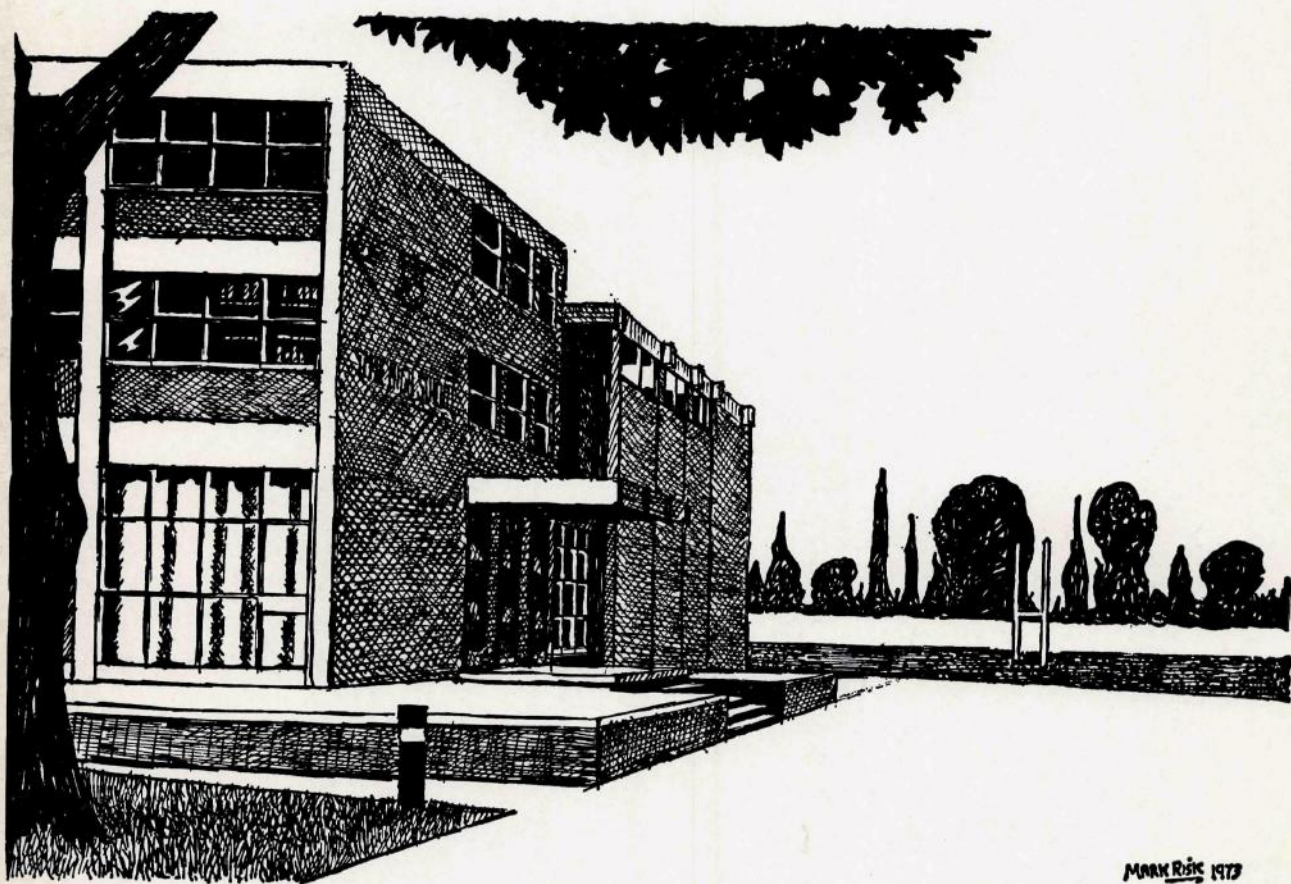


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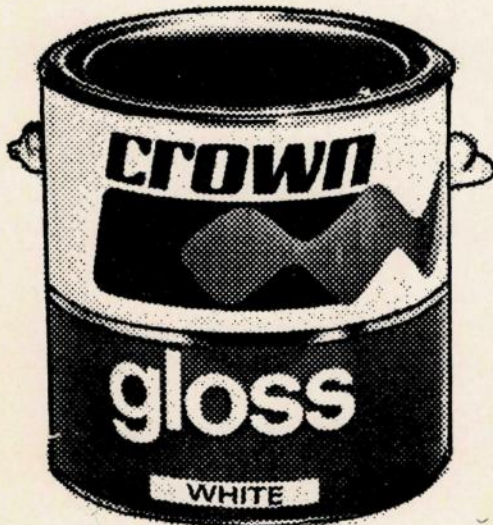
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EDITORIAL

The form of one's future life depends much on one's conscious and unconscious decisions at school. Obviously, examination success and the choice of subjects are very important in determining one's career, the significance of which is great.

Perhaps just as important is the proper use of leisure and it is probably true to say that in every school there are as many needs to be catered for as there are pupils.

At no other time, except possibly at University is there a greater opportunity to sample multifarious delights. An interest in, for example, rugby or in classical music, which could easily prove to be premanently valid, could ensue from one's experiences. On the other hand, future stagnation or unfulfillment is a possible result of a consistent refusal to enter widely into the full range of school life. Everyone should try at least a reasonable number of activities on some occasion; and if death results this chastened writer will send a wreath.

The modern school is the backdrop to a large number of extra-curricular activities, and any educational establishment is increasingly evaluated on the variety, quality and availability of these. In High School, rugby and hockey occupy their customary exalted positions, and flourish, but it is encouraging to note, apart from the success of the first terms, the institution of less glamorous sides to give weaker players some competitive experience. Other sporting activities range from athletics to table tennis (and many more outlined within) and give ample scope for physical exhaustion, the way, one is informed to moral regeneration. We note with particular pleasure the creation of tennis courts and the vast majority which revels in such exertion welcomes the fine new gymnasium which will shortly be in full operation (the rest of us welcome it in a public-spirited way). One must,

of course, praise the energy and enthusiasm of the staff, especially in time-consuming pastimes such as hill-walking. Equally, one must chide those pupils who appear wilfully unaware of the advantages (albeit occasionally well hidden) which all these activities offer in profusion. It would take, one would believe 'a brain of feathers and a heart of lead', some doleful combination of killjoy and misanthrope, to deny completely the existence of any merit in all of them. This structure on lethargy applies particularly to the younger members of the school; they cannot plead examinations as excuses and the future success of all non-academic endeavour will, after all, be their responsibility eventually.

The above applies still more forcefully to non-sporting pastimes. Mens sana is just as important as corpus sanum and schooling is no substitute for mental activity. It is regrettable that there has been no drama workshop or widely based school concert this year. Similarly debates never attract the attendances they should and this is a great pity, for a crowded chamber is nearly always a lively one.

There are rays of hope, such as the valuable interdisciplinary meeting which reflected on the nature and expressions of the baroque age. Other promising developments are the intention to purchase musical instruments, the formation of a junior debating society and the continued health of the Chess Club but these are not conclusive proof that the somnolent dragon of apathy is about to be slain.

Of course, financial backing and staff support are vitally important, but High School can never realise its full potential without the whole hearted participation of the great mass of its pupils. Believe it or not, the staff resemble the gods in one way at least – they help those who help themselves.

R. MONTGOMERY

SCHOOL RECORD

We thank Mrs. A. P. R. Brook for a beautiful plaque given for the House Swimming Relay.

We thank Mr. Denis J. Halliday (United Nations, Kuala Lumpur) for the gift of four steel badminton rackets.

We congratulate David A. Cornick on winning the Old Boys' Cup.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Toomey on the birth of a daughter.

We congratulate Mr. I. F. Broad on his articles, A Tour of Medieval Dublin I and II which appeared in the Irish Times on 2/3/76 and 4/3/76, and on reading the lesson at a service in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin to mark the opening of the Dublin Arts Festival.

We congratulate Miss J. M. Barcroft on entering her third year as a Lecturer in Modern Language Teaching Methods in Dublin University, and her second as a Lecturer in R. E. Teaching Methods in St. Joseph's College, Maynooth.

We congratulate Mrs. F. White on her position as a Lecturer in Biology Teaching Methods in St. Joseph's College, Maynooth.

We regret to note the departure of Miss Jagoe, Miss Good, Mrs. Tyrrell, Miss Malcomson, Miss Crowley, Miss Carroll, Mr. Smyth, Mrs. Wormell, Mr. Foxall, Miss Seymour, Miss O'Riordain, Miss Deegan, Mrs. Smith, Miss O'Grady, Mrs. Comerford, Mrs. Young and Mr. Myles from our teaching staff, and welcome Mrs. Crowe, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. McClure, Miss Gormley, Mrs. Carson, Mr. Kirby, Mrs. McCartney, Mrs. Galloway, Mrs. Davidson, Monsieur Douaud, Mr. Chambers, Mrs. Bolton.

We send our sympathy to Mrs. Bell and Miss Johnson who have been seriously ill, and we are glad to hear that they are both improving.

Sixth Uppers' Visit to Lough Derravaragh

In the late afternoon of the 10th October, 1975, a passer-by might have been alarmed to see three rather scruffy teenagers standing at the entrance to the Gresham Hotel, accompanied by three large haversacks. However, he need not have worried, for this was not the sign of a social revolution, but the last group of the 6U invasion force awaiting transport to Mrs. White's house beside Lough Derravaragh. Three other detachments had left earlier in Mrs. White's, Mr. Broad's and Mr. Hickmott's cars. But our innocent passer-by would have been even more disturbed had he observed through the half-light a car, which had apparently been converted to a battering ram, drawing up outside the Gresham, taking the three youths on board, and driving off. He could have been excused for

expecting a jail-break that night. Closer observation would have shown him that the battering ram merely consisted of two canoes affixed to the roof-rack.

When the car arrived at its destination, near Crookedwood (which, for the uninitiated, is in Co. Westmeath), the whole group sat down to a very welcome and enjoyable meal. We spent the rest of the evening in getting to know our way round the house, and playing cards. One or two brave souls did venture out for a walk at about nine o'clock, but most of us were somewhat lacking in energy after a week's work (?) in School.

However, we all awoke refreshed in the morning, and after breakfast some set off walking, some rowing, and some canoeing. As most of us were novices at canoeing, there were many accidents, made all the more exciting by the fact that we were only able to get into the canoes with, great difficulty, and totally unable to escape from them. Hence, when one capsized, one was positioned with one's head under water and pointing towards Australia, until rescued by a more experienced colleague. Meanwhile, the more intelligent and sedate members of the party spent a very "fruitful" morning picking blackberries.

After lunch, Mrs. White showed us her garden, the most interesting features of which are probably the massive larch trees, among the tallest in Ireland. We then had a demonstration by Mr. Hickmott of changing the wheel of a car. As some of the group did not know how to do this, we felt that it was a necessary part of our education which, up to that time, had been neglected. Having finished with Mr. Hickmott's car wheel, the subject changed to Mr. Broad's car's hand-brake, and the car soon resembled a spider, with eight legs protruding from underneath on all sides.

The next activity was a walk on the hill on the far side of the lake. We piled into a motor-boat, and were soon ashore at the foot of the hill. We made our way to the summit, learning much geography and geology from Mr. Broad en route. At the top, we split into two groups, one going back to the boat, and the other continuing down the far side and around the lake. When those of us in the latter group returned, there was another meal waiting for us, for which we were very grateful.

The principal activity of Sunday morning was the demolition of an unwanted outhouse, and the burning of the rotten timber from it. We all enjoyed this opportunity to release our aggressive tendencies, but were disappointed to note that Mr. Broad joined in with as much enthusiasm as any of us. After this, the lighter people in the party were given the opportunity to ride a pony, and this they did, with varying degrees of success.

After lunch the great clear-up began, and by about 4 o'clock we had all left the house with sadness, having spent a most enjoyable weekend there. High School seemed very mundane on Monday morning!

Finally, I thank Captain and Mrs. White for their kindness in having us all to stay with them. We all enjoyed ourselves thoroughly. Thanks are also due to Messrs. Broad and Hickmott for giving up their time, and for supplying us with transport.

David Lowe (6U)

A Concert Given By Members of Staff and Parents

On Monday, March 1st a Concert was given by members of Staff and parents, in the Clockroom. The proceeds go towards instruments for a Recorder Group, which will be started shortly. We hope eventually to form a School Orchestra.

The programme included works ranging from the music of Bach and the songs of Handel to Gilbert and Sullivan. It began with a Sonata in A minor by Loeillet played by Barra Boydell (treble recorder) Una nic Aogain ('cello) and John O'Sullivan (harpsichord). It was introduced by Mr. Boydell and was followed by a very enjoyable rendering of J. S. Bach's Minuet in G major and minor on the harpsichord. This modern copy of an early harpsichord was featured in a number of the items.

Patricia Maybury sang three songs, Rusalka's Song to the Moon (Dvorak), Art Thou Troubled? (Handel) and Alleluia (Mozart) accompanied by Alison Young, on the piano. These songs were beautifully sung and warmly applauded by the audience.

To finish off the first half of the Concert we had another slightly unusual instrument, a French horn, played by Victor Malirish, accompanied by John O'Sullivan (piano). Mr. Malirish played Mozart's Horn Concerto No. 1 which was so popular that he played an additional item, the last movement of Strauss's Horn Concerto, much to the delight of the audience.

After the interval an eighteenth century Contata called "Corydon" by Pepusch was sung by Patricia Maybury soprano with Arcadian words and a lovely tune, accompanied by Barra Boydell (treble recorder); Una Nic Aogain ('Cello) and John O'Sullivan (harpsichord). This was followed by five songs by Purcell and two songs with words by W. B. Yeats (An Old Boy of High School) which were powerfully rendered by William Young, baritone, accompanied by Alison Young. These included "I'll sail upon the dogstar", "The Cloths of Heaven", and "The Lake Isle of Innisfree".

The Concert was cheerfully rounded off with a group of songs sung by William Young and Patricia Maybury, accompanied by William Dungan at the piano. These included, "A fair moon to thee I Sing" (H.M.S. Pinafore) and "If I were weak enough to tarry" (Iolanthe). They were very familiar to the audience especially to the members of the former High School Choral Society.

It was a very entertaining programme, meriting a fuller attendance. We look forward to having a much larger attendance at our next concert.

We thank all the artistes very much for giving such a delightful concert. We are also indebted to Messrs R. McMullen, I. Broad, and B. Boydell for organizing the concert.

M. D. Gardner, 6U.

Miss Muriel Jagoe

B.Sc. (Hons), (N.U.I.),

H.Dip.Ed. (Hons) (N.U.I.), M.I.Biol.

Miss Muriel Jagoe joined the staff of the Diocesan School for Girls in September 1963. As an assistant with responsibility for Science she quickly made a name for herself as a scholar, and most successful teacher.

After four years as an assistant she was appointed to succeed Miss Jean Scott as Headmistress of Diocesan. During the years when she was Head of the School she was most successful in dealing with staff and pupils. She knew every girl by name and had a deep personal interest and sense of responsibility for all the members of the School.

Miss Jagoe was also secretary of the Management Committee, and she had a close and happy relationship with every member of the Committee, and was most conscientious in carrying out decisions and in attending to the detailed work of the Committee. The meetings were always friendly family occasions.

For about four years the future of the School was under review, and her experience was invaluable to the Committee and the Diocesan Board of Education in reaching a decision. The prolonged series of negotiations with the Erasmus Smith Board and the Headmaster of High School; the complicated business involved with the sale of the property in Adelaide Road; the legal problems in connection with the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests were all brought to a happy and successful conclusion by Miss Jagoe in her capacity as Secretary of the Management Committee.

