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#### **SCHOOL NOTES**

Last September, King George V School took its last 11 plus intake, and the total number of boys on the roll was 851. The school will never be as large as that again, and officially it will come to an end in September 1979 and be replaced by King George V College. In practice the gradual transition will continue until the Summer of 1982.

Ten members of staff joined the school in September, 1977:

- **Mrs. F. H. Gould,** a graduate of Bedford College, London, is teaching Physics.
- Mrs. C. Hill, a graduate of Liverpool University and research student of Somerville College, Oxford, is teaching History.
- Mr. B. L. Hubbard, a graduate of Liverpool University and formerly a member of the staff of Liverpool Collegiate School, is teaching both History and Geography.
- Mr. R. J. Dollery, a graduate of the Queen's College, Oxford, is teaching French and German.
- **Mrs. A. H. Szczesniak**, a graduate of the University of Paris, is teaching French.
- Mrs. L. Coates, a graduate of the University of Jena and for the last seven years a part-time German assistant at K.G.V., has been appointed to a part-time post teaching German.
- **Mrs. R. Miles,** a graduate of the University of Newcastleupon-Tyne and research student of the same university, is teaching English and Latin.
- Miss D. Woodward, who was trained at Edge Hill College of Higher Education, is teaching Mathematics.
- **Dr. I. F. Wilson,** a graduate of Liverpool Polytechnic, research student of North Staffordshire Polytechnic, and former Head of Science at the International School of the Sacred Heart, Tokyo, is teaching Physics and Chemistry.
- Mr. A. W. J. Macer, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.O., is spending one term at K.G.V. as a temporary teacher of Music.

The first of the new buildings which will house the new King George V College was handed over earlier this month and we are ready to start moving in as soon as it is furnished. It includes a Library and a Lecture Theatre, seven classrooms designed to accommodate 30 students, eleven designed to accommodate 16, and one designed to accommodate 20. There is an administration area, a Senior Common Room, and several useful small rooms.

The second phase of building, which includes provision for Science, Music, Art and Drama, as well as the kitchen, a Junior Common Room, and a Sports Hall, is scheduled to be completed by the time the first girls enter the Lower Sixth in September, 1979.

The damage to the main school building from settlement has now made it urgent that we should evacuate the front of it. The present plan is that we should aim to do that during the first week or two of next term while the 'O' Level Trial Examinations are taking place. We will try to move as many Sixth Form groups as possible into the new building. and so far as possible we will avoid housing any classes other than Sixth Form ones in the new building. There will have to be some exceptions to this policy, and one exception must be all the Art classes, for the present Art rooms have to be taken out of use, and there is nowhere for Art to be taught during the next two terms other than in the Lecture Theatre of the new building. In September 1978 it should be possible to transfer the Art to the present Woodwork shop, and the present plan is that it should move again in 1979 into the Art room in the building which has yet to be constructed.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### Lent Term begins:

8-45 a.m. Wednesday, 4th January.

#### **G.C.E. Trial Examinations:**

Friday, 6th January to Friday, 13th January.

#### Half Term:

Friday, 10th February to Tuesday, 14th February. (Friday, 10th February—Grace Day; Monday, 13th February—official Half Term; Tuesday, 14th February—Grace Day)

#### Lent Term ends:

3-30 p.m. Wednesday, 22nd March.

#### SALVETE

We are pleased to welcome 148 new boys from 29 different schools.

Ainsdale C.E. Primary:
Michael Entwistle, Michael Harding, Alan Meadow,
Stephen Robinson, Julian Saunders, Robert Uffendell,
Andrew Wilkinson.

Ainsdale Secondary: Stephen Manning, Colin Poole.

Ainsdale Shoreside:

David Brookfield, Anthony Carter, Antony Cartlidge, David Comish, Sanjiva Goyal, Christopher Hartley, Paul Hiscock, David Ledger, David Lesbirel, David McMillan, Philip Mallinder, Andrew Newcombe, Michael Pass, Nicholas Roberts, Johnathan Staples, Mark Stevens, Andrew Thomas, Robert Weir.

Churchtown Junior:
Nicholas Anderson, David Ashurst, David Baines,
Edmund Baldwin, Keith Ball, Dale Blundell, John
Brimelow, Marcus Briody, Seth Cardozo, Mitchell
Crawford, David Dewhurst, Mark Foster, Gary Hughes,
Andrew Hutson, Andrew Jackson, Alexander Mackman,
Nigel Platt, Stuart Russell, Ian Saunderson, Andrew
Sutton, Lee Szabo, David Thompson.

