once met his match as a Hooker (although he is really a Prop!), and is a most promising all-round forward who, thanks to his reliable place-kicking, scored 90 points in all. Martin Wise and Richard Drew are strong and very quick for forwards; Peter Douglas improved tremendously, and like Michael Dacre, was usually too busy doing the right thing to be noticed.

The backs handled surely and tackled superbly (their defensive qualities were rather underrated, as they were called on so rarely); John Madgwick and Stuart Cameron are very mature players, working well together in a wide range of play; it was perhaps too easy for them, as the wingers, although good players, did not score enough tries, although Graham Halsey was a most unselfish Centre. The role of scrum-half is crucial, and Ben Messer's coolness under pressure was an important factor in the team's success, as was Peter James' positional play and tigerish tackling.

This was indeed a fine team, with an outstanding captain and a natural 'feel' for the game's finer points; the high point of the season was probably the match against John Mason—textbook rugby carried out according to a pre-arranged strategy.

The Second Team again beat its equivalents fairly comfortably, thanks largely to a well-organised scrum and the fine all-round play of Stephen Hunt, who made astonishing progress, and held together the three-quarters, whose line-up was always in flux. Timothy Robson and Alastair Robertson were most unlucky to lose established First Team places—a reflection on the quality of their replacements, not on their own standards, which were very high. The two defeats were against schools who previously played our First or 'A' team, and were in fact good performances: Summer Fields had a very good team this year, Bearwood used their physical superiority to the maximum.

Finally a word of appreciation for those who are not named below, but who played enthusiastically throughout the season in spite of disappointment, and in some cases played in matches at short notice.

First XV: PH James, PDJ Ashby, GR Halsey, SD Cameron, DAM Scott; JS Madgwick (Capt), BJ Messer; MR Wise, NG Williams, MJ Dacre; RS Drew, PP Douglas; G Rogers, SJ Moore, WA Hoggarth.

Second XV, from: PJ Davidson; RP Knight, PH Littlejohn, JA Littlewood, SP Hunt (Capt); GJ Hoskins, AR Thomas; TD Robson, SR West, PR Todd, DG Merriman; AP Hancox, PW Hammond; D Atkinson, AJF Robertson, PD Wakefield, JV Patridge.

Results:

First XV			
Oratory School	Saturday 26 January	(h)	Won 38—0
Oratory Junior School	Wednesday 30 January	(a)	Won 34—0
Newbury School	Saturday 2 February	(h)	Won 17—6
John Mason HS	Thursday 21 February	(h)	Won 45—4
Burford GS	Wednesday 27 February	(h)	Won 54—0
Reading School	Saturday 2 March	(h)	Won 23—4
Berkhamsted School	Saturday 16 March	(h)	Won 16—0
Second XV			
Newbury School	Saturday 2 February	(h)	Won 18—12
Summer Fields 1st XV	Wednesday 13 February	(h)	Lost 4—18

Reading School	Saturday 2 March	(h) Won 20—0
Cothill School 1st XV	Wednesday 6 March	(a) Won 38—0
Bearwood College 1st XV	Wednesday 13 March	(a) Lost 4—11
Berkhamsted School	Saturday 16 March	(h) Won 16—0

Third XV

Beat Summer Fields 2nd XV 14—4 at home and 12—7 away
An Under-12 XV beat Bearwood College 32—0 away

MW

Senior Sevens

Some attempt was made to train for the Oxford Schools Seven in April but there were many difficulties especially in the competition from other games. Nonetheless, much enjoyable practice was held and several training games were played against teams from Thame School and Ripon Hall. In the event, however, we did not distinguish ourselves and went down in the First Round at Oxford.

DGC

Rowing

During the Lent Term rowing got off to a good start. We were able to boat a Senior Eight, two Colts Eights and a number of Junior Colt Fours. Fixtures were limited to the Hampton Head and the Schools Head, where our crews performed reasonably well after being together only a short time compared with the majority of the opposition who nowadays row all the year round. Our coaching strength was improved by the arrival of Mr DA Dodwell and Mr P Dick, and two student masters, Mr Jeremy Goulding, who will be joining us full-time next September, and Mr Nicholas Fennell. We are very grateful for all the help and hard work they put into their coaching.

During the holidays, Gryphon Boat Club entered five crews in the Abingdon Head. Gryphon I finished second in the Schools Division, winning the Junior class.

Our thanks are due to the Old Abingdonians for giving us £300 towards the cost of a second-hand outboard engine for our coaching launch, and to TASS for their contribution of £100.

No new boats have been bought for this season, but the small raft collapsed and has been entirely rebuilt by our boatman, Nobby Essex, to whom we are as always most grateful for all he does.

