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VISIT OF HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS MARGARET

H.R.H. Princess Margaret being greeted at Harwell by Sir Edwin Flowden, Chairman of U.K.A.E.A., Sir John Cockcroft and Dr. Schonland.

RECREATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The competition for the Xmas Card decoration produced a very small number of entries. The Central Committee have decided to extend the competition for a period with a closing date of 31st May 1956. Why not help the Association and maybe yourself with a topical entry?

S. Waldron
Hon. Secretary.

HOUSE PURCHASE SERVICE

Norman Frizzell and Partners' representative attends the establishment most Thursdays and Fridays.

Special terms are available for life and motor insurance. Enquiries without obligation through Miss Croker, Reception Office, by Wednesday of each week.

Details of houses for sale can be seen in the Reception Office.

I. P. C. S.

Copies of a letter of interest to members are being circulated. If any member has not seen one, contact the building representative or R. Williamson, B.347.2

R. Williamson.
Hon. Secretary.

GIFT OF AUSTRALIAN PAINTINGS

Dear Watson-Munro,

I should like again to thank you and your colleagues of the Australian Atomic Energy Commission for the warm hearted thought and personal generosity you have shown in presenting paintings by Australian artists to commemorate your association with the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority.

During the past nine years we have benefited greatly from the work you have done here, and the achievements of your engineers and scientists who have worked in our laboratories are part of the foundations of our whole project. We look forward to the continued exchange of ideas and information with you all when you occupy your new laboratories in Australia.

Your paintings will always provide a permanent memorial of our collaboration as well as providing for us vivid pictorial images of Australia.

Yours sincerely

J. D. COCKCROFT.

VANDALS AT HARWELL?

Dear Sir,

With regard to the recent correspondence by "Green Velvet" and "Adam", I would respectfully bring to your notice that in a great many instances people are forced to walk on the grass verges in the interest of their own safety.

Many of the roads and avenues are narrow to the extreme and the provision of adequate and suitably placed side-walks would both satisfy the above correspondents and remove a definite traffic hazard where vehicular speed is still not limited, on this Establishment to less than 30 m.p.h.

Yours faithfully,

J. D. C. HEMSLEY. Chem.Eng.Div.

Dear Sir,

"Green velvet" takes us to task for spoiling the appearance of the Establishment by walking over the lawns. I admire a well-kept lawn as much as anyone; but I suggest the reason for the desecration of our lawns is not that we are naughty boys in walking over them, but rather that our road planners, in their passion for straight lines and right angles, have not always put the paths where they are most needed.

A case in point is the lawn between buildings 10.5 and 220. The trip by road takes 175 paces, that over the lawn takes 144 paces. The road route does not have a pavement for much of the way, and travellers on it run the risk of being splashed or hit by passing vehicles. By contrast, the lawn route is safe after 11th street has been crossed. If a small pavement were made on this lawn, by the shortest route, we would save time, tempers, and turf; and the appearance of the lawn could hardly be spoilt more than it recently has been by the erection of a sacred grove of bushes.

Yours faithfully,

ALAN E. COMYNS.

Dear Sir,

I doubt if the appeals made in your recent issues by "Green Velvet" and "Adam" for less vandalism at A.E.R.E. will have much effect. Their approach is far too gentlemanly to get under the skins of the culprits. I do not think such people are ever aware that they are ruining the work of a very competent ground staff, nor do they appreciate that it is the lawns and grass verges which make Harwell so different from other stations.

There is, however, something which astonishes me more than Harwell vandalism. It is the meek way in which the position is accepted by those in authority. I dare hardly think of the sums of money which must be poured into making the site as attractive as possible; yet any person who cares can spoil the whole effect by treading a well-beaten path across whatever lawn his fancy chooses. Dozens of people do this every day and yet when - for once - the voice of authority might surely be raised, all is silence. No doubt there is some back-room committee with powers to do something about it but who are benignly waiting for a miracle to happen!

Paths and tracks across lawns won't disappear until the timid approach to offenders is replaced with something more than the genteel cough suggested by "Adam". And "Green Velvet" may make his friendly appeals until he is blue in the face but he will get no results whatever.

Yours faithfully,

EVERGREEN.

CHURCH NOTICES

22nd April - 3rd Sunday after Easter

HARWELL PARISH CHURCH

11.00 am Morning Prayer
12.00 noon Holy Communion
5.55 p.m. Prayer Group in Church Room
6.15 p.m. Evening Prayer

Sunday School at appointed times

A.E.R.E. Sunday School. 10.15 a.m. Social Club.

Lunch Hour Prayers 12.55 p.m. Wednesday 25th April, Chapel, Social

Harwell Methodist Chapel Sunday 22nd April - Morning Service 11 a.m. Preacher

Mr. P. Wright, Evening Service 6 p.m., Preacher Mr. W. Pullen.