Chelmsford High School: Jonathan Cotterall.

Crossens Primary:

Andrew Hill, Gary Ogden, Paul Sherman.

Ellers High School, Doncaster: David Brownlow.

Farnborough Road:
Philip Alderson, Lyndon Bullock, Ellis Cochrane,
Jonathan Farrow, Stephen Greenwood, Joseph Howe,
Stephen Howe, Paul Hooton, Christopher Jackson, Guy
Johnson, Edward Lewis, Simon Parker, Iain PetrieBrown, Darren Rigby, Duncan Rowlands, Philip Searle,
Christopher Tait, Mark Whalley, Jonathan Williams,
Steven Williams.

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Lenzie Primary, Glasgow: Duncan Bell.

Linaker Street:

Richard Barton, Simon Beddows, Paul Daybell, Sebastian Diamond, Robert Duce, Nicholas Newbury, Mark Pennington, Michael Rostron, Michael Smith.

Meols Cop Secondary: Haydn Preece.

Merchant Taylors, Crosby: William Jackson, Julian Price.

Mountwood:
Michael Goldberg.

Norwood Road County Junior: Karl Cockwill, Michael James, John Lonsdale, Gordon Sweeney, Gary Whitehead, Vernon Wright, Paul Young.

Queen Elizabeth School, Wakefield: David Rowland.

St. Philip's C.E. Primary:
Clive Dawson, Carl Dix, Anthony Harris, Craig Mailey,
Michael Marshall, Andrew Mellow, Andrew Tate, Neil
Thompson.

St. Simon and St. Jude C.E. Primary: Matthew Nicholls, Scott White.

Scarisbrick Hall:
Michael Harding, Marcus Paisley.

Stanley Secondary School:
Christopher Pittaway, Christopher Swift, Neil Waitman,
David Whittaker, Christopher Wilson, Neil Wood.

Sunnymede: Mark Richards.

Woodvale:

Russell Aitkenhead, Keith Ball, Peter Davies, Adrian Dolan, Andrew Goddard, Peter Greenhalgh, Ian Hampson, Brian Moore, Paul Munoz, Peter Neilson.

#### VALETE

We bid farewell to the following boys who left at the end of the last academic year.

After each boy's name is indicated the number of 'O' level subjects he passed with grade C or above, any grades he was awarded at 'A' level, and any positions of distinction acquired while at school.

#### 1969-1977

EDWARDS, C. J. (EV) 8 DD. Junior Prefect.

McNALLY, S. (R) 7 CD.

POGSON, I. S. (A) 7 EE. Senior Prefect, School Captain Cross-Country 1975/76, Cross Country Colours.

#### 1970-1977

ANDERSON, B. W. (EV) 9 CDE. Senior Prefect. Hockey Full Colours, 1976/77.

BAILEY, G. S. (ED) 8 BDDE. Senior Prefect, Colours for School Badminton and County Badminton player. Cross Country and Athletics.

BALL, J. M. D. (A) 7 EEEE. School Captain 1975/76, Senior Prefect. School Rugby Captain 1976/77. School Cricket Captain 1976/77. House Captain 1975/76.

BECKER, J. M. (LE) 8 CE. Senior Prefect.

BENEDYK, M. P. R. (LE) 5 ABBC. Senior Prefect. Librarian. School Magazine.

BERG, P. J. (M) 8 A. David Hill Memorial Prize for Music. BICKERTON, D. A. (EV) 7 BCDE. Senior Prefect 1976/77.

BLADEN, P. M. (HOL) 7 CD.

BLUNDELL, S. J. (S) 9 BCDE. School Junior Prefect. Business Game Team.

BUTTERFIELD, N. I. (A) 6 BDE.

BYRON, J.P. (LE) 7 DDE.R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion. School Swimming.

CALLER, R. A. (EV) 6 BC2EE. School Captain 1977. House Captain 1976/77. Senior Prefect. Librarian. Chairman of Europa Society.

CARTER, I. P. (M) 9 AD.

CHANDLER, D. J. (EV) 7 EEE. Junior Prefect 1976/77. Hockey Full Colours 1976/77. House Vice-Captain.

