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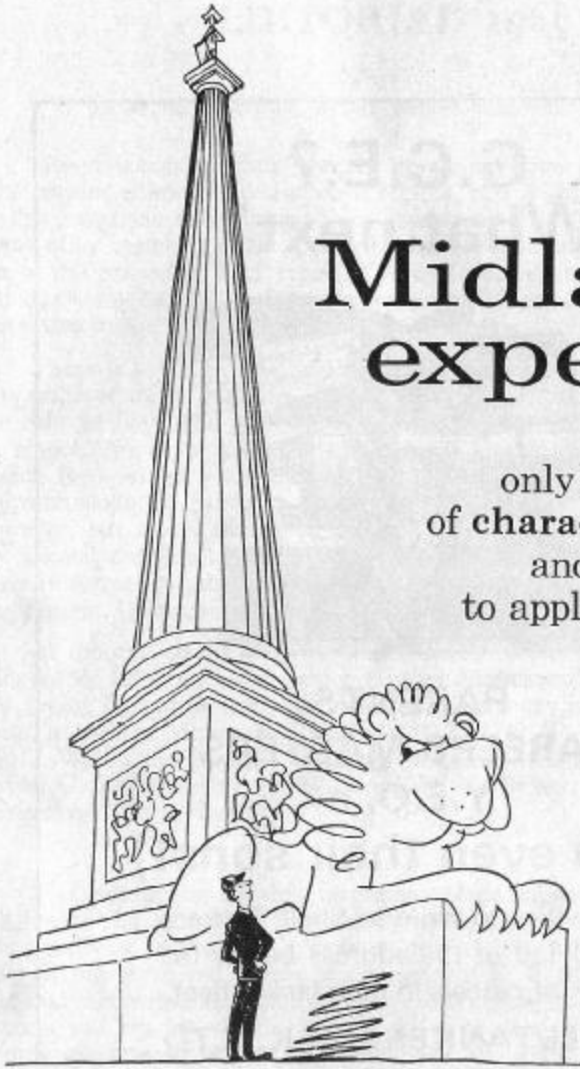

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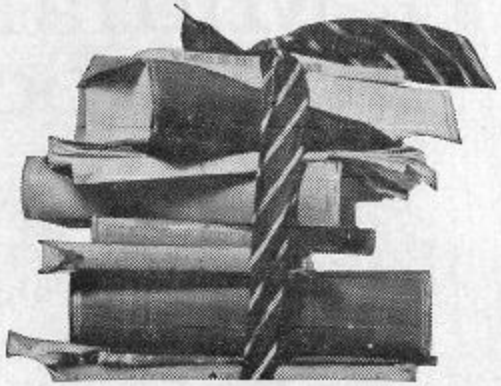

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EDITORIAL 1965

"If better were within, better would come out"—Kelly 1721

"Resurrection or death" was the phrase used over the school magazine. The present editor decided upon a rebirth, and he hopes that the readers of this magazine will disregard any inadequacies in it. He should like to thank other members of the Upper School for their support in the bringing out of this magazine. Alas, repeated requests for original articles resulted in not one being handed in for consideration. One must, I think, agree with the proverb at the beginning.

There is a small group in the school who tend to run everything and support everything, but this enthusiastic body is grossly outnumbered by the mass of boys who are not prepared to put much into their attendance at school. An example of this is that the rugby 1st XV had its finest season for over 30 years and yet only a few regular supporters bothered to come along on Saturday afternoons to cheer them on. All is not lost, however, but much should be done to rectify the situation, before, like the school magazine could have done, we sink into oblivion and become a ready target for those who favour a Comprehensive School System over the present Grammar and Secondary School.

At the end of the year we said farewell to two outstanding masters, Mr. A. M. Robertson, the Senior History Master and Mr. H. R. Dennis, the Senior Biology Master, and we wish them many happy years of retirement, as well as Messrs. B. Rowlands, R. Hill, D. T. Hill, A. P. K. Scott, G. L. Ward; and in their place we welcome Messrs. A. L. Say, R. E. Sayer, G. K. Terrell, L. J. Williams, M. G. Bellett, E. J. Boagey, J. A. Burnett and P. A. Realff.

C.P.M.

The production of this magazine marks an extraordinary event in the life of this school. It was entirely unlooked for by those whose duty it normally is to produce it, and its publication has been made possible only by the verve and energy of one scholar, C. P. Molony. It seems only just that this magazine, which he has nursed during its pregnancy, obtaining reports and articles, should bear a tribute to him at its birth, this term. Words are entirely inadequate to express the effort, determination, and slogged devotion to duty which have been displayed by him during the last term. A vote of thanks must surely be due to him from all purchasers of this exceptional magazine.

ANON

School Officers 1963-4

School Captain: C. J. HARRISON

School Vice-Captain: B. J. CARTY (Autumn Term Only)
D. P. DOERR

Senior Prefect: D. H. ORTON

Prefects:

G. H. LAURIE	G. W. EDWARDS	Summer Term only
R. C. NICOL	P. W. HARRISSON	
H. C. NORCOTT	B. H. MARTIN	
E. F. GUYVER	R. A. HEARN	

Sub-Prefects:

L. ALLEN	J. DUNN	A. TURNER
M. ARCHER	D. FISHER	C. VAN DYCK
G. ASH	G. GERMAIN	R. WALKER
M. BAKER	N. GREEN	R. WEBB
J. BLATCHFORD	J. HORNBY	R. WELLER
M. BRIDGE	B. MILES	A. WHITTINGHAM
R. CAMERON	P. NORMAN	R. WILLIAMS
N. CLOSE	P. PASSENGER	N. WOOLLARD
D. CRISP	C. TOMBLIN	
J. CUNLIFFE	A. TREMELLING	

Speech Night 23rd November, 1964

Wimbledon Town Hall was, as usual, filled to capacity by both boys and their parents for the Annual Speech Night.

The Chairman of the Governors, J. C. G. Crump, Esq., O.B.E., J.P., in his opening remarks mentioned the forthcoming appeal for a school swimming pool, and carefully explained the position over his resignation as Chairman of the Governors with the coming of the Greater London Council. The Headmaster followed with his annual report of the School's activities, noting that it was the last Speech Night under the auspices of the Surrey County Council. He maintained that the school's academic standard was rising, and that the school was flourishing as a whole.

The guest speaker, A. M. Baird, B.A., Esq., Chief Education Officer of Surrey, then presented the prizes and certificates, but before making his address, there was a special presentation made to Mr. Crump, in recognition of his invaluable sevices to the school. The presentation was made by the Rev. Heaton Renshaw, Vice-Chairman of the Governors, and took the form of a mounted school crest.

Mr. A. Baird began his speech by commending the retiring Chairman of the Governors J. C. G. Crump on his untiring efforts for the school.

Praising the Grammar School system in general, he noted especially the achievements of our own sixth form, and hinted that under the new Greater London Council it would soon grow to about 250 in number.

He went on that with such large numbers, although University Entrance should be striven for, the alternative — Colleges of Advanced Technology — should not be frowned upon. He also stressed the need in this new age for more scientists, engineers and technicians, suggesting that schools could place more emphasis in these fields.

Turning to the parents, Mr. Baird quoted some statistics about the difficult working conditions some children found at home, and he emphasised the need for quiet rooms where children could work.

The Chief speech was followed by J. C. G. Crump's reply to the presentation made to him earlier in the evening. Then Mr. Close outlined the activities of the Parents' Association, and Mr. Crabtree, as President of the Old Boys, spoke of its integral part in the life of the school, and of the help the association could give a boy on leaving. A vote of thanks to Mr. A. M. Baird was proposed by the Mayor of Wimbledon, Alderman Sidney Black, and seconded by the Vicar of St. Mary's Merton Park, the Rev. Heaton Renshaw. The concluding speech was, as usual, delivered by the present school captain, G. W. Edwards, who appealed to the prophets of gloom to stop being pessimistic about the school's reputation, and mentioned the increase in extra-corricula activities, thanking those masters concerned.

As is traditional the evening was brought to a close by the singing of the School Song and the National Anthem.

C.P.M.

PRIZES 1963/64

2A.	SHIRTLIFF, E. D. J.	5C.	SHARP, L. H. A.
2B.	COOK, C. B.	5D.	MAILLARD, P. R.
2C.	GRIMSTONE, N. P.	3A.	EELLS, P. W.
4A.	MARSH, R. T. F., BAINTON, A. J.	3B.	WARREN, G. R.
4B.	HUDSON, R. J.	3C.	FULLER, K. C.
4C.	STOCKLEY, C. M.	RA.	WELLS, N. D., HARRISON, R. A.
5X.	SOUTHWORTH, E. A., WEBSTER, R. B.	RB.	WHATMORE, J. C.
5A.	ROBERTS, W. K., CUTBILL, T. J.	RC.	LACEY, S.
5B.	PECK, R. L., THOMPSON, P. B.	RD.	COPE, C. E.

TRANSITUS:

Science:

ATTEWELL, P. (*Geology*).
CRISP, D. M. (*Zoology*).
ELLIOTT, P. J. (*Chemistry*).
GOUT, J. R. (*Maths.*).
LARKIN, K. C. (*Geography*).
TAYLOR, D. F. (*Physics and Maths.*).
WARDILL, P. (*Maths.*).
WHITTINGTON, M. (*Maths.*).

Languages:

BLYTH, G. D. (*French and Latin*).
GLEED, D. M. (*Eng. and History*).
OVERY, R. E. (*Eng. and French*).