RGM

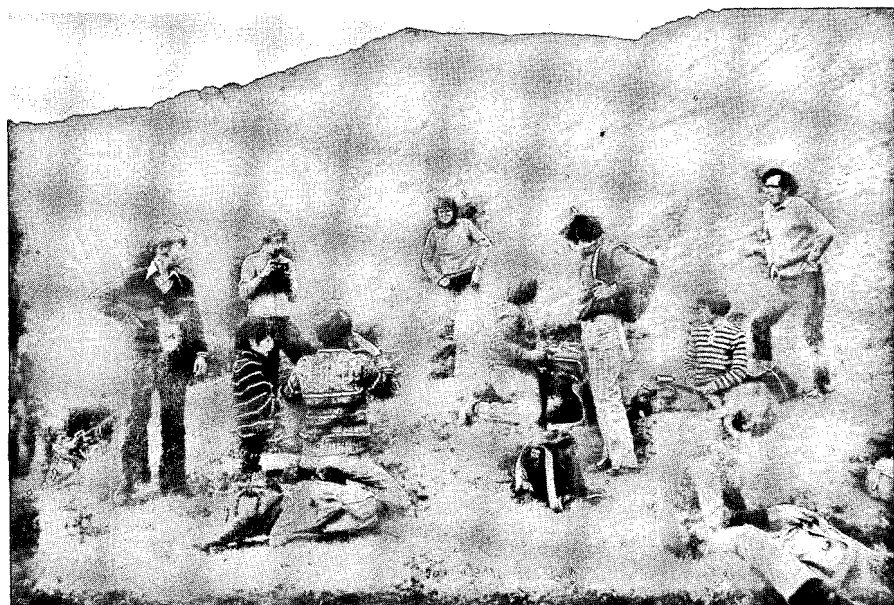
Badminton

A successful season, certainly for the 1st VI, who had their second successive season unbeaten, though not so good for the 2nd VI and Under-16 VI, who were very inhibited by lack of practice time when the Old Gaol Courts were closed down.

The main event of the season was, of course, the Final of the Berkshire Schools League, where our 1st VI found themselves up against the same opposition as last year—Henley Grammar School. We were a little anxious—we can admit it now!—because we were very out of practice, and we knew that Henley had had the benefit of several tight games on their way to the Final. In the event, the match was as close-run and exciting as anyone could



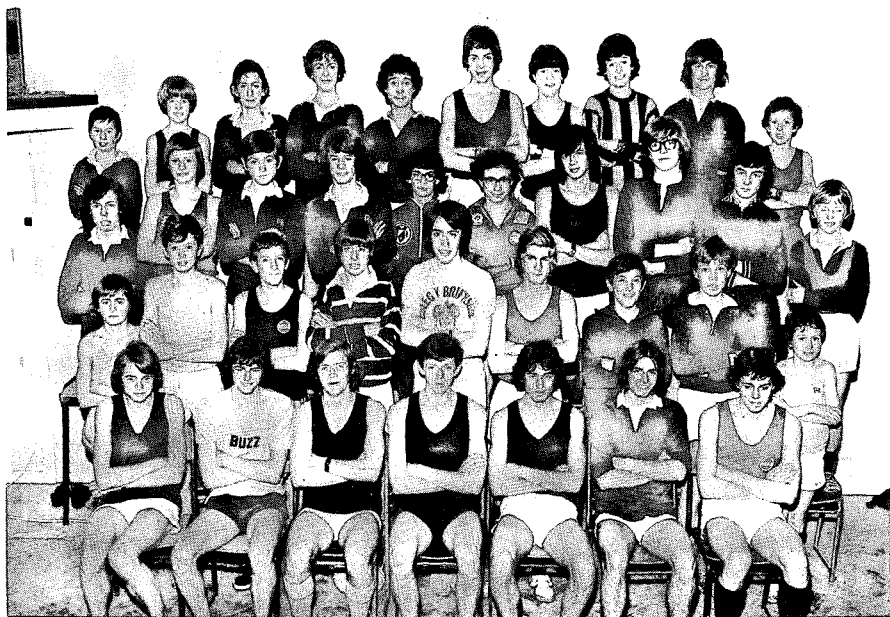
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have wished. We won by 4—3, with the match in doubt right up to the last game. It seems that we are making a habit of these close matches, for last year's was a cliff-hanger, too. The fact that we won on both occasions says something for our team's character and will to win against the odds.

The 1st VI was indeed full of character. All those who have played for the team have contributed something important. Adrian Luto, Chico Ghorpade and John Samsworth were the most talented players, and presented a really formidable front line; Anthony Baumann, who left at Christmas, and Chris Morris were fine competitors and team members, who frequently played above themselves; and the more recent recruits, Keith Halsey, Nick Gale and Paul Kafka, all improved tremendously and went a long way to justifying the running of a 2nd team in this difficult year.

The 2nd VI maintained its keenness right up to the end of the season, in spite of disappointing results against strong opposition, and finally gained its reward with a good win over Brakenhale.

The Under-16s were hit hard when Stephen Rowley left the school in January. Nevertheless, they gained their first win of the season over a rather young side from Sir William Borlase, Marlow. Then they were brought back to reality by losing 0—7 to King Alfred's, Wantage. There is no lack of keenness in the side, but they have much to learn before they are a really effective team.