The secret of her success lay in the fact that she was always ready to discuss a problem, to take endless trouble in finding out all the relevant facts related to the problem, to listen to suggestions, and then to make up her own mind and to act with confidence and tact.

Miss Muriel Jagoe takes with her into her retirement the best wishes of all her friends on the Management Committee and the Diocesan Board of Education.

G. D. HOBSON

Chairman, Management Committee

Miss M. M. Jagoe

Miss Jagoe came to Diocesan Secondary School for Girls in 1963 to take charge of the Science Department, where she worked with great enthusiasm and interest, causing her pupils to enjoy their work through reasoning and thinking for themselves. She was always sympathetic and willing to help the girls in every way with their studies.

On Miss Scott's retirement in August 1967 we were very pleased that she, our colleague, was appointed Headmistress. In this capacity she continued the work of Miss Latimer and Miss Scott in fostering the spirit of loyalty, co-operation and friendliness among the girls and staff.

Miss Jagoe introduced extra subjects to the curriculum, among them Biology, Musicianship, German, Applied Mathematics and Speech Training, as these became examination subjects in the Department of Education's programme, or as the need arose to enable girls to become qualified for more varied careers, or to widen their general education and culture. She has a broad vision of education for life and for leisure. Education of the whole person is her aim, and due to her inspiration the scope of extra-curricular activities was widened. Miss Jagoe possesses a genius for organisation and planning and so the course of work and leisure activities proceeded on an even course throughout the year, enabling the girls to take examinations, which are but a part of education, in their stride with confidence and very satisfactory results.

The warmth of her personality enabled her to set up a feeling of trust and comradeship with her pupils, sharing their joys and their troubles. By her knowledge of each girl's capabilities, and insight into her character Miss Jagoe was able to give sound advice on her choice of further training. She also gained the confidence of parents by her wise counsel.

She endeared herself to the staff, not only by her concern for their well being, but also by helping each one of them to use her talents to the best advantage, resulting in happiness and a sense of fulfilment.

Her staff and former pupils wish her much happiness in her busy retirement.

S. Stewart

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Mock Interviews:

Again this year Sixth Formers were given the opportunity of experiencing an interview situation before they left school or sought employment. Forty-eight members of sixth Form came to the school on the evening of 26th November last to be interviewed individually by people working in the Personnel area. As well as experiencing a new situation, they got much advice ranging from behaviour at an interview to counselling about choice of career.

The consensus among the boys and girls afterwards was that it was a worthwhile exercise, and it was hoped that a "real" interview would be as relaxed and friendly. This atmosphere was created by our interviewers, and the School wishes to thank the following who gave generously of their time and advice: Miss Hilary Andrews; Mr. Bernard Barnes; Mr. Joe Brady; Miss Sheila Brennan; Mr. Ray Cantan; Mr. Chris Carty; Mr. Colin Dunlop; Mr. Brian Herman; Mr. Michael Neilan.

Debating Society

The debating society has had a successful year. We have had two major changes, this year. Firstly, a Debating Society has been set up for those in fourth form and downwards. Although a smaller society, it is very enthusiastic. Secondly, we have changed our venue from the Demonstration Theatre to the Library.

We have been represented in a number of inter-

school debates. Walter Lee and Rory Montgomery represented us in Trinity College on the motion "that the media is too powerful" and Rory qualified for the second round. Philip Sterne represented us in the Mansion House and Rory Montgomery represented us again in Wesley College on the motion "that this house welcomes detente with the Soviet Union." A representative of the Soviet government was present and some members of the school took part in a very interesting discussion afterwards.

Among the motions discussed during the year were "that education is interrupted by schooling", "that this house approves of the death penalty", that Ireland has an inferiority complex". A hat debate was also held.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all these members of staff who so ably chaired our debates throughout the year and also Miss McNulty for all her valuable help.

Philip Katz

The Open Day

As an experiment, on 8th April, the day before the end of term, it was decided to hold an "Open Day". The object of the exercise was to enable the students to become acquainted with subjects not normally associated with the school curriculum, but which were considered of value.

The Fifth Form, under Staff supervision, were appointed as instructors and demonstrators, and the reason the day was considered such a success can largely be attributed to their hard work and preparation.

There was a wide variety of displays on view, and the day was organised so that each form would get an opportunity to visit everything. Five venues were set up in different areas, beginning with a First Aid demonstration in the Assembly Hall. Included next door in the Dining Hall was a Self Defence demonstration, which was obviously very popular, judging by the great interest shown in classes now being held in this martial art.

Other popular choices were Life-saving, which included a film and a practical demonstration; a nature film entitled "A Hundred Thousand Wings"; and a range of activities which included Office Skills, Household Jobs, Flower Arranging, Road Safety, and Chess. On the music side, Mr. Boydell made available many instruments and, protected by cotton wool, he retained both his hearing and his sanity and survived until lunchtime.

Mention must be made of the Scrambling, which was demonstrated by Pat Ewen. Thanks are due to him, the Gardai, Mr. Lee and all those from outside the School who gave up their time either demonstrating or assisting Fifth Formers.

Finally a special word of thanks to Mrs. Crowe who put such a lot of time and effort into the organisation of what proved to be a very worthwhile day.

"Incubus"

In spite of the fear that the enthusiasm among the pupils for this Magazine would not last, I am glad to report that this is not so and that the pupils' enthusiasm is perhaps even stronger now than when the initial edition was published well over a year ago. The stimulus for this enthusiasm may be by virtue of the fact that we now have two gift vouchers for Kenny's Shoes for the two best articles, nevertheless, "Incubus" is fulfilling its role as an outlet for the literary and artistic talents of the pupils which had previously not been catered for.

As "Incubus" does not receive any financial assistance from the School Authorities, I would very much like to thank all the pupils and staff, who have contributed generously to help us meet the rising costs of publication.

Finally I would like to express my thanks to my Committee, who have worked very hard throughout the year and to Mr. Blackmore for his patient guidance and assistance.

Reggie Deane (Editor)

The Young Ornithologists' Club

April brought a rather unusual Y.O.C. outing. One Wednesday afternoon, we visited the Phoenix Park to observe the deer. Some had shed their antlers and others were beginning to grow new ones. Many of us were surprised at their tameness and varying colours.

Each year we try to achieve at least one visit to Ireland's Eye, and this year was no exception. We had two trips, one at the end of May, and one in June. Both were thrilling and were favoured by sunny days. The crossing from Howth is very pleasant. On both occasions we lunched on the island, and we saw several species of gulls - Greater Black Backed, Lesser Black Backed and herring gulls. Amongst the cliff nesting birds were razor bills, fulmars, and guillemots. Extreme care and caution was needed so as not to step on the many gulls' nests strewn around the ground. Each nest contained from two to five large green and brown speckled eggs. Both trips were very enjoyable and educational to all. Thanks go to parents and staff who insured safety on the island.

Our visit to Marley Park in October was cheered by a beautiful day. Miss Williams taught the newer members of the Club how to use binoculars. We saw some water birds including mustcovy ducks and a dabchick. Marley Park is a lovely expanse in all seasons and certainly we admired it greatly not only for its bird life but plant life as well.

Perhaps the most exciting activity of Y.O.C. this past year was the Sale in November. A tremendous amount of preparation went into it and we are grateful

to Miss Graham, parents and past Y.O.C. members. There were various stalls ranging from a cake stall to a stationery stall and coffee was also provided along with a film in the Demonstration Theatre, "Wild Wings". When the final figure of £122 was announced, the Y.O.C. members were delighted and all the hard work seemed worthwhile. A contribution was given to the Cats and Dogs Home, the staff of which were pleased with the money as they were in trouble financially. They replied by inviting a small party to visit the home. The remaining books, food and toys were given to the Smyly Homes. The rest of the money was placed in a Building Society and we are now able to finance some of our outings which would otherwise prove too expensive. We are also grateful to Charles Galloway who helped at the Sale.

With the approach of winter, the Y.O.C. decided to visit Portmarnock, Malahide and Saint Douloughs Church. We walked along the coast from Portmarnock to Malahide observing all the species of bird life we saw, mainly waders.

The day was rather dull but the main excitement came in the form of the twelfth Century Church - Saint Doulough's Church. A past Diocesan Y.O.C. member, Elizabeth Plunkett showed us around the Church which is still being used. We were also shown the Well which was used by the inhabitants of the area at that time. Elizabeth showed us the hermit cell which was near the well and church. When we had all signed the visitors' book, we were shown around the small and rather unusual Church. Mrs. Plunkett provided us with a very interesting commentary on the history of the church. Our thanks and best wishes go to Elizabeth and Mrs. Plunkett for a very unusual and exciting afternoon.

Mr. David Bockett showed us slides of the birds and animals which he had seen whilst living in Kenya, Africa, along with an interesting commentary. He showed slides of the total eclipse of the sun in 1973 and we are grateful to him for his visit, in January.

We visited the Wexford Slobs in February. This trip, along with the Ireland's Eye trips, is the highlight of the Club's outdoor activities. Staff and parents provided transport there and back. Mr. Kingstown, the Assistant warden, showed us slides of two birds that normally visit the area and we all benefitted from viewing from the hide and tower. Amongst others, we saw Berwick Swans, Whooper Swans, a heron, Greenland White fronted Geese and a pheasant! All the Club Members are appreciative of those who provided the transport.

In March, we borrowed two films "Journey into Spring" and "Between the Tides", from the British Embassy, which proved very informative, well planned and presented. The Club enjoys these films very much. We are much appreciative of the help given by Mark Gardner, Robert Dunne and other members of the Upper Sixth.

An outing to the Bull Island was also planned for March but due to bad weather, had to be cancelled.

Once again, we would like to thank the parents and members of Staff who contributed in various ways to both the Sale, and the running of meetings and outings throughout the year.

*Audrey Wilson.
Lindsey Abbott.*

Exploring in The Antarctic

On Monday, 20th October, 1975, the senior forms were given an illustrated talk by a past pupil, Brian Storey. The purpose of the talk was to show, using a great variety of slides, the journey of a British Antarctic Survey team of Geologists, Biologists, and Meteorologists to South Georgia for detailed geological mapping and surveying of the area and its climatic conditions.

The slides followed the journey of the team on ship from Southampton to this small island in the Scotia Sea in the Antarctic. We saw what life on the ship entailed, from peeling potatoes to the "Crossing of the Line" ceremony (Equator) and surviving the "Roaring Forties".

On arrival the group was divided into teams of three. Each, with comprehensive equipment and provisions for a month, left the ship by small boat and set themselves up in their desired location.

We were shown many slides of the interesting wild life, which included many birds, especially penguins, also seals. Other slides superbly showed many geological features of this area, the whole island being only ninety miles long and being 1300 miles from the

nearest continental land mass, South America. The subjects of these slides included glaciers, their effect on the landscape, and various rock forms. Also photographed were demonstrations of the several basic techniques which were essential to avoid possible death in this area, such as the rescue of a companion from a crevasse, or the building of a snow hole just under the surface when a sudden decline in weather conditions would occur. These serious slides were interspersed with more lighthearted pictures; for example, we saw Brian's two companions standing bare chested in sub-zero temperatures!

When a month had passed, the team left by boat to return to ship to replenish supplies, have a short rest, and get up to date with home news before embarking on a similar task in a different part of South Georgia. Christmas Day was celebrated in style. The team had, in the early autumn, packed all decorations and other articles necessary for the festive season. Imagine the fun also in packing six months reading material and games!

Following another four months of this hard work, which produced many more slides of great interest to our Geology classes, the complete group returned to England. On the return journey the ship had to be painted from stem to stern.

The excellent illustrated lecture was enjoyed by all, and the general opinion was that these Geologists were a "versatile lot". We sincerely thank Brian and hope that he has every success on his present expedition in the same area. We also thank Mrs. Massey for having arranged this most interesting talk.

*Carl Smyth, Charlotte Dalby, Audrey Wilson
(Sixth Form)*

SPORTS REVIEW

RUGBY REPORT

SENIOR CUP TEAM

This year's S.C.T., after a slow start to the season, improved considerably after Christmas to reach the semi-final of the Leinster Schools' Senior Cup at Lansdowne Road.

The team started off the season with a series of tough matches against some strong opposition. However, after two successive defeats, they had their first win of the season, defeating Terenure by 15-9 and later beating St. Columba's 6-4. The team put up a good performance against a stronger Old Boys' side, losing 10-20. Several defeats, however, failed to blunt the enthusiasm of the team for the tour of North Wales in December. Their first match of the tour was

against the John Bright School, in Llandudno, where they put up an encouraging performance and were unlucky to go down 4-11. Their next match against Caernarvon Grammar School turned out to be the major turning point of the season. The team gave their best performance of the season so far to crush Caernarvon 35-11 with two tries each from James Gibson and Peter de Lacy. The team would like to thank those involved for making the tour such an enjoyable and successful one.

After Christmas the team had some good wins over Gonzaga 6-3, Masonic 10-6, and C.B.C. 26-19.

In the first round of the Cup, High School was drawn against Roscrea at Lakelands Park. Although conditions were against flowing rugby, the team overcame the weather difficulties and outplayed a large but unimpressive Roscrea side to win convincingly 21-6. In the second round we met Masonic at Anglesea Road. In a disappointing game, High School just

managed to scrape through with a try by O'Kelly after Masonic had taken the lead through a good try in the corner. The final score was 10-7 in our favour. In the quarter finals we came up against Terenure at Donnybrook. At the start of the first half Terenure attacked continuously but the defence held firm thanks to decisive tackling by the backs. Aided by O'Kelly's accurate kicking, the situation was soon reversed although Terenure had scored from a penalty under the posts. From here onwards High School settled down and just before half time Peter de Lacy scored a well worked try in the corner which O'Kelly converted. In the second half Gary Morton scored a try and O'Kelly finished off with a penalty goal to leave the score 13-3 at the final whistle.

In the semi-final we met C.B.C. Monkstown at Lansdowne Road. This match didn't live up to our expectations and we were convincingly beaten by the eventual winners of the Cup, C.B.C., by 6-30.

After the Cup campaign, High School played two more matches, beating Royal School, Armagh, 10-0, and losing to Friends School, Lisburn, 6-16.

Congratulations are due to David Poynter, Captain, who gained Leinster trials, and also P. de Lacy, N. O'Kelly, J. Gibson, and G. Blair, who gained trials also.

2nd XV

The 2nd XV had a mediocre season this year. They had some good wins, particularly those against St. Columba's 28-0, King's Hospital 38-4, C.B.C. 12-4. The pack was able to hold its own against most opposition. The backs were very promising in attack, scoring some good tries, but their defence let them down on several occasions. They had two very willing tacklers in T. Turner and I. Bloom who had to retire from rugby with a back injury for the rest of the season after scoring several good tries. In the league they were unfortunate to be drawn in the strong section with C.B.C. Monkstown, Newbridge, and St. Michael's. However, they lost all of the league matches to three better teams.

3rd XV

The 3rd XV had started off the season with a great win over a Blackrock side by 14-4. Further victories were achieved over C.B.C. twice, 24-3 and 24-7, St. Andrews 16-0 and Newbridge 21-7. The team played with great spirit throughout the season, enjoying all of their matches, win or lose.

In the league they were defeated by Terenure, De la Salle, and Newbridge, fairly comprehensively by stronger teams.

Eddie Bell and Alan Jackson gave some good performances in the backs, scoring some good tries between them. In the forwards John Cole, Colin Motyer and Mark Peyton were especially prominent in the loose.

4th XV

The 4th XV played nine matches but they were un-

fortunate to win only one of them and draw another one. The win was over King's Hospital, 14-10. They played a very good game to draw 8-8 with Belvedere.