SIXTH FORM:

O.R.A. Prizes: ARCHER, M. G., DOERR, D. P., LAURIE, G. H., NORCOTT, H. C.

Parents' Assn. Prizes: CLOSE, N. A., GAY, A. R., ORTON, D. H., TURNER, A. J.

Form Prizes: Science: BAKER, M. L., BLATCHFORD, J. G., CAMERON, R. A., CHEGWIDDEN, R. J. D., HICKS, C. P., HIGGINS, P., NORMAN, P., PORTER, N. W., TAYLOR, P. R., VINCENT, J., WHITTINGHAM, A. C.

Languages: FLATMAN, M. E., GREEN, N. G., HEMINGWAY, M. J., MOLONY, C. P., TOMBLIN, C. N.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Louisa Bennett Art Prizes: Senior: BAILEY, P. C., Junior: GRIFFIN, C. F.
Music Prizes: HEMINGWAY, M. J., GOUT, A. M.
Woodwork Prize: BURRAGE, C. G.
Beaverbrook-Bennett Commonwealth History Prize: TURNER, A. J.
School Captain's Prize: HARRISON, C. J.
Butler Physics Prize: CLOSE, N. A.
Mullens Memorial Prize: NORCOTT, H. C.
Everett Memorial Athletic Prize: NORCOTT, H. C.
Daniels Cricket Prize: LAURIE, G. H.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

John Innes Scholarships: ORTON, D. H., CLOSE, N. A., HARRISON, C. J.
Disney Scholarship: GAY, A. R.
John Innes Travel Scholarships: BLYTH, G. D., BUTCHER, W. E., LEWIS, D. J.

G.C.E. A LEVEL RESULTS

Ash, G. R.	(f)	Higgins, P.	(pm, am, p)
Archer, M. G.	(pm*, am*, p*)	Higgins, P. A.	(ch, p)
Bailey, P. C.	(el, art)	Hornby, J. B.	(el, f)
Baker, M. L.	(ch, p, z)	Horseman, B. J.	(g)
Ball, D. H.	(el, art)	Horsman, P. N.	(el, h, eh)
Bartlett, M. J.	(el, f)	Jafri, S.	(art)
Battison, G. N.	(pm, am,, p)	Laurie, G. H.	(g)
Blatchford, J. G.	(p, z*)	Leech, P. M.	(am, pm*, p)
Boon, N. A.	(ch, p, z)	Lemanski, I. J.	(pm, p*)
Burlinson, R. A.	(ch, z)	Lewis, D. J.	(f, sp)
Cameron, R. A.	(pm, am, p)	Lewis, P.	(g, eh)
Chegwidden, R. J. D.	(ch, p, z*)	Lodge, A. J.	(el, h)
Clarke, D. J.	(el)	Long, R. G.	(pm, am, p)
Close, N. A.	(pm*, am*, p*)	Martin, B. H.	(h, eh)
Cole, D. P.	(pm, am)	Molony, C. P.	(el, g, h)
Cunliffe, J. S.	(ch, p)	Musk, T. J.	(ch)
Dobson, P. A.	(am pm)	Nicol, R. C.	(pm, p)
Doerr, D. P.	(am pm)	Norcott, H. C.	(ch, p, z)
Dunn, J. J.	(ch, pm)	Norman, P.	(ch, pm, p)
Edwards, G. W.	(el, g, h)	**Orton, D. H.	(pm*, ap*)
Elliott, B. M.	(el, f)	Porter, N. W.	(pm, am, p)
Everett, P. M.	(eh)	Riches, F.	(pm, am, p)
Fielder, K. D.	(art)	Sainsbury, M. J.	(art)
Fisher, D. J.	(eh)	Stainton, B. R.	(pm)
Flatman, M. E.	(g, h, eh)	Taylor, P. R.	(pm*, am*, p)
Fowler, J. A. L.	(el, f, art)	*Tomblin, C. N.	(f)
Gay, A. R.	(pm*, am* p*)	Turner, A. J.	(el, h*, eh)
Green N. G.	(f, h, l)	VanDyck, C. N.	(g)
Harrison, C. J.	(el)	Vincent, J.	(pm, am, p)
Harrisson, P. W.	(pm, p)	Whittingham, A. C.	(ch*, pm, p)
Hemingway, M. J.	(f, l, sp)	Woollard, N. W.	(h, eh)
Hicks, C. P.	(pm*, ch, p*)		

**Distinction on Special Papers.
*Merit on Special Papers.

* after the subject letter.
Distinction in a particular subject

FIVE OR MORE G.C.E. O LEVEL SUBJECTS

Boughen, C.	Strange, G. L.	Waldron, A.
Boughen, M.	Watson, K. F.	White, J. C.
Browning, R.	Webb, R. A.	Collis, M. G.
Charman, N. F.	Webster, R. B.	Edser, R. J.
Evans, M. A.	Williams, N. R.	Holder, M. L.
Hall, D. M.	Addison, B. R.	Maynard, W. B.
Hall, T. J.	Bennett, S. R.	Newman, B. J.
Hicks, P. J.	Bloom, G. P.	Oakley, K. A.
Jackson, E.	Buckle, E. H.	Ormiston, R.
Jennings, J.	Cutbill, T.	Parsons, M. E.
Kemp, R. G.	Engall, J. N. T.	Peck, R. L.
King, M. N.	Glasgow, A. D.	Penny, C. C.
Lambson, M. A.	Grace, C. S. W.	Reid, A. K.
Lawson, L. C.	Hamilton, R. L.	Ripley, J.
Low, B.	Kitchener, J. R.	Rowland, D. C.
Mitchell, P. R.	Langridge, T. R.	Scofield, A. J.
Moncrieff, S. J.	Lyle, C. A.	Thompson, P. B.
Morris, R. S.	Miles, A. S.	Webb, J. C.
Neaves, B. J.	Peck, C. J.	Woods, A. D.
Newman, G. L.	Pike, D. E.	Lundie, M. J.
Plackett, D. V.	Pugh, P. D.	Quick, T. J.
Poole, A. J.	Roberts, W. K.	Sharp, L. H. A.
Richards, D. L.	Rolfe, A. C.	Wall, R.
Richards, P. S.	Sharp, C. J.	Wilson, T. H.
Salmon, D. R. A.	Varran, C. B.	Maillard, P. R.
Southworth, E.	Walsh, P. M.	

HOUSE TROPHIES

	Winner	*Runners-up*
Work	Kelts	Crusaders
Rugby	Kelts	Parthians
Cricket (Buckle Cup)	Romans	Parthians
Athletics	Crusaders	Spartans
Cross-Country (Parents' Cup) ...	Crusaders	Spartans
Swimming	Romans	Crusaders
C.C.F. (Whittaker Shield)	Trojans	Romans
Shooting	Trojans	Romans
Chess	Trojans	Romans
Fives	Crusaders	Argonauts Kelts Spartans
Debating (Marsh Cup)	Argonauts	Kelts
Cock House	Kelts	Crusaders

Valetes

C. J. HARRISON—School Captain 1963-64. Parthian House President 1963-64, Parthian House Vice-Captain 1962-63, Peacock Club, Rugby 1st XV 1962-64, Secretary 1963-64, Colours, School Cricket 2nd XI 1964. Naval Section C.U.O. Sixth form discussion group. Dramatic Society, History Society. Leaving to study at Keele University.

D. P. DOERR—School Vice-Captain. Crusader House President 1963-64, Crusader House Captain 1962-63, Peacock Club, Rugby 1st XV 1961-64, Colours, Cricket 1st XI 1960-64, Colours, Fives VI 1961-64, Captain 1963-64, Colours, Debating Society. Leaving to take up career as an actuary.

B. J. CARTY—Senior Prefect until Christmas 1963. Viking House Captain 1963, Peacock Club, Rugby 1st XV 1961-63, Captain 1963, Colours, Cricket 1st XI 1963, 2nd XI 1961-63, School Athletics 1963, Army Section Sgt. Leaving to enter Kingston College of Technology.

D. H. ORTON—Senior Prefect 1964. Crusader House Vice-Captain, Peacock Club, School Orchestra, Dramatic Society. Debating Society. Leaving to enter Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge to take Honours degree in Maths.

G. H. LAURIE—School Prefect. Roman House Captain 1962-64. Cricket 1st XI 1961-64, Colours, Captain 1964. Rugby 2nd XV 1962-64. School Swimming team 1963-64. R.A.F. W.O.1. Leaving to enter the Royal Air Force.

H. C. NORCOTT—School Prefect. Kelt House Vice-Captain. Rugby 1st XV 1961-64. Treasurer 1962-63, Vice-Captain 1963-64, Colours, 2nd XI 1963-64. Athletics Captain, 1963-64, Fives IV 1963-64. Leaving to enter Charing Cross Hospital to study medicine.

R. C. NICOL—School Prefect. Crusader House Captain 1963-64. Cricket 1st XI 1963-64. Rugby 1st XV 1962-64. Colours. Athletics team. Fives IV 1963-64. Leaving to enter accountancy.

E. F. GUYVER—School Prefect. Kelt House Captain 1963-64. Rugby 1st XV 1963-64. Cricket 2nd XI 1964. Fives team 1961-64. C.C.F. Navy Coxwain. Leaving to enter Kingston College of Technology.

B. H. MARTIN—School Prefect. Kelt House Committee. Rugby 1st XV 1963-64. 2nd XV 1962-63. Cricket 1st XI 1961-64. Treasurer 1962-63. Vice-Captain 1963-64. Colours. Leaving to enter accountancy.

