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QUICKMATCH

PERME CHESS CLUB

NATIONAL PLATE CHAMPIONS

	John Cook				Paul Collins 1		
		Eric Poupard		Terry Turner			
	Andrew Cooper				PAUL BYWAY		

EDITORIAL

The most talked about event recently was of course the Royal wedding. With mass coverage by TV & newspapers it was my intention to interview Charles & Diana as PERME'S contribution in publicising the happy event, so imagine their good fortune (Charles & Diana) when our Chess team won a National title. As this is by far the greatest achievement by a PERME Sub Section I transferred my attention from the wedding to publicise the chess sections marvellous win, so I would like to offer the congratulations of the committee to the Chess Section.

I have only just realised that when we ask for ideas or a response to any request for ticket sales for dances, outings etc. we tend to give a name & PERME Section telephone number thereby making it difficult for Associate members to contact the relevant persons I would like to suggest that as we put circulars on the notice boards in the club advertising coming events it would be easier if interested parties filled in the reply forms and handed them to the barman for collection.

I would appreciate it if anyone would send me for publication any Quizzes, Crosswords, Wordsearches etc. as the brains of PERME have been complaining that they have nothing to do in their spare time. Any contributions can be sent to me at any time.

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

At this point in time some three months after its opening I remain delighted by the instant success of the new club. Your response to our new environment has been ample reward for the hard work put into it by the Committee, especially the final mad rush just before opening. Although I expected a lull after the initial euphoria, trade at the bar has remained at a much higher level than ever before, so much so that we now use two bar staff most of the time. Thus although the club is busier the service to the members is better. In addition we now open on Saturday lunchtimes (12.00 to 2.30 pm) for those of us who cannot keep away from the place !

Many of you will have noticed that guest fees have recently been increased to 25p, although this is quite a jump from the old 10p fee, please bear in mind that the old fee has been in force for about 7 years and with inflation was covered by one's first drink at our prices. I am pleased to say that most of our members act properly in regard to signing in guests but there are always the few who do not and we are trying hard to obtain door stewards for all our openings. Any volunteers for the odd weekend evening should contact the Secretary.

With any new enterprise there are bound to be teething problems but I think most of these and any finishing touches outstanding have been sorted out. It does however distress us to see anyone either intentionally or unintentionally destroying our efforts to provide the best club in the Abbey. Typical things are the stubbing out of cigarettes on brand new carpets when there are dozens of ash-trays available or the smoking over the snooker tables when rules forbidding this are very clearly displayed. Much less typical, and almost unbelievable, have been the malicious vandalism of the gents toilet and the theft of two expensive house plants, I can assure you that anyone found abusing the club or the rules of the club shall be dealt with severely and should the perpetrator be a guest, the sponsoring member shall be held responsible. Anyway when such things can and do occur we need everyone's help to police the club and keep it the way we want it.

Speaking of club rules, I have written a draft new constitution which I hope will cover areas neglected in the present one and also cater for the somewhat different circumstances relating to the new premises. This will be considered by the committee and a final draft presented to a general meeting for approval. It is hoped to convene this about September.

R. McGuchan

SOCIAL

On Saturday 26th September we are trying an experimental Dinner Dance in our own Hall, Walton Gardens. Unfortunately as we no longer have adequate cooking facilities, we are unable to offer a complete hot meal. However I'm sure the following meal will tempt some of you:-

Cream of Tomato Soup,
Served with Vienna Rolls & Butter.
Cold Roast Topside of Beef & Gammon Ham.
Mixed Salad.
Buttered New Potatoes.
Sherry Trifle & Dairy Cream.
Coffee.

Tickets will be on sale soon price £6.00 each from the Registry ext. 343.

Now that the dust has begun to settle after our move, we are planning to get some entertainment organised in our new premises. Functions you will hopefully see on the social calendar in the near future will be Sing-a-long Evenings, Cheese & Wine Evening, Live Music, a Keep-fit Class (this is not a spectator sport!). I hope we can rely on your support as in the past. Further details will be circulated at a later date.

E. McFarlane.

BAR

Now that the Club is safely ensconced in its new premises it is perhaps time to take stock of the range of beers supplied with a view to augmenting or altering it. Most of the membership are probably aware that, under the terms of the interest-free loan negotiated with Rayments, the Club is basically tied to this brewery for its beer supplies. This means that we can obtain the selection of draught beers listed in the table

Out of nine draught beers available from the brewery the club at present stocks six. Of the remaining three AA Abbot is basically the original cask form of Keg Abbot and therefore the only two practical additions to our range are Kronenbourg lager and draught Guinness.

