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## Message from the Chairman

### Olympic Order for Colonel Sir Michael Ansell

The International Olympic Committee has this year instituted a new award, which is intended for those who work behind the scenes, and it has been given to Colonel Sir Michael Ansell, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.L.

We all know how Sir Michael followed his outstanding success as an active sportsman with a brilliant career since the War as an organiser of show-jumping and it is entirely fitting that he should be one of the first recipients of this important award. I know St. Dunstaners everywhere—especially all our enthusiastic sportsmen—will join me in congratulating Mike Ansell on this honour.

### The Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal

Since I wrote my congratulations to three Members of St. Dunstan's staff on receiving the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal I have learned of another award to a St. Dunstaner, Granville Waterworth, of Coventry. Our pleasure in this honour for him is enhanced by the knowledge that it was initiated by his employers, Dex Gears, in recognition of 38 years service in the firm. That is a citation in itself.

*Ion Garnett-Orme*

### ROYAL BIRTHDAY GREETING

Mr. Ion Garnett-Orme sent a telegram of greeting to Her Majesty The Queen on her Birthday. The text of his telegram and Her Majesty's reply appear below:

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN BUCKINGHAM PALACE:  
IN YOUR MAJESTY'S SILVER JUBILEE YEAR AND ON BEHALF OF BLINDED EX-SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH I SEND LOYAL GREETINGS AND WISH YOUR MAJESTY MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY  
10th June, 1977

ION GARNETT-ORME  
CHAIRMAN, ST. DUNSTAN'S

I SEND YOU AND THE EX-SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH MY SINCERE THANKS FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE ON THE CELEBRATION OF MY BIRTHDAY.  
15th June, 1977

ELIZABETH R

**FRONT COVER:** Norman Perry, winner of the totally blind section of the Archery Championships draws his bow against the background of Ian Fraser House.

**BACK COVER:** Gerry Jones and his young escort enjoying the walking event during St. Dunstan's Sports.

## WATER SPORTS DAY FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

The Severn-Trent Water Authority and the Staunton Harold Sailing Club are jointly making available facilities for physically handicapped, partially sighted and blind persons to take part in an 'Open Water Sports Day' at Staunton Harold Reservoir, near Ashby de la Zouche, on Saturday, 13th August, 1977.

Introductory and more advanced instruction by nationally recognised tutors

will be available in Sailing, Canoeing, Fly Fishing, Coarse Fish Angling and Radio Controlled Model Sailing Boats.

Admission is free and open to any disabled person and their companions. Light refreshments will be available at a nominal price and there are car parks adjacent to the Sailing Club House.

All the water sports facilities will be available from 10.00 a.m. until 5.00 p.m. on Saturday, 13th and a limited amount of sailing only on Sunday, 14th from 10.00 a.m. until 2.00 p.m.

## Welcome to St. Dunstan's



*On behalf of St. Dunstan's we welcome St. Dunstaners recently admitted to membership. The Review hopes they will settle down happily as members of our family.*

**Robert Ashmore** of Birmingham who joined St. Dunstan's on 29th June. Mr. Ashmore served with the Royal Air Force during the Second World War and was a Far East Prisoner of War. He is married with three grown-up sons.

**Stanley Grimsey** of Felixstowe who joined St. Dunstan's in June. Mr. Grimsey served with the Suffolk Regiment during the Second World War and was a Far East Prisoner of War. He is married with one daughter.

**Geoffrey Mann** of Frampton Cottrell who joined St. Dunstan's on 29th June. Mr. Mann served with the Glosters as a Private in the First World War and was wounded in July, 1916. He is married.

**Richard Ralphson** of Bolton who joined St. Dunstan's in June. Mr. Ralphson served as a Lance Corporal in the Loyal Regiment during the First World War. He is married with one son.

**James Smith** of Coalville, Leicestershire, who joined St. Dunstan's on 4th July. Mr. Smith served with the Royal Marines during the Second World War. He is married with one grown-up daughter.

**Macdonald Wesley** of Sandgate, Kent, who joined St. Dunstan's on 29th June. Mr. Wesley served with the Royal Artillery where he attained the rank of Sergeant. In 1942 he was a Prisoner of War in Sumatra. Since 1950 he has been on our Border Line category and was originally trained by St. Dunstan's as a telephonist but he has now retired from employment. He is married.

### FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE

It is hoped that we will again be granted an allocation of tickets for the Afternoon and Evening Presentation of the Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall on Saturday, 12th November. Any St. Dunstaner who has not previously had the opportunity of attending is invited to apply to Miss Bridger at Headquarters not later than Monday, 26th September for inclusion in the ballot for tickets, indicating which Presentation he would prefer to attend.

Those St. Dunstaners allocated tickets who do not live within daily travelling distance of London will be assisted with fares and accommodation for one or two nights at St. Dunstan's expense and will be invited to join the St. Dunstan's contingent attending the Cenotaph Parade in Whitehall on Sunday, 13th November. *C.D. WILLS*

### Dr. John O'Hara

Dr. John O'Hara would like to thank all the people who sent good wishes on his retirement. He would very much have liked to reply to everybody personally, but owing to the great number, he was unable to do so.



## OVINGDEAN NOTES

One way and another, June was an eventful month. The Derby, the Jubilee, Sports Weekend, Competitive Archery—it was all systems go!

The Derby outing was much enjoyed in the social sense; we are too tactful (and circumspect) to enquire of our racegoers whether the success was also financial.

The day following our trip to Epsom saw the start of a 3-week season of the Doyly Carte Opera Company at the Theatre Royal. The most-performed work was *The Pirates of Penzance*—so we gather that the bookies also do quite well in Cornwall.

### Bank Holiday Monday

On Bank Holiday Monday, we visited Fontwell Park to try our luck, and that evening held a dance with the "Accent on Jubilee", which was well-attended. On the Queen's special day, we had a Jubilee lunch, and the dining room looked very festive. The staff added to the cheerful atmosphere by wearing red, white and blue rosettes with gay abandon. That evening, there was the monthly Variety Show at the Dome, and everyone was in the mood to enjoy it. Then followed two 'Open Days' in the House—the first was by invitation, and the second was for the general public. One feels we could be forgiven for a feeling of pride in belonging to such a splendid organization. The Open Day attracted 200 visitors and a report appears elsewhere in this issue.

During the summer months we have two weekly Drives, Pearson House residents having priority on Fridays, and we have been busy finding new restaurants to visit. One such was Boship Farm Hotel, near Hailsham which proved enjoyable in every way—a splendid tea, a large and comfortable dining-room, and most attractive surroundings. We shall be paying return visits from time to time.

The Sports Weekend was highly successful, and Mr. Carnochan and his hard-working band of helpers are to be congratulated on the smooth-running organisation of the events. Just in case anyone had the mistaken idea that energy was

flagging, this was followed by five days of fishing.