Merton 1965

On the morning of April 1st, the world around us looked much the same as usual. There was no visible sign that overnight a great change had been wrought. Yet on that day we became part of a new administrative area, the Greater London Borough of Merton.

Rutlish had been linked with Surrey almost since County Councils were invented. But it was a "Merton" foundation, closely associated with the Ancient Parish. For that reason, it is a matter of satisfaction to the school that the name of Merton is to be continued in the title of the new Borough.

We offer our good wishes to all concerned in the future direction and administration of local affairs, especially to the Mayor, the Councillors and the officers. We know that the work involved in the change-over has been, and will be, extremely heavy. We hope to see the benefits of their labour.

Cock House Competition 1963-64

POSITIONS

Cup	*Argonauts*	*Crusaders*	*Kelts*	*Parthians*	*Romans*	*Spartans*	*Trojans*	*Vikings*
Work	5th	2nd	1st	8th	4th	7th	3rd	6th
Rugby	3rd	6th	1st	2nd	8th	4th	7th	5th
Cricket	5th	3rd	4th	2nd	1st	5th	5th	5th
A'letics	4th	1st	3rd	7th	5th	2nd	8th	6th
Cross-country	5th	1st	3rd	7th	4th	2nd	8th	6th
Swimming	7th	2nd	5th	8th	1st	4th	6th	3rd
Shooting	7th	4th	8th	3rd	2nd	6th	1st	5th
Chess	4th	7th	8th	6th	2nd	3rd	1st	5th
Fives	2nd	1st	2nd	7th	5th	2nd	6th	8th
Debating	1st		2nd					
Whittaker Shield	7th	4th	8th	3rd	2nd	6th	1st	5th

House Reports 1963-4

ARGONAUT

House Masters—G. J. Glass, Esq., R. C. Howard, Esq.

House Captain—M. G. Archer

House Vice-Captain—D. M. Crisp

Committee—J. G. Blatchford, H. E. Flatman, C. P. Hicks, P. Higgins, A. J. Lodge, R. J. Morgan, I. G. Newton

The year was, in general, one of the least successful in recent times, although we eventually finished fourth in the Cock House Cup.

The Debating Cup was our only victory and our other best positions were second in the Fives and third in Rugby Cups. In the latter case we were second in the league but failed in the 7-a-sides.

Our poor position of fifth in the Work Cup let us down badly. As always, the upper part of the school seemed to do well but the junior's letters were only average and this is just not good enough. This is the only field in which the juniors can help the House and much more effort is needed.

Prospects for the future, however, are bright and I feel certain that with the help of our excellent house master Mr. Glass, and under the leadership of D. M. Crisp we should win the Cock House Cup outright next year.

M.G.A.

CRUSADER

Housemasters—H. P. Walker, Esq. J. E. Morris, Esq.
House President—D. P. Doerr
House Captain—R. C. Nicol
House Vice-Captain—D. H. Orton
Committee—N. W. Woollard, J. J. Dunn, S. Jafri, J. Dodd, P. Wilmer, W. K. Roberts, R. E. R. Taylor

Once again the house did extremely well, finishing second in the Cock-House competition in a close fought finish which saw us in the first two places for the seventh consecutive time.

The main credit for the success must go to the oustanding leadership given by last year's President and Captain in the face of a severe dearth of talent in the upper part of the house. In this context I feel that I must give sincere thanks to our two excellent house-masters for all the encouragement they have given to the house over the years.

For the immediate future prospects are rather bleak as evidenced by the few competitions already in progress this year but I am confident that once our present juniors graduate into the upper school, the house will enjoy a period of success comparable to that just finished.

N.W.W.

KELT

House Masters—R. Rumbell, Esq. B. Rowlands, Esq.
House President—G. R. Ash
House Captain—E. F. Guyver
Vice-Captain—H. C. Norcott
Committee—B. H. Martin, M. L. Baker, N. Green, P. Dunckley, L. Sharp, J. Thwaites

It has been the consistent will and enthusiasm of the ordinary member of the House which has led to ultimate triumph of the Kelts. This was particularly evident in the athletics and swimming competitions. In neither of these did Kelts excel, but strong enthusiasm saved us from complete defeat in each case. Our Junior swimming team shows much promise for the future.

Although the efforts of our chess and shooting teams yielded little reward the consistent spirit of the House did shine through to reap for us the Work Cup and the Rugby Cup; with second places in fives and debating.

Kelts are Cock House for 1963-4 due entirely to the unflinching efforts of its members, even in the face of occasional lack of direct success. It is hoped future generations of Kelts will continue in this spirit.

J.W.T.

PARTHIAN

Housemasters—J. C. Preuveneers, Esq. J. E. Peckham, Esq.
House President—C. J. Harrison
House Captain—G. W. Edwards
House Vice-Captain—J. S. Cunliffe
Committee—L. Allen, P. Norman, P. Bailey, J. Vincent, J. Hornby, R. Burlinson, D. Tregilgas, L. Lawson

It is with a certain amount of melancholy that I make the report on the Parthian House this year. At the beginning of the year I had hoped that some talent would appear, but unfortunately the talent which was evident came from those who had already shown their worth in previous years.

We were most successful in the sporting sphere, and to a certain extent exceeded expectation by coming second in both cricket and rugby. It is unfortunate that the spirit which was evident in the sports sides was not reflected in the House as a whole. The entire attitude of the middle school is wrong, they seem to think that the House Committee are the only people responsible for House activities. It cannot be stressed too often that this is merely a formula for decay.

I sincerely hope both for the future Committee and the House as a whole that this attitude can be eradicated, for if it is not, the Parthians will remain in the lower echelons for some years to come, and this would be a tragedy.

G.W.E.

ROMAN

House Masters—J. H. King, Esq. C. A. G. Peters, Esq.
House Captain—G. H. Laurie
House Vice-Captain—A. C. Whittingham
Committee—D. H. Ball, N. Close, C. P. Molony, J. Milson, R. Williams, A. Tremelling, N. R. Williams.

This year was a successful one for the house and third position was achieved in the Cock-House competition. The chief disappointment of the year was our failure to retain the Work Cup which the Romans have won for the past three years. Had we won this, then we would have been Cock House.

Our sporting achievements in past years have been rather modest but this year, Romans won the Cricket and Swimming Cups and these successes more than compensated for our gaining the "wooden spoon" at Rugby. Good positions were also achieved in Chess, Athletics and Fives.

With the exception of a few misguided youths, the whole House pulled their weight throughout the year and there was always a keen, tenacious House spirit noticeable in all activities. The support of our House Masters, Mr. King and Mr. Peters deserve special mention; throughout the year they gave great encouragement to the House Committee and supported House activities fervently. Perhaps after three years within touching distance of the Cock House Cup, the efforts of the House in the year 1964-65 will be justly rewarded.

A.C.W.

SPARTAN

House Master—A. C. Draycott, Esq.
House Captain—P. W. Harrisson
House Vice-Captain—R. A. Cameron
Committee—P. Everett, G. Germain, R. Kirkin, G. Battison, D. Maclean, C. Van Dyck

This year, the Spartan House, was at its lowest. There was very little effort from a large majority of the members and the cups in which a reasonably high position was obtained was only due to hard work by the committee and a few others.

The vital Work Cup was lost hopelessly and the position reflects the general effort of lower members of the House. The major sports cups, i.e. Rugby and Cricket, were lost quite substantially while the results of the Fives, Cross-country and Athletics, in which the house were runners-up, shows the possible future athletic ability. As usual, the swimming gala was won by a few able persons, but the house registration caused the House to drop to 4th position. 3rd place was obtained in the Chess Cup, by an able few and 6th position in the Shooting Cup shows more bad luck than anything else.

I should just like to thank the committee for their manifold help and say that although this year has been bad, next year the results must be better.

G.S.J.G.

TROJAN

House Masters—R. M. J. Tank, Esq. G. W. F. Clarke, Esq.
House Captain—R. A. Hearn
House Vice-Captain—J. O. Cargill
Committee—R. A. Webb, R. G. J. Walker, D. A. Sherbourne, M. D. Bridge, G. P. Bloom

Trojans this term got off to a superb start. It seemed as if we were about to pull ourselves out of the deep at long last as we were first in the letters and we won the chess cup for the second successive year. But our hopes soon flickered; there was not much chance of winning any of our house rugby matches. As the year went on, we slipped even further. In the house cross-country we failed dismally filling 7th position. The juniors did fairly well and perhaps in later years we may have a reasonable success in this event.

In the swimming we fared even worse. In the fives we achieved our highest position of 5th.

In the cricket we had the misfortune of being drawn against the Parthians who were undoubtedly one of the strongest teams.

All in all, a disastrous year, but I'm glad to say that there is some potential in the lower part of the house which perhaps will bring Trojans to the heights again.

R.G.J.W.

VIKING

House Masters—B. W. Hope, Esq. G. H. Glanville, Esq.
House Captains—B. J. Carty, B. Miles, D. J. Fisher
Vice-Captain—P. C. Passenger
Committee—D. J. Lewis, P. Lewis, T. J. Musk, P. A. Stokes, R. Weller

After a distinct improvement in the last few years, the Vikings returned to mediocrity last year, finishing in the bottom half of the Cock House table.

One of the major reasons for lack of success was that during the year two important officials left. B. Carty departed unexpectedly at Christmas—a terrible blow especially to our rugby hopes. Then, B. Miles, his successor, left at Easter. So, there was a new house captain every term.