I have included a form for any Club member who wish to have either of these two drinks available in the club. Just fill in your particular requirements, if any, and send the form to me in PR Branch.

For those of you interested in figures I have given the volumes of the beers already stocked that the club bought in May this year. Clearly our two Cask beers (or Real Ales) KK and BBA are the most popular beers-28% and 26% of sales respectively with Lager running a fairly close third with 24% of sales. This means that although the club follows national trends with Lager sales we are somewhat unique in our high consumption rate of Mild.

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CASK BEER

KK Light Mild	333 Gal	42p	--
BBA Bitter	306 Gal	44p	--
AA Abbot	---	--	54p

KEG BEER

King Keg	182 Gal	46p	--
Keg Abbot	55 Gal	54p	--
Harp Lager	281 Gal	55p	--
Kronenbourg Lager	---	--	60p
Draught Guinness	---	--	62p
Dry Blackthorn Cider	11 Gal	46p	--

PLEASE RETURN TO ANDY CLAYTON PR BRANCH

* I wish the club to stock Kronenbourg Lager.

*I wish the club to stock Draught Guinness.

I use the club bar daily*/weekly*/monthly*/rarely*

* Delete where applicable.

OUTING

BBC Television Studios, Wood Lane.

Sunday 30th August.

See the production of the BBC comedy series "ROSIE".

The coach will depart at 5.30pm.

And the show will finish at 9.30pm.

Reservations are available from Allan Ball L122 EXT. 429.
The total cost will be £2.00

Please reserve _____ seats for me on the coach to BBC
Television Studios.

I enclose £ _____

Name _____ Section _____ Tel Ext _____

RETURN TO ALLAN BALL L122.

CHESS

The Final of the National Club Championship Plate saw PERME defeat STEVENAGE by the narrowest possible margin to bring a National trophy to the Club for the first time.

The match score was 3-3 but we gained victory by virtue of 'board count', our wins on Boards 1 and 5 being of higher value than the Stevenage wins on Boards 3 and 4.

Our results in the final were :-

Board	1 -	PAUL BYWAY	1
	2 -	ANDREW COOPER	$\frac{1}{2}$
	3 -	TERRY TURNER	0
	4 -	JOHN COOK	0
	5 -	PAUL COLLINS	1
	6 -	ERIC POUPARD	$\frac{1}{2}$

At our recent AGM, I was elected to succeed Bob Jones as Secretary and I now find myself in something of a quandry. How do you follow someone like the 'Mr Chess' of PERME? As is so often the case, Bob agreed to take on the job 'just for one season untill you find someone else'. That was way back in 1959 and it is only now, with his retirement from PERME, that 'someone else' has been unearthed. Bob will, of course, continue to play for the Club and retains the arduous task of organising our Correspondence Chess teams. My own fondest memory of Bob is my first meeting with him. I had been at PERME just two days when he approached me and almost joyfully announced: 'I hear that you play Chess'. I am still trying to find out how he knew this - perhaps all PERME newcomers are vetted for a Chess background!

To mark his 22 years as Secretary, Bob was presented with an engraved Chess board and set by our members.

On the playing side, the Club's major achievement of the season (or of any previous season!) has been our First Team winning the Final of the National Club Championship Plate against Stevenage. It seems ironic after away matches with clubs like Bradford and Pontypool, that the Final should turn out to be a local Derby!

In the North Circular League 'A' Division, the side finished level on points with Waltham Forest at the top of the table but board count will, we fear, place us in second spot.

It was disappointing not to retain the Herts Team Championship for the Pullar Cup, especially as we fielded what appeared to be a stronger side than last year. In the Lawrance Cup, we reached the semi-final but were then defeated by Waltham Forest.

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The Second Team, by finishing 5th in the North Circular League 'B' Division, improved three places on last season. This was a creditable performance after a year in which some stronger players were not always available.

The Essex League side gained promotion from Division 3 to Division 2 by finishing as runners-up. After a poor start to the season, a run of six wins and a draw from the last seven matches clinched this high position.

The Essex Commercial League side, captained by Bob Terry, dropped only one point all season and deservedly won the League title.

Individual performances: Pride of place here must go to Paul Byway who has qualified for the British Championships.

The Final of the Kirby Cup - a competition for the Individual Championship of the North Circular League - ended up an all PERME affair, with John Cook beating Terry Turner. Both are former holders of the trophy.