JUNIOR CUP TEAM

This year's J.C.T. had a most successful season, losing only three of the twenty-two matches all season. They started off the season with several good wins, over C.B.C. 18-12, St. Mary's 10-9, Belvedere 19-4, and many other fine wins. The pack this year was a big and strong one, and they were excellently led by their No. 8 and captain, Andrew Blair. In the set pieces the forwards obtained a good supply of ball for the backs and they were very hard to stop in the loose.

The backs tackled with great tenacity, especially P. McElearney and B. Motyer in the centre. N. Henderson proved to be an elusive runner and was well served by scrum half N. Reid. The team had a reliable backer in Andrew Blair.

In the cup they were drawn against St. Paul's at Jones's Road. The team, weakened by Blair's absence, was unable to overcome a strong St. Paul's side. The final score was 7-17.

The J.C.T. 2nd XV played 18 matches this year and won nine of them. They had several good wins, notably over De la Salle, 6-4; C.B.C. 28-14, and Belvedere, 10-3.

UNDER 14

The Under 14 XV began the season with a convincing win over Mount Temple, 50-0. Other notable wins were over St. Mary's, 16-3; Castleknock, 12-6; St. Columba's, 36-6; and Gonzaga, 34-6.

The team did not really combine as a unit until the end of the season when they settled down to play some good rugby and finish on a high note.

The backs were good handlers of the ball but were a bit suspect in defence. G. Cottell was a reliable place kicker and linked up well with the rest of the backs, while the forwards scored many tries from the loose, Mullen and Jackson being prominent and scoring several tries between them.

The under 14 2nd XV had an unfortunate season, not winning any matches this year.

UNDER 13

This year's Under 13 XV has continued to be one of the most successful teams of the school. It has continued to play with great organisation and discipline. Before Christmas they had many good wins, notably those against Belvedere, 30-0; and Terenure, 12-3.

The pack was very strong and won plenty of ball for the backs and also included some very strong runners. The backs, also, have been very impressive in attack, and proved to be very sound tacklers. The team was well led by the captain, Graham Day, himself a powerful runner with the ball. After Christmas they maintained a hundred per cent record by winning all their remaining ten matches. They had good wins over Castleknock, 34-4; and Templeogue, 12-4.

UNDER 12

This season's Under 12 XV had a fairly successful year. The side showed a great keenness during the season, and have the potential and talent to do well next season. The pack is a strong one and was a match for most other packs, winning lots of ball. The backs were promising when they attacked, but they showed weaknesses on defence. With a tightening up in tackling they might have won more matches than they did. However, they had some good wins over Wesley, 12-4; Castleknock, 16-8; and Gonzaga, 22-4.

THANKS...

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those masters who spent time and effort on coaching and training the many rugby teams this season. Their dedication and wholehearted commitment certainly reflected itself in all players, from Under 10s through to senior, and without their help and instruction High School rugby would surely not be what it is to-day.

Richard W. Godsil,

(Hon. Secretary)

UNDER 11 AND UNDER 10

The "Under 11" and "Under 10" played sixteen matches this year, winning eight of them. The "Under 11" best performances were against Willow Park, winning 38-0, and against St. Andrew's, where they scored two victories.

The "Under 10" had their best match against Belvedere, winning by 26-4.

The standard in the Junior School this season was most satisfactory, mainly due to coaching sessions held at the beginning of the season. The support and help of the parents is greatly appreciated.

Rugby Scores – 1976/76

	P	W	D	L	F	A
S.C.T.	28	10	2	16	233	398
2nd XV.	15	5	0	10	131	257
3rd XV.	16	5	0	11	145	305
4th XV.	9	1	1	7	63	148
J.C.T.	22	18	1	3	325	131
J.C.T. 2nd XV. ...	18	9	—	9	246	240
Under 14	25	8	2	15	242	384
Under 13	21	16	2	3	458	104
Under 12	18	6	—	12	171	221
Under 11	12	5	—	7	103	125
Under 10	7	3	—	4	61	72



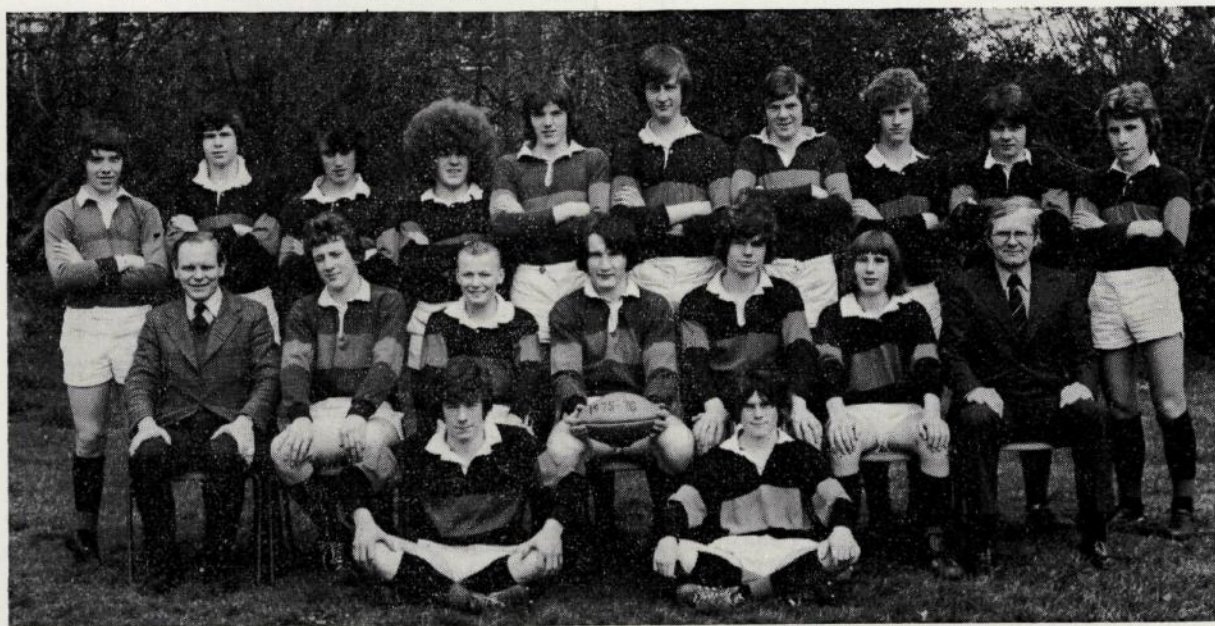
UNDER-14 RUGBY XV 1975-'76

Back row: N. Sweeney, P. Maybury, D. Garrett, R. de Courcey, G. Hunt, A. Mullen, P. Jackson, M. Morrison.
Seated: Mr. Cole, D. Kenny, N. Jacobs, R. Love, S. Smith, S. Fraser, Mr. McClure, A. Browning, G. Cottell.



SENIOR CUP TEAM 1975-76

Back Row: P. Burry, W. Sheridan, D. O'Brien, P. Farrar, G. Blair, R. Godsil, P. Young, W. Lee, R. Jacobson. Front Row: D. Cole, J. Gibson, P. de Lacy, D. Poynter (captain), G. Morton, N. O'Kelly, Mr. A. P. R. Brook, M. O'Sullivan, E. Boyle.



JUNIOR CUP TEAM 1975-76

Back row: G. Gamble, S. Stein, G. Colclough, R. Sheridan, A. Blair, H. Chaloner, A. Hunt, N. Poff, P. McElearney, M. Turner. Front row: Mr. Fennell, M. Chambers, B. Motyer, A. Blair (capt); J. Jacobs, G. Speller, N. Reid, A. Potts.

S.C.T.

Retaining only a few members of last year's team, this year's team was going through a transitional phase. Too often the team relied on one or two players to make a respectable score. Many players were lost due to pressures of examinations.

The team lost to a strong College of Industrial Relation's side despite a fine knock of 44 not out by captain, Derek Dockrell. Then followed defeats by a strong St. Columba's team and by the Leprechauns in the annual match at Danum.

In the league, a batting collapse, helped Sandford to an easy win at Ranelagh. Against the runner up, Masonic, Masonic put on 40 runs for the last wicket, with High School falling well short of the total set. The best performance in the league was against Wesley. High School batting first, reached a good score with Peter Robbie, Harry Booker and Wayne Sheridan all batting well. Wesley just reached the total despite good bowling by Derek Dockrell.

In a friendly against Coleraine at Danum, a batting collapse of seven wickets for four runs, gave Coleraine an easy win.

Perhaps the team's best performance of the season was against the Old Boys, when after a good first innings lead, the team lost very narrowly. For the school, Guy Burgess, Derek Dockrell and David Poynter batted well in the first innings while Harry Booker and Paul Ross batted well in the second innings. The feature of the Old Boy's batting was a 38 and 75 by Ian Burns. Guy Burgess took 8 wickets.

In the Staff v Pupils match the pupil's easily mastered the opposition. Mr. Blackmore made 57 while Peter Robbie made 41.

This was the most successful J.C.T. team for years. The team had many convincing wins including a nine wicket win over Belvedere and dismissing Masonic and St. Columbas for 16 and 32 runs respectively.

High School were in the same League section as St. Mary's and King's Hospital. High School were narrowly beaten by St. Mary's despite good batting by Ian Bloom who made 26. Against King's Hospital only John Cole reached double figures but High School won with ease thanks to Nigel Henderson who took 7 wickets and to Barry Glass who took 3 wickets. King's Hospital beat St. Mary's so St. Mary's had to play King's Hospital again to see who High School would have to play in a semi-final qualifier.

King's Hospital beat St. Mary's but were well beaten by High School with Brian Motyer (scoring - hitting a fine 46.) In the semi-final against Belvedere at the Cabra Oval, the batsmen did not make a high enough score for the bowlers to aim at. So High School went out to a narrow defeat in the penultimate round.

2nd XI

This was a very enthusiastic team. The batting tended to be too slow for the 20 Over Limited Cricket the team played and had the matches been of longer duration the team would have won more matches. The team depended on too few bowlers though Graham Blair and Wayne Sheridan bowled well.

The team was only bowled out once. In our first two matches we were narrowly beaten by St. Paul's and Clongowes first elevens. We had a very exciting match against Sandford, who won with only a few overs to spare.

In the League we beat King's Hospital with ease and had we held more catches in our League match with St. Columba's, we might have beaten them and thus won the Section. Wayne Sheridan, Gordon McCoy and Stuart Kevelighan were the best batsmen.

Under Fourteen

This was the best ever under Fourteen team not to win the Minor League. The team is full of potential and is well catered for in every department of the game.

Among the many victories were a 75 runs win over St. Columba's, an 8 wicket over Belvedere and a 53 runs win over King's Hospital.

In the League, the team beat St. Paul's by 9 wickets with Henderson taking 6-4 and Frith taking 4-6. Against St. Mary's, Andrew Blair, the captain and Barry Glass taking 8-14.

Against Masonic, High School slipped to 9 for 5 David Temperley and Roger Frith made sure High School reached 41. Masonic made 44, so the match went to the second innings with 14 overs left. High School declared at 29-4 and had Masonic at 9-5, but ran out of overs, so Masonic won on the first innings. Against Sandford Park the game petered out to a tame draw as Sandford never tried to reach the target set, thus robbing High School of the chance of a positive result and of going further in the competition.

Under Thirteen

Unfortunately the team only had 5 games. Against Kings Hospital, this resulted in a tie. The team lost once to St. Columbas. The only win was an easy 6 wicket win over King's Hospital. Kenny, Smith, Booker and Davies look the most promising players.

Under Twelve

This team looks potentially very good. Their greatest attribute is their enthusiasm, which is lacking in some of the senior teams. Of their four games, they beat Andrews twice and beat and lost to Sandford once. It is a pity they had not more matches, because other schools are not keen for such fixtures. Maurice Watson, Graham Burleigh, Evan Kevelighan, Nigel Dawkins, look the best prospects.

Boxing Club

Numbers were not so good this year but quite a number of beginners were introduced to the sport. I must say they were all very keen to learn and generally picked up the sport very quickly.

Our annual boxing championships took place on Thursday, 1st April. The night went very well with such a great attendance of pupils and parents. I would like to thank Mr. Peters and his 5th formers who put up the ring and all who made the night possible. There were ten bouts ranging from 5 stone to 11 stone.

Red Corner	Green Corner	Wt.
1 G. Willis (B)	beat A. Marshall (A)	5-0
2 J. Davis (A)	lost to K. Aherne (A)	6-0
3 K. Poole (H)	lost to G. Cottell (B)	7-7
4 A. Aherne (A)	lost to R. Love (H)	8-0
5 S. de Courcy (H)	lost to P. Milofsky (H)	8-7
6 S. Smith (H)	beat R. Davis (B)	9-0
7 A. Sherwood (A)	lost to P. Morrison (G)	9-7
8 E. Boyle (B)	beat C. Motyer (A)	10-0
9 D. O'Brien	beat P. Lovell-Butt (H)	10-7
10 C. Fallon, capt. (H)	lost to J. Gibson (A)	11-0

House Points: Winner, 3 points; Runner-up, 1 point.

I must say the most spectacular fight of the evening was the Sherwood v. Morrison in which both fighters displayed superb boxing skill. P. Morrison for the second time won the Jackie Stafford Shield for the best all round fight of the night.

I would especially like to thank M. Myles who came all the way from Galway to referee for us. The Headmaster presented a plaque to him for his past services to the School. I thank Mr. Miller who put so much hard work into training us all so well throughout the year. I also thank the vice-captain, Colin Moyter, who helped run the club so efficiently.

Colin Fallon, 6th.

ATHLETICS REPORT (Girls and Boys)

The 1975 season was one of the most successful ever.

The Athletics season got under way after the Easter holidays in preparation for the Zone championships.

The following qualified for the Leinster finals:

D. Cornick – Senior 400m.

Lucy Moore – Senior High Jump.

J. Lawson – Intermediate triple and long jump.

M. Henderson – Intermediate 1500m Hurdles and 800m.

M. O'Sullivan – Intermediate 1500m.

P. Burry – Intermediate 1500m Hurdles.

M. Balbirnie – Minor 100m.

The Girls' Intermediate relay team – E. Mundy, C. Worrall, W. Vincent and C. Darlington – 4 x 100m.

The Boys' Intermediate team – M. O'Sullivan, P. Burry, M. Henderson, T. Turner, P. de Lacy and J. Lawson were presented with the Intermediate Shield.

J. Lawson and Lucy Moore qualified for the All Ireland Finals.

M. Balbirnie won the Minor 100m. event in the Leinster Finals.

A mixed team was entered for the Co-Educational Sports on 2nd June and finished second.

THE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY AT DANUM ON 14th JUNE

The winners of Cups were as follows:

Senior championship War Memorial Cup – J. Law-
Avril Sloane.

Senior Championship (Girls) Taylor Cup – Lucy
Moore.

Taylor Cup, Senior 100m. – J. Lawson.

Moore Cup, Senior 200m. – D. Cornick.

Belgrave Cup (Girls), Senior 100m. – Lucy Moore.

Southam Cup, Senior 800m. – M. Henderson.

Walker Cup, Senior 1500m. – M. O'Sullivan.

Sloan Cup, Senior Long Jump – J. Lawson.

Travers Cup, Senior High Jump – W. Duffy.

Senior Relay – Harcourt House.

Senior Relay (Girls) – Abbey House.

Junior Championship, Cunningham Cup – P. Lovell-
Butt.

Intermediate Championship (Girls), Staff Cup –
Avril Stone.

The J. M. Scott Cup for Junior Hockey player: Carol
Pollock.

The J. M. Scott Cup for Senior Hockey player: Carol
Medcalf.