CHILTON PARISH CHURCH

7.45 a.m. Holy Communion
10.15 a.m. Morning Prayer and Pathfinders.
3.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.

A. E. R. E. RUGBY CLUB

Results. Saturday April 14th

R.A.E. Farnborough	6 pts.	A.E.R.E.	3 pts.
R.A.E. 'A'	9 pts.	A.E.R.E. 'A'	6 pts.
Newbury 'B'	14 pts.	A.E.R.E. 'B'	6 pts.

Although the 1st and 'A' XV's lost by narrow margins at Farnborough, both teams gave a very good account of themselves. For the 1st XV, Allen kicked a penalty goal while Bloodworth and Jowitt scored tries for the 'A' XV.

In wet conditions at Newbury the 'B' XV pack were more lively than the Newbury forwards and as a result of forward rushes were leading 6-3 at half-time through tries by Holmes and Crook. After the interval the pack tired and the defence was unable to prevent Newbury scoring two tries and a goal to win 14-6.

Fixtures. Saturday April 21st

Bettws R.F.C. (Ammonford, S. Wales) v A.E.R.E.
A.E.R.E. 'A' v Old Windsonians
A.E.R.E. 'B' v Oxford Youth

The club will be holding its annual seven-a-side tournament on Sunday 29th April, K.O. 2.30 p.m. About 8 teams have so far entered - anyone wishing to play who has not yet been approached please contact H. Roskell Ext. 3068.

The Annual Dinner will be held in the Social Club on Friday 4th May - enquiries to K. A. Tomblin Ext. 2424.

The A.G.M. of the club will be held on Monday April 30th at 5.15 p.m. in the Social Club. All members are urged to attend.

A. E. R. E. HOCKEY CLUB

The mixed XI playing at home on Sunday April 8th beat North Oxford by 9 goals to 1. North Oxford scored first during a period in which the A.E.R.E. defence were troubled by the speed of the opposing forwards. The scores were levelled through a goal by Bradley, a result of a well placed roll-in by Anne Cocks. The A.E.R.E. forwards then quickly swung the game in A.E.R.E.'s favour. Four goals were added before half-time and a further four after half time, all being shared equally by Henderson and Packer.

Matches which were due to be played last weekend, the 14th and 15th, were cancelled owing to heavy rain and the state of the pitch.

The last match of the season will be played at home on Sunday the 22nd, when the Mixed XI entertain the Southern Electricity Board, Oxford. There will be no Mens XI match on the Saturday.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Didcot and District T. T. League

Results for week ending 15.4.56

Didcot Barn Club "F"	2	A.E.R.E. "B"	8
A.E.R.E. "B"	6	Marlborough Club	4
Didcot Barn Club "C"	5	A.E.R.E. "A"	5

Fixture

Friendly match Monday April 23rd, Morris Motors, Oxford v A.E.R.E.

Club Nights, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday April 24th, 25th and 26th.

A. E. R. E. CRICKET CLUB

EVENING LEAGUE

The Evening League will again be organised by the Cricket Club this coming season, and no match fee will be charged to teams taking part.

Will representatives of each team wishing to play please contact B. Hopkinson Building 393 as soon as possible, but not later than April 23rd.

A meeting of these representatives and the Cricket Club has been arranged for Monday April 23rd at 5.30 p.m. in the Social Club (Conference Room), and it is hoped to play the first matches in the week beginning May 7th.

Net practice is held on Thursday evenings and any member of the establishment wishing to join the A.E.R.E. Club, is cordially invited to come along.

A. E. R. E. MOTOR CLUB

Club Night is on Monday next 23rd and is at 7.30 p.m. in the Social Club.

Spring Day Navigation Rally. This event is on Sunday May 6th starting at 1.30 p.m.

The course is on O.S. Map, sheet 158, and will be approximately 70 miles long.

Regulations and entry forms will be issued to members during the next week or so.

Keep an eye on the "News" for further details.

Visit to Goodyear Rubber Co. The arrangements are going ahead for a visit to this factory at Wolverhampton and will be some time early in June. The date will be finalized later.

RIFLE CLUB

In the first stage of the Queen Alexandra Cup Competition, the following members have been awarded N.S.R.A. Expert Shot Badges or 1956 Chevrons - P. S. Elwood, M. F. Harrison, F. B. Whiting, R. S. Cambray and G. Biddle. The closing date for the 2nd stage is the 22nd April.

Berkshire County Short-range Competition The following aggregates and positions after the Second-Stage have been recorded:-

A Class F. A. Foxon 11th-597. G. Biddle 29th-591, M. F. Harrison 30th-589.

Inexpert F. B. Whiting 12th-586, P. S. Elwood 13th-586, H. S. Wise 20th-580.