COPE, A. (ED) 8 A2BBCDE. Junior Prefect. School Hockey XI Half Colours.

CORNES, P. (A) 6 DDE. Junior Prefect. School Choir.

CROMPTON, N. E. A. (HOL) 8 CDDE. House Captain. Senior Prefect. Christian Union. Cross Country Full Colours.

EDWARDS, D. J. (ED) 7 AAABB. Senior Profect. 1st Team Rugby and Cricket Full Colours. School Athletics. House Captain.

EYES, D. N. (A) 8 A2BCD. Senior Prefect. School Swimming Team.

FAULKNER, J. C. (M) 7 CDDE.

GALEY, S. M. (HOL) 9 AABBBB. Senior Prefect. GERRARD, R. W. (ED) 8 BBCC. Senior Prefect.

RLSS Distinction and Teacher's Certificate.

GRINDLEY, M. D. (R) 7 BDEE.

HADDOCK, A. P. (LU) 9.

HAWORTH, M. R. (G) 9 DDE. Senior Prefect. House Captain.

HEIGHWAY, P. (S) 4 DEE. School Junior Prefect.

School Chess Vice-Captain.

HILL, S. T. (EV) 7 BE.

HITCHEN, D. (LE) 7 BBDE. Senior Prefect.

HODGSON, P. J. (W) 6 E.

HOWARD, M. R. (M) 8 BCDDE. Junior Prefect.

HUMPHRÉYS, A. (D) 7 CEE. JAMES, I. G. (HOL) 8 CCD.

JELLEY, M. R. (A) 5 DEE. Senior Prefect. House Captain.
Rugby Colours. Queen's Scout Award.

JONES, N. L. H. (M) 7 BEEE. Senior Prefect. House Vice-Captain.

MARTIN, A. D. (LU) 8 ABBCCD. Senior Prefect. Captain of Hockey. Full Hockey Colours.

MARTIN, R. J. (R) BCD. Junior School Prefect. House Vice-Captain.

MORGAN, G. (LU) 7 BBE.

MORTON, N. D. (ÉV) 6 C. Junior Prefect 1976/77.

MOSS, A. J. (LU) 7 CD.

OCHILTREE, I. W. (R) 9 BCCE.

PIERCE, C. J. (G) 9 DE.

PORTER, S. (HON) 6. Junior Prefect. 1st XV Colours.

POTTS, C. N. (S) 6 CCDD.

POTTS, M. A. (R) 6 ADEE. School Hockey XI.

RANDLES, A. C. (LE) 8 BCEE. Senior Préfect. House Vice-Captain.

RAWCLIFFE, J. J. (S) 7 BBDE. School Junior Prefect.

REECE, A. R. (EV) 7 BBDD. Junior Prefect. Librarian 1976/77.

ROTHWELL, M. E. (R) 9 CDEE. Senior School Prefect. House Captain. School Hockey XI.

ROSE, A. D. (W). 8 ABBC. Junior Prefect. Hockey Half Colours.

SMITH, A. J. (LU). 7 AABD. Junior Prefect.

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TAYLOR, M. J. (LU) 4.

TWIST, A. M. (G) 8 BBBE. Junior Prefect.

WHITE, M. (M) 9 AAABC. Senior Prefect (Deputy Head Boy) House Captain. Librarian. Rugby Full Colours.

WILCOX, R. M. B. (HON) 9 BB. Senior Prefect. House Captain. 1st XV Colours. 1st XI Colours.

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BENNETT, A. (A) 5. Full Colours Rugby and Cricket. School Rugby 1st XV and 2nd XV.

BOARDMAN, K. (LU) 9 AABBC. Senior Prefect. House Captain.

BONSON, D. (ED) 7 CE. Junior Prefect.

CONNOLLY, M. (ED) 8 BCD. RLSS Advanced Resuscitation. Bronze Medallion.

DANIELS, J. M. (M.) 9 AADD. School Table-Tennis Team. FAWLEY, M. W. (HON) 8 BBDD. Senior Prefect. House

Secretary, Librarian.

FOSTER, P. A. (S) 8 CCD. FRANCE, S. N. (W) 9 ACDE. Librarian.

GIDNEY, N. (ED) 6 BDE. Senior Prefect. Rugby XV (Colours) and School Athletics Team. RLSS Bronze Medallion and Teacher's Certificate.