In the House, there was plenty of entertainment, though you will be most surprised to learn that some St. Dunstaners were ill-advised enough to prefer the delights of the White Horse, the Black Horse, and various other hostelries. No doubt our French conversation class would exclaim "Quelle horreur!" (or words to that effect). Incidentally, we suspect that those who regularly attend the classes on Mondays are rapidly approaching "A" level French—for ourselves, we feel content to get by on "Oui" and "Non", and to recognise the signs "Femmes" and "Hommes". Yes, you are quite right, we are typically British, mulish and smug, but let's face it—lovely with it.

### Male Voice Choir

But we digress. To return to the entertainment in the House—one notably enjoyable evening was spent in the company of the Sussex Police Male Voice Choir, and once again they gave us a splendid concert. They filled the Winter Garden with melody and abundant goodwill. This year, their conductor, Mr. Brian Belton, sang two solo items, and we very much enjoyed both his charming tenor voice and delightful songs he chose. The choir have made a commercial cassette of some of their repertoire recorded partly at Glyndebourne and partly at St. Peter's Church, Brighton, and has found many buyers in St. Dunstons. Our warm enjoyment and appreciation were wittily expressed by Victor Buck. It was a great pleasure to see local St. Dunstaners and their wives and escorts in the large audience.

One Sunday evening, the VAD staff performed two play-readings, both comedies, and earned the hearty applause which greeted their efforts. Those taking part were Mrs. Catt, Miss Falcon, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Frith, and one of our newer V.A.D.'s, Mrs. Johnson, who generously (and bravely) stepped in at the last moment when Mrs. Pugh unfortunately

broke her collar-bone. We hasten to add, with relief, that Mrs. Pugh is now very much better, and Mrs. Johnson survived her baptism of fire, and is still with us.

Another excellent choir who came to entertain us this month was the Portsmouth and District Male Voice Choir, and as always, we much enjoyed their visit. The Brighton Tape Recording Club came one evening with a most interesting collection of tapes, ranging from the Morris Dancers recorded on May Day, and Jubilee Day revels on Hove sea-front, to the Queen's Guildhall speech, and music made entirely by synthesisers, including Vidor's *Toccata and Fugue*, which was splendidly impressive.

The month ended with yet another hopeful assault on the bookmakers—this time at Brighton. As there were no champagne parties that evening, we concluded that Mr. Ladbroke had not been made insolvent. A pity!

### OPEN DAY AT IAN FRASER HOUSE

9th-10th June

Not for a long time have so many skills and activities been gathered under the one roof. As part of the Rottingdean Jubilee celebrations, the doors of Ian Fraser House were opened to a number of local friends, neighbours and supporters. On the afternoon of Thursday 9th June, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett-Orme were there to welcome the Mayor of Brighton, Councillor Mrs. Hillary Sommerville. There was so much on show, that the official party were unable to make a complete tour; a compliment, surely, to the organisers, instructors and St. Dunstaners themselves, for the wide variety of activities they pursue.

From pottery to pummelling, (with apologies to the physios), and from sponsored swimming to scientific research, it was all there on Friday as well for some 200 members of the public to view. On the ground floor, Gordon Smith demonstrated the art of physiotherapy. He might have found a willing patient in Bill Phillips after the latter's "tour de force" in the pool. Throughout the exhibition, Bill completed 374 lengths of the baths to raise £83.87 for the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund, some four and a quarter miles, or one fifth of the way to

Calais! Also in the annexe were demonstrations of bowling, mobility instruction, while in the Club room were the photographic and static displays of the Research and Public Relations Departments which included a demonstration of the Optacon.

On the main floor, Charlie McConaghy and Mrs. Locke demonstrated typing skills with some excellently typed poems on display. One lady was heard to remark to Phil Duffee on being shown some Braille, "It's so small, it's a wonder they can see it". Carpentry, wrought-iron work, industrial training were shown by John Walters, Ray Newton, Joseph Carney and Dickie Brett.

On the 4th floor, the deft fingers of Percy Stubbs, under the watchful eyes of Mrs. L. Brown flickered over several types of telephone switchboard. Meanwhile, along the corridor in the handicraft section, Stewart Spence paused only for cheese and clay sandwiches between throwing some attractive pots. Wally Thomas made cold clay models, while George Hewett, Robert Hollingworth, Charles Rentowl and Richard Jones demonstrated rug making, mosaic work and cane work, upholstery and stool-making.

### Sale

Wares were on sale on the 5th floor, where guests were also invited to view the kitchens. To regain their strength and courage after the end of their tour, visitors were able to stop briefly in the Chapel.

A quick pause for breath, and Ian Fraser House was into sports, fishing and archery; let alone the Test and Wimbledon. Perhaps every day in June should be like the 21st—longest day and shortest night; that way, they will fit everything in!

### Amateur Radio Week-end

Speakers for the meeting during the afternoon of Saturday, 15th October, will be Mr. F. R. Canning, C.Eng., M.I.E.E., G6YJ, who will talk on "The Radio Amateurs' Examination". Mr. Len Wooller, G8GEZ, and Mr. John Houlihan, G4BLJ, both of whom are Post Office Engineers, will talk on "Interference".



## Canadian Reunion in Winnipeg

The week of 19th to 25th June was declared the Sir Arthur Pearson Association of War Blinded Week by Major Stephen Juba, Mayor of Winnipeg, through a public proclamation.

Citizens of the capital city of the Province of Manitoba were urged to welcome the war-blinded members of the Association who were holding their General Reunion in Central Canada for the first time. This was the seventh Reunion to be held and the fifth since the War.

The 101 Canadian St. Dunstaners attending welcomed a guest from England, Mr. C. D. Wills, our Secretary, who represented St. Dunstan's. There was a full five day programme arranged by the Executive and Officers of the Sir Arthur Pearson Association.

As well as business sessions at the Northstar Inn, Reunion Headquarters for the week, there were demonstrations, for those interested, of the Sonic Guide and the Laser Beam Cane; social occasions and visits to places of interest in Winnipeg.

The first day, proper, of the Reunion included a reception for members and escorts at Government House given by His Honour F. L. Jobin, Lieutenant-Governor of the province of Manitoba.

On Wednesday, 2nd June there was a parade and service of Remembrance at the Cenotaph. The St. Dunstaners on parade wore service medals, red berets and carried white canes. The Service was conducted by Major Percy MacLean, Chaplain, Canadian Forces, Base Winnipeg and a wreath was laid on behalf of the Association by Mr. Merv Carlton, President.

The parade, escorted by Canadian Air Cadets, marched from the Northstar Inn to the Cenotaph behind the Air Command Band from Base Winnipeg and a cadet colour party carried the Sir Arthur Pearson Association Colours and flags of the Canadian Provinces and Territories. The ceremony concluded with the customary sounding of The Last Post and Reveille.

Luncheon as guests of the Mayor, Major Juba, followed the Service and in the evening a Dinner at the Northstar where the Honourable D. J. MacDonald,

Minister of Veterans Affairs, was Guest of Honour.