Adrian Luto won the Berkshire Junior Restricted Singles Championship, and shared the Doubles title. He beat John Samsworth in the Singles Semi-Final.

I should like to thank Adrian Luto for all his efforts as Captain of Badminton. I sincerely hope that next year will be at least as successful as this. If it is, it will be largely through his efforts. I should also like to thank Chris Morris most warmly for shouldering the rather thankless job of Secretary of the Club. He was always cheerful, willing and efficient, and did his best for the club at all times.

Finally, my personal welcome and thanks to Mr Ayling for helping so willingly with the running of the club.

DCT

Full Colours were awarded to KD Halsey.

Half Colours were awarded to N Gale and P Kafka.

Results

	1st VI		
Presentation College	Monday 21 January	(a)	Won 7—0
Henley GS	Saturday 16 February		Won 4—3
(Berks Schools League Final)			
	2nd VI		
Brakenhale School	Friday 1 February	(h)	Won 5—2
Sir Wm Borlase	Wednesday 6 March	(a)	Lost 2—5
	Under-16		
Sir Wm Borlase	Wednesday 23 January	(a)	Won 4—3
King Alfred's, Wantage	Monday 11 February	(a)	Lost 0—7

REPORTS

Combined Cadet Force

The main factor in the background of the Easter Term was the petrol shortage, as a result of which all Air Experience Flying was cancelled, and we had fears for courses and camps. In the event, nothing else had to be put off, though Field Day was somewhat restricted, and the army Land-Rover had to be sent up to Scotland by rail instead of being driven up. We have just heard that Air Experience Flying has been restored and we shall be making up for lost time this term.

At the end of last term, we at last managed to secure a canoe mould and should be in production by the time term begins. With the help of Messrs Crawford and Drummond Hay canoeing should make a welcome addition to our facilities.

Illness caused several inroads into the number going to Arduous Training (14 went out of the original 26) and to RAF Camp (14 out of 18), while demand caused fewer numbers than we should have liked to go to Malta (2 out of 20) and the canoe course at Catterick (2 out of 6). Nevertheless with these and other courses there was plenty of activity in the holidays.

During the term we had two lectures from Fl/Sgt Jack Flint of RAF Abingdon on Survival, and we are grateful to him for these and the promise of a course in Survival this term; there were three, unfortunately poorly attended, sessions of unarmed combat; and a presentation by a Royal Marine and RN team on the role of their respective services in peace time. We should like to thank those responsible, and also the 'regulars', CPO Kettle, Sgt Gibson, Fl/Sgt Bamber, BSM Jenkins, and also Warrant Officer McCreedy, and finally 2nd-Lieut Jonathan Frere RA (OA)—whose contribution to Arduous Training was very much appreciated—for their help. Finally my own thanks to all the officers and in particular to Lieut Fox, whose refusal to be put out by difficulties of any kind is most reassuring. LCJG

Arduous Training

As usual Arduous Training was held at Carsphairn, in the Lowlands of Scotland. After a tedious overnight train journey from Oxford the party set up camp next to a dammed-up river valley, in dazzling sunshine that was to herald the start of a week of exceptional weather. In the evening a short circular walk was undertaken to introduce 'first timers' to the countryside and to map reading.

Next day after kit had been issued and the party split into two groups a windy walk around a horseshoe of hills and up Corsserine, which at 2,670' was the highest hill climbed, was undertaken.

On Monday morning we set out on the longest walk of the week made more difficult by the fact that this was the first occasion on which all members of the group had to wear fully loaded packs. We all returned to camp quite tired that evening.

The remaining days were spent on two overnight bivouac camps. The first one involved a walk to the Lorg, which was reached by 5 o'clock. Camp was set up next to a bubbling burn and we were soon gorging ourselves on compo, rounding off the evening by telling jokes round a blazing camp fire.

We returned to base camp the next day via Cairnsmore, the climb being quite gruelling in the hot sun, although worth it for the splendid view and the mouthful of thirst quenching snow still lying at the summit.

The last walk was via Windy Standard, a hill which lived up to its name, to a bivvy site next to the beautiful Afton Reservoir. A short road walk to New Cummnock next morning completed the week's walking.

The party had it's first glimpse of civilisation(?) for a week when it spent Friday afternoon and evening in Ayr.

Next morning we were up at (almost) the crack of dawn to strike camp, and reluctantly return home after a beautiful week, marred only by the local landlord's rather conservative attitude to a bunch of schoolboys looking for a good night out.

Our thanks to the officers and Jonathan Frere (OA) who did most of the cooking and especially to Lt Jock Fox for arranging the loan of equipment from regular army units. SMH

The party consisted of: R Geere, J Hamburger, S Hills, C Hobson, S Lawson, D Light, G. Light, A Marsden, R. Provan, I Sealy, I Thackwray, P Thompson, J Whittington, F Woollen, Capt Fairhead, Cmdr Griffin, Capt Willis, Lt Fox, and 2nd Lt Frere (OA).

