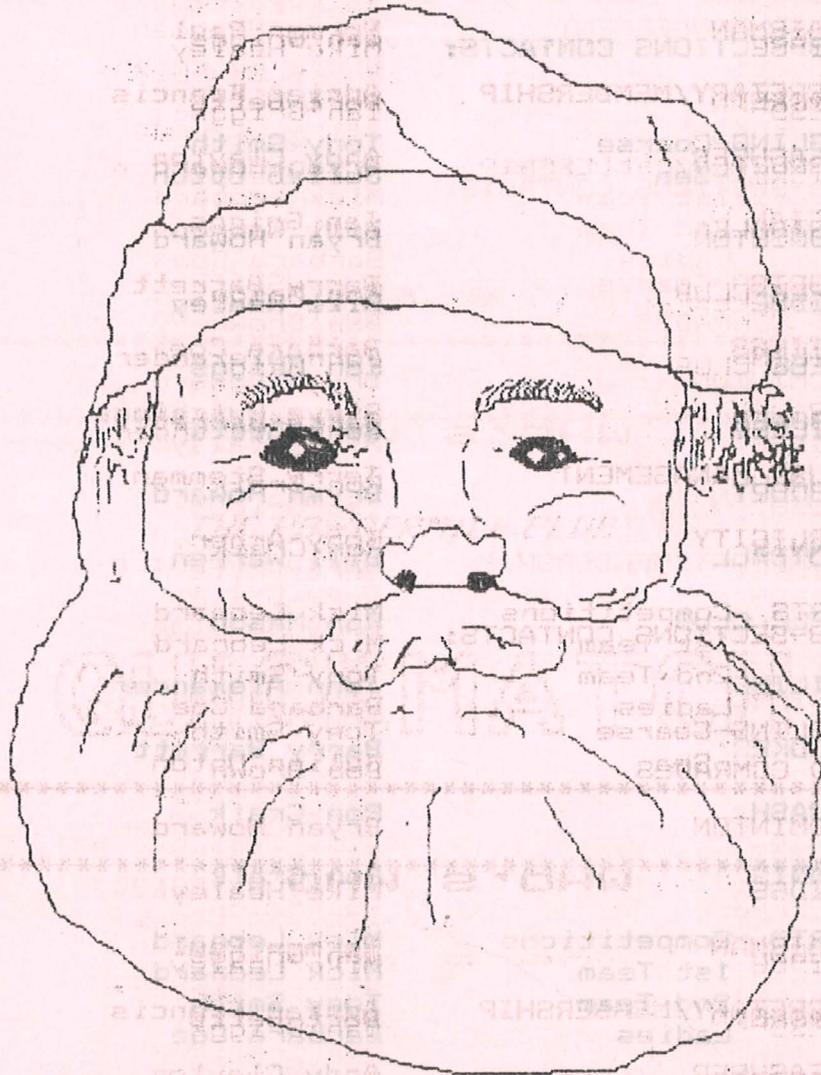
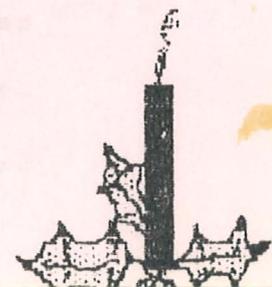
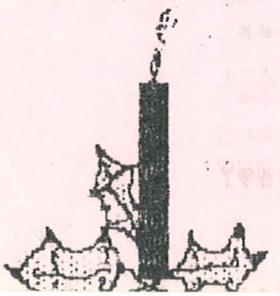
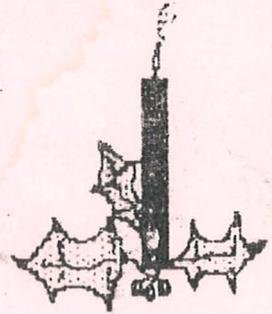
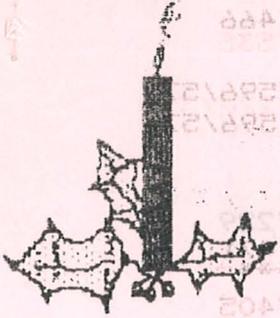


THE POWDERMILL CLUB

QUICKMATCH



CHRISTMAS 85



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* EDITOR *

Well here we are again Christmas time is on us. This edition of Quickmatch will, I hope, have less errors than the last, however I think you will forgive us for our sins, it was the first for the new team. Alan Ball has, as many of you know, spread his wings and flown to greener pastures, "Ee by gum, by eck as like". We shall all miss him and wish him all the best for the future. Our team will now include Iris and Win who will be helping with production of this quaterly extravaganer.