Sporting achievements were sometimes quite good. We finished fifth in rugby and came second in the sevens tournament, even defeating the seemingly unbeatable Kelts—the feat of the year. But mediocre results were recorded in most other cups and we finished last in fives.

In the work cup, also, we only finished sixth. This was mainly because of bad letters by certain notorious house members and too many juniors being content with only average letters every fortnight.

However, there are some talented members in the house and our position should improve considerably next year if we can do better in the work cup as there are already some good sportsmen in the House. It is up to everyone else to give maximum effort. Finally, I would like to thank the House Committee for all their efforts in a difficult task.

D.J.F.

Rugby 1963-4

FIRST XV

P. 16 W. 13 D. 1 L. 2 For 211 Against 51

Despite some outstanding individuals, the main reason for the excellence of the side was the great teamwork. Members of the team knew that every player could be counted on to do his job properly. Perhaps the two greatest factors other than this being a brilliant fly-half, H. C. Norcott, and a strong experienced front row of B. J. Carty, J. Gaskin and G. W. Edwards.

M. Baker proved an extremely tough and reliable scrum-half and his service was generally good. At full-back, R. C. Nicol's handling was impeccable throughout the season proving a greater source of confidence than his tackling. The two centres, D. P. Doerr and B. H. Martin, were dependable and tireless in defence, but their attacking scope was limited. P. Passenger proved himself a capable ball player and though he sometimes

lacked pace, scored several times competently. On the other wing, L. Lawson showed great promise and used his speed to advantage.

The rest of the pack often played intelligently, but at first it was difficult to find a partner for E. F. Guyver in the second row. When R. Cameron returned to fitness, he played with great energy and his line-out play considerably improved the amount of possession. The back row, C. Harrison, R. Walker and G. Ash all played well on occasions, covering well and seldom missing tackles. G. Ash never really settled down at wing-forward and in a few games played in the threes. However, his speed and ball-play demanded his inclusion.

The two games lost, against Bedford Modern and Perse School, were both very good, particularly the latter. We had several good wins of which New College, Sandhurst, Queen Elizabeth, Barnet, Old Rutlishians and Roslyn Park were most satisfying.

The last of these, which we won by 37-0, was a fitting climax to a really good season.

Colours—M. L. Baker, R. A. Cameron, D. P. Doerr, G. W. Edwards, C. J. Harrison, R. C. Nicol.

Representative Games—Carty, Norcott and Edwards for Surrey; Norcot and Edwards for London

Roslyn Park Sevens

1st Round—Rutlish 21—6 Merchant Taylors.
2nd Round—Rutlish 19—5 Kingswood
3rd Round—Rutlish 10—0 Churchers
Quarter-finals—Rutlish 0—6 Royal Belfast

For the first time we reached the quarter-finals of this competition. This achievement was even more creditable as two of our first choice players were injured. With a full side I feel certain we would have reached the semi-final.

Players—H. C. Norcott, C. J. Harrison, G. W. Edwards, R. C. Nicol, P. W. Harrisson, R. A. Cameron, D. P. Doerr, L. Lawson and G. Ash.

G.W.E.

Results 1st XV

Ottershaw	A	Won	18—5
Bedford Mod.	H	Lost	3—6
City of London	H	Won	9—0
Eltham	A	Won	24—8
Perse	H	Lost	3—6
Wadham Coll. Oxford	A	Won	5—3
Reading	H	Won	14—5
Trinity	A	Drawn	3—3
Guildford R.G.S.	A	Won	23—3
New College, Sandhurst	H	Won	20—3
Queen Elizabeth, Barnet	H	Won	6—3
Bancroft	A	Won	17—3
Wimbledon College	H	Won	3—0
O.Rs.	H	Won	6—0
Caterham	H	Won	20—3
Rosslyn Park	H	Won	37—0

SECOND XV

The second team enjoyed a very successful season and was probably one of the strongest teams ever. Only one match was lost at home but,

unfortunately, away results were disappointing. The only poor result was obtained against Bedford, a strong team especially after a tiring coach journey.

Although some players were occasionally lost to the first team, team work was good. The team was captained by Laurie; Bridge showed thrust on the wing; Stokes was an able if unorthodox scrum-half, Harrison, Archer and Morgan showed speed; and Fisher and Cunliffe were exuberant wing-forwards. Much of the success is undoubtedly due to the work of Mr. G. Glass and Mr. J. King.

D.J.F.

Played 12, Won 6, Drawn 2, Lost 4 Points: For 130, Against 89

Results

Ottershaw	H	Won	14—8
Bedford Mod.	A	Lost	5—26
City of London	A	Won	18—0
Eltham	H	Won	14—0
Trinity	A	Lost	9—11
Reading	A	Won	15—11
Trinity	H	Drawn	3—3
Guildford R.G.S.	H	Lost	3—10
O.Rs.	H	Won	20—0
Bancrofts	H	Won	16—6
City of London	H	Drawn	3—3
Wimbledon College	A	Lost	0—11

Cricket 1964

FIRST XI

Captain—G. H. Laurie
Vice-Captain—B. H. Martin
Secretary—R. A. Hearn
Treasurers—G. W. Edwards
P. W. Harrisson

Under the captaincy of G. H. Laurie, the 1st XI experienced a comparatively successful season, winning 6 matches, losing 4 and drawing the rest. Most of the draws were, however, moral victories, notable amongst these being the games against Merton C.C. and the Old Rutlishians.

During the season the two regular opening batsmen, Doerr and Hearn, scored over a thousand runs between them, thus creating a new school record. They were ably supported by Martin and occasional good knocks from Lawson and Laurie. Harrisson created a school record by taking over 60 wickets, but he had support only periodically from the other opening bowler Lawson, while the absence of a reliable spin bowler was conspicuous throughout.

Although the wicket-keeping of Laurie was consistently good and sometimes brilliant, the outfielding was too often shoddy and inconsistent. Other records which were broken during the season were the total of 248 against the Parents, and the unbroken seventh wicket partnership of 93 by Hearn and Archer against Merton.

Colours were awarded to Harrisson, Hearn and Edwards.

R.A.H.

RESULTS

Kingston G.S.—Rutlish 135 (Edwards 39); K.G.S. 96—5 (Edwards 3—24)—Draw.
Met. Police Cadets—Rutlish 89; M.P.C. 93—3 — Lost.
Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge—Cancelled—Rain.
Stage C.C.—Rutlish 142—6 dec. (Doerr 39, Lawson 39*); Stage C.C. 98 (Harrisson 4—19) — Won
Wimbledon College—Rutlish 161—6 dec. (Martin 63); W.C. 66—7 (Harrisson 4—26) — Draw
Merton C.C.—Rutlish 143—6 dec. (Hearn 72* Archer 36*) Merton 64—8 (Harrisson 6—25) — Draw
Reading—Rutlish 109—8 dec.; Reading 57—4 — Draw
Ottershaw—Ottershaw 137—8 dec. (Harrisson 3—46); Rutlish 100—7 (Hearn 31*) — Draw
Richmond—Rutlish 90 (Hearn 34); Richmond 92—3 — Lost
Eltham—Rutlish 154—6 dec. (Doerr 31) Eltham 71 (Lawson 4—9, Harrisson 4—23) — Won
Alleyns—Rutlish 152—6 dec. (Doerr 55, Lawson 34*) Alleyns 87—6 (Harrison 3—34) — Draw
Parents Association—Rutlish 248 (Doerr 74, Hearn 55, Laurie 37) Parents 98 (Harrisson 5—13, Edwards 3—25) — Won
R.G.S. Guildford—Rutlish 150—9 dec. (Martin 30); Guildford 90—9 (Harrisson 5—31, Edwards 3—32) — Draw
Old Rutlishians—Rutlish 143; O.Rs 129—8 (Harrisson 4—60, Lawson 3—27) — Draw
Trinity—Rutlish 126 (Edwards 39, Martin 34); Trinity 127—4 (Harrisson 3—41) — Lost
A. M. Walker's XI—Rutlish 167—8 dec. (Hearn 64, Martin 41); A.M.W.'s XI 56 (Harrisson 6—30) — Won
Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet—Rutlish 100 (Doerr 37); Q.E.B. 101—5 — Lost
Barclay's Bank—Rutlish 140 (Whittingham 32); Barclay's Bank 126 (Edwards 5—40, Harrisson 3—43) — Won
N. A. Smith's XI—Rutlish 176—4 dec. (Hearn 69, Martin 58); N. A. Smith's XI 18—0 — Abandoned
Met. Police Cadets—Rutlish 172—8 dec. (Lawson 49, Hearn 30); M.P.C. 86 (Harrisson 4—14, Lawson 3—14) — Won

Played 19 Won 6 Drawn 9 Lost 4

AVERAGES 1964

Batting	*Runs*	*Innings*	*Highest*	*Not Out*	*Average*
Hearn	535	19	72*	2	31.47
Doerr	471	19	74	0	24.79
Lawson	312	19	49	5	18.42
Martin	350	19	63	0	18.42
Bowling	*Overs*	*Maidens*	*Runs*	*Wickets*	*Average*
Harrisson	260.1	71	558	60	9.30
Lawson	159.1	45	291	25	11.64
Jafri	28	7	63	5	12.60
Laurie	34.4	9	72	5	14.40
Edwards	120	27	313	21	14.90

SECOND XI

As usual the Second XI consisted of a motley crowd of pseudo-cricketers and clapped-out Rugby players marking time before next season. The strength of the side lay in the middle batting and the medium-paced bowling. The most successful bowler was Allen, supported by sporadic fits of aggression from Wilmer, Weller and Ash. In all it was an enjoyable season in which the team spirit was well maintained by the Captain, Ash, despite inconsistent performances by the majority of the side.