Second Year girl with most points – Diocesan Cup:
C. O'Sullivan.

First Year girl with most points – Mathers Cup : S.
Griffin.

Junior Magill Cup, 100m.: M. Balbirnie.

Junior Relay: Harcourt House.

Junior Relay (Girls): Belgrave House.

We are very grateful to Miss M. M. Jagoe for dis-
tributing the awards and thank her very much.

We thank Mr. Twomey and Miss Correll for all the
help they have given us, and Mr. Geoff Smyth who
spent so much time coaching the boys after school.

Cricket Report

1975

Although none of the teams won any Leagues this year, the two internal leagues, the Davie's League for Under Fourteen players and a League for Junior School players stimulated a new interest in the game which had been declining in recent years. If this current interest is maintained, the future of cricket in the school is very bright indeed.

The fine weather meant that practises were well attended and very few matches were postponed. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Peters and his helpers for their work in erecting the new cricket nets in the school.

Junior School

Mainly due to Mr. Willoughby, an abounding interest in the game is found in the Junior School including girls like Wendy Frith, who played in matches against other Schools. The team beat Sandford twice and Rathgar Junior once and drew with Rathgar Junior. The only defeat was against an Older Columba's team.

In the final week of term a competition was held for all Junior School Players. This ended our most successful cricket season yet in the Junior School.

	P	W	D	L
Seniors	7	0	0	7
2nd X1	5	1	0	4
Junior	10	7	0	3
Under 14	10	6	2	2
Under 13	5	1	3	1
Under 12	4	3	0	1
Junior School	5	3	1	1
	46	21	6	19



SENIOR CRICKET XI 1975

Back row: G. McCoy, W. Fullerton, P. Robbie, G. Willoughby, J. Gibson, W. Sheridan.

Front row: Mr. A. P. R. Brook, H. Booker, G. Burgess, D. Dockrell (captain); C. King, D. Poynter, Mr. D. Cole.

THE SWIMMING CLUB

Swimming started off successfully this year, with Girls' and Boys' classes being held each Tuesday night in Terenure College Pool. It soon became impossible to facilitate both training for swimmers and tuition for beginners in the same class, so therefore both groups merged to form a mixed class for training and a mixed class for beginners. This merger created an increase in numbers at first, but as the year progressed, the attendance seemed to fall off somewhat, particularly in the senior section. The Officers for the year were W. Campbell (Boys' Captain) and P. Fraser (Girls' Captain).

The Annual Swimming Gala was held on Tuesday 23rd March in Terenure College Pool. A large attendance enjoyed a very full programme. The winner of the Boys' 100 metres Senior Championship (Liffey Cup) was D. O'Brien and the winner of the Boys' 75 metres Junior Championship (Dodder Cup) was G. Day. The Ralph Morris Cup for the most improved swimmer was won by R. Ardill, and G. Thompson and P. Thompson won the Jack and Rose McKee awards for the Senior and Junior Boys' 4/25 metres American Medley events, respectively. Jean Nolan was very much to the fore in the girls' events, winning in all 5 races, including the Girls 4/25 metres American Medley and the Girls' Open 100 metres free style. In the Inter-Schools Relay races, the Boys' Relay Team was beaten for the second successive year by Newpark, while the Girls' Relay Team went down to Alexandra College. Both the Old Boys' and the Old Girls' Relay teams proved successful over the present pupils. Abbey won the new House Relay Shield, kindly presented by Mrs. Brook, with Galway a close second.

Congratulations to P. Thompson on his excellent performance in the Irish Schools Minor Gala in which he won both the 50 metres Backstroke and the Individual Medley. A very fine effort on his part.

Finally, thanks are due to Miss Correll, Mr. McMullen and Mr. Kirby for their ceaseless work in the promotion of swimming in the School.

W. Campbell (6th)

Boys' Badminton Club Notes

We entered three teams for the Leagues – Senior I, Senior II and Junior I.

The Senior Team was unlucky to be drawn against Sandford Park in the same section, as both of us were favourites to win the league. Sandford Park won narrowly in the end.

The Senior II team began well, winning their first two matches easily, but lost on the deciding match against Sandford Park.

The Junior I team did better, coming second in their section to Terenure.

The Handicap tournament for the Factor Cup was held earlier in the season. It was won by Roy Cooke.

T. Turner.

Table Tennis

(boys)

Hon. Chairman: C. Cottell.

Hon. Secretary: B. Dalby.

Hon. Treasurer: P. Wheeler.

Committee: A. Blair, S. Chuah, R. Cooke, R. Austen, D. Green.

This year we entered in the Senior B league and although we had a new team we reached the semi-final before being beaten by D.L.S. Skerries. We had a membership of 31 but we will welcome more members especially from the first and second years in the coming season.

	P	W	A.	O
1st	6	4	2	0

B. Dalby

The Orienteering Club

This has been quite a successful year for the Club. HSD came third in the cup in last year's Leinster Schools Orienteering Championships, where Roxanne White won the Girls Under 12 section.

This year the orienteering group has been small but enthusiastic. Transport difficulties make it almost impossible to take large groups anyway.

Ian Dunlop has brought three wins to the Club in the Boys 16-18 year section. He is now leading this group in the League. More successes were shown by Roxanne White, who has obtained 5 wins in the Girls Under 12 section. She is leading in the Inter Schools League to Ruth Williams by a small margin. Douglas Hind had a best of a third in the Hollywood Boys 14-16 section and is now 6th in his League. Good support was shown throughout the year by Carol Colton, Virginia Davis, Carol Hemmingway, Mark Chambers, Philip Neill and Andrew Willis.

Thanks go especially to all staff who helped with transport during the year – Mr. Hickmott, Mr. Blackmore, Mrs. White, Mr. Broad and Mr. O'Connor and also to Mr. Colin Dunlop and the members of the staff who helped organise the Leinster Schools Championship at Trooperstown.

In the Championship there was a good entry from High School. The most notable success was in the girls' 12/13 where Roxanne White and Ruth Williams obtained gold and silver medals respectively. The first place in the house competition was shared by Abbey, Galway and Harcourt.

John Colton, 5th.

The High School Canoe Club

Last year the High School Canoe Club had more members canoeing regularly than in any previous year. The action started after Easter and continued through to October, though there have been several river trips since then. Most of the Clubs' support now comes from the lower part of the School, so we would like to see the Fourth and Fifth formers taking more interest.

The Club bought three new boats, one due to the generosity of the Old Boys' Union. An anonymous philanthropic group kindly bought a new Kirton Mark V slalom canoe. The Governors of the School gave £150 for the purchase of a new canoe trailer which was very badly needed.

River trips took place to the Boyne, Liffey and Avonmore. Club members attended several Long Distance Races, the Inter Schools Race and the Liffey Descent, in which Mr. Broad was placed 10th in the Open Singles Class. The Club held a slalom competition against St. Columba's College who won by a narrow margin. A race was held on the River Liffey for junior members; this had an exciting finish with David Fitzpatrick in first place. Some experienced canoeists have been competing independently of the School in Division I slalom competitions. At the Aughtim Men's Division I slalom competition on the 14/15th February, Peter Siggins finished 20th, John Colton 21st and Shane White 25th. Peter Siggins was selected as junior reserve for the Irish Team at Trywerwyn International Slalom last October.

At the A.G.M. on the 14th January, a new committee was elected. It consists of Shane White as Chairman, Peter Siggins as Secretary, Vitya Malirsh as Treasurer and Ian McMullen as Equipment Officer, being assisted by Patrick Hampton and David Fitzpatrick.

The Club is very grateful to Mr. Broad who has spent a great deal of his time teaching on the Dodder, driving and helping in every conceivable way. We also owe much thanks to Mr. Hickmott who has given the Club invaluable help and encouragement. Our sincere thanks to the outgoing committee and to all who helped with canoeing on the Dodder.

Shane White

Mountaineering Club Report

Since the winter term the Mountaineering Club has expanded in all directions. The number of boys participating in climbing and hill walking has nearly tripled, going from, roughly, ten to thirty; while the number of girls partaking in these sports has increased even more, having quadrupled from one to four! (at

least!). Most of the recruits are from sixth form, but there is a sprinkling of third, fourth and fifth years as well.

During the winter and spring terms there have been seven hill walks to date, with six of them in the Wicklows and one in Galway. The highlights were the night walk and the two hostelling weekends. The night walk took place on the night of November 18th, when there was a full moon: at least that was the theory behind it all. In reality it turned out to be the night of the eclipse of the moon! While most people in Dublin could not see this splendid event because of a cloud covering, we had a grand-stand view from 1,871 feet up on top of Maulin (184,131).

The two hostelling weekends were enormous successes. The first took place in Glendalough, while the second was staged in Galway. The groups left Dublin on a Friday evening, spent Friday night in a hostel, walked all day Saturday, another night in the hostel, and then a little walking on Sunday before heading back for Dublin. The amount of walking on Sunday depended on the weather, how much walking we had done the day before, and how late everybody stayed up on Saturday night! Many a spooky tale still travels around school of a certain person's mush, mash and beans which was the diet on these expeditions!

The interest in climbing has also greatly increased. Instead of one or two trips per term to Dalkey Quarry, there is practically a group travelling out each weekend. The number of capable leaders has grown sufficiently to make this feasible, and many inspiring climbers are on their way to becoming leaders in the near future. The intricate skills of coiling ropes, scrambling up rock using knees, and falling have been improved to near perfection, and from these a new side-line has developed: Photography! So now when you are climbing, not only have you got to put up with the curses and rude remarks from the person belaying you, but right in that crucial part of the climb somebody cheerfully calls out "smile", and then there is the click of the shutter and you are eternally captured on film in that position where you were stuck helpless for two hours despite the curses from above you!

The hazards of hillwalking and climbing are great – not so much from the actual sport as from the participants; and hillwalkers and climbers compete for the most hair-raising tales, most of which are spoofs! However, seriously once more; climbing and hillwalking are very popular sports, and the Mountaineering Club is indebted to all the parents, i.e. and staff who have acted as chauffeurs and/or chaperons on our expeditions, and a very special thanks to Messrs I. Blackmore, F. Gardner, J. Hickmott, and Mrs. F. White without whom the club could not exist, and with whose help the club will flourish for many years to come.

Dear Mountaineers,

By the time this letter is published (if it is published!) I will have retired officially as the Captain of the H.S.D.M.C. For me this has meant two years of fun and laughter, with all the thrills and spills (I had some good ones!) of rock-climbing and hill walking.

This letter is addressed to every mountaineer in the club because it is due to them that we all had the laughs we've had. For this I would like to thank each and everyone of them most sincerely.

In the beginning of April when for most of us mountaineering gave way to exams, we had a list of some 40 mountaineers. They were probably the biggest group of good natured people I have ever known and for this I am extremely grateful, especially to the members of staff, who had to suffer – practical jokes (pinching their fags!), rotten jokes, abuse (for getting us lost!) and burnt food (Mash and Beans!).

Finally, I would like to thank all the rockclimbers, all the hillwalkers and all the members of staff who have helped me and the rest of the club to enjoy ourselves, so much, during the last two years.

Yours sincerely,

Ken Holmes.

THE HIGH SCHOOL, DUBLIN PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

1975-76 COMMITTEE

Chairman: W. K. Hunt.

Hon Treasurer: S. Davies.

Hon. Secretary: C. R. Dunlop.

Committee: Mrs. D. Cole, Mrs. J. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. J. Temperley, Mrs. J. Elliott, Messrs. G. Poff, E. Hunt and Dr. N. C. Smith.

More than ever before there is a need for parents to keep in close contact with the school where their children are being educated. The requirements for entry into University, Professions and Industry grow ever more demanding, while the pressures and tensions of modern life continue to increase. In these conditions a good education in the broadest sense has become a necessity.

The Parents' Association provides a point of contact with the school, while providing financial assistance for various projects which are outside the normal scope of school or Department of Education expenditure. The Association organises lectures on a monthly basis during the winter, on various topics which are designed to be of general interest to Parents. The Wine and Cheese Party helps to provide finance which together with subscriptions, is used to subsidise various projects. The functions and sporting

fixtures also encourage parents to meet and get together informally with members of staff.

The annual subscription of £1 will be included with the fees for the Autumn term and the Committee look forward to many more parents joining the Association and contributing with ideas and suggestions for future activities.

C. R. Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

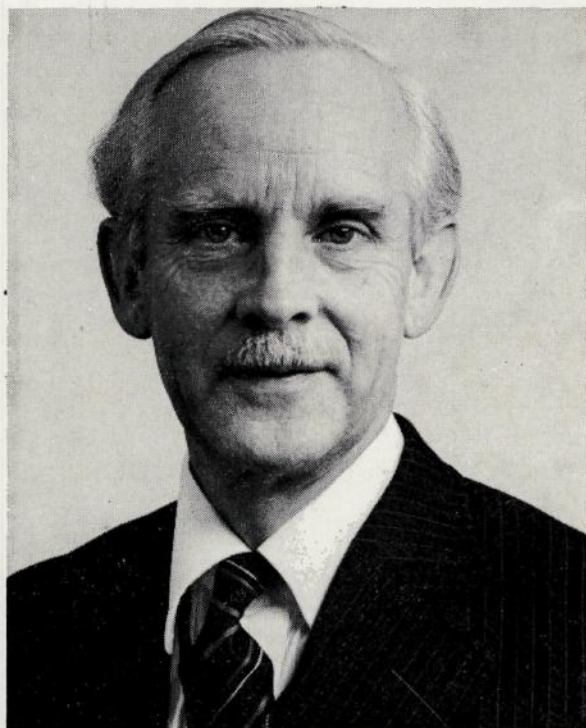
The High School, Dublin Old Boys' Union

President's Letter

Dear Members,

It has been the practice over the years for the President of High School Old Boys' Union to write in the Erasmian and as such it affords me the opportunity of thanking the old boys for honouring me with the position of President for 1975-76.

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Mr. Alan F. Grey (President)

A number of functions have already been held and it was pleasing for me to get such good support from the members, which enabled these events to be a success both socially and financially. The Annual Dinner is one of the main events of the year and I would like to pay special tribute to Jack Cowle for writing the words of a parody on my principal guest Willie John McBride. I am sure the words will be of interest, particularly to those who were unable to attend the dinner and so they are printed in this edition.

I have talking to the Careers Guidance Teacher, Mr. Robin Miller who tells me the pupils have benefited from the talks and advice given by Old Boys in response to the request made last year, and he hopes these informative efforts will continue. I would like to think, in view of the difficulty facing many school leavers in finding employment, the boys and girls of High School were made aware of as many vacancies as possible, so if an employer contacts Mr. Miller he would be delighted to publish details of such vacancies on the careers notice board. This is not a request to seek special treatment for pupils of High School but at least it gives them the chance to learn of vacancies they might not otherwise know about.

The O.B.U. have decided to purchase Audio-Visual equipment for presentation to the School and this should be of tremendous value to the pupils in the future.

You will receive details later of a Wine & Cheese evening followed by an Auction to take place in September to raise the necessary funds and I believe this project is well worthy of your support.

I appreciate the great help and encouragement I have received from Old Boys during my year of office and I hope they will continue to support the Union in the years that lie ahead. I wish all Old Boys and their families good health and happiness for the future.

Yours sincerely,

Alan F. Grey.

OLD BOYS' UNION

Hon. Secretary's Report Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held in the School on Friday, 23rd October 1975. The President, Mr. E. R. Frith took the chair and 26 members attended the meeting.

The following officers and members of the Committee were unanimously elected for 1975/76.

President—A. G. Grey.

President Elect—G. F. M. Cole.

Vice President—A. P. R. Brook (Head master).

Hon Secretary—W. I. Hunter.