Response to the last competition was a little low but there was some ingenious collective nouns given. One which appeared most often was a confusion of admin officers! The outright winner was Bill Pember who can collect his prize of a bottle of wine the next time he can catch me down the Club. Some of the examples sent in were: a queue of waiters and a pile of haemorrhoids, there was also some which were unprintable!

Anyway hope you all have a Mery Xmas and a Happy New Year. Keep the articles coming in.

Anthony Arber/Editor

BAR NEWS

Good news to see us into the New Year is that we do not foresee any bar increases up to and including the holiday period.

It would appear that the introduction of XX Dark Mild is a success and therefore it's sale will continue.

You will (I hope) find in this issue of QM an up to date price list and order form for Xmas drink orders obtainable from the Club (Please note the closing date for receiving orders). May I also remind you of the variations in normal opening times over the holiday period:-

CHRISTMAS EVE - Bar Extension
CHRISTMAS DAY - Club Closed
BOXING DAY - Open Lunchtime ONLY
NEW YEAR'S EVE - Bar extewnsion
NEW YEAR'S DAY - Bar open Lunchtime and Evening

All that remains now is to wish all Club Members a Merry Xmas and a H.N.Y. and thanks in particular to those who have worked on the bar and behind the scenes with a special thankyou to those working the functions over the Xmas period.

S.J.H.

CHAIRMAN'S THOUGHTS

It is customary at this time to look back over the past year at what the Club has achieved; it's successes and it's failures. This is most pertinent to the Social events that are organised which must be more responsive to members changing habits. Some of the events run by the Social Committee are obviously as popular as ever but it is quite evident that other traditional functions are no longer supported by the membership. The Social Committee do try to respond to members wishes but a little feedback, before events are organised, would be helpful.

In the past Outings have always been difficult to organise but there seems to have been a resurgence of interest recently and some very successful trips have been run this year.

Most of the Sub-Sections appear to be thriving and many of them have improved their membership during the year.

The Club Bar remains as popular as ever, which is just as well since it is our main source of finance. Some improvements have been made to the Club building during the year and there are plans for further improvements during 1986. The main stumbling block to any proposed improvements is still the unresolved question of ownership and leasing arrangements due to the MOD-RO split. Representations have been made concerning this but the promised meeting with the respective Establishments and their legal advisors is still to take place.

One good piece of news concerning the CSSC is that, contrary to their original statement, the Club has now received it's overdue subscription rebate IN FULL. It was only after strenuous representation by both this and other RO Clubs that they have backed down from their original intention to pay back pro rata for the remaining MOD members only.

Finally; on behalf of the Club Committee may I wish each and every member a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with the hope that 1986 will be a successful and prosperous year for the Club.

Norman Paul

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* OUTINGS *

The trip to Calais went very well and there was also a good response to the TV studio outing. I hope to book another show in the New Year, if possible. A trip to Alton Towers is being arranged for next year. Apologies for not organising a Christmas outing, perhaps next year.

B. Coe / Outings Chairman

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 * SOCIAL *

Once again, mixed reaction to the social programme since the last Quickmatch. The Autumn Summer Dance was the expected success and Wilf and Squint attracted a larger audience than before. By contrast, the Square Dance in early-November was a very quiet affair, ticket sales were so poor that we seriously considered cancelling the event altogether. However, the few that did attend enjoyed the evening and two further Square Dances have already been arranged for next year. A number of people have mentioned that they would prefer this event to be held on a Saturday instead of a Friday, so that is what we have booked. See details below.

The combined Fireworks Display/Barbeque/Disco was an unqualified success with all the tickets being sold within a few days of going on sale. The Fireworks were greatly enjoyed by all and were blessed by dry (but cold) weather. Thanks are also due to Barry Barrett for running another good disco and also to Dick Morrell and his band of helpers for slaving over the hot barbeque all evening. Perhaps the greatest congratulation were earned by the paying audience who generously supported a raffle organised on the night which resulted in a profit of over £60. This sum had been fixed as a "target" on the night and has been donated to a local young Cystic Fibrosis sufferer to purchase a Nebulizer.

By the time this edition hits the streets, we will have enjoyed another visit from Steve Stuart, found out what a Toy Fair is all about and also had another Ladies Fashion Show. The latter is already a sell-out! Just a recap on the forthcoming Christmas programme of events....