GRIFFITHS, R. J. (HON) 7 EE. Junior Prefect.

HANCOCK, G. (EV) 6 EEE.

HESKETH, K. M. (HOL) 8 DDD. House Vice-Captain. Senior Prefect.

JONES, M. C. (EV) 9 BBBD.

KLAASSEN, N. (LÉ) 9 BCCD. Junior Prefect.

LLOYD, S. M. (R) 6.

MACBEATH, N. Á. (R) 9 BBC. Junior School Prefect.

McNAUGHT, A. J. (A) 3. MORLEY, A. M. (M) 8 D.

MOON, D. C. (S) 6 CCD. Librarian.

MOORE, K. A. (W) 6 DEE. Junior Prefect. Captain School Chess.

PIKE, D. M. (S) 6 CEEE. School Senior Prefect. Joint House Captain. Rugby Full Colours. Cricket Half Colours.

PROCTOR, D. (S) 5 EE. School Senior Prefect. Joint House Captain. Senior Librarian. Chairman Fox Society.

ROWLANDS, L. J. P. (M) 8 BEEE.

SEDDON, C. M. (EV) 7 DE.

TAYLOR, G. B. C. (W) 7 B2BDE. Senior Prefect. Rugby Half Colours. Cricket Colours, Lancashire under 19 eleven. House Vice-Captain.

WALTON, S. E. (G) 3 CCCD. Junior Prefect.

WIDDERS, M. L. (LE) 8 ABCCD. Senior Prefect. School Chess. School Golf.

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#### **CRICKET FIRST ELEVEN REPORT, 1977**

With two \*good summers and two successful cricket seasons behind us, we looked forward with optimism to good weather and favourable results in 1977. Our hopes, however, were soon to be dashed. In the opening game in early May against Manor H.S., with Jonathan Ball playing a fine captain's innings and School on 77 for 6, the heavens opened and the match was abandoned. Unhappily, the rain continued in May and led to the cancellation of fixtures against West Park and Hutton.

When we resumed in mid-June three consecutive draws were recorded, the most enjoyable game being our annual tussle with Southport and Birkdale, for whom two Old Boys, Tom Rimmer and Geoff Thornton, made 43 and 48 respectively. For the school, Simon Sutcliffe excelled with figures of 5 for 51.

In the remaining games the team at last found its best form. The Staff XI was beaten by 65 runs, Ormskirk by 4 wickets in an overs game, and two parents' teams were defeated decisively. In other games, Kirkham, struggling at 27 for 7, and the Old Boys, surviving shakily at 90 for 9, both escaped with lucky draws.

The following boys made regular appearances in the first team, as follows:- Ball 9, Beard 9, Edwards 8, Hodge 8, Mottershead 9, Oakley 9, Shallcross 9, Sutcliffe 9, Swettenham 7, Taylor 9, Wilcox 8. All these boys were given full colours, re-awards going to Ball, Hodge, Oakley, Taylor and Wilcox.

Oakley scored 160 runs and averaged 22.8, Ball 117 (16.7), Motterhead 88 (12.5), Hodge 83 (20.7), Shallcross 81 (13.5), and Taylor 72 (9.0).

Sutcliffe took 17 wickets for 133 runs (7.8), Hodge 15 for 112 (7.4), Beard 11 for 86 (7.8) and Mottershead 10 for 92 (9.2).

The above statistics exclude the figures for the two parents' games in which the School fielded two first cum second teams of approximately equal ability.

From last year's regulars only Alec Hodge, Robert Oakley, David Mottershead and Andrew Swettenham will be available next season. Much is expected of them because, for three consecutive seasons, the first team has remained undefeated in games against other schools. Can this run be extended in 1978?

- 1. (h) K.G.V. 77 for 6 (Ball 27 n.o.) v. Manor High. Match rained off.
- (h) Cowley 90 (Beard 4 for 21, Hodge 3 for 17, Sutcliffe 3 for 14), K.G.V. 60 for 5 (Oakley 44 n.o.) Match drawn.