Hon. Treasurer—C. B. Craven.

Hon. Auditor—R. S. Browning.

COMMITTEE

D. Cornick, M. H. Gault, R. G. Heather, I. Burns, C. Richards, J. D. Ridgeway, F. E. Sowman, R. Curtis, B. R. Wilkinson.

SPORTS AND SOCIAL SECRETARIES

Rugby—D. J. Lewis.

Cricket—J. C. Robbie.

Golf—R. McConnell.

Dance—R. C. McConnell.

Dance

The Annual Dance was held in the School on Friday, 31st October. This year the Dance was organised jointly with the Girls' Union and was a most successful evening. There is no doubt that the Dance, organised on a joint basis with the Girls' Union is potentially a most enjoyable and worthwhile social occasion and should receive the support of the members of both Unions.

Question Time

The Question Time organised once again by Dr. Brian Wilkinson, was held in the School on 9th October 1975. Two very interesting competitions were held, Belgrave winning the Inter-House competition and St. Andrew's College defeating High School in the Inter-School event.

Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner was held in the School on Saturday, 24th January 1976. There was an attendance of 256 members and guests.

The usual high standard of catering was maintained and the musical entertainment, augmented this year by Liam Devally and his Trio, was of the highest calibre. The toast to the Guests was proposed by "Roly" Meates and we were honoured by the presence of "Willie John" McBride who responded to this Toast. Those present at the dinner will remember the humour and interesting "tales" which characteris-

ed both these speeches surpassed only by the parody composed by Jack Cowie – The Bould Willie John. It was a memorable evening which set new standards for the Annual Dinner.

London Dinner

There was a very good attendance at the London Dinner held on Friday, 5th March 1976 at The East India Sports and Public Schools Club. Our thanks are due to Jim Maguire ably assisted by Brian Twamley for organising the function and the success of the evening augurs well for the future.

Wine and Cheese Evening

The attention of members is drawn to a Wine and Cheese evening to be held in September. It is planned to hold an Antique Auction during the evening and the proceeds will go towards the purchase of Audio-Visual equipment for use at the school. Full details will be circularised in due course and the support of members is requested.

Dates for Your Diary

Golf Outing—11th June at Rathfarnham Golf Club.

Annual General Meeting—15th October at the School.

Annual Dance—5th November at The Dublin Sports Hotel.

Annual Dinner—22nd January 1977 at the School.

W. Ian Hunter

The Bould Willie John

(With Apologies to Thady!!)

1

Ye second-row forwards who try to play rugby,
I'll tell yez a tale that will turn yez all on,
Just forget all yer theory and technical text-books
And model yourselves on the Bould Willie John.
Yerra, listen to me and I'll tell you a story
Of a man who kept going when others had gone,
And who covered himself with unlimited glory,
The ageless old giant – The Bould Willie John.

Chorus

For scrummagin', rummagin', puckin' and ruckin',
Heelin' it backwards or takin' it on,
For maulin' or bawlin' or shoutin' and bawlin'
There's no one could equal the Bould Willie John.

II

One evening our hero was just a bit lonely,
So he set out to see if he'd like Malahide,
And down at the water he met Harry's daughter,
And that was the way Bill McBride met his bride.
He carried her off up to far Ballymena
And when he got there he was able to swank
That among the deposits and statements and transfers,
He had a new Penny to put in the bank.

Chorus

For managers, agents, directors and tellers,
Financial controllers, all men of great rank,
T'was a happy occasion for every persuasion,
The day Bill McBride lodged his bride in the bank.

III

And now he has come to the end of his playing,
This really remarkable phenomenon,
And his boots will be hung in the great hall at Tara,
Marked "These are the relics of Bould Willie John".
And when he arrives at the end of the journey,
St. Peter will welcome him with great pride,
"Go in there and join Finn McCool and St. Patrick
You'll find a seat labelled Saint William McBride".

Chorus

From New Zealand, Australia, from France and South Africa,
Wales, Scotland, England and the Irish Union,
And from everywhere else that the fellows play rugby,
Best wishes from all to the Bould Willie John.

IV

And now we must thank him for coming this evening
At great inconvenience to honour this toast,
We're highly delighted to have him here with us,
He's one of the sportsmen that we love the most.
He could have been over in Cardiff this evening
Disporting himself there with Fergus and Mike,
He jumped on his chopper to join us at High School
And cycle like hell to Rathgar on his bike.

Chorus

And now he's to start educating his family,
I'll give him a tip that is really sublime,
If ever he's short of a few bob at Christmas,
He can sell his ould jerseys at ten quid a time.
For scrummagin', rummagin', puckin' and ruckin'
Heelin' it backwards or takin' it on,
For maulin' or bawlin' or shoutin' and bawlin'
There's no one could equal the Bould Willie John.

J.R.C.

VALETE

Form Upper 6th

Paul C.S. Bowe – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
 Maurice B. Buchalter – T.C.D. First Year Medical.
 Stephen E. Hinds – T.C.D. Classics.
 H. Joan Lennon – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.
 Kwee Hock Lim – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 L. Jane Luce – T.C.D. Modern Languages.
 Alan G. Moore – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
 Lucinda M. Moore – U.C.D. Psychology.
 Graeme Murray – T.C.D. Legal Science.
 Geoffrey J. Reeves – T.C.D. Mathematics.
 Mark N.H. Risk – T.C.D. History.
 Peter C. Roberts – Architectural Technology, Bolton Street, College of Technology.
 Charles G. Wheeler – T.C.D. Mathematics.

Form 6

R. Brian Abbott – Electrical Engineering, Kevin Street College of Technology.
 Arvid P. Akerlind – Motor Mechanic in family firm.
 Fionnuala Anderson – Secretarial Course.
 Trevor S. Austen – Technical Engineering, Bolton Street College of Technology.
 Ruth Babington – Secretarial Course.
 David A. Baker – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies
 Helen Beardsley – Secretarial Course.
 Harold G. Booker – Representative for H.G. Ritchie Ltd., Manufacturing Confectioners.
 Adrian P. Bannister – T.C.D. School of Engineering.
 David G.A. Bennett – Environmental Economics, Bolton Street College of Technology.
 Guy D. Burgess – Environmental Economics, Bolton Street College of Technology.
 Barbara Campbell – Secretarial Course.
 Judith Campbell – Secretarial Course.
 Jonathan S. Caplin – Pre-University Centre.
 Adrian M. Cole – College of Industrial Relations.
 Alan K. Cormack – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 David A. Cormick – Ringsend Technical College.
 Linda Dalby – Laboratory Technician.
 Cheryl Darlington – Secretarial Course.
 Keith M. Davis – T.C.D. Classics.
 Philip G. Davison – Hollywood, Los Angeles.
 Derek E. Dockrell – T.C.D. Architecture.
 A. Wayne Duffy – Polytechnic South Bank London.
 Shirley Eaton – Hairdressing.
 Robert D. Ellis – Trainee Munster Simms.
 Richard S.G. Ensor – College of Industrial Relations.
 Shirley Evans – Secretarial Course.
 Naomi Faulkner – Dental Hospital.
 William F.J. Feegan – Bolton Street College of Technology.
 Helen Fincher – Nursing.
 Nigel W. Fox – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.

Karen Foxall – Nursing.
 Rosemary Fulton – Nursing.
 A. Michael Gill – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
 Eric W. Gordon – T.C.D. Engineering School.
 Alan W. Gray – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Brian J. Griffin –
 David M. Griffin – Private in Irish Army Signal Corps.
 Ruth Hamilton – Secretarial Course.
 Russell Harlod – Stanislaus Kenny and Partners.
 Ian S. Haslam – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Valerie J. Henderson – Accountancy.
 Lester W. Horsfall – Cost and Wages Clerk, Jefferson Smurfit.
 Brian E. Hunt – Ulster Bank.
 Wyn M. Hughes – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Jan P. Huissoon – T.C.D. Engineering School.
 Ian Jackson – Chartered Accountancy, McQuillan and Co.
 David H. Jameson – Lycée Fenelon, Paris.
 Irwin C. Johnston – Professional Trainee in Sun Alliance and London Insurance Group.
 Gertruida Karstel – Carlow Regional College Technician's Course.
 Desmond S. King – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Wing Wah Lee – In family business.
 M. Edward Lee – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
 Ian R. Leslie – Wholesale Warehouseman.
 Robert Lovell-Butt – Family firm.
 Suzanne Lowe – Nursing.
 Doreen McCann – Piano Teaching.
 Gordon G. McCoy.
 B. Randal McGuckin – T.C.D. Engineering School.
 Lynda Matthews – Secretarial Course.
 Stephen W. Matthews –
 Garth W. Mills – T.C.D. Veterinary School.
 Donald W. Moore – Auctioneer, Osborne King and Megran.
 Raymond R. Mogerley – Distributor in Hughes Dairies.
 Eric C. Morton – Working in family firm.
 Edward M. Ross – Ophthalmic Optics, Kevin Street College of Technology.
 Edwina Mundy – Secretarial Course.
 Margaret Myers – Nursing.
 Karen Noble – Insurance, Guardian Royal Exchange.
 Roger A. Nolan – Deck Cadet on B.P. Tanker M.V. British Avon.
 Mervyn G. O'Brien – Awaiting Audition Irish Army Band.
 Harvey D.R. O'Keeffe – Cadet in Irish Air Corps.
 Geoffrey J. Roe-O'Leary – Chartered Accountancy, Reynolds McCarron.
 Wendy O'Neil – Secretarial Course.
 Sui Chai Ong – T.C.D. Engineering.
 Avril Payne – Secretarial Course.

Timothy N. Pickering – Trainee Industrial Engineer.
 Hazel Rankin –
 E. Graham C. Reid – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.
 Gordon P. Richards – Quantity Surveyor Kemptster and Shortall.
 Alan H. Richardson –
 Peter C. Robbie – Institute of Horology, Blanchardstown.
 Bryan Ross – Pre-University Centre.
 Paul S. Ross – University of Toronto.
 Gordon J. Rowland – T.C.D. Engineering.
 Linda Salisbury – U.C.D.
 Ian W. Sherwood – Traffic Warden.
 Donald S. Siev – T.C.D. Mental and Moral Science.
 John F. Sinclair – Ringsend Technical Institute.
 Robin O. Singleton – Hill Samuel Merchant Bankers, London.
 Ivan V. Slattery – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Gordon F.J. Spendlove – Accountancy, Irish Trade Protection Association.
 Jean Strong – Secretarial Course.
 Clifford G.E. Sullivan – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Bing Chen Teh – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Siew Ley Teh – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
 Ivan W. Thompson – Linders of Smithfield.
 Kok Ping Tsang – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic and Social Studies.
 Olwen Todd –
 Hazel Tyrer – Secretarial Course.
 Wendy Vincent –
 Robert W. Walshe – Clerk in C.B. Packaging Ltd., Clondalkin.
 Paul H. Warren –
 V. Clive Waller – New University of Coleraine.
 Allan G. Walsh – Young Caravans.
 Joyce Williams – T.C.D. General Studies.
 George S. Willoughby – T.C.D. Engineering School.
 Daisy Wilson – Nursing.
 Helen Winchester – Secretarial Course.
 Janet Winton – Secretarial Course.
 Christina Worrall – Secretarial Course.

NEWS OF Old Boys

W. G. (HARRY) BOOKER (1929-37) has transferred from Accountant in Trinity College, Dublin, to the position of Executive Assistant of the Irish Rugby Football Union.
 PETER J. BOYLE (1964-72) obtained his rugby colours in T.C.D. for 1975-76.
 DEREK F. CHAPMAN (1962-69) has produced a play in the Peacock Theatre as a late night (11.30 p.m.) show. The play, "The Old Tune" was part of the Dublin Theatre Festival. He has played Borachio in "Much Ado About Nothing" at the same venue.

ROBERT A. DALZELL (1945-49) has retired from the position of chief executive – textile division – Fitzwilton to pursue his private interest. He remains a director of Fitzwilton Ltd.

JOHN B. DAVEY (1965-67) is Assistant Director in Hodges, Figgis & Co.

A. KEITH DUNGAN (1948-60) is Financial Controller of P. C. Cahill, the firm of wholesale chemists and druggists.

KENNETH O. FILDES (1951-58) broke the four-year-old course record for the Cruagh Hillclimb in his Formula Atlantic Brittanica Lotus 69, with his 42.80 seconds run the Dublin University M.C. & L.C.C. event above Rathfarnham on the 17th May, 1975. He scored his first observed section trial outright win with his Sheand V.W. Buggy TBA when he won the Leinster M.C.'s Scalp Cup Trial at Brittas Bay, Co. Wicklow, on 27th March of this year. He is on the committee of the Irish Racing Drivers Association.

C. ALAN FORD (1963-74) was a member of the T.C.D. team which shared with Q.U.B. the Irish Universities Cricket Championship. He was also a very effective member of the team which toured England as were John Robbie and Trevor West.

HAROLD R. E. FOXALL (1964-70) is in Scotland teaching Mathematics in the Morgan High School, Dundee, after a preliminary one-term course in Dundee University.

REV. ANTHONY M. GANN (1951-56) has returned from Lesotho and has been installed by Bishop David Halsey as priest in charge of Bampton with Mardaly in Cumbria (formerly Westmoreland). He is also Diocesan Officer for Mission and Unity in the Diocese of Carlisle.

A. LEO HALLIDAY (1948-53) has left Australia and is Chief Geologist to Mineracao Rip Xingu S.A., a subsidiary of Dutch Shell.

DENIS J. HALLIDAY (1952-57) is Deputy Resident Representative of the U.N.D.P. for Malaysia and Singapore.

MICHAEL S. HASKINS (1949) paid a welcome visit to School this term. He has qualified as a medical doctor and is practising in Canada.

WILLIAM A. INGRAM (1924-30) has been appointed by the Board of Directors of the Irish Civil Service Building Society as Managing Director. He is the first holder of this newly created position.

HOWARD E. KILROY (1946-52) has been appointed to the main Board of the Jefferson Smurfit Group as Financial Director. He joined the Group in May, 1973, as financial controller. He was formerly European financial manager of C.P.C. Europe in Brussels.

GEORGE P. KING (1955-65) is Night Manager with the S. & S. Dundalk Engineering Works.

ADAM S. MESBUR (1965-70) and partner won the Irish Press Cup at the Dun Laoghaire Bridge

Congress Senior Pairs Championship, and also the Player and Wills Trophy at the Athlone Bridge Pairs Championship. His team won the Davidson Cup, the Geraldine Cup, and the team of four at the Bankers. He has again been selected by the Irish Bridge Union to compete in the Open Championship of the World Olympiad in Monaco in May, 1976.

PROVOST F.S. LYONS (1941) attended a special commencement in the University of Pennsylvania at which he was awarded the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters (D. Litt.). Dr. Lyons has taught American history in T.C.D. and has served a term as visiting Professor at Princeton University.

DR. DESMOND A. G. MACKEY (1950-58) who was in St. Mary's Orthopaedic Hospital, Cappagh, is now at the Mater Hospital, Dublin.

T.W. ROLAND MEATES (1943-54) took part in R.T.E. programme - Talking Sport - on the topic: Rugby Interprovincials - have they outlived their usefulness? He is touring New Zealand and Fiji with his 25-man squad as Ireland's senior rugby coach.

G. FRANCIS MITCHELL (1922-30) Professor of Quaternary Studies in Trinity College, Dublin, was elected President of the Royal Irish Academy.

NORMAN L. MURRAY (1932-34) has been appointed by the Ulster Bank as Manager of its College Green, Dublin, Branch, the Bank's Chief Office in the Republic.