- Sunday 8th December.....Christmas Prize Bingo
- Saturday 14th December.....Christmas Draw
- Friday 20th December.....Christmas Social Dance
- Saturday 21st December.....Christmas Disco
- Sunday 22nd December.....Childrens' Christmas Party
- Tuesday 24th December.....Christmas Eve Live Entertainment (provisional)
- Saturday 4th January.....New Year Dance featuring Vanden Plus.

As mentioned above, we have already fixed the dates for two Square Dances next year. These are both on Saturdays: 22nd February and 4th October. The four Ladies Fashion Shows (still Fridays) will be held on: 21st March, 20th June, 12th September and 28th November.

IAN GRIGGS/SOCIAL CHAIRMAN

NEW YEAR DANCE

featuring

VANDEN PLUS

Saturday 4th January 1986 - 8.00pm - Midnight.
Tickets will be at the give away price of just
£3 (including supper).
Complete details are availability etc. will be
circulated when known.

Finally, your Social Sub-Committee-Iris Mezen, Barbara Coe,
Bill Coe, Dick Morrell, Barry Barrett and myself - wish you all
the compliments of the season and hope to see you at the Club
events throughout 1986!

Ian Griggs

* BINGO *

The 8th of December is the date for the Christmas Bingo
which starts at 8pm. We will then have a break and start again in
the New Year on January 5th.

Brain Rider will be leaving the bingo calling to me after
the Christmas Bingo. I, along with all the other bingo regulars
would like to thank him for all the years of hard work he has put
in. I'm pleased to say he will be playing bingo now and will do
the calling if I am unable to. Oh! yes a "thank you" to Joyce his
wife for her contribution.

Barbara Coe

* CAROL SINGING *

Don't forget to air your lungs for a good cause on Wednesday
4th December. This is Carol Singing night, meeting at the Club
at 7.45pm or at the beginning of Monkswood Estate at 8pm. Young
and old, fat or thin, as long as you can make a din, you are very
welcome.

* BALLROOM DANCING *

Attendance at the Wednesday Lessons and the fortnightly Friday practice sessions have both fallen lately. Therefore, these two sessions will be combined; Friday sessions will be discontinued and the Wednesday Evening sessions will be restructured. The early part of the evening will be for those wishing to continue (or start) ballroom lessons and this will be followed by a general social evening for those just wishing to come along for general dancing, chatting, drinking etc.

These restructured Dance Evenings will recommence after the Xmas break on Wednesday 8th January.

The Dancing Class have run 3 very well attended Social Dances this year and the fourth and final dance of the year will be the SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DANCE on Friday 20th December. Tickets will be £2.50 including a special Xmas Buffet. Full details will be circulated soon with the Booking Form.

It is hoped to run a further series of these Social dances next year and the first of these will be a VALENTINE'S DANCE on Friday 14th February.

If possible, one of these dances will be with a suitable live band and others may include additional entertainment!

* TENNIS *

The tennis courts have now been completely resurfaced and the posts which had a tendency (or should I say leaning) to be pulled out of the ground when the net was raised, have been replaced. This improved playing surface helped our mens team to their best position in the South West Essex League for some years. We are not in the super league yet but at least will not have to apply for re-election.

This summer we introduced coaching sessions, open to members and non-members alike, which were so successful that they will be continued next year.

New members of any playing standard are welcome females especially, who knows we may be able to field a mixed-doubles next year.

For those who can't wait until next summer, we also play Arctic tennis in the winter months. You do not need any special equipment, although some extra clothing is advisable. Gloves, scarves, hats, woolly jumpers, furlined tracksuits and the occasional hip flask have been the standard accessories of one of our players of the game. Beginners of this winter version do not have to buy all the this equipment at once. However you should be warned that what you save on accessory costs you will pay in remedies.

If anyone is interested in joining the section or finding out more details, please contact either myself or Roger Barchell (Lea Valley 760726).

Ron Craik ext 545

P.S. Merry Christmas to all our players.

* SQUASH *

The winners of the previous lunchtime session were Bill Pember division 1 and Wendy Day division 2. I'll not name those who were relegated as it could be me next time.

On January 22nd 1986, British Telecom are holding a Round Robin Squash Tournament at the Herts Squash Centre in Welywyn Garden City. The competition is open to players of all standards. If anyone is interested I will send them further information.

I have been asked by John to make a special plea for any complete novices to join the evening squash session held on Wednesdays. The last two people to join, Don and "Ed" now consistantly beat him and he has threatened to bring along his 13 year old daughter who has never played before just so he has someone to play against and not lose. Anyone wishing to protect John from this further humiliation (It's odds on that in a few weeks it would be Miss Lewis who would have the upper hand) please join immediately.