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- (a) Southport and Birkdale 132 for 5 dec. (Sutcliffe 5 for 51), K.G.V. 70 for 8 (Oakley 29). Matchedrawn.
- (h) K.G.V. 89 for 7 dec. (Oakley 19, Ball 19), Blackpool Collegiate 62 for 8 (Hodge 3 for 8). Match drawn.
- (h) K.G.V. 127 for 9 dec. (Ball 40, Oakley 28, Mottershead 21), Staff XI 62 (Hodge 3 for 15, Sutcliffe 3 for 20, Beard 2 for 1). School won by 65 runs.
- 6. (a) Ormskirk 61 for 7 (20 overs) (Hodge 4 for 30). K.G.V. 63 for 6 (18.3 overs) (Mottershead 15 n.o.). K.G.V. won by 4 wickets.
- 7. (h) K.G.V. 111 for 6 dec. (Shallcross 29, Hodge 25 n.o., Mottershead 17, Ball 15).

  Kirkham 27 for 7 (Mottershead 5 for 11).

  Match drawn.
- 8. (h) (a) K.G.V. 101 (Mottershead 32, Ball 24).
  Parents' XI 65 (Wilcox 4 for 9, Sutcliffe 3 for 19). K.G.V. won by 36 runs.

(b) K.G.V. 109 for 6 dec. (Webster 41 n.o., Oakley 20, Edwards 15). Parents' XI 73 (Beard 5 for 20). K.G.V. won by 36 runs.

 (h) K.G.V. 122 for 7 dec. (Hodge 25 n.o., Taylor 24, Oakley 19, Mottershead 17).
 Old Boys 90 for 9 (Sutcliffe 4 for 23, Wilcox 3 for 28, Beard 2 for 2).
 Match drawn.

S.B.R.

#### **GOLF REPORT**

After a long period of barren, golfless years, the Royal and Ancient game reared its noble head again at K.G.V. last year. Several very enjoyable fixtures were arranged, and we hope that golf is now established as a major, "respectable" sport and will continue to flourish in the new sixth-form college.

The first engagement of the season was in March, when a three-man team (K. Barrett, M. Widders, and J. Hepworth) competed in the regional qualifying round of the Aer Lingus schools' competition at Wilpshire. Extremely cold and windy conditions made golf almost impossible, but we managed to finish respectably near the top of the field, although we failed to qualify.

In the first week of the Summer Term, a match was arranged against Stowe School, near Silverstone in Buckinghamshire. The team of six (K. Barrett, M. Widders, J.

Hepworth, J. Sykes, M. Suddaby and N. Thomson) and our chauffeurs (Messrs. Arnold and Abram) arrived at Stowe on Friday evening. We were shown around the school, one of the foremost public schools in the country, which is a magnificent Georgian mansion built in the 18th century for the Duke of Buckingham, set in 750 acres of beautiful land-scaped gardens. The school has every facility imaginable, including its own golf course.

On the Saturday morning, we had a practice round while the Stowe team had lessons. We were then entertained in the sixth-form club, where we were the victims of a devious attempt to reduce our golfing ability—we were treated to several pints of beer. After lunch, which some of us had with Stowe's headmaster (who was clearly involved in the plot too, as he was very liberal with the sherry), we played a match consisting of 9 holes foursomes and 18 holes singles. No shots were given for handicap differences and the match produced some excellent golf. After the foursomes, the score was level at  $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ , but in the singles the home team's superior course knowledge (plus the aftereffects on us of the beer and sherry?) enabled them to win 4-2, making the final score  $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$  to Stowe. In the evening we were entertained to cheese and wine.

The following morning we played a fourball better ball match over 18 holes against Stowe Golf Club, in which we did well to win 2-1. The visit to Stowe was thoroughly enjoyable, not only for the golf but also for the opportunity to see something of public school life.

A return match against Stowe was arranged after the G.C.E. exams. They brought a six-man team which in the meantime had beaten amongst others, Eton, Harrow and Rugby. Our team was unchanged except that N. Whiteside came in for K. Barrett. Each member of their team stayed with one of ours. The match was played in three stages: 18 holes fourball at Hesketh, 18 holes foursomes, and 18 holes single (both at Hillside). After leading  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$  after the fourball and foursomes matches, we needed only 2 points from the singles to win. Mr. Abram could only look on in horror as we slumped to a spectacular 5-1 defeat, thus losing the match  $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ . A very enjoyable cheese and wine evening was held in the School Library.

The final match of the season was a fourball match against the Old Boys, played at Hillside with ten on each side. Their team included such illustrious golfers as Steve Rooke, the Hillside professional, and several low-handicap amateurs such as Gordon Rimmer and Fred Wilson. We therefore did very well to win the match 3-2.