N.W.W.

Athletics 1964

Captain—H. C. Norcott
President—G. Glanville, Esq.

With Sports Day taking place in the Summer term, the standard of performances was generally higher than of previous years. H. C. Norcott was appointed Captain of Athletics, and he remained unbeaten in the short sprint. Three records were broken on Sports Day, by Lawson in the Open high jump and hop, step and jump, and by Hankinson in the middle long jump. The throwing events were the weakest and least practised of the athletic repetoire. The House Competition was won by Crusaders.

The usual matches were held with an additional fixture against Shoreditch Training College. Against the Old Boys in the Huggin's Cup, the school won a narrow victory with the running of R. W. Kirkin in the mile as the outstanding performance. In the Holt Cup, a very much weakened side finished fourth out of six schools competing. Against Shoreditch, after good performances on the track and at the jumps, we lost heavily in the field events and were accordingly narrowly defeated. A Junior match against Wimbledon College at the end of the Summer Term, in which our sprinters, Hankinson and Lynch, dominated the opposition, was lost by the inability of our hurdlers to rise to the occasion.

C.P.M. (G.G.)

SPORTS DAY RESULTS, 1964

100 YARDS
OPEN: Norcott (K); Miller (K); Lawson (P). 11.0 secs.
SENIOR: Roberts (C); Matthews (R); Yellup (C). 11.1 secs.
MIDDLE: Hankinson (V); Lynch (S); Penn (T). 11.6 secs.
JUNIOR: Rice (K); Ward (S); Holloway (V). 13.1 secs.

220 YARDS
OPEN: Ash (K); Lawson (P); Nicol (C). 25.4 secs.
SENIOR: Matthews (R); Roberts (C); Yellup (C). 26.1 secs.
MIDDLE: Lynch (S); Hankinson (V); Cocks (S). 26.7 secs.
JUNIOR: Rice (K); Walker (S); Holloway (V). 30.3 secs.

440 YARDS
OPEN: Kirkin (S); Harrisson (S); Nicol (C). 57.6 secs.
SENIOR: Langridge (S); Sharp (K); Yellup (C). 61.1 secs.
MIDDLE: Jeffries (R); Penn (T); Cocks (S). 65.8 secs.
JUNIOR: Rice (K); Walker (S); Holloway (V). 72.0 secs.

880 YARDS
OPEN: Kirkin (S); Harrisson (S); Dunn (C). 2 min. 13.2 secs.
SENIOR: Sharp (K); Langridge (S); Yellup (C). 2 min. 28.5 secs.

HIGH JUMP
OPEN: Lawson (P); Crisp (A); Cameron (S). 5 ft. 7½ in.
SENIOR: Pierce (K); Brown (P); Sharp (K). 5 ft. 2 in.
MIDDLE: Shippen (S); Sheppard (S); Morris (A); 4 ft. 9 in.

LONG JUMP
OPEN: Lawson (P); Nicol (C); Cameron (S). 19 ft. 10½ in.
SENIOR: Matthews (R); Roberts (C); Yellup (C). 17 ft. 10½ in.
MIDDLE: Hankinson (V); Blurton (C); Smart (C). 17 ft. 4 in.
JUNIOR: Hubbard (P); Dashper (T); Ward (S). 13 ft. 5 in.

HOP STEP AND JUMP
OPEN: Lawson (P); Clarke (S); Doerr (C). 40 ft. 3 in.

School Fives 1963-4

Captain—D. P. Doerr

Players—R. Nicol, H. Norcott, R. Cameron, E. Guyver, M. Archer

Now that fives is becoming more popular in the school, the record in school matches must be expected to improve from year to year. This season was no exception and four out of nine matches were won. The fact that these victories were the last four matches indicates how the form of the participants improved even during the season.

Doerr, the captain, had an excellent record, losing only one singles match. He was ably supported in the doubles by Nicol whose singles play was also very impressive. These two were entered for the Public Schools Championships although Nicol had to withdraw unfortunately through injury. Norcott and Cameron also played well regularly and they too formed an excellent doubles pair.

A majority of the defeats were against sides having six or seven good fives courts on which to practice and if, as it is hoped, we have more courts built our general standard of play should rise to even greater heights.

M.G.A.

Results:

Rutlish 119	O. Haberdashers 144
Rutlish 63	Bank of England 121
Rutlish 116	Alleyns 162
Rutlish 63	O. Alleynians II 113
Rutlish 64	Bedford Modern 180
Rutlish 141	Whitgift III 107
Rutlish 177	Forest 86
Rutlish 169	Sutton Valance II 114
Rutlish 113	O. Dunstonians 49

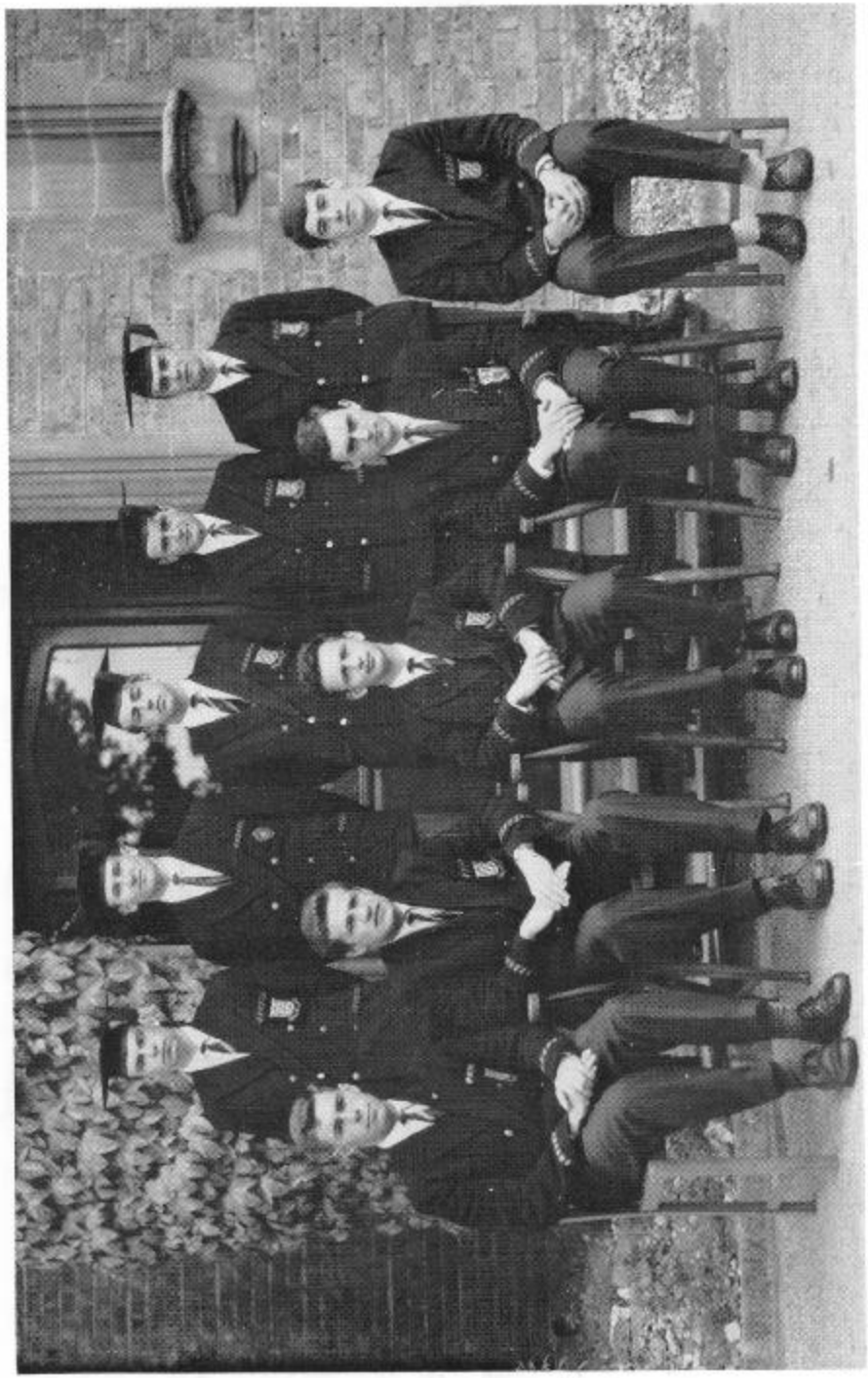
Badminton 1964

President—C. A. G. Peters

Captain—D. M. Crisp

Vice-Captain—P. C. Passenger

A fever, called Badminton, entered the school four years ago. At first its effect was local in that only sixth formers played. Now there is such an infection that about fifty boys from the sixth form down to the fourth forms play whenever and wherever possible. The reason for this great increase of interest in the game is due entirely to Mr. Peters, whose great enthusiasm and keenness has rubbed off onto everyone he meets. Indeed, now there are four badminton sets which play regularly after school; and an inter-house competition is being arranged. The first VI players throughout the season were D. Crisp and P. Passenger (1st pair); R. Taylor and D. Twilley (2nd pair); D. Holliman and P. Jenkins (3rd pair).