Canoe Course at Catterick

I left Magdalen College School with two MCS Cadets in a Land-Rover with a trailer-load of eight canoes for Catterick Army Camp where we were to learn how to handle canoes efficiently. Cadets from all over southern England were attending the course. Our arrival, in time for the evening meal—tea at 4.30! We were assigned to our various rooms where we made our beds and got to know one another. Later we were given our name tags and ID cards, and were given a talk on security and the do's and don'ts of the camp before going to bed.

The first morning dawned misty and after a 6.30 am breakfast we changed into canoeing kit and marched (very stiffly for those in wet suits) to the canoe club. After loading over 30 canoes and paddles onto the trailers we were issued with crash hats and life jackets. Then we squashed into the two minibuses and were driven to West Tanfield. By about 11.00 am everybody was in a canoe and on the water. We were taught what to do when our canoe capsized and then we had to put it to the test. One by one we had to capsize, get out and take our canoes to the bank. Everybody agreed that the water was freezing.

We went on to learn the basic skills of canoeing—paddling forwards and backwards, sweep turns and ordinary turns. In the meantime many of us, including myself, practised capsize drill involuntarily. After an enjoyable lunch we were told we would now shoot the falls just below where we had been practicing. These looked quite frightening but after going over them once and paddling down the rapids that followed, I found it was not so bad and went down them twice more for fun. We were then split up into groups and practised basic strokes again.

The following day my group was at West Tanfield again. We learnt more skills in the lower parts of the rapids, such as ferry glides, break ins and break outs. The first group learnt how to build canoes and the second group paddled down the Swale.

On Wednesday I was told I had been moved up into the second group. We were to paddle down the Ure. The river was flat with no rapids at all for the first 4½ miles. We then came to our first weir of the day, a small one with a drop of only one foot. At this weir only one cadet capsized (not me). After this there were frequent small rapids the climax being a long one just below Clifton Castle. We arrived at our pickup point having canoed 15½ miles in 3½

hours. This, in my opinion, was the best day of the course. The other groups were either canoe building or surfing on the sea.

The next day my group was canoe building. This proved to be an easy day as we had to finish off the canoes started by the previous group. We also had our first taste of army lunch. This included grilled steak, chops, peas, beans, and the inevitable chips, followed by ice cream.

Friday was Examination Day. We all woke up feeling apprehensive about what was to happen. The examiner was cheerful: 'You won't fail if you capsize provided you come up again' and with this thought in our minds we started the test. The test was hard but enjoyable, we had to show confidence on the water and a mastery of the basic skills. In the afternoon the results were given, 14 out of 20 cadets passing of which I was one. When we left for home next morning all of us were tired but happy. MNKS

Chess

The one bright spot in a most disappointing year has been the performance of our Under-15 teams, who came first and second equal in the Western Section of the Berkshire League; the final play-offs will take place next term. The Senior team has been weaker than for some years, and unfortunately its members have not been prepared to attend Chess Club practice. It is hardly surprising, therefore, that the only two crucial matches of the term were lost rather feebly. The only two members of the Senior team to enter for the Open Knockout Tournament were defeated in the semi-finals, leaving the field clear for John Stephen, the year's most improved player, and Mark Andrews to draw in the Final; this is depressing, even if it provides encouragement for the future. Nonetheless, Chess Ties were awarded to Mark Ormerod, Philip Marley and Anthony Mushens.

Chess Club has not been well attended, apart from a loyal core of Juniors, partly due to an increase in other out-of-school activities; the first-formers, for example, who had looked rather promising last term, were hardly ever seen, except for Andrew Smith.

This problem is, clearly, not peculiar to Abingdon, as a large number of matches had been cancelled by our opponents—hence the somewhat attenuated fixture list.

The Junior Knockout for the Hoyle Cup was also shared, between Richard Allen and Robert Harries. MW

Teams were as follows (their position in the League is in brackets):

Senior 'A' (second): M Ormerod, PD Marley, ARP Mushens, DJG Mushens, RS Chapman.

Senior 'B' (fourth): SV Harries, SJ Talboys, SJ de Lusignan, VT Pugh, AG Hillary.

Junior 'A' (first): JJ Stephen, ME Spoor, RS Harries, MD Andrews, PV Thomas or IR Holding.

Junior 'B' (second): R Allen, GKM Fenelon, GP Alcock, PA Gregg, PD Corina or JC Simmonds.

Minor 'A' (third): SJ Moore, WA Hoggarth, H de Lusignan, JPF Davies, PD Wakefield.

Minor 'B' (third): MA Venning, AH Smith, AT Forrest, JV Partridge, J Cook.