This concluded a very enjoyable and successful season, for which all thanks are due to Mr. Abram for his enthusiastic encouragement. We should also like to thank Messrs. Arnold and Cook for transporting us to matches.

It has been a disppointing start to the season once again for the 1st XI, with only two draws from six matches. This picture, though, does not reflect the team's performances. In all but two matches we could and should have done better, but lack of fitness and experience were probably telling factors. For example, against Widnes we were winning 2-0 only to lose 2-3.

We played Liverpool College for the first time and away from home. It was our latest and best performance of the season, and we were only narrowly beaten by a goal in the closing minutes to go down 2-1. It was an unfamiliar surface to us, that of an all-weather pitch and it was a game where the true spirit of the side showed itself after an early set-back.

Four members of the 1st XI attended the Lancashire School Boys under-19 trials: Milton, Morgan, Roberts and Monk, K. Milton did particularly well reaching the last 22.

The season's top scorer with three goals was Ross. Other scorers were Monk (2), Arrowsmith, Milton, Morgan, and Roberts.

We can hope for better results after Christmas, with the

team improving with every match.

Our thanks must go to Messrs. Amer and Comfort for their time and support to the team.

K. Halsall (Secretary).

#### **SWIMMING GALA, 1977**

This year's annual Swimming Gala was held on 29th November at the new Baths, Once again there was an overall high standard of swimming and a keen competitive spirit. Particular mention must be made of K. N. Cockwill, who won the First Year Freestyle in 23.9; G. Skinner, a much improved swimmer, who won the Second Year Freestyle in 23.4; D. Whittaker who gave a good performance to come just second to M. J. Halsall (17.7) in the Senior Freestyle.

The final outcome of the contest did not become clear until the last race, the Senior Squadron. At this stage, Grear's, Edwards' and Spencer's were contending for the two trophies. The results were:-

Ross Cup (overall winners)	Bell Cup (Squadrons)
1. Grear's: 101	1. (equal) Edwards': 58
2. Edwards': 96	Grear's: 58
3. Spencer's: 92	3. Holland's: 36
4. Holland's: 81	4. Spencer's, 34

Special thanks must be given to Mrs. L. Greenhalgh, who presented the trophies; to Mr. Gale, who organised the contest; to Mrs. G. Rimmer, who acted as referee, and to the members of staff who acted as judges and timekeepers.

#### **STOCKPILER**

Stockpiler is termed by its organisers, the British Junior Chamber, as an investment game for sixth-formers. In reality it is a game of luck more than skill with the aim of gaining as big a profit as possible by buying and selling shares on the Stock Exchange. The school's two syndicates, under the auspices of Mr. T. J. Bruce, are having somewhat mixed fortunes at present.

Basically, on specified days they have to buy shares in companies which they think will do well whilst, at the same time, selling their existing shares which are likely to fall in value. There are certain rules, however. One can only buy multiples of 100 shares, can only invest in five to ten companies and have at least £2,000 invested in each chosen company.

All syndicates involved, which include schools from all over the country, made their first decisions on 19th October, 1977. Since then the Financial Times Index has fallen 40 points but has recently made a slight recovery. Both our syndicates have made minimal losses in comparison with the initial £20,000 portfolio value. The magic date to watch out for is 15th March, 1978, when the final valuation of portfolios takes place, hopefully with one of K.G.V.'s two syndicates taking a share of the prizes.

N. J. Webster.

#### **BUSINESS GAME REPORT**

For the past three years K.G.V. has participated in the Business Game. This is a business game simulation run on I.C.L.'s computers in London.

This year, 350 schools took part ranging from Eton and Harrow to Stalybridge Comprehensive. The game is based on a series of competitive rounds which gradually reduce the 350 by a knock-out process to a final round of four competitors.

The winning team is the one making the largest net profit. The first round had seven decision periods each lasting one week. Our opponents were Aston Comprehensive, Stoke 6th Form College, and Kings College, Wimbledon—could we possibly lose?

Each school elects a board, which decides company policy. This falls into four main areas—production, marketing, transport and finance. Thus the company needs to decide how much to produce and at what price to sell. Careful consideration being given to unit production cost and advertising costs. Loans to finance these activities are available but at high rates of interest and it is better to finance the company by ploughing back profits. Profit is the reward for achieving optimum levels of price and production and any mistakes incur penalties in the form of lost sales, low profits and write-off of goodwill.