Prefects 1963-4



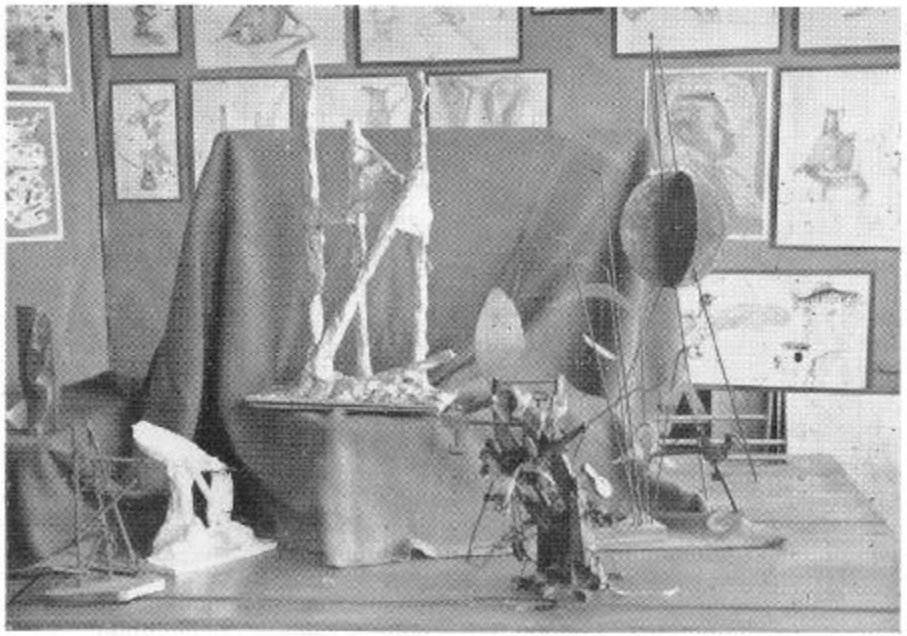
Rugby 1st XV



Cricket 1st XI



Music on a Summer Afternoon



Part of Mr. F. Rice's Permanent Art Exhibition



Arduous Training—Isle of Skye



Rugby in Borneo
Taught and Photographed by an O.R. Mr. Kirkby (1948-55)



Mr. Oulton and Mr. Bryson on the Greek Cruise

Results—1st VI

Eltham College—Lost 3—6.
Trinity, Croydon—Lost 3—6
Eltham College—Won 6—3
Mitcham School—Won 5½—3½
Trinity, Croydon—Lost 3—6
Selhurst School—Lost ½—8½

Played 6 Won 2 Lost 4

Cross-Country 1963-4

Captian—J. J. Dunn
Vice-Captain—R. Kirkin
Treasurer—D. Clark

The school has again had but a meagre few successes this season. Out of nine inter-schools competitions and invitation fixtures, we only managed to win a couple of individual races. We have however had some success from a few individuals. Kirkin broke the school senior course record on January 18th, 1964 in 16 min. 45 sec. (previously held by M. Sharpe 1963 in 17 min. 14 sec.). Jennings also broke the intermediate course record in 15 min. 45 sec.

The inter-house competition was yet again won by the Crusaders (186 pts.) with the Spartans second with 211 pts. and Kelts third with 215 pts. A rather close competition this year. Dunton won the junior race in 11 min. 40 secs. and Kirkin the senior in 17 min. 0.2 secs.

In all not a good year, but Rugby took even more of the limelight and talent than usual. Let us hope for better runners amongst the non-rugby players in the future and then success will be ours.

J.J.D.

Tennis 1964

Captain—P. C. Passenger

Tennis has now been established as a recognised sport at Rutlish, and a set of 20 boys played regularly on courts in John Innes Park, and at a local tennis club. The standard of play improved through the season and this was mainly due to the fact that twelve players had two hours coaching per week from a professional coach.

The school team had a better season than in the past few years, but there is still room for improvement in the future, and with the efforts

of Mr. Peters to encourage younger boys to start playing seriously lower down the school, I think this improvement will come. The climax of the season was two players representing the school in the South of England Schools Championships, held at Wimbledon. They were knocked out in the first round of the cup, but in the "plate" contest, for those teams elminated in the first round, they got to the quarter finals before being eliminated.

Results

1st Team vs.			
	Farnham	lost	1—4
	Carmel College	lost	1—8
	Raynes Park	won	7—2
	The Masters	won	5—4
	Mitcham	Lost	4—5
2nd Team vs.			
	Raynes Park	won	5—4
	Mitcham	lost	2—7
	The Masters	won	7—2
U-15 Team vs.			
	Raynes Park	won	3—1

P.C.P

Swimming 1964

Cptain—M. Evans
Vice-Captain—D. L. Richards

Last year's school gala was a new departure for the school, with heats and finals all at Wimbledon Baths. This more ambitious gala was a great success, and was won by Romans with Argonauts runners-up after a close finish.

Apart from this, we swam in several other gala's, entering full teams with varied success. At a four-cornered gala at Kingston, we came third, beating our neighbours on the hill, King's Wimbledon. At another gala against Sutton Grammar School, we were narrowly beaten due to the swimming of Sutton's international David Watts.

In our local Wimbledon and District Gala, we won three out of the four trophies, which was a great improvement on our past results. However the mainstay of the team has still been a few people, but the future augurs bright with many promising juniors.

Our old swimming captain, Waters, now plays water polo for Wales, and we wish him every success.

M.E.

House Shooting July 1964

	No. of Firers	*Points*	*Average*	*Position*
Argonauts	13	917	70.54	7
Crusaders	16	1,179	73.69	4
Kelts	19	1,328	69.90	8
Parthians	24	1,779	74.13	3
Romans	22	1,632	74.18	2
Spartans	17	1,202	70.71	6
Trojans	22	1,688	76.73	1
Vikings	15	1,070	71.33	5

SIXTH FORM DISCUSSION GROUP

The Sixth held several well-attended informal and interesting meetings this year. Discussions ranged from politics to the arts. Some of the most outstanding meetings were the talk and discussion on Benjamin Britten, a reading and discussion of "Oedipus Rex" and a discussion of anonymous poetry by sixth-formers.

An interesting offshoot of the discussion group was the sixth-form magazine "Iconoclast". In its short life it had a circulation which spread to most of the grammar schools in the area. Our thanks are due to Mr. Morris and other masters who attended our meetings and corrected the magazine proofs.

D.J.C.

An anonymous contribution to the 6th form discussion group

IN THE DESERT

Before, behind, on each side, sand;
A scorching sand that will for man, distress
His thoughts, or else near drive him mad.
No bush, no flower, a country that is tree-less,—
Can we be all that are alive,
Alive amidst the desert wilderness?

For six hours have we trudged along,
Six hours that seemed much like sixty days
Or, say, like sixty years, or if
You will, six hundred: for the heat can craze
The mind and make words meaningless,
Their meaning dimly seen, as through some desert haze.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

On the whole the library has enjoyed a successful year, the number of books borrowed being fairly high. The library stock has been consider-

ably enlarged during the past year and now numbers nearly 6,000 volumes offering a wide range of reading. It is felt, however, that some sections are not adequately represented and suggestions or presentation of books will be appreciated.

As in past years several books have unaccountably disappeared from the library, but it is hoped that the new recording system will check this loss. Likewise the number of books that are overdue are increasing in number. Fines have broken all records and will continue to do so unless the school returns books at the correct time.

In conclusion, the library staff are to be thanked for their efforts; and it is hoped that the library will continue to flourish, but only with all the school's co-operation.

A. J. Turner—Head Librarian.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

New members, particularly from the VIth form, have been recruited in the last term; however their hoped for activities did not materialise.

The money from the general fund was well spent on new colour equipment, which has been used to the full extent, and some reasonable results have been obtained.

The chemicals were used more rapidly than expected, and this appears to indicate a fast growing interest in this hobby among members of the lower school. It is to be hoped that this trend will develop to encompass a greater proportion of the school.

J.A.L.F. (President)

SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

President—D. Hill
Ex-officio—B. Miles (chess colours)
Committee—D. S. Sherborne, R. J. Morgan, D. Percival

The School Chess Club has received varying amounts of enthusiasm this year. For the second year we competed in the Briant Poulter League, and improved our positions on our debut year. I feel that the team has plenty of potential and can accomplish more in the future. We must congratulate D. Sherborne for becoming runner-up in the Surrey Under-18 Championships.

Once again, as is becoming an annual occurrence, the Trojans won the house competition. To encourage chess amongst the younger members of the school, we held form competitions and a knock-out contest We are grateful to Mr. D. Hill, who is now leaving the school, for helping us to arrange these matches. Looking to the future, we are once again entering the "Sunday Times" National Schools Tournament, whilst inter-schools matches are becoming an integral part of the club's affairs. More effort is needed, however, from the lower and middle school to maintain the vitality of the club.

R.J.M.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Yet another year of musical activity has reached its climax in the annual concert, held this year on the 15th July. It will be remembered by the audience as one of the finest in recent years, being particularly rich in solo and ensemble items, as well as pieces for full orchestra. Two notable young soloists were P. S. Bond (pianoforte) and C. A. Miller (bassoon). Another excellent item was provided by C. Moore (trumpet) accompanied by A. M. Gout. Other soloists included D. H. Orton and N. A. Boon (violins) and M. J. Hemingway, who sang two of his own settings of song from "Twelfth Night."