PHILLIP A. ORR (1961-69) got his Interprovincial Cap against Ulster and four International caps against France, Wales, England and Scotland. He has been invited to tour New Zealand and Fiji.

JOHN G. PALMER (1936-44) was organiser of the Food, Drink and Equipment Exhibition last September.

BRIAN E. G. RANALOW (1964-65) has been appointed to the Board of Directors of A.V.P.-Desco (Ireland) Ltd., Stainless Steel and Aluminium Fabricators. He was previously Manager of the Dublin Division.

JOHN C. ROBBIE (1963-73) as captain of T.C.D. Rugby Club was the youngest senior captain in the country and the youngest man ever to lead the oldest club in the country. He got his interprovincial cap against Ulster and two international caps against Australia and France. His Trinity team has beaten U.C.C., U.C.G. U.C.D., Queen's University, Oxford, Cambridge and Sydney University from Australia. He captained the Combined Dublin Universities team against Leinster under-23 and also the Irish Universities against New Zealand Universities. He has had many soubriquet from the journalists - 'The Student Prince', 'one of the two wee men', 'the babe', 'the petit general', etc. He has been invited to tour New Zealand and Fiji.

JOHN H. REID (1964-73) obtained his rugby colours in T.C.D. for 1975-76.

PREYASEN RUNGASAMY (1971-73) won the singles and with his partner the men's doubles tennis championship in Trinity Week, 1975.

RAPHAEL D. SELIGMAN (1931-36) has been appointed Bahamian Ambassador to Israel.

DON L. SELIGMAN (1939-45) with Mrs. Seligman et al. won the Belton Trophy for the senior team championship Bridge Congress and also the Eastern Region Kelbourne with N. Fitzgibbon. He won the bankers pairs.

RODNEY E. W. SMYTHE (1964-70) is a Trainee Actuary with the firm of Duncan C. Fraser.

BRYAN C. STOREY (1963-70) paid a visit to the School on his return from his first Antarctic trip and showed many excellent slides from that Expedition. He is off again on another tour and writes from Novosilski Bay.

DAVID WENT (1958-65) was promoted by First National City Bank to be manager with responsibility for the corporate Banking Group - Ireland. He has recently gone on a tour of duty to Saudi-Arabia to run the Corporate Bank in Jeddah.

NYAL E. WILSON (1943-49) has accepted an appointment as Professor of Soil Mechanics at MacMaster University, Canada.

RONALD G. WOODS (1965-71) is a Trainee Accountant with Smith Craig Gardner and Co.

TERRY N. WOODS (1961-68) has obtained his M.Sc. in Hydrology from Birmingham University. He is at present working as a Hydrologist in the firm of consulting engineers, Howard Humphreys, investigating the water resources in Sumatra for the Indonesian Government.

Examination Results

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN

GOLD MEDAL

Neil Jeffares - Mathematics.

Neil Jeffares - Experimental Physics.

Duncan F. Kennedy - Classics.

MODERATORSHIPS

History and Political Science: N. J. Cox (Class I), G. A. Fish (Class IIa). *Biochemistry:* G. A. Chadwick (Class II 1). *Experimental Physics:* N. Jeffares (Class I, first place). *Classics:* D. F. Kennedy (Class I, first place). *Modern Languages and Literature:* P. P. F. J. O'Duffy (Class II 2). *Special Honour Mathematics:* N. Jeffares (Class I, first place). *Mathematical Sciences:* R. E. W. Smythe (Class I, second place). *Legal Science:* M. W. D'A. Tyrrell (Class II 2). B.A. - A. G. Allen, D. H. Beattie, S. E. Darby, P. M. McCrodden, E. O. Majekodunmi, D. J. Moore, A. A. Naylor (Antea) Nagur, D. R. Ramiah, D. J. Sinclair, A. P. Walker.

B.A.I - S. E. Darby.

M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. - D. J. MOORE (Second Honours), J. F. Jackson, D. R. Ramiah, D. J. Sinclair.

B.D.S. — M. J. Tanner.
 B.B.S. — (Casss II, Div. 2) — D. E. Hunt, D. S. Mackey, R. G. Woods, S. G. Wright.
 LL.B. — N. J. Cox.
 M.A. — A. E. Benson, B. D. Carson, M. M. G. S. (Antea S.J.M.M.) Delmonte, T.H. Lloyd, D. W. Mitchell, E. C. Newmark, B. E. G. Ranalow.
 M. A. I. — B. E. G. Ranalow.
 Ph.D. — J. E. Killen.

JUNIOR SOPHISTERS

History and Political Science — T. W. Elliott (C.A.), G. E. Hughes (C.A.), D. C. Robbie (C.A.), Natural Sciences — K. I. Trower (II 1), J. M. Cohen (II 2), B. J. Burdett (III), S. Padayachey III.
 Economic and Social Studies — D. K. McGarry (II 1), R. T. Mullen (II 1), S. W. Harris (II 2), P. E. Odlum (II 2), A. J. Sherling, M. J. Sparksman, J. G. Taylor (Pass). Legal Science — W. J. Cunningham (II 1), P. J. Boyle (III). General Studies — A. T. Godsil, R. G. Walker. Engineering — D. G. Rivlin.

SENIOR FRESHMEN

Ancient and Modern — J. W. Mossop (Latin II 2), C. H. Slattery (Latin III, English II 2). History and Political Science — C. W. E. Richards (II 2). Natural Sciences — D. A. J. Hickie (II 2), D. H. HUGHES (II 2), K. Mealy (II 2), J. C. Robbie (II 2), T. S. Hastings (III), S. S. Iland (III), J. H. Reid (III), D. J. Wright (III), Sile A. Yeats (III). Economics and Social Studies — D. C. Aikins (S), S. B. Alkin (S), P. J. M. Gault (S), D. A. Gordon (S), B. I. Myers (S), S. S. L. Odlum (S), J. Piggot (S). Legal Science — M. T. Story (II 1), C. V. Galloway (II 2), D. Early (III). General Studies — P. A. De L. Murtagh. Engineering — S. T. Chuah, D. J. Lewis, N. V. Ludgate, H. D. Moseley, C. K. Naik, C. T. Naik, S. Richards, C. R. Rogan.

JUNIOR FRESHMEN

History and Political Science — G. A. Ford (II 1 first place), R. S. Hanan (II 2). Natural Sciences — B. A. Crowe (II 1), C. L. Mahon (II 2), D. M. Robb (II 2), A. S. McW. Dowds (III). Economic and Social Studies G. K. N. Andrews (II 2), H. L. Block (II 2), R. N. Goodwin (II 2), C. L. Gray (II 2), R. Rigby-Jones (II 2), I. Slager (II 2), G. B. Johnston (P.), M. J. Jacobs, P. G. McElearney. Legal Science — H. R. Dockrell (II 1). General Studies — A. S. Mesbur, P. Rungasamy. Engineering — I. A. Shaw, R. J. Wayman, M. Willoughby, J. Y. Yau.

Higher Diploma in Education (Pass) — H. R. E. Foxall, T. V. Hamilton.

Medicine (Fifth Year). Final Medical Part I (Hons. I) — I. F. Geraghty (Hons. II), D. Wilson (pass), D.K. Conn, S. T. Govender, L. J. D. McEntee, H. J. Wong. (Fourth Year) — N. J. Moore, M. N. Eppel. (Third Year) — S. Chetty, J. D. Chaloner, D. S. Delmonte, R. H. D. Wormell. (Second Year) — A. B. West. (First Year) — S. T. Naik, C. J. Surgenor. (Pre-Medical Year) (Class I) — N. F. S. Couse; (Class II Div. 2) — D. J. Barton, N.

Hargovan, G. A. Roebuck, (Pass) R. N. Towell. (Pre-Dental Year) (Class III) — G. N. M. M. Stassen.
 Veterinary Science (Third Year) — A. A. J. Mooney.
 Irish-Swiss Institute of Horology (First Year) — K. J. Harris.

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Bradbury, Alan L. D. — B. A. in English and French.
 Nowlan, Francis B. M. I. — B.C.L.
 Simms, Charles D. M. — B. Soc. Sc. 3rd class.
 Strong, Dermot W. T. — Commerce 2nd Year, 1st Class Honours.
 Edwards, Joseph C. — Biochemistry 1st Year, 1st Class Honours in Chemistry.
 O'Kelly, Michael F. — Commerce 1st Year Pass.
 Byrne, Gerardine C. — First Medicine Pass.
 Master of Industrial Engineering — King, George B. 1st place.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

R. Kamalakaran — Medicine. Passed the 3rd Professional Examination.
 M. H. Gault — Medicine. Passed 2nd Professional Examination.
 S. N. Woolfe — Dentistry. Passed 2nd Professional Examination.
 Ann M. D. Scully — Medicine. Passed 1st Professional Examination.

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R.O.P. means referred in one paper.

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 (Winter) Foundation Exam I: I. R. Jones, A. N. Mason (R.O.P.). Part IV: R. N. Gray. Part V: D. J. Moran (A.C.A.).

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Second Year Architecture — M. Duffy.

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First Year — T. W. Wren.

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Part II — David Pierce.

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 Chess Club: Secretary: H. R. Dockrell.
 English Literature Society – Chairman: C. H. Slattery.
 Geographical Society – Field Trips Secretary: K. I. Trower.
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 Trinity News – Editor: E. J. Sterne.
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Deaths

RAYMOND J. G. HYDE, Lt.Col. (Retd. R.A.M.C.) 1910-12), at Princess Elizabeth Hospital, Guernsey, on 16th September, 1975.
 C. HOMAN G. LYSTER (1926-30) of Bird Avenue, Clonskeagh, on 24th September, 1975.
 SAMUEL SMYTH, M. B. (I.M.S. Retd.) (1908-1915) of Cranagh, Dungan Road, Howth, on 18th March, 1976. Body donated to medical research.
 HARRY WEINER (1906-08) in Dublin in his 81st year.
 JAMES (JIM) RICHARD WEEKES GOULDEN on 3rd April, 1976. Mr. Goulden was a member of the Staff of High School from 1935 to 1963. He donated his remains to medical science. A Memorial Service was held in Trinity College Chapel on 6th April.
 HELEN SCOTT McCURE on 10th March, 1976. Miss McCure was a member of Staff of the High School from 1954 to 1972. She left to become Headmistress of Rathgar Junior School.

Marriages

We wish to congratulate the following Old Boys on their marriages and wish them every happiness.

Robert N. Acton (1957-67) to Gillian A. Drake on 3rd August 1974, at Holy Trinity Church, Rathmines.
 Norman A. Bunker (1962-72) to Carol Martin on 22nd August, 1974, at Crumlin Church.
 Cecil J. Buchanan (1960-68) to Iris M. Stewart on 1st June, 1974, at St. Ann's Church, Dublin.
 Donald S. Cromer (1960-66) to June E. Seaman on 5th October, 1974, at St. Andrew's Church, Lucan.
 Alan D. Cunningham (1956-66) to Mary F. Lockhart on 2nd February 1974 at Huntley, Aberdeenshire.
 Mark G. Douglas (1954-65) to Edith Barr on 1st August, 1970, at Christ Church, Buncrana.
 Neville G. Fallon (1962-68) to Ann N. Connerton on 20th July, 1974, at St. Ann's Church, Quincy, Boston.
 Donald M. Fleming (1953-59) to Caroline J. Henman on 30th August, 1974, at St. Thomas's Church, Foster Avenue.
 David A. Fleury (1961-62) to Marie T. McGinn on 21st December, 1974, in Glashule Church.
 Arnold R. Griffin (1960-68) to Vivienne Taylor on 27th December, 1974, at the Grosvenor Baptist Church, Dublin.
 Charles T. Homan (1965-70) to Ann Ryan on 31st July, 1974, at Holy Trinity, Killiney.
 David F. Hughes (1962-67) to Jolyn C. Peacey on 28th August, 1971, at St. Mary's, Crumlin.
 Robert (Bobbie) N. Killen (1958-62) to Miranda E. Allen on 2nd February, 1974, at Christ Church, Taney.
 Arnold F. G. Lee (1958-63) to Christina Tantalo on 15th June, 1974, at St. Thomas Aquinas, Toronto.
 John H. Maybury (1963-70) to Heather O. M. Skuse on 17th August, 1974, at St. Peter's Church, Bandon.
 Nigel A. Moyse (1963-70) to Elizabeth (Beth) McColl on 15th June, 1974 at Christ Church, Taney.
 Thomas W. Murphy (1958-65) to Joyce H. Burtenshaw on 14th September, 1974, at Coolock Parish Church.
 Cedric J. V. Packham (1962-70) to Hilary A. Kilpatrick on 23rd July, 1974, at St. James's Parish Church, Castledermot.
 Gerald H. Priestman (1933-38) to Joan M. Horne on 3rd December, 1974, at Balitore Church.
 Desmond W. Townsend (1957-67) to Janet Hardie on 14th June, 1974, at The Church of the Messiah – an Anglican Church – in Toronto, Canada.
 Rodney Tuach (1958-62) to Roberta Reeners of Rochester, New York, U.S.A. on 1st November, 1974, in Dublin.
 Peter Whiteside (1950-54) to Diana L. Smith on 29th March, 1974, in London.

CORRECTION: In our 1974 issue the date of the marriage of L. E. McQueston was printed as June 1974. It should have read 27th April, 1974. Apologies.

The above list was omitted in our 1975 issue. We now wish to add a new list.

Christopher L. Bishop (1960-68) to Jane Cahill on 27th March, 1976, at Howth, Co. Dublin.

Dr. John W. K. Carson (1960-69) to Caroline J. Yeats on 25th April, 1975 in Cloydagh Parish Church, Co. Carlow.

Ronald A. J. Carson (1957-64) to Anne Philipp on 1st August, 1975 at Wiesbaden, Germany.

Richard A. Fleury (1958-60) to Margaret R. Connell on 22nd September, 1975 in the West Parish Church, Kilbanahan, Renfrewshire.

James N. Hamilton to Noreen R. Keoghan, 7th August, 1975 in the Chapel of Trinity College, Dublin.

George B. King (1955-65) to Sheena A. Crumme on 15th November, 1975, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dundalk.

David J. Lewis (1960-72) to Mary Brien on 27th June, 1975 at Rutland Road, Bray.

Alistair D. Milliken (1958-64) to Mary E. Armstrong on 30th August, 1975 at Whitmore Parish Church, Newcastle-under-Lyne.

Lt. Ian M. Smyth, R.N. (1960-67) to Sandra Ward on 14th June, 1975 at Beeston, Nottingham.

Trevor S. Storey (1961-67) to Suzanne Richardson on 14th June, 1975 at Kiltarnan Parish Church.

Dr. Derek K. Taylor (1952-63) to E. Alison Hill on 13th December, 1975, at the Friends Meeting House, Waterford.

Arthur C. Travers (1960-69) to Pauline Williams on 26th July, 1975 at Grosvenor Road Baptist Church, Rathmines.

Ronald C. M. Wicklow (1957-64) to Helga Niklas on 3rd October, 1975 in Germany.

A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

On Thursday, 18th December, 1975, our first service of Nine Lessons and Carols was held at Zion Church, Rathgar, at 11.30 a.m.

The Church was decorated by an illuminated Christmas tree. The attendance included the pupils, members of Staff and many parents and friends.

His Grace, the Archbishop of Dublin, welcomed us to Zion, gave us his best wishes for happiness at Christmas and requested us to convey his greetings to all our families.

The singing was led by a choir of pupils assisted by some members of Staff. Seven of the lessons were read by boys or girls, representing the various forms. The Headmaster read the eighth lesson and the Rector read the Gospel for Christmas Day.

We greatly appreciate the Archbishop's presence at

the service and thank him for the interest he takes in our School.