### Message from Chairman

Mr. Wills also spoke and took the opportunity to give a message from St. Dunstan's Chairman, Mr. Ion Garnett-Orme:

"The links between the United Kingdom and Canada are strong and happy ones. Your Reunion this month follows soon after our main Silver Jubilee celebrations and you in Canada will be welcoming Her Majesty the Queen later in the year. In our own world of St. Dunstan's, we are always delighted to greet Canadian visitors at our London Headquarters or at our Brighton Homes and some of your greatest names have been among our oldest friends. I know, too, that your welcome to anyone from St. Dunstan's who travels to your country adds greatly to the pleasure of his visit. This was most happily shown when the late Douglas Lloyds attended your Reunion in 1972 and I have no doubt Mr. Wills will return with the most wonderful stories of your hospitality and kindness.

Everyone here sends you the best of good wishes for your Reunion and to you as individual St. Dunstaners. Lady Fraser, especially, asks me to send her affectionate best wishes to all her friends. May good fortune attend upon you in the Sir Arthur Pearson Association!"

### Privilege and Honour

Speaking for himself, Mr. Wills, told his Canadian friends how much he was enjoying the Reunion and that he felt privileged and honoured to be there . . .

"This is a wonderful opportunity to meet so many of our great family of St. Dunstaners in Canada. For the past 25 years it has been one of my tasks to maintain contact with our overseas relations and now the names on our lists have come to life for me and what a vigorous life it is too".

After referring to the numbers of St. Dunstaners in the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth and South Africa, Mr. Wills said that although these figures were reducing year by year, the door to St. Dunstan's was ever open and men and women were still coming to St. Dunstan's as the result of service in both World Wars and from other campaigns: "Should there be another major conflagration, which God forbid, St. Dunstan's will be ready to serve those who lose their sight".

Mr. Wills concluded by expressing his thanks to the President of the Sir Arthur Pearson Association, Mr. Merv Carlton, the Association's Secretary, Mr. Bill Mayne and the President of the Manitoba Branch, Mr. George Gilles, and his Committee.

Thursday, after a morning business session, found the members at the Canadian National Institute for the Blind Centre, where after luncheon as guests of the Institute they saw an exhibition of aids and appliances for the Blind and partially sighted.

That evening members and escorts were entertained at the Warrant Officers and Sergeants Mess at Base Winnipeg.

The final day of the Reunion was given over to Winnipeg and its surrounding countryside. An afternoon tour preceded the wind-up Dinner, held on a motorship, the River Rouge, cruising along the famous Red River.

### PRESENTATION CLOCK

Many St. Dunstaners staying at Ian Fraser House have remarked on the pleasant sound of Westminster Chimes heard in the Entrance Hall.

These come from a very handsome bracket clock in richly carved wood, a gift of the directors of the Bass Charrington Company, to mark Lord Fraser's long association with the Company as a director.

Recently the Company have provided a plinth for the clock which is suitably inscribed and both have now been permanently sited in the well at the foot of the main staircase.

We are most grateful to Mr. J. S. Fox and his directors for their unique and attractive gift.

COMMANDANT



### STAFF RETIREMENT

Mr. John Weightman was presented with a gold watch from St. Dunstan's Council, by Mr. Garnett-Orme, on his retirement as a Driver at Ian Fraser House. He came to St. Dunstan's in February 1953, after serving in the Royal Artillery in the Second World War, and retired after 24 years service in April 1977. All St. Dunstaners who met him during this time, will no doubt want to wish Mr. Weightman a happy retirement.

### R. A. Clark, M.A.

We are asked to record that Mr. R. A. Clark, M.A., Director General of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association was among the congregation at Mortlake Crematorium for the funeral of the late Lieutenant Commander Robin Buckley, G.M.

### Note of Thanks

Mrs. Amy Lancaster of Blackpool wishes, through the *Review*, to thank all those who wrote or helped over the unhappy weeks following the death of St. Dunstaner Mr. John Dunkley. Mrs. Lancaster looked after John for 25 years, and thanks all those at St. Dunstan's for the help rendered over that period.





# FIRST ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Ray Hazan

*The 'butts' at Ian Fraser House, with shooting going on during the Championships.*

*A special trophy for Peter McCormack, presented in both senses of the word by Mr. Peter Fielder.*

*Concentration is vital in archery and Bob Forshaw is a fine example as he prepares to shoot.*



Through the wind, the mist and the rain, came the hollow reverberation of a metal shaft followed by the thwack as of a fish being slapped down on a slab. This is the sound of laminated wood pulled out of shape by 40 lbs of effort propelling 28 inches of steel tipped arrow like a rifle bullet towards its target. Perform this feat 98 times and you will have been fit enough to participate in the first ever archery championship held at Ian Fraser House on 25th June.

Preparation for this competition has gone on for some 18 months. Laurie Austin is our Transport Manager at Ian Fraser House and a keen member of the Newhaven Archery Club. Both he and Jock Carnochan spent some time working out the feasibility of the project.

With the practised engineering skills of Norman French from Headquarters various types of stand were tried. These simply hold up a pointer of small brush level with the knuckles of the bow hand. Combined with foot markers, the aids assist the bowman to adopt the same stance each time, and once lined up on the target, hey presto, apples on top of



*Phil Duffee, partially sighted winner, with a target that made a good contribution to his nine golds.*

*Totally blind winner, Norman Perry receives his trophy from Mr. Fielder.*







*This shot of Phil Duffee shows the stand and pointer he aims by. The back of his right-hand, holding the bow just brushes the pointer as he releases his arrow.*

head are sliced neatly in two. The targets are 4 feet in diameter with the gold or bull, worth 9 points some 7 inches in diameter. At first the rifle range was used, and then the annexe where more people could shoot at one time. The club was and still is conscientiously coached by Mr. Alf Upton also of the Newhaven Club.

The championships held in the open air added the further difficulties of wind, dampness, which affects bows and strings, and the cold. Competitors sat behind the shooting line and on a whistle blast, took up their equipment and started firing without any assistance, in theory, anyway! Due to the difficult conditions, there was, perhaps, a little more coaching than normally permitted. Under this category came the tot of rum issued by the Commandant. It may have been responsible for one archer hitting a gold—but on his neighbour's target!

#### Praise from Senior Coach

The competition went on to early evening. Mr. Peter Fielder, the Sussex Senior Coach who presented the trophies, was well pleased with the day's work. He has kindly indicated that, through his acquaintance with all the other coaches, he could assist in trying to get our archers integrated into local clubs. In presenting the awards, a figure of an archer mounted on cup and plinth, to Norman Perry, winner of the totally blind section, and Phil Duffee of the partially sighted section, Mr. Fielder said that the results were so encouraging, that he saw St. Dunstaners competing against sighted rivals.

#### ARCHERY RESULTS

##### Totally Blind

			Hits	Score	Golds
First	N. Perry	Grimsby	61	288	6
Second	C. McConaghy	Belfast	48	187	1
Third	P. McCormack	Portslade	33	144	4

##### Partially Sighted

First	P. Duffy	Portsmouth	78	401	9
Second	R. Forshaw	Bognor Regis	76	381	8
Third	W. Davies	Port Talbot	52	258	5
Fourth	W. Bramley	Folkestone	35	120	3
Fifth	C. Wagstaffe	Exeter	37	110	1

## REUNIONS

### MANCHESTER

When Dr. Hopewell rose to speak at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, he felt sympathy with the Christian-eating lion of ancient Rome. This particular lion was put off his human feast by being reminded he would have to make an after dinner speech. But Dr. Hopewell has had plenty of practice, it being some 27 years since he first represented the Council at Manchester.