Andrew Cooper captained the Herts County side which also contained PERME'S Paul Byway (top board) and John Cook, whilst Terry Turner was a regular on Board 2 for his county of birth, Norfolk.

Club Championship: The individual Club Champion is again John Cook with a magnificent score of 7½ points from 8 games. The Handicap Section was won by Bob Jones, who scraped home by just half a point from Grant Privett.

We have welcomed several new members over the past year but are always on the look-out for Chess players - don't be put off if you are just a beginner (or even a Grandmaster). If you are the former, we can help you - if the latter, then you can help us! Please contact either John Cook (our Chairman) on ext. 238 or myself on ext. 312, or come along to the Club on any evening throughout the Summer.

Ian Griggs.

WANTED

Bar Staff for Social Club. You do not need to be experienced as training will be given.

Hourly Rate £1.70. If interested Please Contact Andy Clayton

Bar Chairman.

Starting Monday 10th August.

We will be showing Video Films twice a week in the TV Room. The two nights are Monday & Thursday. As this is a new venture for the Social Club we would like members suggestions as to what films they would like us to purchase. Any ideas on this subject please contact Elsa McFarlane or Steve Hutchings.

TENNIS

This years tournament has once again come to an end. Finals Day, on Sunday 28th June was fortunately dry but there was a 'nip in the air', this however did not deter the players or the spectators.

John Bell had another good year taking the Mens Singles, the Mens Doubles with Norman Brown and the Mixed Doubles with Margaret Lee. Margaret herself also swept the board taking the Singles, the Ladies Doubles along with Margaret Walley, as well as her triumph with John.

Thanks to all who helped with the food, the lines men and the umpires for making a very enjoyable afternoon.

Hon. Secretary
Valerie Teasdale

RIFLE CLUB

Range at Swing bridge Gate Mondays & Thursdays 7.30 p.m.

£4.00 Membership, £2.00 of wich goes to the N.S.R.A.

Subscription payable in January.

CHAIRMAN John Stuart ext 577

TREASURER Paul Kennet Ext 563

SEA ANGLING CLUB

Meetings first Tuesday in the month, one trip every five weeks average.

CHAIRMAN Dave Mullenger Ext 399

SECRETARY Terry Stemman Ext 272

TREASURER John Stuart Ext 577

Subscription £2.50 Payable in January.

LOST !

Does anyone know of the whereabouts of Sports Equipment used on Open Day & Jubilee Day and last stored in area next to Dog Kennels. Anybody with any information to help us find the Equipment please contact the Club Secretary.

EXTRACTS FROM A DIARY

Tis with much personal shame that I confess to having broken my most solemn vow to record faithfully such events and happenings of importance that befall both this state and abroad. That this journal should be so delayed is due entirely to such sloth and procrastination to which I am plagued. Henceforth I reavow to divest myself of such weaknesses and put aside a time each day, or perhaps each month, to record the momentous events, gossip and malicious rumours which are apparently the very life blood of my erstwhile colleagues and acquaintances.

So far this year the only important happenings have been the failure of my Lord Strathcona to visit us here, due to his being called to higher service, and the purchase of a new grand country estate by my Lord O—n which may dispel rumours of impending closure favoured by the more loquacious workers. And so to the rumour which by my humble calculation has now been in existence for some 279 years. Suffice it to say that without this perpetual rumour our lives would all be much duller.

I have recently visited the new apartments set aside for the comfort and convenience of members wherein there now be a most lavish apparatus for the dispensing of intoxicating liquors. I am most impressed by the gradiosity of the scheme which also includes various facilities for the idle amusement and participation in divers games and sports of the genteel indoor character of which I personally am more amenable than those rough outdoor pastimes.

Somewhat later that same month I was prevailed upon to attend a gathering specially arranged to observe at close hand the mastery of the pastime of snooker by a young unassuming colonial from Her Majesty's Dominion of the North Americas. Making allowances for the expected brashness of the fellow I must confess that the event did please me considerably and I would commend further excursions into such realms.

Tis said that necessity is the mother of invention and I am pleased to report that a great and wonderous discovery was made at the aforesaid premises on that very night to which I most recently referred. Amongst the most excellent qualities hithertofore recognised inherent in ale; the quenching of thirst, distension of unsightly flat stomachs and paint stripping, has been added the taming of unruly hair. Her Majesty has been informed of this wondrous new property and our illustrious Bar Chairman has I understand enquired of the possibility of our procuring letters of patent for the process.

It is with deep regret that I record the passing of so many long standing members into that vale of retirement and hope that the experience will afford much pleasure and comfort while not of course wishing to afford myself of such experience.

