

OLD KING'S CLUB

King's College School
January 1960

Newsletter No. 6

Dear Sir,

This letter contains news received up to January 21st, and a Calendar of Events for the Term. Please send items of General Information to the Hon. Secretary at K.C.S.

Engagements:—

Lieut. R. J. D. Allen, R.N. to Miss S. M. Braybrooks.
C. O. Beard to Miss B. A. Elias.
G. Boxall to Miss D. Morrison-Jones.
T. G. C. Broad to Miss J. M. Turnbull.
J. D. E. Hamilton to Miss W. B. Davies.
R. J. Hood to Miss J. M. Hutchinson.
M. J. Mackenzie to Miss A. Warwick.
B. R. Martin to Miss P. Joice.
M. J. Munden to Miss P. M. Morton.

Marriages:—

A. S. Craig to Miss H. M. Innes.
Rev. L. G. Goodchild to Miss S. Finch.
Rev. C. Leffler to Miss J. E. H. Rogers.
B. W. le Maitre to Miss A. Sainton (in 1958).
G. P. Pratt to Miss J. A. Wickwar.

Births:—

B. A. Baldwin, a son.
J. L. Callway, a son.
Rev. P. J. Casswell, a son.
Dr. L. T. Cotton, a daughter.
P. S. Couldrey, a daughter.
J. N. Gibson-Horrocks, a son.
N. V. Harris, a daughter.
Prof. D. J. E. Ingram, a son.
J. P. W. Leitch, a son (in 1958).
D. L. S. Shinn, L.D.S., a daughter.
C. H. Tross Youle, a daughter.

Obituary:—

W. E. Dick, aged 45
F. Tyrell, A.I.E.E., aged 69.
V. E. Waller.
F. Weare, aged 61 (in 1957).
Dom Bede Wilmslow, O.S.B., aged 71.

New Year Honours:—

Capt. G. A. Balfour, O.B.E. (Assistant Headmaster, Grange School, Santiago, Chile).

General Election, October 1959.

Sir Cyril Black, re-elected M.P. for Wimbledon.
V. H. Goodhew, elected M.P. for St. Albans.

Appointments:—

C. J. G. Bishop, Assistant Master, Westminster City School.
J. C. Duckworth, head of the Research Development Council.
R. H. Owen, Deputy General Manager of Prudential Assurance Company.
D. W. A. Watson, Assistant Master, Lincoln School.

K.C.S. Old Boys R.F.C.

Hon. Secretary, R. D. Gauntlett, 13 Woodville Road, W.5.

Under the enthusiastic direction of Cavan Taylor the Club is enjoying quite a successful season. The local 'Derby' against Old Rutlishians deserves special mention, not only because it produced perhaps the best display of rugger seen at Kingston Vale this season, but because we won it by 12 points to 11 and thus laid the ghost that has haunted every Club Captain since the war.

Our heaviest defeat was from Old Haberdashers, who ran riot in the second half. Old Cranleighans beat us by the sheer power of their pack, with two shove-over tries. The last three matches have produced three wins and a total of 55 points to nil. J. V. Pomeroy is always useful in the pack, and W. J. Wright at scrum-half is a tower of strength, while the threequarters have begun to show their real powers.

Matches won 9 (Paulines 14-6, Alleynians 11-8, Haileyburians 21-12, Rutlishians 12-11, Eastbourne 18-3, U.C.S.O.B. 11-3, Civil Service 21-0, Westminster Hospital 20-0, Wolverhampton 14-0); Drawn, 3 (Beckenham 3-3, Askeans 6-6, Dunstonians 0-0); Lost 5 (Haberdashers 3-25, Emmanuel 3-9, Clifton 5-8, Bank of England 3-5, Cranleighans 3-10).

The Annual Supper is at Lysbeth Hall, Soho Square, on April 7th. Please ignore, therefore, the notice in the fixture card.

R. M. Bartlett, P. H. Elkington, C. L. Thompson and D. Thompson have played for Surrey, and C. H. Wood in a Surrey Trial and for the LX Club. Elkington played for the Army against Aldershot Services, and R. R. Winn for the Barbarians.

All O.K. Club members are entitled to use the Pavilion. Dances will be held on Feb. 13th and April 30th.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Squash Club

Hon. Secretary, G. R. G. Brown, 25 St. Mary Abbot's Court, W.14.