After bearing greetings from the Council and especially Lady Fraser, tribute was paid to Dr. John O'Hara on his retirement; to Mr. Lloyds and Commander Buckley. "But a reunion day should be a happy one, when friendships are rejoined". After introducing members of the Staff present Dr. Hopewell was sure some guests wanted to ask questions while they had the Staff at their mercy. The first St. Dunstaner arrived 62 years ago, and though the organisation was perhaps growing older it was not necessarily growing smaller. Three new arrivals to join the 46 other St. Dunstaners were Richard Ralphson, wounded in the First World War and Messrs. Hamilton and Roebuck from the Second World War. With the possibilities of conflicts in the future, "we must ensure we keep St. Dunstan's alive so that its services may be called upon at any minute for those blinded in the services".

"How good it is to be able to sleep with a quiet mind. I hope you will do so, knowing that St. Dunstan's is ready to take care of you and look after you if you fall by the wayside".

In his reply, John Mooney said he thought he would never again meet Staff as competent as those who had looked after him 32 years ago at Church Stretton. "They have been replaced by people equally as good". Thanks were again given to Mrs. A. Ballantyne and Miss K. M. Broughton for their part in organising the afternoon.

The Harry Simons Band played until the cutting of the Jubilee cake. It was a replete and satisfied gathering that dispersed into the balmy Manchester air that afternoon.

### LIVERPOOL

Mr. Garnett-Orme's connections with Liverpool go back to 1810, when an ancestor, Sir William Browne, founded a bank there. He also gave what was probably the first free library in England. Mr. Garnett-Orme's previous visit to Liverpool was on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Lord Fraser's chairmanship. The 43 St. Dunstaners sat back after a very satisfying lunch at the Adelphi Hotel to hear the Chairman continue, "I welcome you all, especially Mr. Milden of Birkenhead, and Dr. Templeman of Buckley, who are attending their first reunion. I would like to thank you and your wonderful wives for the way in which you continue to meet your problems and the way you keep the name of St. Dunstan's in high repute. It is of the greatest possible help to our organisation, and to new St. Dunstaners who join us. When we were here in 1962, Lord Fraser said in his speech, 'Remember the door of St. Dunstan's is ever open. We do not know but that tomorrow some very young fellows may come to us from Belfast.' What prophetic words those were. It is vital" ended the Chairman, "that the public continue to think well of us."

Mr. Samuel Worthington, in proposing a vote of thanks on behalf of the guests, thanked Mr. and Mrs. Garnett-Orme for their presence. A warm thanks was voiced by all to the staff, especially Mrs. A. Ballantyne and Miss K. M. Broughton of the Welfare Department, who had organised the day.

Before the dancing got under way, Mrs. Ince, wife of John Ince of Southport, presented Mrs. Garnett-Orme with a bouquet. There were still more events; a raffle, followed by the cutting of a Jubilee cake. The cake, with its decoration of Roses and E II R, was so skilfully prepared that none of the ladies had the heart to cut the first slice, and so the chef was called to perform the operation himself. That the atmosphere of the day had been very warm was due not entirely to the weather, but to the friendship of regaining old contacts.





Mike Tetley overtaking Paddy Cryan in the 2½ mile walk.

## SPORTS WEEK-END 1977

It couldn't happen two years running . . . could it? Saturday, 18th June, St. Dunstan's Sports Day, dawned overcast and dreary, but thankfully, the rain kept off and all the outdoor events were safely completed.

Although competitors, officials and spectators remained dry, it was not the kind of day our resourceful staff at Ian Fraser House usually order for us. No warm sunshine—just a chilly wind blowing across the front of the building. In these circumstances, the performances of our 28 athletes, competing in teams under colourful titles such as the Gorillas and the Panthers, were very good.

The attractive park in Hove, where the famous Goldstone is situated, is an excellent walking circuit; obviously to the liking of Mike Tetley, who was fastest in a time of 24.47 mins. for the two laps totalling 2½ miles.

Meanwhile, back at Ian Fraser House, one notable achievement this year was the fact that Gerry Jones won every field and track event in which he took part in

the Partially Sighted section, as well as coming equal first with Alan Wortley in the swimming events and being winner of the walk in his section. It was not surprising, therefore, that he won the best beginners prize.

Ray Peart still seemed to have retained some fitness after Montreal and put it to good effect by winning the swimming events in his section and coming first in the discus and runner-up in the javelin events overall. There was always close competition in the Totally Blind section from Tony Parkinson, who won the shot putt and the sling ball and was runner-up in the sprint, discus and long jump overall, and ended up winner of the Totally Blind section in the field events.

Meanwhile, in the Doubly Handicapped section, Bill Griffiths and Percy Stubbs battled it out to eventually share the Victor Ludorum prize. Griffiths then went on to win the walking and shooting events in that section, while Stubbs was first in the swimming events.

## ST. DUNSTAN'S SPORTS 1977

### RESULTS IN DETAIL

#### FIELD EVENTS

##### Totally Blind

Name	75m Run	Shot Putt	Discus	Javelin	Sling Ball	Med. Ball	Long Jump	.22 Sh.	Total Points	Final Place
T. Parkinson	12.08	26.4½	59.5½	71.8	73.0½	20.3	11.4	38	121	1st
R. Peart	13.00	22.11	59.8	71.10	64.8	22.0	11.1	—	100	2nd
J. Black	13.00	25.11	47.4	63.10	71.0	18.5	9.9	34	94	3rd
N. Perry	15.02	21.1	51.8	52.7½	64.8	17.7	10.2	27	93	4th
M. Tetley	17.02	22.0	45.7	53.3	46.10	17.3	9.0	39	79	5th
J. O'Donnell	17.05	23.3	41.10½	53.8½	62.0½	19.7	9.10	20	76	6th
P. Spencer	13.08	22.1	45.3	44.5	63.7	15.0	9.2	38	75	7th
J. Cope	16.00	22.5½	48.0	30.10	58.3	19.0	10.7	22	73	8th
E. Jinks	18.00	23.1	45.1	56.5½	63.2	15.1	8.0	8	69	9th
J. Wright	16.00	18.2	36.3	40.5	55.9½	15.3	6.4	40	59	10th
C. Stafford	15.09	18.5	37.6	30.3	52.8½	15.6	5.6	—	50	11th
V. Stack	25.00	17.8	31.5	41.0	56.3	16.0	6.5	7	39	12th
S. Tutton	20.00	17.5	32.3	34.11	37.3	14.3	5.4	—	32	13th
R. Young	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	13	14th
W. Scott	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	15th