The second orchestra, in which some of our younger musicians performed, played its item with a zest and enthusiasm which promise well for the future. The small but select choir, conducted by M. J. Hemmingway, sang unison songs and a madrigal by Dowland. Credit is due to them for the good results achieved after relatively few rehearsals.

Our thanks are due to an Old Boy of the school, Mr. A. Spedding, for his expert playing. The organiser and conductor of the concert was Mr. R. C. Howard, and the school should be grateful to him for all the hard work which he puts into providing musical experience for those who want it. In conclusion I must express the gratitude of the school towards the teachers who visit us every week, Mrs. and Miss J. Lenton, Mr. K. Piper, Mr. G. Evans, and Mr. E. Riches. It is entirely due to their efforts and help in preparation that we are able to give concerts at all, and the present high standard of performance in the school is a reflection of their ability and encouragement.

D.H.O.

RAILWAY SOCIETY 1963-4

President—H. P. Walker

Committee—P. J. Elliott, C. J. Mills, K. C. Larkin, L. Hall, T. Quick, R. Wall, T. Wilson.

At the beginning of the 1962 Autumn Term the Railway Society came into existence. Membership at first was limited to the senior school only but in November 1963 it was decided to admit members of the junior school. Present membership is about 60, the majority of whom came from the lower part of the school. The lack of senior members is, we feel, partly due to the general opinion that the society is just a glorified crowd of train spotters. We would like to take this opportunity to stress that this opinion is entirely unfounded and that the society does not cater directly for train spotters.

Activities are divided between modelling and talks on various aspects of railways. Meetings are held each lunchtime for modelling and the Friday evening meeting is generally devoted to a talk. Because of the amount of practice in modelling needed by the juniors progress on the model railway has been slow but it now seems likely that running will commence at the beginning of the Autumn Term.

Our first excursion was to Nottingham and was not particularly noteworthy. This year's excursion was to Oxford and 34 boys, together with Mr. Lett and Mr. Plummer, participated in this outing. Despite the late arrival home, due to the driver losing his way several times the trip was a most enjoyable one and it is hoped to organise several more in the coming year.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mr. Walker for allowing us the use of the Geography room, Walsh for his help in organising the junior members, and all their committee for their help in keeping the society running.

C.J.M.

SAILING CLUB

President—Mr. A. P. K. Scott

The sailing club enjoyed many happy hours of messing about in boats despite the fact that the dinghy sold to the club had to be abandoned. Indeed it is difficult to remember an occasion when this boat has floated for more than five minutes without becoming waterlogged. This year, due to the enthusiasm of the senior members of the club, an attempt was made to resurrect the corpse of the school boat. An enjoyable time was had by all, but on the relaunching of the renovated vessel, the crew took a short swim.

In a more serious vein, it is with deep regret that we bid farewell to Mr. Scott who has served us well as President and our most hearty thanks are due to him. It is to be hoped that the enthusiasm in the club will remain without him.

D.J.C.

CHRISTIAN UNION

Committee—M. J. Hemingway, P. M. Leech, M. E. Flatman, P. N. Horseman, D. J. Clarke, J. Ripley, W. Maynard, E. A. Southworth, R. B. Webster

The Christian Union continues to stimulate independent thinking and lively discussion, whilst demonstrating through daily living, the reality of the love of God.

Every term we have tried to examine one particular theme. For example, during one term, following the theme of "Christianity and its relevance to modern life," we had discussions and talks on morality, science, the Bible, suffering and objections to Christianity in general. Some unforunate speakers found themselves not only be challenged, but also outargued, a state of affairs which I am sure even they would regard as healthy.

One development, which has come from outside and cuts right across the inevitably limited sphere of the Christian Union, is the introduction of a celebration of Holy Communion in the school, twice a term. For this purpose the library serves extremely well, the long central table being

used for what is essentially a meal, with chairs being arranged on three sides of it. The Rev. A. G. Baker, from the church of St. Mary's Merton, kindly accepted the invitation to be the first celebrant, and eagerly set about adapting the service for our use. All confirmed members of the Church of England are welcome to take part in this service, and it is hoped eventually to open it to all, so that all Christians may join in this common act of worship, which is in many ways the very heart of our religion.

M.J.H.

MUSIC SOCIETY

President—R. C. Howard

Committee—D. H. Orton, M. J. Hemingway, A. J. Turner, L. A. Hall

The Music Society, after many years in the wilderness, has once more bcome an active school society. Activities have so far been rather limited to concerts of gramophone records, but it will be only a short time before more widely varied programmes are put into effect.

For many months now, Wednesday lunchtime has been "Music Time", and a different programme has been provided each time, the emphasis being placed on the lesser known musical masterpieces, with the occasional more popular concerts. Our meetings are fairly well patronised, though it is noticed that the better attendances occur when the weather is bad! For the past few years now, the Society has catered for those members of the school who wish to attend the Promenade Concerts, and last year, a substantial school subsidy brought the price of a "prom" ticket down to 10d. a night.

Music in the school is now in no way limited to the members of the orchestra, but also to those who prefer to listen to music, than to play.

L.A.H.

THE PEACOCK CLUB

Regular Friday evening meetings were held at the usual venue, and many varied topics were freely discussed. The numbers of upper sixth formers dropped steadily throughout the year, but the new influx seem capable of maintaining the equanimity and selectivity of the Club.

C.P.M.

AN APPROACH TO ART AT RUTLISH

During the 1962-3 school year at Rutlish, we in the art department set about to experiment with many different materials and methods. We attempted to broaden our approach and scope. The emphasis was on abstraction which tended to stress creatitivy over technical skill. We strove to discourage inhibitions and encourage freedom of expression.

We worked with drawing, painting, linoleum printing, and three dimensional art. Varied and mixed techniques were used to produce some unique results. We did posters for the "freedom from hunger" campaign

for which the students received external recognition. Three of the senior boys exhibited paintings in a competitive show at the Morden Central Library. We produced a stage set for the school play "Twelfth Night." We received many compliments for the set.

A group of boys were taken to the American Embassy where they saw a film about the space programme in the U.S.A. and another film about Aspen, Colorado. Another group was taken to the museum to see paintings by some of the Impressionists. We have maintained a changing exhibit in the art room and in the entrance to the dining hall.

Our memories of Rutlish will be pleasant and positive. We welcome the return of your art teacher, Mr. Plummer who will bring new ideas and enthusiasm.

We appreciate the attention and encouragement which we received from a great school, Rutlish.

F. RICE (Exchange art master from Denver, Colorado, U.S.A.)

SCHOOL VISITS ABROAD—1963-4

"Home keeping youth hath ever homely wits".—W. Shakespeare.

Nineteen Sixty-Four was a record-breaking year in the long history of Rutlish European travel. 124 boys went abroad on four organised school parties visiting France, Spain, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Crete and Yugoslavia.

The Surrey Cruise took 36 boys from Rutlish on a Mediterranean cruise from Genoa to Greece, Crete and Yugoslavia, returning to Venice. Rutlish boys distinguished themselves by holding the ship's sea-sickness record—Blake was sick 24 times in 12 hours—and by thrilling the natives of Crete by riding in their taxi.

A party of boys visited Hockgurgl in the Austrian Tyrol on a skiing holiday at Easter. No necks were broken and the general opinion was summed up in the current idiomatic way as "absolutely fab."

Collioure, on the French Mediterranean coast on the Pyrenees proved a good centre for visiting Carcassonne, the Pyrenean skiing resort Font Romeu and the Spanish Costa Brava.

Dinard in Brittany was an attraction as usual to our younger brethren in the "chicken run" (Junior School). Magnificent coastal scenery, excellent sandy beaches and coloured local pageantry—Pardon de la Mer—left many a juvenile mind with a life-long impression.

W.H.B.

THE TRIP TO GREECE—EASTER 1964

Early in March, thirty boys from Rutlish set out, with two masters, on the Surrey County Council Cruise to the Adriatic. In the course of this cruise we visited Crete, Greece, Yugoslavia and Italy.

From the moment that the Rutlish party boarded the good ship Devonia (a converted troopship), it decided to let everybody on board

know that it had arrived. On the first day, J. Blake was sea-sick twenty seven times and the Rutlish Dormitory received only 5 out of 120 marks for its tidiness. Nevertheless, we persevered, and got 10 marks the next day.

On board the ship were three hundred young men (and Mr. Bryson) and six hundred young women.

Our evenings were spent in entertaining them by taking them either to the dances or cinema shows. Other forms of entertainment on board ship were lifeboat pulling competitions, lessons and deck-hockey competitions (which the Rutlish team lost, but crippled every side that they played).

After five days of this life, we berthed at Heraklion, the capital of Crete. This was an extremely charming town, the main occupation of the inhabitants seeming to be to pick our pockets. Nevertheless, we enjoyed our stay there and found the people very friendly.

Next stop was Piraeus, port of Athens, and Athens itself. This city was not so homely as Heraklion, but it still had plenty of character. In the course of two days, we visited the whole of Piraeus and Athens, and the ruins.

It was in Athens that ten members of our party, myself included, went for a joy ride in a taxi and were stopped by the police, mainly because somebody's legs were protruding from the window. The police fined the driver six pounds ten shillings on the spot and we had to walk four miles back to Pireaus.

We next set sail for the small port of Irea, which is near the famous oracle—the view was amazing.

Soon after visiting Irea, we raised anchor and headed for Dubrovnik in Yugoslavia. This is a communist country and we spent a very interesting day wandering round this ancient city, noting the state and habits of the peasants, who were very sullen.