Talking of children, anyone wishing to give their children a post Christmas treat, could do worse than take them to see C.D.S., production of Sleeping Beauty at Goffs Oak Village Hall on January 23-25th.

If anyone is interested in any of the points raised above, especially the latter, please contact me on ext 545.

In closing If I may crane your momentary indulgence in order to discharge a by no means disagreeable obligation which over the years has become a more or less established practice at the end of each year, calender not fiscal, unless you are R.O. of course where they are one and the same.

Merry Christmas to all players
Ron Craik

INDOOR SPORTS "NONATHLON"

Sometime in the New Year the Club will be holding a special INDOOR SPORTS COMPETITION with NINE EVENTS.

This will probably take place in two separate sessions and most probably on Thursday evenings.

The Competition will feature:

SHOVE HA'PENNY

CRIBBAGE

DARTS

DOMINOES

BACKGAMMON

BAR BILLIARDS

BOWLS

DRAUGHTS

and BAR SKITTLES

Members will be invited to form teams of 4 to play in all the events listed.

FULL DETAILS AND ENTRY FORMS IN THE NEW YEAR

* LADIES DARTS/BARBARA'S DIARY *

August 27th

It was an away night to our friends at the "Hemenal" in Epping. The result was a draw.

September 3rd

Tonight should have been a charity game but the other team did not turn up. So we had lots of sandwiches and played against each other.

September 10th

A visit from the ladies from "The Black Deer". It was a good night even though we lost 4 games to 1. Next the 17th we haven't got a game, but the week after it's "The Woodbine" who come to visit us.

September 17th

The sandwiches were done. I went to see James last, but didn't miss the darts match as "The Woodbine" didn't turn up. Anyway the girls had a game of darts themselves and all the sandwiches went.

September 24th

No game booked next week "Lindsey Street" visit us.

October 1st

We won the first two games against "Lindsey Street" and I thought we could have a successful night but alas we lost 5 games to 4. It was a good night though.

October 8th

It was "The Black Deer" away. We were drawing 4 games all with 20 minutes to go. I was happy to settle for a draw, but they wanted to play an extra game. We lost. It will be nice to put down a win - perhaps it'll be on the 22nd of this month when we play "The Woodbine" away. Tracey got the highest score with 107.

October 22nd & 29th

We were supposed to play "The Woodbine" at home and away but they had doubled-booked so we had a few weeks rest. I'm hoping the rest has done us good because on November the 5th we're away to "Lindsey Street".

November 5th

This evening we travelled to Epping. The first 3 games of doubles we lost. I thought oh no not again. But we ended up with a 4-4 draw so it wasn't too bad after all. We also won 4 of their raffle prizes. Highest score of 91 went to Tracey.

Merry Christmas everyone

* CALAIS *

The trip to Calais was a huge success. The coach was magnifique! Easy, comfortable seating, with a drinks machine, (tea, coffee or soup) and a toilet. The two drivers, yes two, were freindly and helpful.

On the outward journey we almost had an international incident when our Belfast born lady had to prove she was British.

So on to the ferry. You took your choice of bars or self catering, the more hardy sitting outside. There was long queues for everything, but being British we soon caught on, queing once but buying double. The staff were French and most unapproachable.

Entering Calais we saw the usual sight of the French workman watering the earth. On to the hypermarket were we spent 2 hours and most of our money. The drivers managed to pack all our goods into the coach boot. Back to the town of Calais, where the meeting place was the Town Hall. A superb building, with the most beautiful gardens. We had three hours to wander around, have a meal etc. We nearly lost Ike to one of the many Sex Shops but I'm happy to say his hunger was stronger than his curiosity. At 6.30pm back to the coach, with Elsa just making it up the steps. Behind us, Ian was playing with the squeaky toy he had bought for the dog, Val was wandering around the coach with a large orange drink, which she said was Elsa'snever!, and I was wondering what to do with my french stick.

Eventually we all settled and the next step was customs, where we all strolled through, lots of us with the shakes, Elsa was one of the last and she opened her handbag a half bottle of Brandy fell to the floor smashing to smithereens, surprised Elsa said "I didn't know it was in there".....George??

We had a choice coming home on the coach, a blue video or a sing song. The front half watched the video, the back half chose the sing song.

A few of us settled back and closed our eyes for an hour or so.

Many thanks to Biss Brothers and their two drivers George and Jeff.

Hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did.

Lets do it again, soon!