Results:

Semi-final, Sunday Times Tournament, local zone:

The Senior Team lost to St Joseph's, Swindon 2½—3½

Berkshire League

Senior 'A' Team		Senior 'B' Team	
lost to St Barts, Newbury	1½—3½	beat John Mason School	3 —2
beat Abingdon 'B'	3½—1½	lost to Abingdon 'A'	1½—3½
Junior 'A' Team		Junior 'B' Team	
beat St Barts, Newbury	3½—1½	beat John Mason School	3 —2
beat Abingdon 'B'	3½—1½	lost to Abingdon 'A'	1½—3½
Minor 'A' Team		Minor 'B' Team	
beat Carmel Prep School	3 —2	lost to John Rankin PS	0 —5
beat Abingdon 'B'	4 —1	beat John Mason School	4 —1
		lost to Abingdon 'A'	1 —4

Other Matches:

An under-18 team beat Radley 5—0

An Under-15 team beat Larkmead 4—2

An Under-13 team lost to Summer Fields 1½—2½

MW

Orienteering

We were hoping to introduce more boys to the sport at two local events this term, but rain at the first and snow at the second understandably reduced the numbers who actually turned up. Nevertheless we have been represented at 7 events and some 28 boys have competed. At the Brill night event, Abingdonians filled 5 of the first 6 places on the short course.

Special congratulations to two of our younger members: to RJ Thompson (M12), 4th in the Welsh Champs, who went even better in the JK International and carried off second prize; and to WG Baker (M13), 3rd in the Welsh, who was 6th in the JK, missing 2nd place by a mere 13 seconds in a race of over 40 minutes.

RHB

Grundy Library

During the Lent Term, the Library benefited from two very generous gifts: Mr JN Saunders, OA, has presented a large collection of books to the English section from the library of his late sister, Miss EJ Sanders. Then three of the staff of the Ratsgymnasium Bielefeld, Herr Schafersmann, Herr Haase and Herr Kohne have given to the German section a selection of books by modern authors to mark the link between our two schools. We are most grateful for both these gifts—and to Mr Kochan for a copy of his book *Russia in Revolution 1890-1915*.

KGH

Hello — Goodbye

Left Lent Term 1974

6E: JR West

4M: DS Van Griethuysen

3T: AM Lawton

1N: GJ Wigmore

Came Summer Term 1974

6B: TH Robertson

4R: TA Fraser

2W: TJ Moore

LISTS

Staff — April 1974

Headmaster: WEK Anderson, MA (St Andrew's University), BLitt (Balliol College, Oxford).

Assistant Masters:

DO Willis, MA, late Scholar of Pembroke College, Oxford (History; Second Master).

CET Moore, TD, MA, Hertford College, Oxford (Geography).

FJ Sewry, BSc, Southampton University (Chemistry; Careers).

LCJ Griffin, MA, Jesus College, Oxford (Classics).

RG Mortimer, MA, Sidney, Sussex College, Cambridge (Languages).

J Talbot, BSc, Birmingham University (Biology).

AA Hillary, MA, late Exhibitioner of Jesus College, Cambridge (History).

KG Hasnip, MA, Caius College, Cambridge (Languages).

WG Potter, MA, Pembroke College, Oxford (Biology).

CDB Milton, BSc (Econ), ARMC, LRAM, London University (Economics).

RH Baker, MA, Queen's College, Oxford (Physics).

TGK Fairhead, BA, Downing College, Cambridge; Chelsea College of Art (Art).

HT Randolph, MA, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge (Classics).

CM Reynolds, MA, BSc, late Scholar of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge (Mathematics).

H Eden, MA, late Exhibitioner of Caius College, Cambridge (Geography).

NH Payne, MA, Jesus College, Cambridge (History).

DC Taylor, MA, Clare College, Cambridge (Languages).

JE Varley, Nottingham College of Education (Physics).

M Woodgett, MA, late Exhibitioner of Exeter College, Cambridge (Classics).

NK Hammond, BSc, London School of Economics (Economics).

SC Bodey, BSc, Reading University (Physics).

PA Dunn, MA, Durham University (Languages).

NAF Pritchard, BA, late Scholar of Balliol College, Oxford (Mathematics).

RCB Coleman, MA, late Abbott's Scholar of Keble College, Oxford (Physical Science).

DA Harmsworth, BA, University College, Oxford (Classics).

M Blocksidge, BA, late Scholar of St John's College, Oxford (English).

WGP McGowan, MA, Lancaster University (Languages).

DG Crawford, DLC, Loughborough College of Education (Physical Education).

MD Proctor, AROCO, GRSM (Music).

JR Gabitass, BA, St John's College, Oxford (English).

TR Ayling, MA, Christ Church College, Oxford (Chemistry).

DJ Haynes, MA, Oriel College, Oxford (Physics).

DA Dodwell, BA, St. John's College, Oxford (Mathematics).

JR Fletcher, BA, St Catherine's College, Oxford (Mathematics).

G Graham, BA, Trinity College, Dublin (Languages).

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PG Dick, BSc, University of Otago, New Zealand (Biology).

J Frith, AGSM, Guildhall School of Music (Music).

D Robinson, LRAM, Royal Academy of Music (Music).

M Johnson, BMus, ARCM, LTCL, London University; Royal College of Music (Music).

EA Stockwell, CB, MA, RAF (ret'd), Balliol College, Oxford (Mathematics).
R Fox, late RAF (CCF; Swimming).
And from mid-term—
C Parker, BSc, University of Nottingham (Mathematics).