The last port of call was Venice, of which I can only say that the prices were very high and the canals, dirty and smelly.

We boarded the train for France at Venice, and had a long train journey across France during which we took fond farewells of all our latest acquaintances and girl friends.

On the whole, it was a thoroughly enjoyable trip and an experience that I shall never forget.

P.V.T.

C.C.F. ARDUOUS TRAINING — AUGUST 1964

As the school year ended and most pupils began a well-earned holiday a small band of resolute individuals loaded themselves with vast quantities of kit and headed into the wilds of our green and pleasant land. The journey itself was a tale of misplaced food supplies and a hectic scramble across Edinburgh station, but eventually after 23 hours the group arrived at the Isle of Skye, in other words, about as far north as one can get.

It was at this stage that the pattern of life on Skye became apparent to the visitors: The mist comes down just after day break and rises as the sun sets. However, life must continue regardless and the group was divided into six sections, each under an N.C.O. for the purposes of the training programme.

A base camp was set up at Meanish Pier on the shores of Loch Poolteel (a damp and dismal place) and from here the sections roamed all over the Island, camping at various wet spots, cooking greasy meals over minute meths heaters as the mist descended lower and lower, and generally enjoying themselves.

All sections at sometime or other went climbing in the Cuillins, the local mountain range, and this provided moments of amusement as small bespectacled officers and rotund ones as well staggered after fit young atheletes claiming "If we went at our pace we'd keep up with you." This was well enjoyed by all the cadets as was the camp-site at Sligachan which just so happened to be near one of the few public houses on the Island: Somehow the officers engineered the training programme so that only they had regular facilities for a "wee dram."

Eventually after many more exciting adventures the party concluded their stay with the usual burying of tin cans and filling of latrines at which Lt. Plummer distinguished himself, although the senior cadets endeavours to secure his unusual head-gear as a trophy failed.

Parting is such sweet sorrow and we were all sorry to leave the Isle and its very friendly inhabitants, but were equally happy at the prospects of heading homewards. All sections had walked about 80 miles in the week of their stay, although only one, that of Sgt. Passenger remained intact without invalids, and all had gained valuable experience (including F. O. Gardiner's method of drinking whisky and staying sober).

Our thanks to the officers that travelled with us; those mentioned and Major Preuveneers whose hair-raising driving of the Army vehicles was to remain in many cadets' memory, Major Edwards, Sqn.-Ldr. King and Mr. Davis. They put in a lot of effort organising and ensuring the success of the camp and in this they succeeded. All in all, a very cheap and very enjoyable time was had by all. M.D.B.

Old Boys Notes

Owing to internal difficulties in the administration of the Association, these notes must appear rather abbreviated. To add to this, nothing of very great interest has happened during the last year, so they will be more a catalogue of dry facts.

The Dramatic Society has had a sad relapse, owing to a shortage of actors. We have plenty of willing females, all eager and ready to go—but where are the men? What has happened to all those talented boys who have been taking part in the school plays over the last four or five years?

The last rugby season, i.e. 1963-64 under David Palmore, just managed to finish on the right side—winning 17, losing 17—but scoring more points than they had scored against them. However the juniors sides had a very good season, particularly the Ex. A., which gives us hope for the future, and of course the Beagles which team consisted mainly of the excellent School 1st XV, watered down by a few knowledgeable elderly gentlemen. Apart from the playing side, the Rugby Club held a very enpoyable Dinner at the Wimbledon Hill Hotel, and entertained its Vice-Presidents to a dinner at the clubhouse.

The Cricket Club also had an enjoyable season, under veteran skipper Les Richardson, who has been playing for the Club since 1934. The standard of play has been improving steadily over the last few years, and we are hoping for even better things in the future. On the social side there is run a very good supper at the clubhouse. During this season, of course we, had the pleasure of hearing of David Daniels' Blue for Cambridge.

The Athletics Club has had rather a quiet season, and we are anxiously waiting for some new enthusiasts, as our numbers are getting thin. I would point out that for many years we were the strongest Old Boys Athletic Club in the country, so come along please and put us back up top. In our heyday we were turning out four or five internationals in our matches.

Apart from the sporting clubs, we have many other social functions, and the tennis courts are still available for use. The clubhouse, itself, has much to offer, with a billiard table, television room and lounge.

Anybody who is leaving in the near future should contact Mr. Glass at school, who will be only too delighted to talk about our various activities, and supply the necessary membership forms. We hope to see you all at Poplar Road in the future. H.C.

THE BEAGLES 1963-4

Beagle, n. The smallest English hound, used for hunting when field follows on foot; spy etc. (v.i.) hunt with the bb perhaps f F "be-gueule"—open throat (beer gape).

Extract from Concise Oxford Dictionary.

A report on the Beagles will invoke from the casual reader the question —"Who or what are the Beagles?" The Concise Oxford Dictionary contributes little towards providing an answer although the cynic may consider the French derivation somewhat prophetic.

The Beagles were "whelped" in 1961 and the originators had two main objectives in mind at that time. Firstly, it was intended to provide rugby football during the Christmas vacation for both University and School players and also to provide games during the Spring term for senior boys from the School not engaged in other official activities. Secondly, by the introduction of two or three experienced players from the Old Boys it was hoped that the blending of age and youth would produce a team capable of playing attractive rugby against similar Colts sides.

During the four seasons an interesting fixture has been built up and the Beagles have made their mark in Rugby circles by their willingness to play good, hard and open rugby. The Beagles have always been a happy team and any lack of rugby genius has been compensated by a wealth of spirit.

The season under review started with a game against Tonbridge—it will be remembered not so much for the narrow victory but rather for the dreadful conditions — torrential rain, inches of mud and an ever-enveloping gloom. On that day the team packed a powerful punch in the centre in the shape of Messrs. Glass and Rowlands.

Three good games were played against K.C.S. Colts and these resulted in three wins with an aggregate score of seventy points to six. Narrow wins were achieved over Westcombe Park, Warlingham and Bracknell Colts and in all of these credit was due to Peter Ashford for his lessons in tactical play against strong opposition and adverse weather conditions.

Not all the grounds visited have the same amenities as the Old Boys at Poplar Road—the Beagles have changed in converted barns and cow sheds but the lack of facilities was off-set by the welcome extended by the hosts. At all times the rugby was whole hearted even if a little rugged.

It is always invidious to mention names but a review of the Season would be incomplete wthout a word of thanks to Peter Ashford who skippered the side—his knowledge of the game and his enthusiasm both on and off the field did much to sustain the Beagles and added considerably to their enjoyment. Of the School players Malcolm Baker holds the record of having played in every game except two when he was away on Easter Tour with the O.Rs.

Detailed results:—

1963			Feb.	Imperial College	Won 28—3
Nov.	Tonbridge Under 21	Won 8—5	Feb.	Met. Police Cadets	Lost 0—9
Dec.	K.C.S. Colts	Won 14—3	Mar.	Warlingham	Won 3—0
Dec.	Old Emanuel	Lost 3—22	Mar.	Old Emanuel	Lost 0—17
1964			Mar.	Met. Police Cadets	Lost 6—12
Jan.	Old Blues I	Won 6—3	Mar.	Bracknell Colts	Won 6—5
Jan.	Old Blues II	Won 29—0	Mar.	Blackheath Schools	Lost 8—13
Jan.	K.C.S. Colts	Won 27—3	Mar.	Crawley	Won 16—5
Jan.	Old Johnians	Lost 8—10	Apr.	Sutton Under 21	Won 3—0
Jan.	Westcombe Park	Won 5—0	Apr.	K.C.S. Colts	Won 21—0
Feb.	Wadham College	Cancelled—frost			

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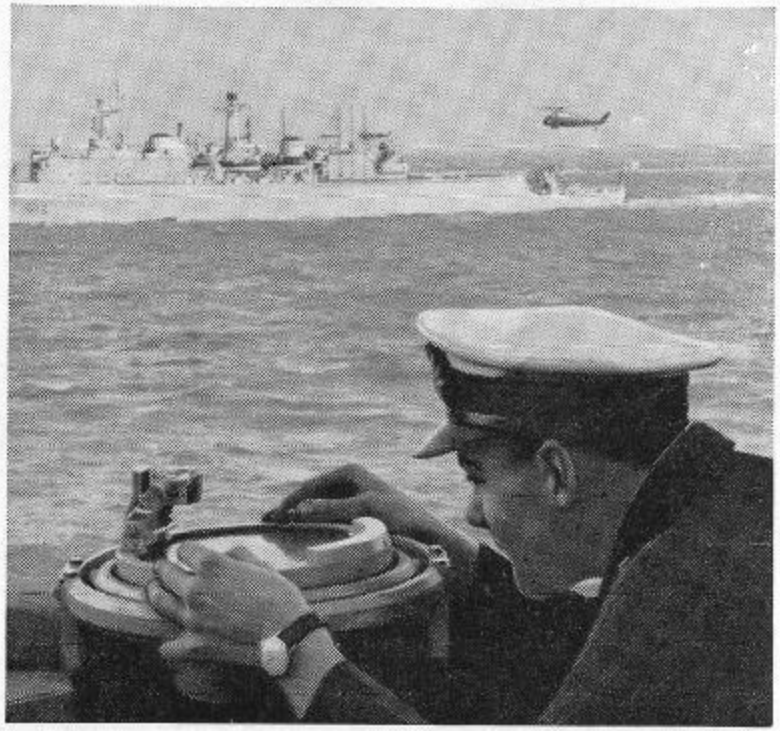

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