Win Yeandle

* FUTURE OUTING *

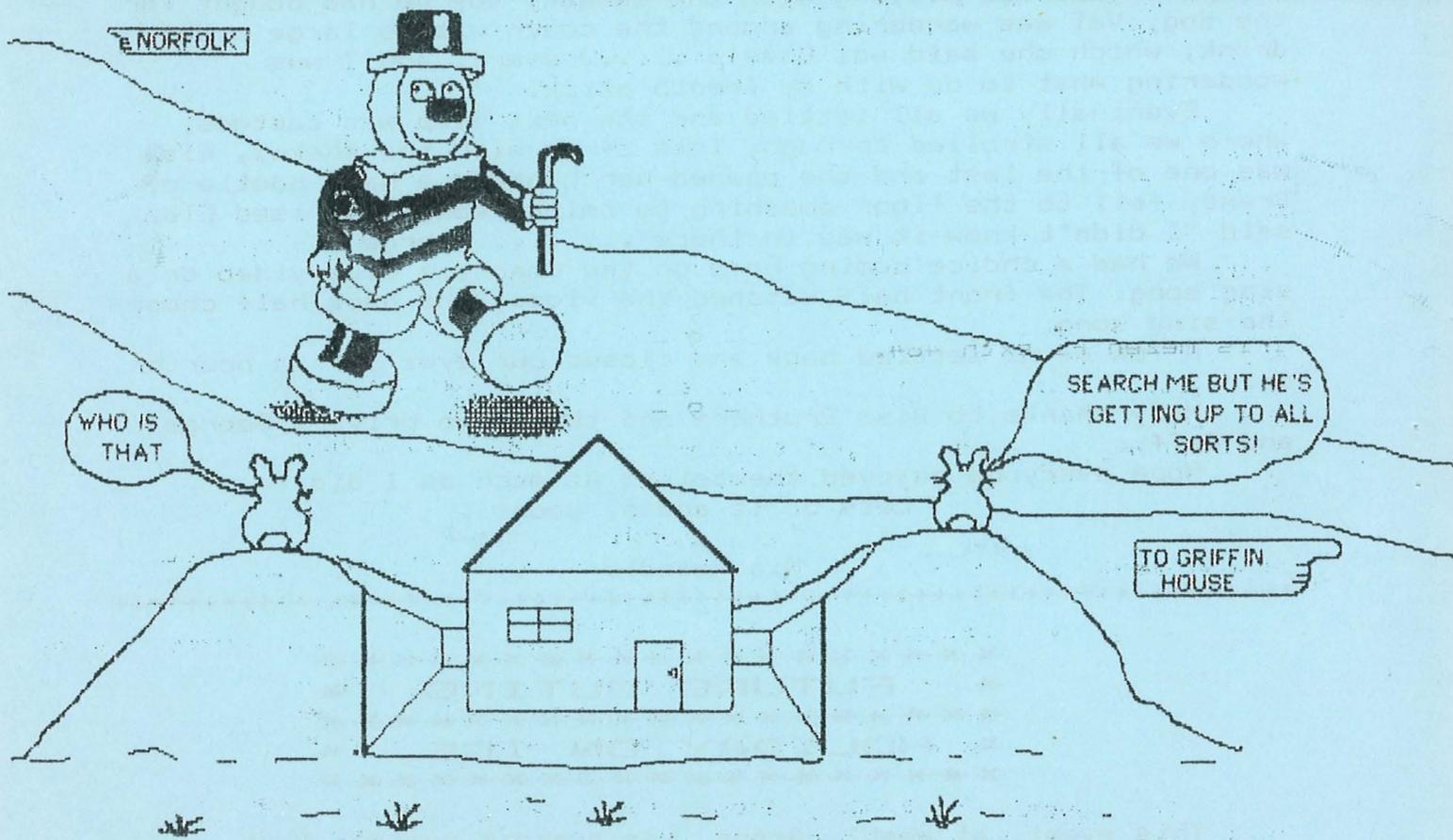