The end of the first period saw Aston in the lead by £0.6 millions. However, a low price, high turn-over policy by the K.G.V. board meant that by the end of the fourth period we had taken the lead and opened up a considerable gap between us and our competitors. Aston and Stoke were jockeying for second place and King's College had hardly made any profit at all. By a skilful combination of high plant investment, reduced prices and high advertising, we succeeded in capturing and holding a more than proportionate percentage of the market. By period four we were able to make a 'killing' by producing at maximum and dropping our prices, thus leaving our competitors with too high prices and too low a turn-over. We made a large profit and achieved a large cash flow. We held onto our lead over the next three periods.

Final figures were:-

Aston	£8.5m.
Stoke	£4.35m.
King's College	£0.9m.
K.G.V.	£11.3m.

Special thanks go to Mark Sudderby (Chairman) and to Mr. Collier who introduced us to the Business Game. The next round begins in January.

M. Hannaby, U.6th.

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#### PAWNOGRAPHY HITS K.G.V.

For the first two weeks of this term the sun shone continuously over K.G.V., and the future looked bleak for the school Chess Club; the number of members could almost have been counted on the toes of a Pobble! But the British weather did not let us down, with driving rain and gale force winds, & club membership mysteriously began to increase. At the time of writing we are chasing our century, with 95 members so far. Especially pleasing is the enthusiasm shown by First Year members, many of whom are very promising—despite difficulties for some in seeing over the tables!

Last year was a successful one for the school team, who reached the regional final of the Sunday Times schools' competition. This year, however, the club is under new management, following departure of the whole of last year's senior team. Therefore we have no great hopes of success for the under 18 team this season. However, we are through to the third round of the Sunday Times Competition and still going strong. K.G.V. has also fielded a strong junior team for the Lancashire under-14 competition, so we have hopes of a trophy there.

The inter-house Senior Chess Competition this term was won by Grear's, who beat Evans' in the final. Next term the Junior Competition will be held, and this promises to be of a

high standard.

So the future of chess at K.G.V. looks promising. Weather permitting (!) the chess club could have record membership. But, more seriously, we are building up the basis of an excellent junior chess team which will, hopefully, remain intact for the next five years and which should achieve great things during this time.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr. Allen for transporting our teams to all away matches, and for crippling opposing teams with the undrinkable concoction that he jokingly calls

beef soup!

J. D. Suddaby.

#### JUNIOR HISTORY SOCIETY

After a delayed start this year, the J.H.S. began its programme of meetings with the Tiny Tots Mastermind. This intellectual extravaganza featured the academic titans of 2S, 2W, 2M and 2B locked in scholastic combat over such boring issues as whether manganols were medieval vegetables or siege engines, and whether Operation Barbarossa was the Nazi invasion of Russia or Billy Connolly's annual hair-cut. Teams from 2S and 2W emerged as the finalists and 2W (Pass, Alderson, Dix) eventually emerged as champions by one mark, winning ½lb. of wine gums.

#### **EUROPA SOCIETY REPORT, 1977**

Chairman: T. G. North
 Vice-Chairman: B. L. Evans
 Secretary: M. R. Williamson

Two years ago the Europa Society was virtually extinct. But now! . . . well, to tell the truth there hasn't been very much change. The first meeting was planned for Tuesday, 27th September. Every effort was made to publicise this marvellous event—posters, announcements, etc. The tension mounted and, at 1-10 p.m., the crowds stormed in . . . well, the front bench was full, anyway. Despite the rather disappointing attendance, our guest speaker, Mr. T. M. Pearson, gave a very interesting talk on his recent exploits in Germany.

The second meeting, on Friday, 18th November, received much more enthusiastic support: in fact, the attendance doubled! However, the Lecture Theatre was still far from overflowing. Mr. S. Smith delivered an enlightening talk about the French philosopher/novelist, Jean-Paul Sartre.

I would like to thank Mr. S. Smith also for his constant help and advice. Thanks also to our Chairman, Mr. T. G. North, for heis competent handling of both meetings. Finally, I would like to remind all Sixth Formers and also the Upper Fifth that they will be welcome at all future meetings. It would also be extremely encouraging if ALL the committee would honour us with their presence.