We are indebted to the Rector for giving us the use of the Church, to Mr. Boydell and the many members of Staff for helping us with practices held at lunch-time breaks during term and to everyone who helped to make the service so enjoyable.

Alfred Potter (6U)

Miss E. E. Good

We say au-revoir to Miss Good with a great sense of loss. Coming as she did with a great reputation for organization and dedication to teaching as Vice-Principal in Diocesan we are sorry that she did not come earlier and that she did not stay longer. However, as she herself said, being the person with the record number of appearances in the august publication "Registered Secondary Teachers" the time had come to retire and, as is her way, retire she did – but not for long! When illness struck a younger member of staff and a call for help went out – there was Miss Good back in harness ready as ever to cope with anything and to enrich the Staff Common Room with her delicious sense of humour.

Slán agus beannacht

V. W. G.

Creative Writing Seminars

On two evenings in the Easter term a small group of interested 5th and 6th formers came back to the school library to meet two of the most successful and critically acclaimed young writers in Ireland today. Both Des Hogan and Ronan Sheehan have won the Hennessy Award for their contributions to the "New Irish Writing" page of the Irish Press. Their short stories have been published in various magazines in Ireland, England and America. Along with several other young writers they have formed "The Irish Writers' Co-operative" which has been recognised by the Arts Council and been given a grant by them to assist with the publication of a novel by one of the group. This year it is Des Hogan's novel "The Ikon Maker" which is being subsidised in this way, and which is due for publication very soon.

Our first evening started with Des reading a random passage from this work, and afterwards this gave rise to some very interesting discussion on the difficulties the young have in revealing their true natures to their parents. Roger West read a story of his own on this theme which was received very well by all. Ronan followed this with his award-winning story, which was technically complex and rich in symbolism, and then Reggie Deane read his story "The Man on the Third Floor", which concerns the impression made on a young man by his encounter with a social outcast. The meeting adjourned after a discussion of Des's reading of one of his short stories.

The second evening followed the same pattern and gained in balance, possibly, by the inclusion of a female pupil: we would like to see more of them come to these meetings.

The topics were wide ranging and often discussed in considerable depth, but the real value of these meetings lay in the fact that everyone felt they could relax and express themselves in a completely honest way without embarrassment: taking serious matters seriously without fear of being sneered or laughed at, as is too often the case in the class room.

Each meeting lasted about three and a half hours. I think we all, whether writers or otherwise, learned a great deal from listening to Ronan and Des talk about their art, and from participating in the frank discussions on matters which are often ignored. We would like to thank our two writers and wish them luck, and we hope that these evenings will become a regular feature of school life.

The Film Society

The 1975-76 season of the Film Society was a very successful one. We were able to have three films which were greatly appreciated by all.

The members of Fifth Form were very pleased that "Wuthering Heights" was shown, for as well as enjoying it they found it very helpful since it is on the Leaving Certificate English Course.

"Adolf Hitler - my part in his downfall" was an excellent film and was of special interest to history students.

"On Her Majesty's Secret Service" was enjoyed by all. Unfortunately, it had to be subsidised by profits of previous films.

We thank all the members of the Staff who helped us to show these films, especially Mr. Wallace and Mr. Gardner.

Alan Roberts, 5th Year.

Sixth Uppers' Trip to Kilkenny

On Tuesday, 30th December, Mrs. Crowe and Mr. Wallace accompanied a party from Sixth Upper on a day trip to Kilkenny.

The weather was favourable and on arrival we paid our first visit to the Kilkenny Design Centre where we were shown a film strip about the work done by the Centre and then we were taken on a tour of the whole complex. We saw the weaving, fabric-printing, pottery making and the silver and gold crafting shops where one of the craftswomen gave us a demonstration on how to 'raise' a silver cup. Later the staff of the Design Centre entertained us to an excellent lunch. Before leaving the Centre we noted with interest some of the old lettered blocks from Nelson Pillar.

Then we turned north, passed the Tholsel and penetrated the medieval depths of Kyteler's Inn. We visited the Rothe House and admired its ancient courtyards, though we left the excellent museum for another day. We continued our journey on to St. Canice's Cathedral where the Verger showed us all the windows and monuments of historic interest. Also the well known memorial brasses were 'rubbed', the peal of bells rung and the fine organ played for us. Some of us climbed to the top of the bell tower, and the round tower to admire the view of Kilkenny.

We drove back to Dublin and on arrival at Mr. Wallace's house had a delicious supper, kindly provided by Miss Wallace.

We thank the Dean of St. Canice's Cathedral, the Very Rev. B. Harvey, B.D., for giving our party permission to visit the Cathedral and the Verger for the interesting manner in which he conducted our tour. Also we thank the staff of the Design Centre for their hospitality, Miss Wallace for providing supper for us and Mrs. Crowe and Mr. Wallace for taking us on the trip in their cars.

M. D. Gardner (6U)

Richard II

On January 14th and 15th, two separate parties went to see Shakespeare's play of the tragedy of Richard II. This took place at U.C.D., Belfield. The first group was accompanied by Mr. Hilliard, and the second group by Mr. Blackmore, our English teacher.

We went into a small room, set up as a theatre and sat down. The lights gradually came up, and music sounded as the first scene of the play commenced.

Richard was played exceptionally well. He was portrayed to us as an effeminate, weak person, who was not capable of governing a country. Boilingbroke was shown to us as a strong, determined character, who would seem to be a much more sensible person to rule the country than Richard, but later in the play, we see that he is no better than Richard himself.

The rest of the actors brought over their roles well, and played the parts as you would imagine them to be played, having read the text beforehand.

The practical part of the production was very well organised, costumes, lighting, make-up and considering that they did not have the use of a stage, or proper acting area.

It was a very dramatic play, relieved by one humorous scene, which relieved the tension of the play.

Altogether, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, and are grateful to Mr. Blackmore and Mr. Hilliard for arranging our visit to Belfield.

**Kathrine McCune and Ann Godsil
Form 3A1**



FIRST XI FINAL OF PLATE

*Back row: A. Cole, S. Fraser, M. Worrall, Miss G. Correll, S. Fraser, A. Sloane, R. Shern.
Front row: N. Cohen, C. Medcalf, D. Crosse (Captain), S. Cowan, G. Mundy.*



JUNIOR A HOCKEY TEAM 1975-'76

*Back row: C. de Lacy, C. O'Sullivan, J. Gill, Miss Carrell, A. Bates, F. Harbron, B. O'Brien.
Front row: J. Cooke, E. Worrall, C. Pollock (captain); J. Dalby, J. Smith.*



MINOR A HOCKEY TEAM 1975-'76

*Back row: I Peyton, J. Fox, T. Hughes, Miss Correll, J. Free, S. William, G. Strong.
Front row: D. Smith, A. Cloughley, (Captain), C. O'Brien, K. Poff, S. Dudgeon.*

Helping Others

During Lent, the first and second year classes raised money amounting to £63.80. The following organisations benefited from this: Conquer Cancer, Dr. Barnardos, C.M.S., The Tear Fund, I.S.P.C.A., Cats' and Dogs' Home, R.N.L.I.

At Christmas, the Home Economics pupils collected goods for hampers, which were distributed by the I.S.P.C.C. to deserving families.

A collection amounting to £12 was made in the school in aid of Spina-bifida and Hydrocephalus.

First Year's Two Visits To The National Museum

On Thursday, 23rd October, 1975, we visited the National Museum, accompanied by Miss Graham and Miss Stevenson.

We went to the Central Hall to see the Ardagh Chalice, St. Patrick's Bell and Shrine, the Cross of Cong, the Crozier Shrines and the Tara Brooch. We divided into small groups to see each of these treasures of Christian Art and then wrote the answers to the questionnaires that each of us had received.

On Thursday, 29th January, 1976, we visited the Viking Dublin Exhibition, accompanied by Miss Williams and Miss Graham. Miss Williams gave us a detailed account of many of the exhibits which were excavated from Viking Dublin under the direction of Mr. Brendan O'Riordain. Then we each wrote the answers to a questionnaire.

We enjoyed our visits to the National Museum very much and thank Miss Williams, Miss Graham, and Miss Stevenson for making these educational outings possible.

The Hobbies Exhibition 1975

The Hobbies Exhibition 1975, was the first one to which boys and girls contributed.

There were many entries of a high standard. The classes ranged from cake and pastry making to hand models and models made from kits. This included unaided crafts, canework, weaving, hand-knitting, crochet, dressmaking, embroidery, tailoring, drawings and pictures, photographs, slides, various collections of stamps, banners, club ties and class and group projects.

The group project on "Pond Life" by two third year boys and the Junior School class project on "Our Diary" in which they illustrated their general home and school life, won prizes.

In the cake and pastry class - it was very tempting not to leave the entries alone during the morning of the exhibition, because they were very enticing - were

snakes and ladders, a football game and different animal designs.

The new classes, introduced by the girls were crochet, handknitting, dressmaking and tailoring. Entries in all these classes were greatly admired. In the tailoring section, the jackets and coats were made by the girls in their Home Economics classes. Avril Payne exhibited the suit which she made at Home Economics classes winning the Dressmaker of the Year Competition.

The Samuel Evans Memorial Trophy was awarded to the Fifth Year Home Economics class for their project on the "New Protein". The girls served samples of this "New Protein" to parents and friends at the Exhibition.

We are very grateful to the Parents' Association for their generous contribution of £60 to provide the prizes.

We thank Mrs. W. K. Hunt very much for distributing the prizes.

We are indebted to Miss Mitchell, one of the judges, who awarded a special prize for Weaving, because of the high standard of the entries in this section.

The 1976 Hobbies Exhibition will follow the same pattern with some additional classes, including one for preserves and one for a wider range of photographs.

Dublin Gas Company Cookery Competition 12th February 1976

We congratulate the members of the Home Economics Department on winning these prizes:

SECOND YEAR:

G. Beardsley	1st prize	£2.00
C. O'Brien	2nd prize	£1.00
A. Lynch	3rd prize	60p
A. Gardner	4th prize	35p
S. Williams	4th prize	35p

THIRD YEAR:

B. O'Brien	1st prize	£1.00
M. Boyland	2nd prize	75p

FOURTH YEAR:

S. Cowan	1st prize	£1.25p
G. Darlington	2nd prize	75p
R. Payne	3rd prize	50p

FIFTH YEAR:

S. Harford	1st prize	£1.25p
J. Kerr	2nd prize	75p
P. Fraser	3rd prize	50p

SIXTH YEAR:

J. Cole	1st prize	£1.25p
H. Bates	2nd prize	75p
J. Taylor	3rd prize	50p

Sixth Uppers' Visit to the Theatre, 1976

This year the Sixth Upper have visited the theatre three times. The first production that we went to see was the musical "Innish" which was very successfully produced by the Abbey. A sense of anticipation filled us as we sat awaiting the rise of the curtain and our expectations were fulfilled by this entertaining production. "Innish" is based on the Lennox Robinson play "Drama at Innish" which was written during the 1930s. The plot centered around a small provincial Irish town which was visited for a summer season by a repertory company specializing in such intellectual productions as Chekov's plays. The effect that this company had on the sleepy town was dramatic. The inhabitants identified themselves with the characters in the plays and feelings long hidden emerged. There is a great deal of unrequited love which in the best stage tradition ended happily in the final joyous lively scene.

Members of the former choral society were delighted to note the appearance of Derek Chapman as a Dublin reporter to come to Innish to discover the cause of the extraordinary happenings which included a hilarious attempted suicide by Des Cane. The production with its excellent acting and catchy songs was immensely enjoyed by us all.

Our next visit to the theatre was to the Gate Theatre to see their production of Sommerville and Ross' play "The Real Charlotte". It was elegantly produced with attractive costumes set in the late nineteenth century amongst the Irish Gentry. It was an enjoyable play but several of the scenes were rather melodramatic although broken up by touches of humour.

Our third visit to the theatre was again to the Abbey to see 'the Shaughraun'. This was an hilarious production of the classic representation of the stage-Irishman.

I thank Mrs. Crowe and Mr. Wallace for both recommending and often accompanying us to these productions. We have enjoyed our visits to the theatre this year.

Virginia Davis 6U.

BIOLOGY TO-DAY SCHOOLS CONFERENCE

The School was represented this year by quite a large number of Fifth and Sixth Formers at the "Biology To-day" conference which is concerned with up to date views, ideas, and changes in Biological Science. The talks were held on Thursday, 18th and Friday, 19th, December in U.C.D. The conference was organised by the Council of the Institute of Biology as an aid to the greater understanding of Biology to-day.

The conference was launched at 10 a.m. on Thursday, using Blood, yes Blood, not Champagne, although Guinness and Yeast were topics for that afternoon. The opening session was an impressive and convincing one. It showed us the preparation of blood for transfusions, stained slides of blood, and proceeded to a film organised by Pelican House. This was followed by a talk on Coeliac Disease, how it affected people, and mentioning the steps being taken to help coeliac sufferers. We then had a light and thoroughly entertaining talk on Forensic Science. Question time with each of the morning speakers brought us up to lunchtime.

After lunch we had a lecture on Yeast, its life cycle and economic importance, organised by the Guinness Group. Having spent much time on cell reproduction, we had a good understanding of its nature and environment. Then we had a talk on Electron Microscopes and how they have been developed, including the history of the microscope. The final session of the day was for many of us one of the best. An American scientist spoke on the subject "The Smaller, the Better; the Larger, the Slower". This dealt with how the size and shape of an organism or animal influence its strength, rate of movement, and other things. Good daily life examples, amazing facts, and many slides added to everyone's enjoyment.

The following day we opened with a talk on "The Famine" its influence and effect, and how it came about. The potato blight fungus was discussed showing its spread in Europe. Our second talk was on the Irish Elk. It included the Ice Age, the evolution of the elk, its nature and its struggle with wolves, among other interesting facts. Our final lecture that morning was on "How Man saw himself". The speaker emphasised that human beings are the most savage animal on earth. They kill their own kind, are aggressive, ambitious, and they murder. They also wish to have a territory of their own. He summed up by saying man will destroy himself for ever if he continues on the same road he is now on. He is part of nature and the system in which we exist.

Following lunch there was an interesting general talk given on Careers in Science.

Generally, the greater majority of the talks were enjoyable and invaluable, well worth having attended. We must thank all the people who gave up their time to come and address us so well and in such an interesting manner, and we also thank Mrs. Massey and Mrs. White for having arranged for our attendance.

*Peter Foss, Gilbert Lui,
Fifth Form*

THE BURREN TRIP, 1975

April, 1975, was a month that some of the present sixth formers will never forget, for it was during this time that about fifty students visited the Burren under the supervision of some brave members of staff. I say "brave members" as this was the first mixed trip since the amalgamation of the schools in September, 1974, and at this stage we were only beginning to know each other! However, our aim was to study all the geographical, biological and geological features in the area during the course of three days.

We began the long journey to Clare on the morning of 21st April, a journey made even longer through the insistence of some enthusiastic teachers to examine an end moraine, and then to walk through the badly drained (i.e. swampy) land between some drumlins in the area west of Tuamgraney. Slightly wet and tired we reached the Durrus or Doorus Youth Hostel where we gratefully devoured the hot stew prepared for us previously by Miss Jagoe, Miss Good and Miss Williams, and Mrs. Bell.

The next day, our C.I.E. driver (who had luckily now grown accustomed to us) brought us to some interesting parts of the Burren. One such place was a turlough, where Mrs. Massey helped the biology students to study the ecology of the characteristic, fluctuating lake. Our next stop was Slieve Elva, where the students of geography had a difficult time explaining to the non-geographers how a river had suddenly disappeared into the ground at Poul Elva and how another could appear from a mysterious hole further down the hill at the Killeaney rising. Some of the more energetic, adventurous pupils even followed Mr. Broad down Poulmagollum in order to explore a cave cut out by an underground river.