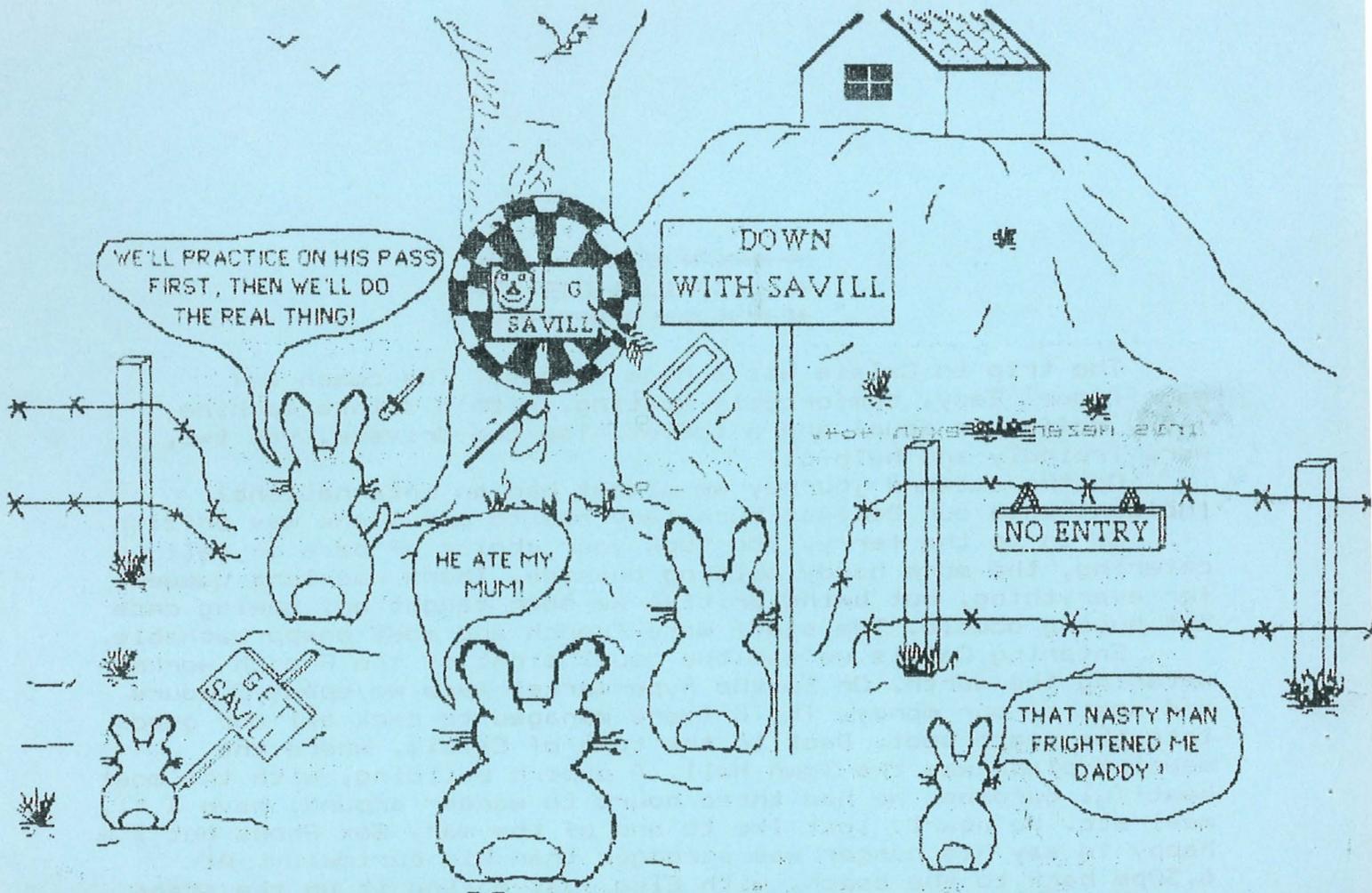
* HOLIDAY ON ICE *