##### Partially Sighted

G. Jones	12.04	25.10	49.9	86.10	66.1½	24.8	12.10	19	61	1st
W. Davies	14.00	24.7½	42.9	51.4	60.9	21.4	9.4	39	42	2nd
J. Lynch	13.06	21.5	47.2	62.3	59.3½	14.9	9.8	39	40	3rd
A. Wortley	11.09	20.11	47.4	54.11½	52.5½	17.7	8.5	—	33	4th
G. Hudson	14.02	21.9	41.11	27.2	54.0½	17.7	10.2	36	30	5th
R. Palmer	16.05	21.6	45.4	48.2	59.9½	16.3	7.8	30	26	6th
P. Cryan	15.05	17.10½	38.6½	33.3	52.10½	14.7	5.4	—	13	7th
D. Purches	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37	5	8th
A. Mitchell	—	18.5	—	—	—	—	—	26	4	9th

##### Doubly Handicapped

P. Stubbs	*16.00	16.7	31.7	35.4	43.10	13.3	*9.1	10	31	1st
W. Griffiths	16.00	13.7	18.3	29.7	17.3	15.7	7.3	41	23	2nd
L. Pellington	*15.02	15.7	27.3	28.9	43.9½	13.3	*7.7	31	21	3rd
D. Bell	*15.00	11.8	21.4	25.2	17.0½	11.6	*8.11	30	16	4th

#### Notes

Performances \* are team averages, therefore if you discount these it works out that P. Stubbs and W. Griffiths are equal first on actual performances, with 24 points each, as Stubbs loses 2 on the sprint and 5 on the long jump, and Griffiths gains 1 on the jump.

Times are to the nearest 1/100th of a second and distances to nearest ½ inch.

Points are awarded as follows: 1st—to the number of entries in the event +1.

2nd—as above — 1 etc.





Jerry Lynch in the long-jump.



Ray Peart throws the javelin.

## RESULTS—continued

### SWIMMING

#### Totally Blind

Name	2 L Breast Stroke	2 L Front Crawl	2 L Back Stroke	10 L Free Style	Plunge	Plates	Com-pulsory Dive	Volun-tary Dive	Total Points	Final Place
R. Peart	31.00	25.08	37.03	3.27.9	35' 0"	7	20	24	47	1st
M. Tetley	38.00	29.00	45.00	3.47.5	46' 2"	10	—	—	31	2nd
T. Parkinson	42.08	36.00	—	—	32' 2"	9	22	19	25	3rd
N. Perry	40.00	48.00	53.00	4.26.5	28' 8"	14	14	13	16	4th
P. Spencer	40.08	—	54.00	5.05.5	35' 0"	3	—	17	14	5th
J. Wright	—	—	—	—	46' 0"	—	20	19	14	5th
C. Stafford	45.05	45.04	—	—	26' 1"	5	17	16	11	7th
J. Black	—	46.05	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	8th

#### Partially Sighted

A. Wortley	39.00	—	45.05	6.09.0	31' 1"	12	19	17	11	1st
G. Jones	—	24.05	36.08	4.18.0	28' 3"	—	—	—	11	1st

#### Doubly Handicapped

P. Stubbs	62.00	—	73.00	—	30' 11"	1	20	22	13	1st
W. Griffiths	61.05	—	83.00	—	44' 0"	—	20	17	11	2nd

All times to nearest 1/100th sec. Distance to nearest inch. Each dive aggregate of 3 scores, maximum on each 30.

## TEAM RESULTS

1st	Stubbs Sealions	24 pts.
	P. Stubbs, G. Jones, J. Cope, R. Peart, V. Stack, C. Stafford	
2nd	Pellington Panthers	22 pts.
	I. Pellington, P. Cryan, R. Palmer, N. Perry, J. O'Donnell, J. Black	
3rd	Griffiths Gorillas	17 pts.
	W. Griffiths, J. Lynch, W. Davies, T. Parkinson, J. Wright, S. Tutton	
4th	Bells Bandits	14 pts.
	D. Bell, G. Hudson, M. Tetley, P. Spencer, E. Jinks, A. Wortley	

## WALK

	Handicap Time	Allowance	Actual Time
G. Jones	22.26	2.40	25.06
R. Young	23.28	3.50	27.18
E. Jinks	23.55	3.40	27.35
W. Griffiths	24.18	5.00	29.18
A. Wortley	24.25	1.20	25.45
M. Tetley	24.47	Scratch	24.47
T. Parkinson	24.52	3.10	28.02
C. Stafford	25.00	2.20	27.20
P. Cryan	25.02	0.25	25.27
J. Wright	25.03	3.40	28.43
J. Lynch	25.35	1.35	27.10
N. Perry	25.35	0.20	25.55
S. Tutton	25.47	2.50	28.37
P. Spencer	27.45	3.10	30.55
W. Scott	29.35	6.10	35.45
J. O'Donnell	33.20	2.40	36.00



Sprinting, Norman Perry looks a determined figure.

## Notice

The Indoor Sports will be held on 29th and 30th October. They will be followed by the Indoor Bowls Championships on the 31st October-4th November. Would St. Dunstaners wishing to take part in any of these events contact Jock Carnochan for entry forms and details.

## PRIZE CARD

### Field Sports

#### Winning Team Field Events

P. Stubbs  
G. Jones  
J. Cope

R. Peart  
V. Stack  
C. Stafford

#### Section Victors Ludorum

T.B.  
P.S.  
D.H.

T. Parkinson  
G. Jones  
P. Stubbs and W. Griffiths

#### Section Walk Winners

T.B.  
P.S.  
D.H.

R. Young  
G. Jones  
W. Griffiths

#### Section Shooting Winners

T.B.  
P.S.  
D.H.

J. Wright  
W. Davies and J. Lynch  
W. Griffiths

#### Best Beginner Field Sports

G. Jones

#### Best Veteran over Sixty

C. Stafford

#### Section Swimming Winners

T.B.  
P.S.  
D.H.

R. Peart  
G. Jones and A. Wortley  
P. Stubbs





*Jerry Cope pulled a muscle in the sprint and is examined by Bill Harris. He had some physiotherapy treatment later from fellow competitor Charles Stafford.*

*Peter Spencer lines up before throwing the discus in the doubly handicapped section.*



*Bill Griffiths using a special attachment to put the shot.*



## READING TIME

by Phillip Wood

*Cat. No. 929*

### **Prisoner at the Bar**

by Jeffrey Ashford

*Read by Arthur Bush*

*Reading Time 6½ hours*

Bob Blaydon, a young barrister, is sitting with a girl in his car in the local Lover's Lane. He fancies he sees movement in the bushes and gets out to investigate. There is apparently nobody there.

Later the body of a murdered Peeping Tom is found at the spot and the police appeal for anybody who was in the area at a certain time, to come forward.

Blaydon feels it is his duty to go to the police. The girl, Katherine, wife of a wealthy local businessman Elmer Curson, is horrified at the idea. She and Blaydon are deeply in love. They are not lovers in the accepted sense of the word, but who will believe this?

In spite of her pleadings, Blaydon goes to the police. The dead man was a gardener in the employ of Elmer Curson. A web of damning circumstantial evidence builds up against the luckless Blaydon. He is tried and convicted of the murder.

He extricates himself finally by the very unorthodox use of his legal skills and by tricking Elmer Curson into clearing his name.

A well thought out story. The court scenes are especially good.