C. & D. Class G. C. Davidson 4th- 585
Self-Handicap F. B. Whiting and P. S. Elwood-300 each in 2nd stage. H. S. Wise-296. Whiting and Elwood qualify for the final stage.
Full-bore shooting Fangbourne R.C. has invited the Club to a .303 shoot at Churn Range on Sunday, 29th April. Shooting will commence at 10 a.m. Members wishing to take part are asked to contact the Secretary. Transport will be arranged for those who require it.

The Club has just purchased its first P.14. .303 rifle. Further rifles will be bought when funds permit but in the meantime members may use rifles belonging to Fangbourne R.C.

G. Biddle. Hon. Secretary

A. E. R. E. HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Members are invited to submit entries for the Exotic Fish and Cacti Exhibition to be held by the Abingdon Branch of the National Cactus & Succulent Society in the Town Hall, Oxford on Thursday 31st May to Saturday 1st June 1956. Closing date for entries 24th April 1956. Schedule and regulations obtainable from P. R. Hills, Isotope School B.354 Ext. 2358 or F. Cullen B.33 Ext.2654.

There are still a few seats available for the 14th May trip to the R.H.S. Trial grounds at Wisley. Details from the Secretary Ext.2280.

CAMERA CLUB

Members are reminded of two meetings next week. Mr. Glanville will talk on negative colour processes on Tuesday, the 24th, and the A.G.M. will be held on Thursday, the 26th. Nominations for Officers should be sent to Mr. D. Warren, Building 149, by the 26th of this month, in writing, please. It is imperative that a nomination for the post of Treasurer should be made, as Mr. Davidson, the present Treasurer, will not be available for re-nomination, and the Club cannot long continue without someone in this vital post. So, please send in nominations, and come to the meetings, both of which will be held in the Social Club.

Finally, would the member who borrowed Miss Croker's set of keys to the darkroom, kindly return them.

ANGLING CLUB

Members are reminded that subscriptions for the 1956-57 season should be paid before commencing to fish the trout pit at Sutton Courtenay. Please give or send your subscriptions to any member of the committee or send them to N. J. Keen Bdg.220. Normal subscription 5/-, Junior subscription 1/- plus 5/- entrance fee for new members.

A. E. R. E. FILM SOCIETY

Members are reminded that the next film show will be at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday April 25th in the Cockcroft Hall. Two feature films will be shown, "ANIMAL FARM" and "LOUISIANA STORY". At this show suggestions for next year's programme will be invited.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY AND REEL CLUB

Dancing Classes These will continue to be held in the Social Club at 7.30 every Tuesday evening until May 8th. Members 1/-. Non-members 1/6d.
End-of-Season Dance This will be held on Saturday, May 12th, from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Social Club. Music will be provided by Lew Temple's Caledonian Quartet and the programme will consist of a mixture of old favourites and dances taught at the classes during the season. Tickets price 3/6 are available from Committee members.

OLD TIME DANCING CLUB

The old time dancing club is considering winding up its affairs and asks all those members who were at the last general meeting and would like to attend a final evening to get in touch with Mr. A. J. Holmes or Mr. S. Waldron before Friday 27th April, 1956.

MODERN DANCING IN THE SOCIAL CLUB

Every Thursday. Tuition from 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. General dancing 8.30 - 10.00 inclusive charge 2/6d.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is available for several male personnel in a large Farmhouse in the vicinity of Abingdon, rough shooting available, will anyone who would enjoy this kind of accommodation please contact Mr. J. Snow, Accommodation Officer, Welfare Dept. Bldg. 77 Ext.2779, own car an advantage.

Young widower (graduate) requires comfortable accommodation for a few months for himself and son, aged 11. Scott, Ext.2565, 3 Collingwood Ave., Didcot.

Swanage 22 ft. Lyndhurst caravan to let on farm site near sea. No vacancies July/August, Ext.2490, 12.30 to 1.15 p.m.

Holiday Accommodation Modern 4 berth caravan to let near Cowes, I.O.W. small secluded site. Flush sanitation, Mains water. Parker Ext.2322.

Holiday caravan, Seaton (Devon). Secluded modern site at Inn which caters for meals.

PERSONAL

Anyone wishing to travel Nottingham area Friday evening, returning Sunday, possessing Driving Licence, invited to accompany Provisional Licence Holder. E. H. Voice. Ext.2632.

Ladies and Gents Tailoring alterations and Ladies' Coats, Costumes etc. can be made by an experienced Tailoress at Moderate prices. D. Jones, 25 Hillside, A.E.R.E.

WANTED

Child's small tricycle. Payne. Ext.2577. 26 Wayland Crescent.

FOR SALE

Miscellaneous

Piano Upright, excellent for beginner, £15 for quick sale. Ring Abingdon 787.

M. Toureau, 11 Clifton Drive, Abingdon.

Lady's black court shoes, Manfield "Sylph". American size 7½B. Worn once 30/-. Ext.2533.