The following morning, biology students examined the flora and fauna of limestone pavement along the coast. More of interest to the geologists and geographers was the Ballyvaughan erratic, boulder clay and such features as wave-cut platforms, storm beaches and sand dunes. That same day, having eaten our lunch overlooking the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, we headed back to Dublin.

By the time this is published the present Fifth Formers will have been on the same trip, and I hope their visit will have been as enjoyable and successful as ours was. I would now like to thank, on behalf of the present Sixth Formers, the following people who made our visit possible: Mr. Broad, Mr. Brook, Mrs. Massey, Miss Stevenson and Miss Williams, all of whom had great patience with our antics, also Miss Jagoe and Mrs. Bell for their hard work in the kitchen, and last but not least, Rodney, the C.I.E. driver, without whom we would have had to walk!

Janet Flower
Sixth Form

The Daniel O'Connell
Exhibition

This exhibition was held in the National Library of Ireland to commemorate the bi-centenary of O'Connell's birth.

It consisted of references, letters, newspaper cuttings and cartoons, arranged in chronological order, and was divided into thirteen sections. Each exhibit had a note attached, explaining what it was and its connection with O'Connell.

Fourth Year found their visit very helpful as it gave a new approach to history — this is through reading documents in addition to reading text books. From these documents we were able to form our own opinions. We soon learned how O'Connell, the son of a small landlord in Co. Kerry, was interested in the study of law, became a barrister in 1798, and was gradually involved in supporting the political views of the Irish.

In 1828 he was elected to parliament, but, having refused to take the Oath of Allegiance, could not sit in parliament until the law was repealed. In 1840 he founded the Repeal Association, which flourished until 1843, when fearing a civil disturbance, he called off a "monster" meeting at Clontarf.

In 1847 this great leader and peace-lover died in Rome.

Peter Wheeler (4A2)

High School Work Camp
At Glencree Centre for
Reconciliation

The Glencree Centre for Reconciliation was founded to provide a meeting-place for opposed sections of the Community, on the lines of the existing centre at Corrymeela, near Ballycastle, Co. Antrim. Part of the old reformatory at Glencree was renovated to provide accommodation for a permanent staff of five and up to thirty visitors. The rest of the reformatory provides accommodation for voluntary work parties engaged in the improvement of the facilities there.

As a result of a previous visit to the Centre, 6U decided that a party from High School should spend a weekend working there. We left school on the evening of Friday, 19th March. Saturday morning was spent cutting wood and cleaning waste ground which is to become a camp site. On account of the bad weather, we had to do indoor work in the early afternoon, after which we watched the Ireland-Scotland rugby international.

The weekend was greatly enjoyed by all and we wish to extend our thanks to Miss Barcroft, Mrs. Massey, Mr. Miller and in particular to Mr. Wallace for taking charge of the weekend. *Andrew Rowlands.*

HOCKEY REPORT – 1975/76

This year, mainly due to the building of a fine All Weather hockey pitch, we were able to field seven hockey teams and hold up to three home games every Saturday morning. Six of these teams: 1st X1, 2nd X1, Junior A, Junior B, Minor A and Minor B, entered for their respective Cup tournaments.

Due to a slow and unsteady start to the season, the 1st X1 were knocked out in the first round of the Intermediate Cup by Notre Dame and thus qualified for the Intermediate Plate Tournament. In this competition we qualified for the final by beating Loreto, Beaufort, 2-1, and so met Newpark on 29th March at the Leinster Hockey Union Grounds. Unfortunately, after a hard fought match we lost to a single goal scored in the first half. We offer our congratulations to Newpark on a hard won victory.

In December the 1st X1 went to Cork for two days, playing Bandon Grammar School and Ashton Comprehensive School. The results of these matches were very satisfying as we beat Bandon Grammar 2-0 and drew 0-0 with Ashton. In the return matches played at High School, we again beat Bandon Grammar School, this time 4-1, and drew 1-1 with Ashton.

The 2nd X1, although beaten in the first rounds of both the Cup and Plate, were very successful in the friendly matches, winning the majority of their games.

In the Junior Cup Competition the Junior A gained a walk-over into the second round and, after winning their way into the third round, were eventually knocked out by a very strong Arklow team.

The Junior B gained some success in their five league games, winning 3, drawing 1, and losing only 1. They gained similar successes in their friendly games.

Unfortunately our Minor A team went out of their Cup Competition in the first round, but the Minor B won their way through to the second round of their Cup by beating King's Hospital after a replay. In the second round they were drawn against a very strong team from Our Lady's Grove, and again this match had to go to a replay before we were eventually beaten.

A young beginners team played a number of games and, although they were not always successful, some of these players show great promise.

Denise Crosse,
Hockey Captain.

Girls' Badminton Club 1975/'76

The year 1975-1976 has been a very enjoyable one but not quite as successful as we had hoped for in the Badminton Club. There has been a renewed interest in

the game in the past terms, enabling us to have three badminton teams: one senior, one under sixteen and one junior.

The junior team have had a fairly good season, being placed second in their League, but unfortunately being knocked out by Alexandra College. The senior team did not show themselves as successful as their juniors as they were beaten by Wesley College and Roslyn Park in the League. However they won the friendly matches 4-2, 6-0.

We are very grateful to the trustees of Rathgar Presbyterian Church for the use of the Church Hall on both Monday and Tuesday afternoons during the Autumn and Easter terms.

Also we thank Mrs. Carson and Miss Graham for their tuition and encouragement throughout the year.

Linda Cairns,
Badminton Captain

The Diocesan and High School Old Girls' Association

Another year has flown by and once again I put pen to paper to describe the activities of the Diocesan and High School Old Girls' Association for the 1975-76 season. The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held in May 1975 and the following Officers and Committee were elected:

Honorary Treasurer: Miss Dorothy Kerr.
Honorary Secretary: Miss Barbara Walsh.
Committee: Mrs. Ruth Farrell,
Mrs. Olive Tuach.
Mrs. Hilary Robinson.
Mrs. Hannah McConnell.

Both the outgoing President, Mrs. Hazel McConnell and the incoming President, Mrs. Daphne Townsend, automatically assume places on the Committee. The Association is very pleased to welcome Mrs. Townsend as President as she has served the Association loyally and well and she will be a great asset to the Association.

The season opened with a very successful Fork Supper at which the Association presented Miss Jagoe with a copy of the Book of Kells. We wish Miss Jagoe a long and happy retirement and we welcome her continuing interest in the Association.

The Annual Dress Dance was held in association with the Old Boys' Union for the first time this year. It provided an ideal setting for the renewal of old friendships and we look forward to further functions with the Old Boys.

In November we had a very informative talk from Mr. F. S. Warbrook on the Use of Electricity in the home, while the December meeting provided an op-

portunity to plan holidays on the sunny beaches of Greece and Spain, courtesy of a J.W.T. film show.

The New Year started on an economical footing with a Craft Night at which members and friends displayed their skills in curtain-tailoring, dressmaking, dried flower arranging and other creative arts.

Our film night and handcrafts exhibition devoted to Concern gave some fascinating insights into the background and ideals of the Concern volunteers. An enchanting film on the Dublin Zoo inspired many viewers to wend their way to the Phoenix Park once again.

We organized a major fund-raising campaign this year – starting with a Good-as-New Sale and Coffee Evening and then a great Jumble Sale. We received tremendous support for these ventures and the Association wishes to thank all who helped in any way.

The 21st Annual Dinner was held in the Royal Zoological Society Restaurant in April. Our guest speaker, Mrs. Penelope Kavanagh, charmed everyone with her ready wit and a very enjoyable evening, in a beautiful setting, was had by all. Our season finished in May with the Annual General Meeting.

It is hoped that the current school leavers will take an interest in forthcoming activities and help to make the Association truly an Association of Diocesan and High School Old Girls. There will always be a welcome for any and every Old Girl who wishes to come along at any time.

Barbara Walsh (Honorary Secretary)

News of Diocesan Past Pupils

GRACE MATTHEWS – a nurse working in a Glasgow hospital flies out to the Orkney Islands to escort patients to hospital.

JOY TAYLOR is training in Midwifery at Dumfries Maternity Hospital and hopes to return to the staff of the Adelaide in September.

SUSAN BARRY is a staff nurse in the theatre in the Adelaide Hospital.

LINDA BARRY is in the third year of her training at the Adelaide Hospital.

JUNE BABINGTON is a Medical Laboratory Technician in St. Vincem1s Hospital. She is to be married in June.

We wish JEAN HOSFORD much happiness on her engagement. She has taken a post in Stockton-on-Tees.

DOROTHY BABINGTON continued nursing in the Adelaide Hospital after she had passed her qualifying examination.

SYLVIA WILSON is working in Aer Lingus on weekend flights to Europe.

PATRICIA KILLEEN is taking a course on Midwifery at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh.

MIRIAM FOXHALL is enjoying being a farmer's wife and bringing up her two sons, Daniel and Ian.

DEIRDRE FINCHER is training to be an Occupational Therapist in St. Joseph's College of Occupational Therapy.

KAREN NOBLE is a clerk in the Guardian/Royal Exchange Assurance Group and is enjoying working hard.

EDWINA MUNDY has secured a post with the Allied Irish Bank. She and CHERYL DARLINGTON are valuable members of the Old Diocesan Hockey Club.

JULIET ENSOR and SANDRA JOHNSTON have completed their training at the Adelaide Hospital.

HAZEL TYRER is working successfully in Player Wills.

ALISON SMITH, having completed her Radiography Course at St. Vincent's Hospital, took an extension course at Charing Cross Hospital, London.

LINDA DALBY is working hard in Kevin Street College of Technology on the Medical Laboratory Technician Course.

TRUDY KARSTEL is training to be a Laboratory Technician in Carlow Regional Technological College.

SHIRLEY EATON secured a post in hairdressing in Switzers.

GABRIELLE ELLIS has a post in the Bank of Ireland and studies music in her spare time.

RUTH BABINGTON and RUTH GOODISSON are working together in the Rosse Secretarial College.

KAREN FOXALL, HELEN FINCHER, MARGARET MYERS and SUSAN LOWE are working enthusiastically in the Adelaide Hospital. Karen has completed her first spell of night duty. Margaret and Susan have worked in the surgical wards.

DOREEN McCANN is studying advanced harmony and counterpoint at the Royal Irish Academy and gives private piano lessons.

JANET CHAPMAN and SANDRA WILLIAMS are very happy training in the Adelaide Hospital.

WENDY O'NEILL has a post in an Estate Agents' Office.

HILARY O'NEILL has completed her course in Laboratory Technology very successfully.

BARBARA DAGG is studying music and intends to study for a degree in music.

VALERIE HENDERSON is studying accountancy and has almost completed Foundation I Course of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. She was first of 93 students in the Christmas Term Examination.

JOYCE WILLIAMS is in her Junior Freshman Year at T.C.D.

BARBARA DOWDS was one of three students chosen from T.C.D. to go to America and worked last summer on a project in the Chemistry Department of Harvard University. She is now working in Trinity for the first part of her finals in June.

EMILY TORRENS is specialising in English at Trinity. She is working for the first part of her finals in September. The remainder of her Moderatorship takes place next year.

RUTH BLAKE-KNOX is in her final year, reading History and Political Science at Trinity.

LESLEY GIBSON is in her Junior Freshman Year studying Natural Science.

Births

CREIGHTON (née Lindsay) to Dorothy (1962-1966) and Colin a son (Seann David) 26.4.75 in Holtwhistle, Northumberland.

OVERY to Jean (née Cooley) and Michael, a daughter (Clare Louise) 3.8.76 at Bury St. Edmunds.

FARRELL to Susan (née Maiden) and Howard, a son (Ross Jonathan) 12.12.75.

STANLEY to Barbara (née Maiden) and Ken a son (Graham Kenneth) 15.1.76.

MILLER to Susan (née Kenny) and Dr. Miller a daughter (Sarah Jane) at Somerset.

Engagements

GAW: Jasmin to William Hourie.

FOXALL: Ola to David Willis.

HODGINS: Heather to Peter Boate.

Chess Notes

This has been a most successful season for the Chess Club.

Last September we decided to enter the top Leinster Senior League for the first time, and this decision was well justified by our results. Not all results are in at the time of writing but we expect to finish 3rd or 4th. Our team reached the semi-final of the annual knock-out competition and were most unlucky to be beaten. The score was 3 points each, but the result favoured our opponents whose points were scored on the higher boards. High School can justly boast of having one of the 3 or 4 best teams in Leinster.

Our juniors had friendly matches against St. Columba's and De La Salle and acquitted themselves well.

Other events during the season were two simultaneous chess matches against John Gibson and Colm Egan of Collegians Chess Club and an internal tournament during the Christmas term. We would like to thank John and Colm for giving up their time.

Normally so menial a task as writing Erasmian chess notes would be delegated to a mere underling. This year however I decided to write them myself so that I could express my thanks and admiration for the way these underlings have run the chess club this season.

Philip Sterne our captain did an enormous amount

of work in arranging our fixtures. He did a magnificent job. Philip has also distinguished himself in the chess scene outside High School, having scored a series of wins for Collegians Chess Club in the high ranking Ennis League.

Equal thanks are due to Ian Dunlop and Chris Lee for all their work looking after our equipment. Not all who play chess in High School appreciate how much they do. Those enthusiasts who scatter chess pieces all over the floor please note.

Martin Hilliard

Report of Old Diocesan Hockey Club – 1975-'76

This is our fourteenth season since the Club was founded, and we were pleased to welcome Cheryl Darlington, Bridget Ivory, Edwina Mundy, Elspeth Stuart, Christina Worrall, Helen Simpson and Avril Styles as new members. This gave us a total of forty five members.

This year we hired the hard pitch at St. Anne's Convent, Milltown, for our home matches. We entered three teams in the Leagues this season; one in Middle, one in Junior, and the third in Minor. All three teams have enjoyed their games and the results are better than last year.

The social side of the Club was tremendously successful, due to the hard work of the Social Secretary, Gill Walsh, and her committee. It began with a very popular Car Scavenger Hunt, followed by a visit from a representative of the Samaritans who told us of the work of his organisation in Dublin. We held our annual Carol Singing Evening in December and we were delighted to send the Samaritans a substantial donation as a result.

In January we held a Flower Arranging Evening, and this was followed in February by an evening on Holidays in Ireland by Bord Fáilte. Our annual fund-raising activity took place in March and we raised £90 at a Bring and Buy Sale. As I write we look forward to the very popular Travelling Dinner, which is the last social event of the season.

Every year we enter a team for the Cross Cup Tournament in Galway, and this year was no exception. We won two out of the six games we played, and we congratulate all who took part, as the standard of hockey was very high. Some of the opposing teams contained internationals!

The last event of this season is the Annual General Meeting which we hope will be the lively, well attended meeting it usually is.

Valerie A. Smith (Hon. Secretary)



JUNIOR CRICKET XI

Back row: B. Glass, R. Cooke, A. Blair, D. Meredith, G. Cottell.

Seated: Mr. Lowry, J. Cole, R. Godsil, I. Bloom (captain); C. Motyer, N. Henderson, Mr. Fennell; R. Frith, B. Motyer.



UNDER-14 CRICKET XI

Back row: K. Davies, G. Cottell, N. Poff, B. Glass, D. Kenny, A. Potts.

Seated: Mr. D. Cole, R. Frith, B. Motyer, A. Blair, N. Henderson, D. Temperley, Mr. R. Fennell.

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