Returning briefly to the Rumour. Mayhaps in honour of its age the Rumour has now been officially recorded in a missive from above in recent days. This is perhaps the first time in recorded history that a rumour written down whilst still remaining a rumour. That such advances in civilisation can arise in Her Majesty's Britannic Realm can only bode well for the future of the State. Long Live the Queen.

YFS

Overheard in a corner of the Social Club at the End of the Universe

I'm feeling so depressed. All this talk of spending. Don't talk to me about spending. They just don't care. 'Spend this' they say 'Buy that'. They don't have to worry where all the money comes from.

'Come on Marvin' they say 'divvy up with the loot, the spondulicks, hand over the sheckles'. I ask you what a way to speak. 'Hey, let's rush out and buy lots of shiny new things' they say, without a single thought of me who has to find the money. Me with my cash-flow problem. I mean, I try to tell them but do they listen, of course they don't. 'Never mind Marvin' they say 'It'll turn up and if it doesn't so what, that's life'. Life, don't talk to me about life. I mean, I could really do with a new reserve account, or even a good secondhand one but they won't listen. 'Cheer up Marv' they say and that's when I get really depressed. I think I'll go to my room and switch myself off and then They'll be sorry but I don't expect they will I mean, they never listen, do they, they just don't

FOR SALE

CLUB PIANO - Needs some attention £50 Please contact Adrian Francis Club Secretary.

SERVIS TWIN TUB WASHING MACHINE £50 ono Please contact Bob McGuchan.

AN EGGSTRAORDINARY EGGSPERIENCE

Dear Mr Eickhoff,

It has come to our notice that you are a well known bon viveur and gastronomic eggspert (second only to the famous Eggon Ronay) and that you may wish to take advantage of our recently eggstended Egg offer. Our latest sales eggsercise has been so eggcellent that our agents have undertaken further eggscursions to eggsplore the possibilities of eggstending and eggspanding our operations. Our overseas eggspporters have recently delivered an eggssessive consignment of most eggssquisite and eggssotic produce which we assure you are of eggsemplary quality. Due to EEC arrangements these are eggsempt from eggssise duty and we are therefore offering them to selected customers at eggssedly low eggssense. Upon receipt of your eggssplicit order we will deliver by eggsspress carriage at no eggssra cost,

Yours Sincerely,
E.G.G. Mann

Eggssective Director

P.S This eggssclusive offer will eggsspire when present stocks are eggsshausted.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to complain about your recent consignment of eggs. I was most eggsshilarated and eggssited when the order was eggssected so eggsspeditely. 'Oh look' I eggssuberantly eggssclaimed as I eggsshibited them to my mum, 'I shall eggsspect to eat most eggssellently now' I eggssulted, I was most eggssited although I am not normally an eggssstrovert person. Imagine then my eggsscruciating eggssasperation on discovering that it is eggsseedingly difficult to eggsspedite the mixing of yorkshire pudding when the eggs are hard boiled ! On further eggssamination I even found one empty, eggsscept for some eggssstraneous fluid (later found by Eggss-Ray Analysis to be water). In view of the eggssorbitant price charged I had not eggsspected such eggsscrable quality. There can be no eggsscuse nor eggssoneration for your company and I eggsshort you to eggsschange the enclosed eggsshibits forthwith and thereby eggsspiate your shameful eggssploitation. Please eggsspedite this matter or I shall eggsspose your dealings to the Ex-Marketing Board,

Yours most seriously,
P.J.Eickhoff

P.S. I am not Yolking.

OVERSEAS TELEGRAM

To: Mr.P.J. Eickhoff stop EGGSSCREMENT stop
signed. E.G.G. Mann
Ex-Eggssective
Somewhere Abroad

(Eggssiled)

FUTURE OUTINGS

The following outings are daytrips which the outings committee is prepared to organise for the benefit of club members and their friends over the next 12 months, provided sufficient interest is shown.

Could you please tick any outings WHICH YOU ARE PREPARED TO SUPPORT.

- Blossom run in Kent.
- National Trust properties.
- Trips to the dogs.
- Shopping trips to Coventry & Birmingham etc.
- Strawberry picking at Tiptree.
- Bulb fields in Lincolnshire.
- Military Tattoos.
- Military band concerts.
- Boat show.
- Ideal home exhibition.
- Family trip to the seaside.
- Zoo outings.
- Pub outings.

Any other suggestions you would be interested in.

FROM

Please complete and return to Allan Ball (Ext 429)
Main Lab. North Site.