M.R.W.

#### **ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY REPORT**

After the untimely closure of the society with the unfortunate departure of Mr. Greenhalgh, enthusiastic zoologists can once more further their knowledge thanks to Dr. Skinner's willingness to spend time and energy organizing the activities.

Membership rose from ten at the beginning of term to twenty-five towards the end. Highlights of the society's activities included a field trip to the Mersey where we pursued an intense study of marine life (and death), and an "ant hunt" authorised by Dr. Skinner.\*

Special thanks must go again to Dr. Skinner and Mr. Davies for their inspiring enthusiasm and efforts, indicating a bright prospect for the future. We hope for an even more exciting programme next year, including an egg collecting trip to the osprey nests on the plains of Urwell.

\*Author of "The Ants of the North-West" (limited edition)

M.A.R., M.P.H., A.J.M.

## SENIOR DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT (Autumn Term, 1977)

Chairman: T. G. North
Vice-Chairman: B. Glover
Secretary: C. P. Langford
Committee: P. Terrett, C. Davis-Coleman

After three relatively successful debates last terms, recent weeks have witnessed the rebirth of the Debating Society as the major society in the school, with the attendance at the second of the term's meetings totalling over a hundred.

The two Balloon Debates aroused great interest, thanks to the 'guest appearances' of, amongst others, John Cleese, Emperor Nero, Billy Connolly, Peter Cooke and Dudley Moore, and a Punk Rocker; although delighted at such a response, the society hopes for a similar reaction to future 'orthodox' debates.

We thank Messrs. Allen, Basford, Collier and Ward for their participation, and Mr. T. B. Johnson for his advice and guidance. May we extend an invitation to all Upper Fifths and above to attend future meetings.

C.P.L.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Chairman: C. Davis-Coleman Secretary: P. Terret Treasurer: K. Milton

The K.G.V. Photographic Society is now flourishing. We have had three stimulating lectures including "Hazardous Photography" (Mr. Freem) and "Film to Photograph" (the Committee). Since then, membership has grown appreciably and must therefore, for the time being, be limited. The society has developed this term, not without negative results.

P.T.

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Hung about making town red
- 5. Cluck, do maybe his wife's unfaithful (7)
- 9. Drink in one gush (5)
- Found on motorway in case one should need to know the distance (9)
- 11. Nationwide celebrations can lure vile jibes (6-7)
- 13. Common arch you employed to conceal royalty (8)
- 14. Oriental street her domain?
- 17. General method produces deficit (6)
- 19. Makes up 900 heaps containing nothing (8)
- 21. Wise owl in tumbledown gable-end in the outskirts of Keele (13)
- General Jackson does not make a prison, they say (9)
- 25. Racecourse a highlander built (5)26. To flog secret agent outside
- is wet (7)
  27. Writer on board Queen Elizabeth? (7)

#### DOWN

- Beautifully prepared nosh, me lady! (10)
   Watching living ace crash (9)
- 3. Back holding 3 directions to take oath again (7)
- 4. Small boy's bottle (8)
- Alphabet arranged about the French boy's name (5)
- 6. Found in the air or in Spain (7)
- 7. Sea air puts a little weight on one (5)
- 8. River quiet and profound (4)
- 12. Pioneer takes a panning (10)
- Old fashioned midfield players of the sort that rides roughshod over Alf and the ball initially (4-5)
- 16. Sympathises with studies taking in Social Security (8)
- 18. Lovers are silly dears about gold (7)
- 20. Make ready homework time up! (7)
- 21. This hill can number in 1000
   and 50 left (5)
- 22. Covered in leaves, or in the bayleaf you held (5)
- 23. Employs in dangerous escapes (4)

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An indolent Vicar of Bray, Let his beautiful garden decay; But his wife more alert Bought a powerful squirt And said to her spouse, "Let us spray."

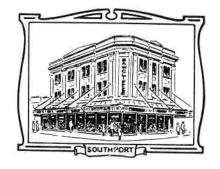
Although I've worked hard with a crammer, I could never get more than a 'Gamma' But the girl over there With the flaming red hair, Got 'Alpha+'easily —Damma—!

The Reverend Henry Ward Beecher Said "A Hen is an elegant creature." The Hen, pleased with that, Laid an egg in his hat: And thus did the Hen reward Beecher.

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