*Cat. No. 934*

### **The Salzburg Connection**

by Helen MacInnes

*Read by Michael de Morgan*

*Reading Time 17¾ hours*

A political thriller set amidst the lakes and mountains of Austria. In 1945, the Nazis, on the edge of defeat, had submerged in a lake a chest containing incriminating documents, including 300 names of Nazi collaborators. A lone Englishman, a former British agent, raises the box and hides it, hoping to collect it at some convenient time. He is killed by members of a secret local Nazi party.

This is the signal for the start of a deadly game of hunt-the-slipper, the slipper in this case being a tatty old chest which has lain undisturbed for twenty years on the bottom of the lake.

Practically every organisation which ever featured in a cloak-and-dagger tale is grabbing a piece of the action, the Nazis, the CIA, MI5, the Austrian Security Forces, and of course a beautiful KGB spy.

Eventually the troublesome chest is safely gathered in by a consortium of those who might loosely be described as being on "our" side...

At least, I think they are...

*Cat No. 720*

### **The Spy Who Came in From the Cold**

by John le Carré

*Read by Maurice Turner*

*Reading Time 7¼ hours*

A tale of plot and counterplot, bluff and doublebluff in a jolly game of political shuttlecock with the Iron Curtain as the net.

It starts with a British agent having to pretend to be discredited (he's actually supposed to have been caught with his fingers in the petty cash, which is going a bit far, I thought) in order to be picked up by the Other Side as a possible defector.

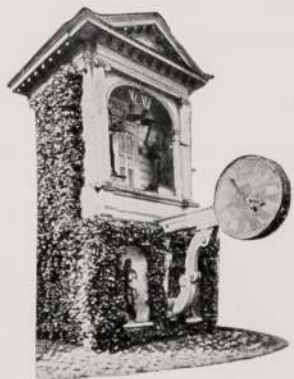
Naturally the plan succeeds and the yarn proceeds on its merry way, though not without many complications and not a little confusion—at least on my side!

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**From: Mrs. Pauline Buckley, Barnes**

The many letters we have received from friends and colleagues following the death of my husband have been a great help to me and my family at this time. Although we shall be acknowledging all of them individually, may I ask you to publish this expression of our sincere thanks in the *Review*?





### Royal Encounter

At the Manchester reunion I met **Margaret Bingham**, who enjoys the post of Secretary of the Macclesfield branch of the North Staffordshire Handicapped Society. Margaret is assisted in this post by husband John. A recent "gathering of the clans" was held at Trentham Gardens. Guest of Honour was H.R.H. Princess Anne, who, on the way to the dais, stopped to have a quick word with John and Margaret. Pipes and Drums of the Black Watch, dancing by children from Staffordshire, wheelchair dancing, and demonstrations of games, such as table tennis, played from a wheelchair. The Princess took a great interest in all activities and ended her visit by picking out two winning raffle tickets for the Macclesfield Club.

### Bottoms Up!

Have you always felt guilty when throwing away dustbin loads of empty whisky, gin and brandy bottles? Here is one method of explaining it away, thanks to **Harry Earnshaw** of Tarleton, Lancs. Taking an ordinary glass cutter fitted into a special bracket made by Harry, which in turn slots into the neck of the bottle, a scoring line is made around the glass. With the application of hot and cold water, the bottle is cut in half. Emery paper the sharp edges and you have an ash tray; upturn the top half and, with the use of "araldite", stick the neck to an upturned ash tray for use as a base, and you have a vase. Harry decorates the bottles with transfers, shells, indeed the

## IT STRIKES ME

by Magog

scope is endless. At the Liverpool reunion, Harry presented such a vase to the Chapel at Ovingdean. It was decorated with tiny shells and pictures of our past Chairmen. The motto to this story is "get drinking, lads".

### Ordination

We send many congratulations to Paul Taylor, son of **Tom Taylor** of Preston, Lancs. Paul was ordained into the Methodist Church during their Annual Conference at Hull on Tuesday 28th June. Tom was himself attending the Conference as a District Representative and, together with members of the family, stood proudly in the congregation during the ordination service.

### Warning

**Mrs. May Wood** of London sends us a timely warning for our Summer holidays. It is advisable to keep the receipts and cheque stubs of any items bought for your holiday. Should your case go missing, then an insurance claim will be facilitated with documentary evidence.

### Know Your Meter-man

A scheme is to be introduced by the Northern Electricity Board which should interest many. A woman from Rochdale, Lancs., suggested that Braille readers should write the last four digits of their account number in Braille on their meter. The person calling to read the meter would then have to identify himself by giving those numbers from the records he carries with him.

### THE UNVEILING CEREMONY

On Thursday, 28th June at 7.30 p.m., a portrait of Lord Fraser was unveiled at a ceremony in honour of the Queen's Silver Jubilee, at Park Senior High School, Swindon. Park School has been associated with St. Dunstan's since 1960, when one of its four houses was named after Lord Fraser. The school's motto is "Through Learning to Service" and by direct help and fund-raising they endeavour to further the charitable activities associated with the people from whom the Houses take their names. Fraser House pays special attention in its fund-raising activities to the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind and the Westlecott Home for the Blind. The unveiling of the portrait of Lord Fraser, which was painted by Mr. Gordon Spence, three of whose children have attended Park School, was carried out by the late Chairman's grandson, Mr. Neil McDonald, M.A., who said afterwards that he had never seen such an amazing likeness. After some opening remarks by Mr. P. A. Coggin, Headmaster of Park School, three other portraits were also unveiled; those of Countess Mountbatten of Burma, Dr. Albert Schweitzer and Group Captain Leonard Cheshire. The evening ended with a song "Gone, gone again is summer, the lovely", the National Anthem and the presentation of a wooden bowl, which had been made in the school carpentry workshop, to Mr. Neil McDonald, M.A.

### NEWS FROM THE ISLE OF MAN

At an informal celebration of his 25 years as Branch Chairman of the Castletown Branch of the Royal British Legion, Isle of Man, Norton Christal was "amazed" to be presented with an illuminated address of appreciation.

Howard Simcocks, his fellow St. Dunstaner and a Branch Vice-President and the County President, spoke of Norton's work for the Branch and the County over so many years.

Congratulations to both these St. Dunstaners upon their outstanding service in the Isle of Man, where the Royal British Legion has a particularly fine record.

### FISHING

The St. Dunstan's organised fishing week followed the sports weekend and was most enjoyable and successful. Eighteen fishermen took part, going out daily from Newhaven. Despite the cold weather, everybody went out with the object of catching something and this they did. As the week progressed, the weather improved and Wednesday, when the fishermen were being filmed, turned out to be ideal weather both for filming and fishing. Mr. Bill Latto of the Town and County Programme, who has been making a National Documentary on Fishing for the Disabled, had planned to film St. Dunstan's fishermen in April, but, unfortunately, the weather prevented this. The main part of the filming that day included the Doubly Disabled Boat, Javazee, skippered by Bert Donno. The object of the film was to feature the aids used by amputee anglers, Bill Griffiths, David Bell, Wally Lethbridge and Bob Young. Mr. Latto has since written to say that the film turned out extremely well and he managed to include everybody, even if it was only getting on board prior to leaving harbour. Every day saw good fishing, with Whiting, Dabs, Bream, Pollock and, of course, Mackerel being caught. The competition winners for the heaviest fish of each day were: Percy Stubbs with a 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. Bream, Alf Waters with a 5 lb. Pollock, Harold Smith with a 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. Pollock and Dave Jennings with a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. Pollock. But everybody did catch the sun and, by the end of the week, were well tanned. All in all a very good week.