Visiting Music Staff:

A Bolder (clarinet).	C Gordon (piano)
Mrs G Butt (piano).	Mrs M Gottfeldt ('cello).
P Crumly (saxophone).	Miss S Hick (flute and piano).
Miss S Day (percussion).	B Kelly (piano).
Mrs E Dyson (piano).	Mrs E Macleod (guitar).
Miss F Fletcher-Campbell (d. bass).	R O'Connell (clarinet).
Mrs P Frith (oboe and bassoon).	Miss W Reynolds (flute).

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O.A. Notice

I am sorry to have to record the death on March 20th of Mrs Boyles, whose retirement at Christmas 1970 was reported in the February 1971 edition. She retained to the last her interest in the School to which she had given well over forty years' service.

Births

Booth: on 15 August 1973 to Judi, wife of Peter F Booth (1960), a daughter, Claire Jane, sister for Adam.
Dunman: to the wife of Mark Dunman (1958), a daughter, Emma Kate.
Fairlie: on 16 April 1974 to Suzanne (née Clifton), wife of James Fairlie (1973), a daughter, Sarah Lucille.
Fraser: on 8 September 1973 to Kate, wife of Dr Angus Fraser (1963), in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, a son.

Grant: on 24 October 1973 to Jane, wife of Neville Grant (1957), a son, Alexander, brother for Thomas.

Simmonds: on 5 October 1973 to Beryl, wife of Lt Cdr Peter Simmonds (1955), in Washington, USA, a son, Timothy William Peter, a brother for Lucy.

Marriages

Annett—Roberts: on 23 March 1974, Peter Annett (1969) to Janet Roberts.

Arundel—Grey: in March 1973, Michael J Arundel (1966) to Christine Grey.

Foulkes—Garton: on 4 May 1974 at Aeresford, Peter A Foulkes (1967) to Margaret Garton.

Furneaux: on 10 November 1973, Tobias Furneaux (1964).

Howard—Cadley: on 29 April 1974, at St Mary's Cathedral, Miami, USA, David W Howard (1956) to Paula Cadley.

Jarvis—Baker: on 3 March 1974, at Radley, Alan M Jarvis (1970) to Marilyn Joy Baker.

King—Jepson: on 6 October 1973, Jason King (1968) to Susan Jepson.

Rawlins—Condon: on 23 February 1974, Terence Rawlins (1967) to Teresa Condon.

Simpson—Shoemaker: on 23 December 1972, Martin Simpson (1970) to Suzanne Shoemaker.

Theophilus—Walters: on 15 September 1973, Jeremy Theophilus (1967) to Caroline Lesley Walters.

Deaths

AE Willson (1940-1951): We very much regret to announce the sudden death in July 1973 of Tony Willson at the early age of 41. An Open Scholar in History at Lincoln College, Oxford, and one-time Editor of 'The Abingdonian', he was one of the first OAs to do his National Service by studying Russian at Cambridge. Although we had not seen very much of him in recent years, his quiet good humour will be greatly missed by those who knew him. We extend our sympathy to his wife and to his brother, Guy (1911).

RBH Morland (1915-1920): We regret to record the death on 24 April 1974 of another bearer of a very distinguished Abingdon name. He was the second of four brothers, one of whom, JW Morland (1915-1917), wrote from Australia to report that his brother had died in Cornwall where he had been living in retirement. Our condolences go to his family.

Active games players are asked to note that Richard Evans is now running Rugby and Tennis OA Teams and to contact him if they wish to play in these matches against the School, either at Chestnut Close, Barrow Road, Shippon, Abingdon (A.1552) or at Berkhamsted School, Hertfordshire. Julian Shellard is still running the Cricket and Hockey Teams.

A most interesting letter from Geoffrey Powell (1926) brings us up to date with his movements. In 1966, he gave up private practice as a barrister in favour of the academic side and after two lectureships in England, he spent two years at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, lecturing on Company Law and allied subjects. During vacation, he was able to visit many places in the South Pacific as well as Australia but at the time of writing he was spending a few weeks at Waikiki, Honolulu, en route for USA to take up his post as Professor of Commercial Law at Valparaiso University, Indiana.

Congratulations to Gordon Bayley (1938) on the great honour he is due to receive on 10 June this year when he becomes President of the Institute of Actuaries. Mr Rudd remembers Gordon as a very good mathematician at School.

John Clarke (1941) is now working in Aberdeen in connection with North Sea oil, having travelled from the Arabian Gulf to Alaska via French West Africa since leaving school.

Michael Penn (1949) is Chairman of his own company, Penn/Christian Advertising of London and travels a lot all over the world. He has four children and is playing club cricket still and keenly supporting Blackheath Rugby Club.

Peter Richardson (1950), now a consultant at the London Hospital, is married and has year-old twins.

A welcome saga from David Banfield (1953) fills in a long gap in his life story. After holding a commission in the Navy, he went to AERE for 12 years and then to London University where he graduated in 1962 as chemical engineer. Since 1968 he has been involved in various desalination projects and is at present technical director of Paterson Candy International's desalination division. He has three children, daughters aged 11 and 8, and a son of 10.