This event, at Wembly Arena, was a great success last Christmas and we hope to repeat this in 1986.

Tickets have been reserved for SATURDAY 1st FEB 1986 (not 1985, as on notice) for the 6pm performance and a coach has been booked, to leave Powdermill Lane at 6.30pm.

PLACES ARE LIMITED SO BOOK EARLY TO ENSURE YOUR PLACE.

Tickets are priced at £8 for adults and £5.50 for under 14's and O.A.Ps. Tickets and futher information can be obtained from
Iris Magee 81, Suite 404



 * POLICE FIVE *

Police One: We recently bade farewell to Jack Love on the occasion of his retirement (late October). Although no longer "in the job" he will not be moving out of the Gardens. We took over the Card Room and most of the far end of the Bar for the "do" and we have since been told that we behaved ourselves, didn't break anything and generally had a good time. Furthermore, there was no swearing!

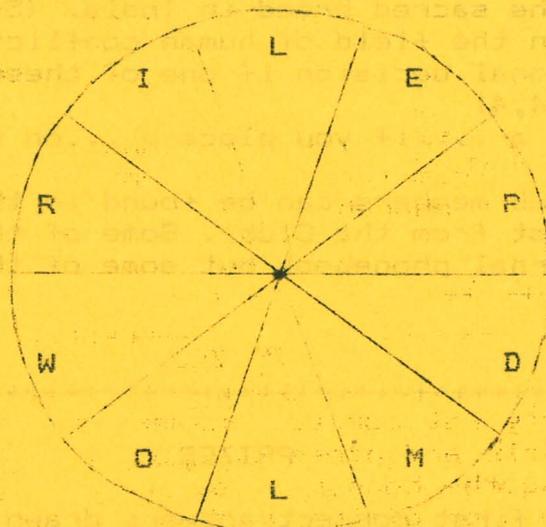
Police Two: Gordon Thomas celebrated 22 years by receiving his Long Service and Good Conduct Medal from our Assistant Chief Constable. At Gordon's request, the presentation took place at the Club.

Police Three: Our "Keep -fit" fanatic managed to injure himself whilst out training. No names, no pack-drill, but we can reveal that his doctor has advised him to see a Fitziotherapist.

Police Four: One of our Darts teams, played (and beat) an allegedly ladies teams from one of the local pubs. We didn't catch the name of this particular hostelry but we believe it was the Koshers Horses - obviously a Jewish tavern.

Police Five: We must congratulate Alan "Butty" Wright on gaining the runners-up prize in the "PERME Regulars" snooker league B Division. There is no truth in the rumour that he insisted on playing his matches at 3 o'clock in the morning!

WORD PUZZLE: sent in by Bob McGuchan



The letters above form a familiar 10 letter word.
 How many other words with 4 or more letters can you find?
 (No proper names, abbreviations or slang)
 Target - 100 words - A bottle of plonk for the highest number.

* COMPETITION *

Each clue will give you the name of two members of the Club whose names are linked or can be used to make up a single word. The answer wanted is the names of the members with the number of letters in each members name in the brackets. When the brackets contains a single number the clue is to a single name which is made up of the two members name and the number is the combined total. The spelling for the answer to the clue and the members name may differ slightly but they sound the same. Examples are:

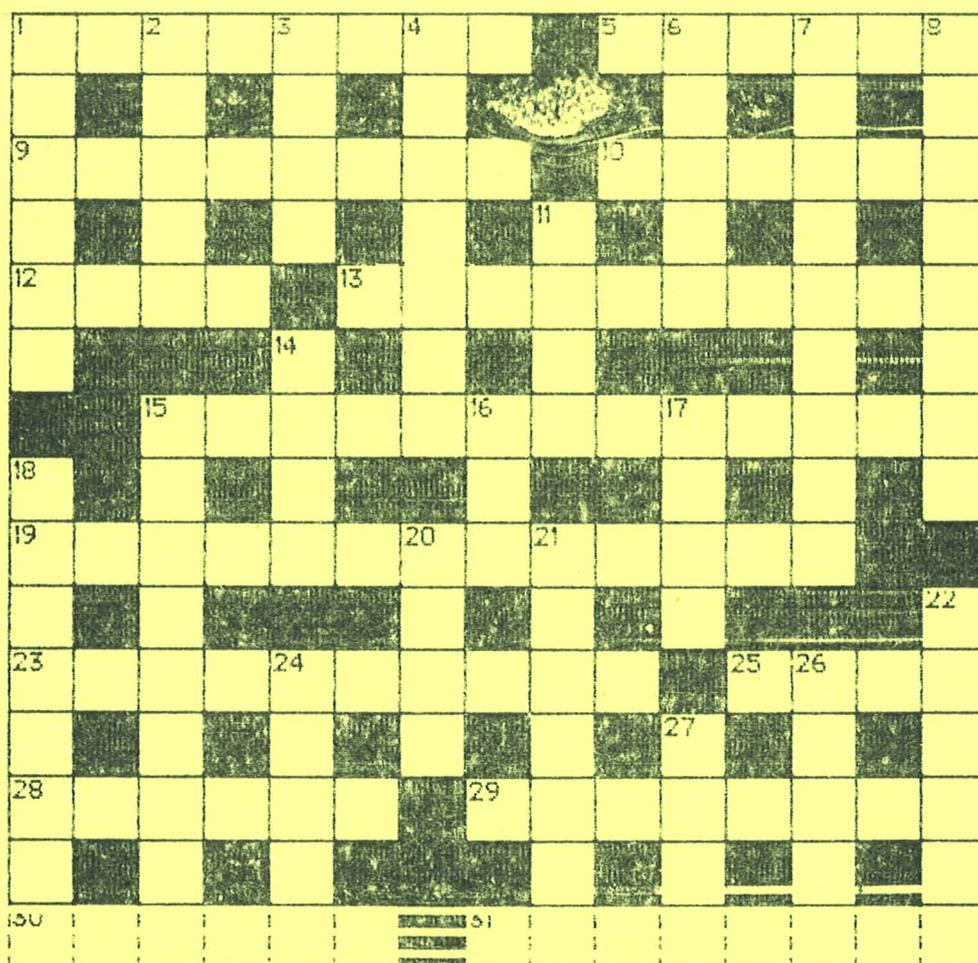
Found on a golfers back (4,4) - Bagg and Wood
Automobile operator (10) - Carr and Driver (cardriver)