## CLUB NEWS

### MIDLAND

Quite a good and interesting meeting was held on Sunday, 12th June. We held a discussion on the idea of another night out in September, also the possibility of a change of venue for our Christmas dinner. These ideas are still being considered by members and will be discussed again at our next meeting.

Of course a number of games of dominoes were played, I think we must



be coming towards the end of our men's singles competition.

The tea once again was arranged by the ladies and we all thanked them for another lovely spread. Each of the ladies was presented with a Jubilee Pen by the St. Dunstaners in the club, and they all seemed highly delighted with them. Just a small gesture from us, Ladies, for all the good work that you do for us at club meetings and on outings. Mrs. Sallie Bilcliff gave a little vote of thanks on behalf of the ladies.

Sunday, 19th June was the day of our annual outing. This year we had arranged to have two outings in one, so therefore we incorporated our outing to Stratford with our usual annual outing.

We left Birmingham by coach at 11 a.m. and made our way on to the M5 along which we travelled as far as Worcester. Here we left the motorway and proceeded along the A38 to Tewkesbury.

Lunch had been arranged at the Riverside Hotel for 1 p.m. but as we arrived rather earlier than expected we were able to either have a stroll around before lunch or have an appetiser in the bar. We eventually sat down to a very fine lunch and when this was over there was still plenty of time for another look around Tewkesbury.

We eventually re-boarded our coach at 3.15 p.m. and started on our short journey to Stratford. Up to this time the weather had been dry but rather cool, but as we approached Stratford the sun broke through and the air warmed up.

We arrived at the Royal British Legion, Stratford, at approximately 4.30 p.m. and found tea already waiting for us, as usual it was a lovely spread which had been prepared for us by the Women's Section of the Legion. We received a very warm welcome once again, as we always do when we visit this particular branch of the Royal British Legion.

It was about 5.45 p.m. when we boarded our coach once again, this time bound for Lower Quinton where we had been invited to take part in a Drumhead Service. A number of our members, with their wives, joined in the parade to the church, the parade was headed by nine standards from surrounding Royal British Legion Branches. A very nice service was

held in the small church of Lower Quinton and the church was packed.

After the service we were invited to go along to the Legion branch in the village where we were joined by our friends from Stratford.

We eventually left for home at 9.15 p.m. and made our way back to Birmingham where we arrived at approximately 10.15 p.m.

We had an excellent day's outing, a complete change from anything we had done before, and by keeping on the move nobody could complain of being bored. I do believe everyone enjoyed it, I most certainly did.

DOUG CASHMORE

## BRIGHTON

### ENTERTAINMENT SECTION

Our visit this year to the Royal Horticultural Society's Gardens at Wisley on 15th June was more enjoyable as we had the services of a Guide. With his expert knowledge, Mr. David Palmer, showed us parts of the Garden we would never have found, together with allowing our members to feel the different textures and smell the perfumes of the various plants and flowers. One spot we were most interested in was the Garden for the Disabled. Flowers and vegetables were grown in beds waist high and the paths were non-slip. After the 2 hour tour we sat down to an excellent 3 course dinner in the Restaurant and before we left, the Ladies enjoyed themselves in the shop where they purchased plants for their own gardens.

Will all Club members please note that after 3rd August, there will be no Club Meetings until 7th September, also there will be no Club Dance in August, the next one being held on the 10th September. On Thursday, 1st September we are arranging to go to Fontwell Races, stopping on the return journey for a light supper. The cost of this trip will be £1.50 per member.

Wednesday the 21st September will be our last social event of the current year. This will be in the form of a Dinner Dance to be held at the Dudley Hotel, Hove, 6.45 for 7.15 Dinner, until Midnight. The price is £3 for Members and £5

for Guests. This coincides with the Fishing Week and any Member on holiday at Ian Fraser House who would like to join us on either occasion, will they please contact me—together with their remittance—at 117, Longridge Avenue, Saltdean, Brighton BN2 8RB or telephone Brighton 32115, by the 1st September.

### Domino Aggregate

22nd June

1st Mrs. E. Mudge  
2nd I. Pellington  
R. Forshaw  
B. Blacker

6th July

1st Mrs. B. Griffiths  
2nd A. Wallage  
E. Carpenter  
Mrs. H. Webster

BOB OSBORNE

### BRIDGE SECTION

Our sixth Pairs Competition was held on Sunday, 26th June. The winners were:—

North-South

F. Griffee and Mrs. R. Green 60.0

East-West

R. Fullard and  
Mrs. V. McPherson 61.5

### The Dacre Trophy—

#### Pairs Competition

The total of the five best percentage scores, with any partner, from a possible six of the nine games to be played, are as follows:—

W. Lethbridge 305.8  
R. Fullard 283.7  
F. Griffee 260.9  
B. Simon 244.6

#### Five Games Played

B. Ingrey 274.1  
A. Dodgson 255.7  
W. Phillips 251.6  
J. Padley 239.5  
P. McCormack 201.9

#### Four Games Played

M. Clemmets 201.6  
A. Smith 170.0

#### Three Games Played

T. Gaiger 144.4

### The Gover Cup—

#### Individual Competition

The total of the best five scores, from a possible six, of the nine games to be played, are as follows:—

W. Lethbridge 337  
C. Walters 334  
R. Fullard 329  
F. Griffee 313  
J. Padley 312  
W. Burnett 301  
P. McCormack 293

#### Four Games Played

W. Phillips 286  
A. Dodgson 272  
M. Clemmets 246  
A. Smith 233

WALTER LETHBRIDGE

### BOWLING SECTION

On Sunday, 19th June, we were the guests of the Burgess Hill Bowling Club. Although this is only our second visit to this Club we felt that we were amongst old friends. We had a very enjoyable match despite the very cold weather and the tea-break in the middle, when the ladies put on a wonderful spread, was very welcome. After the match we spent a pleasant hour chin-wagging with our hosts over a pint of wallop. The evening was rounded off by the presentation to us by the President of a very fine plaque in the shape of a shield commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Burgess Hill Bowling Club. We were very honoured by this gift and hope that we may make some arrangements to display this in a suitable place at Ian Fraser House.

BILL BURNETT

## FAMILY NEWS

### Marriages

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bradshaw of Northampton, are pleased to announce that their daughter, Marian, was married on 28th May, to Alan Brooks, at Kingsley Park Methodist Church, Northampton.



*Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Brereton* of East Molesey, are pleased to announce that their daughter, Lynne Kay, was married on 23rd July, to Michael L. Simpson, at All Saints Church, Houghton Regis.

*Mr. William Carthy* of Hawkinge, is pleased to announce that his grand-daughter, Wendy Kim Bull, was married on 9th July, to Allen George Constable, at Christ Church, Brockham.