Congratulations to John Fridham (1955) who has now been Field Sales Manager, Consumer Sales, for Sellotape Ltd for over a year. He joined Sellotape in 1965 after an interesting career as a surveyor and a tea planter. John has three children and is interested in rock climbing, rowing, photography and chess.

David Howard (1956), recently married in Miami, has what sounds an interesting if exacting job as Vice-President and General Manager of a resort called Hamlet at Delray Beach, South Florida.

An interesting cutting has turned up from somewhere about Tom Kempinski (1956). He still loves acting and has had three years with the National Theatre, a singing part in Blitz and much other work for stage and television. He is reported to be aggressive and is an active—he says militant—member of Equity.

Michael Rallings (1956) is still working for Roche Products in Australia, enjoying the varied nature of his work and travelling a lot to Europe and America. He visited England last year and found it much changed.

After a very long silence a letter arrived from Robin MacIntosh (1957) who has now resumed his original name of Barkley. He is a purser in the Royal Navy and enjoys the travelling which this involves but he hopes to be in Abingdon for Founders Day. He is particularly keen to meet up again with Rex Leach.

Neville Grant (1957) is still working for the British Council but has left the University of Lagos and is seconded to Messrs Longmans to write English text books for West Africa.

Peter Booth (1960) is now a partner in his practice of Ophthalmic Opticians in High Wycombe. He has a son aged two and a six-month-old daughter.

Congratulations to Clark Hamilton (1960) who has been elected a fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute, having completed his qualifications last year, and to Chris Pickup (1960), now at Camberley, who has been promoted Major.

Roger Havelock (1961) moved to Manchester this year, where he is working for ICI Paints Division as Plant Engineer on the Vymura Wallcovering plant.

Rodney Moore (1961) was hoping at Christmas that this spring might see him at the American Embassy in London.

It was very interesting to find three of the vintage 1961 Cricket XI mentioned in various places. Mike Nurton (1961) is in the Minor Counties (South) squad for the Gillette Cup games and has been picked for the first two matches. Congratulations to him, too, on being fourth in the Minor Counties' averages last season. Dave Robey (1961) deserves congratulations for taking 5 for 39 for Berkshire against Dorset last August and Robert Evans (1962) for being elected to the Committee of the Berkshire County Cricket Club.

Donald Hunter (1964) has qualified as a solicitor and has joined a new firm in Lincoln's Inn Fields where he is dealing with trust, probate and estate duty work. His brother, Michael Hunter (1967), has qualified as a doctor and is hoping to specialise in skin diseases and grafting.

Congratulations to David Clubley (1965), now a Captain in the Army and serving in Germany after a spell in Londonderry. By the time of going to print his first child should have arrived, but we have no details as yet.

David Willis (1965) has moved to Coventry where he is now the Functional Training Officer for the Jaguar Division of British Leyland.

Michael Arundel (1966) is a qualified solicitor, now a partner in his London firm.

Charles Cook (1966) breezed in not long ago, every inch a journalist. He has left the Cambridge paper for which he was working and after a spell with the 'Daily Mail' is now Motoring Correspondent for the 'Guardian'.

RH Ginger (1966) recently home for a spell from his life at sea in the Merchant Navy, is doing his best to study for his exams before leaving for East Africa late in May.

Stephen Denny (1966) is enjoying life teaching at Tabriz in Iran.

Nick Martin (1966), now married, is working as research associate for a PhD in Genetics at Birmingham University.

Henry Painton (1966) with a degree in Politics and Economics has now qualified as a Chartered Accountant. When he wrote, he was hoping to go to Cape Town last January for two years.

Andrew Hills (1967) is still working for the Atomic Energy Authority and is joint private secretary to the chairman in their London office. At the time of writing, he was sharing a flat in London with Peter Foulkes and had recently seen Jeffrey Evans and John Millard.

Roger Morgan (1967), having got a first in Education at Aberystwyth, is now a research fellow at the University of Leicester Child Treatment Research Unit. He has made quite a name for himself in the field of childhood incontinence disorders and in helping 'difficult' and introverted children in a variety of ways. He manages to continue his interest in gliders and folk dancing.

Graham Webb (1968) is in the sixth year of his architecture course at the Central London Polytechnic while Peter Webb (1972) is in his first year at Manchester reading chemical engineering, having spent an enjoyable four months in the RAF.

Peter Bradley (1970) is in Los Angeles on a scholarship from Sussex University at Occidental College, where he has become fascinated by and much involved in drama and the theatre. He has much to say in praise of Occidental College and of Los Angeles, finding only the smog to criticise.

Richard Leonard (1970), having graduated from Cranwell in March 1973 as Pilot Officer, is enjoying his life as a Flight Commander on the Supply Squadron at RAF Leuchers and as Officer i/c Mountain Rescue Team. He reports meeting Roger Wharton (1968), in the same line of business, at RAF Abingdon.