1. Their rightful place as it was in the begining. (5,3)
2. Light and dark. (3,6)
3. They are not illerate. (4,6)
4. In general, it's not the glorious 12th for this. (8)
5. The ruler and his understudy. (4,6)
6. South coast resort. (9)
7. Ecclesiastical gentleman outside the abbey. (6,6)
8. A good smoke or the navy, perhaps (6,7)
9. 3 and 4 on the table. (5,5)
10. Names for heathers home. (5,5)
11. Sounds like the cockney for the places of ships and gods. (5,5)
12. Men of grain and yeast. (5,6)
13. Sweet and naught, these terms of endearment. (4,5)
14. Baggy pants and cane may give you his full name. (7,7)
15. The makers of popular oxford. (4,6)
16. On the ship and on the quay but of the same feather. (4,5)
17. One of the sacred breed in India. (5-5)
18. "never in the field of human conflict...." (10)
19. An emotional decision if one of these rules the other. (4,4)
20. You take aif you place a ...on the horses. (6,4)

A list of Club members can be found in the Club (please do not remove the list from the Club). Some of the names can be found in the internal phonebook but some of the names are missing.

PRIZES

The prize for the first correct answers drawn out of the hat for the crossword puzzle and names of club members puzzle will be a bottle of wine and the honour of seeing his/her name in the next Quickmatch. The winner of the word puzzle will be the entry with the largest number of correct words, the prize will be a bottle of wine.



ACROSS

DOWN

- 1. ROOMY (8)
- 5. CIRCUS TENT (3,3)
- 9. A MEMBER OF THE E.E.C. (8)
- 10. ANCIENT GREEK CITY AS PART OF CLUE (6)
- 12. TWO BEGINNERS IT SEEMS WILL PLOUGH (4)
- 13. DISCOVER SNOOKER PLAYER RELAXING PERHAPS? (4,2,4)
- 15. THIS COULD MELT THE HEART OF A COLD WOMAN (8,5)
- 19. THIS HOLIDAY SEASON (9,4)
- 23. TO BE FULL OF IDEAS IS CONSIDERATE (10)
- 25. BROKEN CARS GIVE EVIDENCE OF OLD INJURY (4)
- 28. TOOK OFFENCE, FREDDY I'M FED UP (6)
- 29. DISPOSITION COULD BE A FRAME OF MIND (8)
- 30. STOCKINGS COULD BE THESE OR MADE OF IT (6)
- 31. THE RIGHT SEAFOOD COULD HAVE YOU CREASED UP (8)

- 1. CHOCOLATE TREATS (6)
- 2. SHE IS A FOOL BUT NOT THIS MONTH (5)
- 3. LITTLE DEVILS UPSET PIMS No.1 (4)
- 4. ATOMIC EXPLOSIVE (7)
- 6. SIMPLY WHAT YOU PUT IN! (5)
- 7. TRIO OF RODENTS CHASED BY FARMERS SPOUSE (5,4)
- 8. A PARTRIDGE MAY BE FOUND IN ONE (4,4)
- 11. FIRST GARDEN (4)
- 14. ARROW LAUNCHERS ARE QUITE PRETTY (4)
- 15. FOUR OWLS RIGHT ABOUT ARE VERY SAD (9)
- 16. COMMANDER IN CHIEF IS IN IT AGAIN (3)
- 17. WHISTLE AND FLUTE (4)
- 18. THIS TRAIN USED TO FLY NORTH OF THE BORDER (8)
- 20. A RACHNID MIXED UP TIME (4)
- 21. SOUTH AFRICAN WENT FOR A STROLL (7)
- 22. SAPPER GETS CONFUSED BUT IS STILL WELCOMING (6)
- 24. GO COLOUR (5)
- 26. SOUNDS LIKE OLIVER'S BOWL WAS FULL OF WICKEDNESS (5)
- 27. RICHARD AND LENNY WERE BOTH ONE (4)