Lawn Mower, Qualcast 12" cut. 35/- . Cyclomaster Wheel, in good condition £10 or near offer. Jackson Ext. 2680.

Piano and stool £15. Charlton, 8 Wantage Road, Harwell.

Gent's Handbuilt lightweight, Hobbs of Barbican, Sports Cycle. Original Cost £35.

Barely used - Bargain £16 o.n.o. Kingham. Ext.2643.

10" Qualcast wheel lawn mower, used one season £3.0.0. 12" Greens wheel lawn

£4.10.0, all complete. Barnes Ext.2799

Girl's Cycle "Royal Enfield "24" in very good condition £5 o.n.o. "Hill View"

Rowstock, Harwell, or Ext.2789.

16 ft. 4-berth Midland Caravan equipped right down to "Gusunder". Ideal touring, short term residence £175 or reasonable offer. Kingston Ext.2587

Cars, Motor Cycles and Accessories

1927 Morris Oxford Tourer, excellent condition, taxed and insured, offers. King, Ext.2445.

1930 Austin 7 coupe; good runner, taxed quarter, insured May 11th. £20.
 K. W. Chambers, Ext.2354.
 Triumph 10.8 1934, good runner, taxed, insured, many spares. £55. Exchange
 Caravan. Brundell, 98A Causeway, Steventon.
 1936 M.G., Type N.A. Fast and lively car. £130 or near offer. Ext. 2054 or
 Steventon 305 after 6 p.m.
 Saloon Sidecar Body £5. Jerome, 28 Brookside, Abingdon, or Ext.2412.
 1936 Morris 8 Saloon, new battery, wireless, other accessories, excellent condition
 £85 o.n.o. J. Davis Ext.2869.
 1938 Austin 7, 2 seater tourer, good condition £70. Ring Gray 2354.
 1938 Morris 14, Heater, Hydraulic Jacks, good tyres, good condition, for sale within
 14 days. £125. Clare 2186 or Didcot 3131.
 1938 Ford 8, Green Saloon, excellent condition - Transmission and engine overhauled.
 Extras fitted, offers invited. 3548 Johnson.
 M.G. 1946 T.C. £275 o.n.o. Contact Miss J. Reeves Ext.3260 or Wantage 248.
 1948 Morris S.M. 10 Black Saloon, excellent condition, engine just overhauled.
 Taxed year £295 o.n.o. Biddle Ext.2251 or 12 Compton Drive, Abingdon.
 1949 Austin A-40 converted countryman in good running condition - taxed Dec.
 £240 o.n.o. Ebeling Ext.2048 or Buckland 245.
 1946 B.S.A. B31 very good condition £60 o.n.o. Wright Ext.2187.
 350 c.c. Royal Enfield Bullet (Nov.1951), swinging arm, dual seat £85. Bradley
 Ext.2876.

W H A T ' S O N

A.E.R.E. CINEMA (Rec.Ass. Members Only)

Sun.22nd. "BETRAYED" C. Gable.

PLAYHOUSE, OXFORD

Mon.23rd. "THE RELAPSE" (or "VIRTUE IN DANGER")

NEW THEATRE, OXFORD

Mon.23rd. "GLAMOROUS NIGHT" (on ice)

SUPER CINEMA, OXFORD

Sun.22nd. "ABBOT & COSTELLO ON THE CARPET"

Mon.23rd. "RICHARD III" J. Gielgud.
6 days.

RITZ CINEMA, OXFORD

Sun.22nd. "GILDA" R. Hayworth.

Mon.23rd. "NOW AND FOREVER" J. Scott.

also

"BREAD, LOVE AND JEALOUSY"

REGAL CINEMA, ABINGDON

Sun.22nd. "FACE TO FACE" J. Mason.

Mon.23rd. "THE DESPERATE HOURS" H. Bogart.

Thu.26th "THEY CAN'T HANG ME" T. Morgan

NEW CORONET, DIDCOT

Sun.22nd. "STREETS OF LAREDO" W. Holdon

Mon.23rd. "STORM OVER THE NILE" A. Steel

Thu.26th. "MISTER ROBERTS" H. Fonda.

REGAL, NEWBURY

Mon.23rd "PRIVATE'S PROGRESS" R. Attenborough

Thu.26th "SINCERELY YOURS" Liberace.

also "TARGET ZERO".

FORUM, NEWBURY

Sun.22nd "TEN LITTLE NIGGERS" L. Hayward

Mon.23rd. "THE TALL MEN" J. Russell.

6 days.

also

"THE LIVING SWAMP"

REGAL, WALLINGFORD

Sun.22nd. "HER JUNGLE LOVE" D. Lamour.

Mon.23rd. "THEY CAN'T HANG ME" T. Morgan

Thu.26th "THE DESPERATE HOURS" H. Bogart
F. March.