Martin Simpson (1970) is working for a small real estate firm in Ohio. He had an interesting holiday last year touring New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado and staying for a time on an Indian Reservation. He has elaborate plans for an even more extensive trip around the States and possibly South America this summer.

Martin Burton (1972) worked for a year labouring in a timber yard and is now at King Alfred's college, Winchester, doing a course in Education and Drama.

Chris Short (1972) has a place to do Estate Management at Cirencester in October 1974, having spent the last two years farming.

Hereward Tresidder (1972) is reading Law at King's College, London, and enjoying it immensely after an energetic and pleasant six months of working and walking in various parts of England and Scotland.

Simon Whipple (1972), having spent six months with the Army and thereafter gaining his Private Pilot's Licence, is now at St Andrew's University reading English, Mediaeval History and Psychology with a view to proceeding to an Honours Degree in Philosophy. AAH

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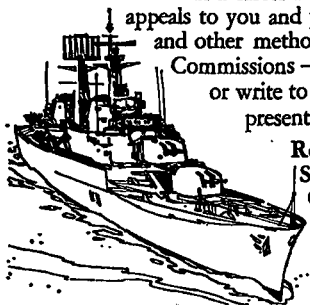
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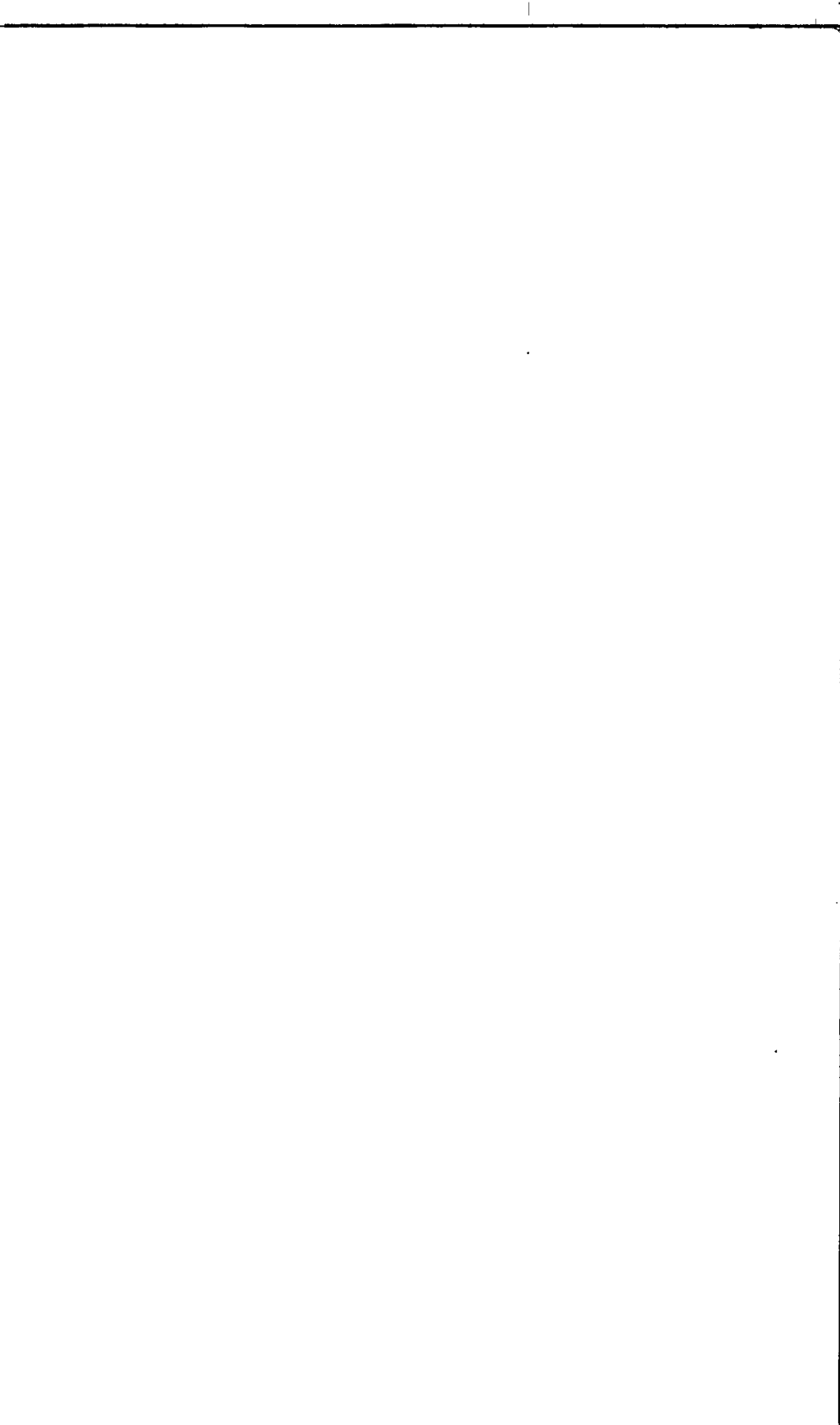
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