*Mr. and Mrs. Bob Forshaw* of Bognor Regis, are pleased to announce that their eldest son, Robert, was married on 30th July, to Nicola Filby, at the Church of Lady St. Mary, Wareham.

*Mr. and Mrs. Bert Green* of Portslade, are pleased to announce that their daughter, Diana, was married on May 14th to Denis James Whitty, at the Church of St. Michaels All Angels, Beddington.

Mrs. Kempe, widow of our St. Dunstaner *Sam Kempe* of Camborne, Cornwall, is happy to announce that their youngest son, Christopher, was married on 18th June, to Sharon Pascoe, at Camborne Registry Office.

### Golden Wedding

Many congratulations to *Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hynam* of Long Ashton, who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 25th June. They had a family party in the local Village Hall.

### Grandchildren

#### Congratulations to:

*Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Clarke* of Blackpool, on the birth of their first great grandchild, a boy, Christopher James, born on 15th April, to their only grand-daughter Karen Anne and her husband, James.

*Mr. and Mrs. Tom Daborn* of Parracombe, North Devon, on the birth of their first grand-daughter, Lucy Ann Aiken, born on 28th June, to their daughter Jane.

*Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Donnelly* of Walsall, West Midlands, on the birth of their grand-daughter, Anwyn Christina, born on 6th June, to their son Christopher and his wife Maureen.

*Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mogan* of Hove, on the birth of their grand-daughter, Siobhan Elizabeth, born on 26th April, to Sheilagh and Steve Hunt.

*Mr. Stanley Weeks* of Letchworth on, the birth of a grand-son, Benjamin Noel, born on 29th April, to his son Richard and wife Anne.

*Mr. and Mrs. James White* of Nottingham, on the birth of their grandchild, a girl, Abby, born on 18th March, to their son Terry and his wife Carole.

### Examination and Career Successes

#### We warmly congratulate:

*Mrs. Muriel Bryant* of Midsomer Norton, who has won the First Class Certificate for an Arran cardigan at the National War Pensioners Handicraft and Art Exhibition. This is the second year running that our St. Dunstaner has won this award.

Barry, son of *Mr. Des Coupe* of Bournemouth, who has obtained his Diploma as an architect at Leeds Architectural School. During the six year's course he obtained his B.A. (Arch.) in 1974, and now the Dip. Arch. (Leeds).

He has been appointed to the Cambridge Office of Fitzroy Robinson and Partners, one of London's leading architectural firms.

### Deaths

#### We offer our sincere sympathy to:

*Mr. Albert Bettaney* of Stoke-on-Trent whose wife, Lizzie, died on 6th July.

*Mr. Robert Chritchlow* of Leicester, whose brother died in June.

*Miss Una Greenwood* of Manchester, whose mother, died on 14th June.

*Mr. Norman Bertram Maries* of Redditch, whose mother, died on 30th May.

*Mr. John Simpson* of Brighton, whose mother, died on 28th June.

## In Memory

**It is with great regret we have to record the deaths of the following St. Dunstaners and we offer our deepest sympathy to their widows, families and friends.**

#### William Robert Allman *Northumberland Fusiliers*

William Robert Allman of Humberside, died on 15th June, aged 84.

Mr. Allman enlisted in August 1914 and served as a Private with the Northumberland Fusiliers. He was wounded at Arras in 1917 when his injuries included damage to his eyes but nevertheless, upon discharge from the army in 1919, he was able to follow various types of employment. It was at the age of 69 that he retired from work in the docks and in September 1973 he became a St. Dunstaner. After being widowed 12 years ago, Mr. Allman lived alone for a number of years but more recently shared a home with his younger son and daughter-in-law, Cyril and Gwynneth to whom we send our thanks for their devoted care to our St. Dunstaner.

He leaves his two sons and their families.

#### John George Dunkley *22nd Queen's Royal West Surrey Regiment*

John George Dunkley of Blackpool, died on 29th June at Pearson House, aged 77.

Mr. Dunkley served as a Private with the 22nd Queen's Royal West Surrey Regiment from 1918 to 1920. He came to St. Dunstan's in 1951 and about a year later moved to Blackpool where he made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster who became very good friends to him. As a hobby occupation Mr. Dunkley liked making string bags and over the years he enjoyed annual holidays at Brighton.

He leaves his niece, Mrs. Glashier, of Weybridge and his friends Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster.

#### John Philip Heyes *2/15 London Regiment*

John Philip Heyes of London, died on 1st July at Pearson House, aged 84.

He served with the 2/15 London Regiment as a Private during the First World War and was wounded at Salonika in May, 1917. He was discharged from the Army in January, 1918.

After leaving the Army Mr. Heyes took up clerical work, which he continued until 1966. Since his retirement, his hobbies have been philately and photography. He has also enjoyed spending holidays with friends in the Austrian Tyrol but unfortunately due to failing health, he was unable to take advantage of a further invitation this year.

He leaves a widow, Mrs. Agnes Naomi Heyes, and a son, John, of Ilford.

#### Charles Jackman *Royal Fusiliers*

Charles Jackman of Brentford, died on 8th July, aged 84.

Mr. Jackman enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers at the outbreak of World War I and served in France, attaining the rank of Corporal. In June 1918 he was gassed at Arras as a result of which his sight deteriorated and he was ultimately admitted to St. Dunstan's in 1974.

Despite the fact that our St. Dunstaner was confined to his bed for long periods and confined to a wheelchair, he remained remarkably cheerful throughout and displayed great courage.

He leaves a widow Mrs. Clara Jackman and his sister.

#### Thomas McCann *Royal Scots*

Thomas McCann who was a permanent resident at Pearson House, died on 6th July, aged 88.

Mr. McCann's sight failed while he was serving as a Private with the Royal Scots from December, 1916, to April, 1917. He came immediately to St. Dunstan's and took training in mat making, after which he returned to his home in Northern Ireland. He was a most proficient mat maker and continued with this occupation for about 15 years before he gave it up and turned to wool rug making.

In 1932 Mr. McCann and his wife moved to Essex, although our St. Dunstaner returned quite frequently to Northern Ireland to visit his relatives. Mrs. McCann passed away in 1960, having suffered two years of very poor health, and our St. Dunstaner then became a Permanent Resident in Brighton.

He leaves his niece, Mrs. O'Donnell.

#### William John Roberts *9th Battalion Essex Regiment*

William John Roberts of Southend-on-Sea, died on 5th July, aged 86.

Our St. Dunstaner enlisted as a Private in the 9th Battalion Essex Regiment in August 1914 and following the loss of one eye whilst on service in the First World War was discharged in November 1916 and admitted to St. Dunstan's the following year.

Following admission, Mr. Roberts was trained in basket work and worked for our Stores until the Second World War when he obtained employment in a Bakery making cane hampers. However, in 1946 he resumed basket work for our Stores which our St. Dunstaner continued to do with a high standard of craftsmanship until failing health made it necessary for him to give this up in 1970. From then on, his greatest interest was his greenhouse and garden from which he derived much pleasure.

He leaves a widow Mrs. Agnes Roberts, their four daughters and all members of the family.