We are in the Quarter-Finals of the Londonderry Cup. Details, I am afraid, are lacking.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Rifle Club

Hon. Secretary, S. O. B. Powell, 45 Cotterill Road, Surbiton.

The Daddy Price Ruler was won by R. J. Fitch, and the Annual Dinner which followed the shoot was held as usual at the Drummond Arms Hotel, Albury, where a most enjoyable evening was spent, the record number of 24 being present.

We hope to have a match with Old Whittgiftians by kind permission of the London Scottish Regt. at their London H.Q.

Will those desirous of joining the Rifle Club please get in touch with the Hon. Secretary before the end of March.

Cross-Country

A team of 6 entered the annual Old Boys' Race held at Roehampton on December 12th. About 50 runners, representing 12 schools, completed the 5-mile course, and our team did well to finish 2nd, the race being won by Old Rutlishians. C. A. Clark and R. D. Robinson finished together in 9th position, R. M. Thomas was 13th and W. A. Cummings, our other scoring man, was 17th.

In our race against the School we were reinforced by Messrs P. Kirman and P. D. Palmer, members of the Staff. The latter broke the Senior Course record and enabled us to avenge last year's defeat, Robinson, Clark and Cummings again scoring.

Will O.K.'s interested in Cross-Country running please get in touch with R. M. Thomas, 20 Somerset Avenue, S.W.20.

K.C.S. Lodge of Freemasons

The Autumn Meeting was held at Ardington Rooms on October 16th with Mr. P. A. Newmarch in the Chair as Master for 1959-60. With the assistance of his officers he completed the steps for Mr. K. J. Mayhew.

Messrs. H. L. C. Clark and G. E. Cox were elected Auditors for the 1959 Accounts.

Mr. T. H. Garrud was proposed by the Master and seconded by Mr. J. N. Walker for Initiation in February 1960.

All enquiries regarding the Lodge should be made to Mr. W. H. Nicholas at 80 Cope Hill, S.W.20.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Lawn Tennis Association

Hon. Secretary, P. R. Cox, Braeside, Headley Drive, Epsom.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Cricket Club

Hon. Secretary, R. G. Fielder, Maburne, Barfields, Bletchingley, Surrey.

K.C.S. Old Boys' Golf Club

Hon. Secretary, D. H. L. Wadsworth, 9 Rosebery Avenue, New Malden.

Old Kings' Motoring Club

Hon. Secretary, A. H. Driver, 56 Home Park Road, S.W.19.

Annual Dinner

This was held on December 4th at the House of Commons. Sir Cyril Black, M.P., was in the Chair and there were about 160 present. An enjoyable evening was spent, and appropriate speeches were made by the Chairman, the Headmaster and F. Cumber, Esq.

Examinations, Degrees, etc.

M. G. Bell, and D. R. Johnson have passed the Final C.A. Examination.

I. M. A. Herbert and R. W. Theobald have been awarded Henry Arthur Thomas Travel Exhibitions, and D. F. Horrobin a Coolidge Travel Scholarship.

Professor W. S. Peart delivered two Goulstonian Lectures to the Royal College of Physicians on "Hypertension and the Kidney."

B. A. Whitton obtained a First in the Botany Final School at Oxford last summer.

O.K's in Africa who would welcome the chance of meeting Members who are visiting or emigrating include:

East Africa: E. B. Seex, P.O. Box 30158, Nairobi. Tel.: Karen 262 (Home); 21482 (Office).

J. A. Kidd, P.O. Box 664, Nairobi: Tel. 24291 (Office).

R. G. W. Maynard, P.O. Box 4138, Nairobi. Tel.: Karen 306 (Home); 26621 (Office).

South Africa: J. A. Fryer, P.O. Box 7440, Johannesburg. Tel.: 835-1841 (business).

B. H. Fryer, P.O. Box 4870, Johannesburg. Tel.: 34-1176 (business).

A. J. Burford, Highways, Oakhurst Avenue, Rondebosch, Cape.

D. W. W. Horne, P.O. Box 4471, Cape Town. Tel.: 34571 (business).

Calendar of Events—Spring Term

House Rugger Finals, Feb. 4. Hockey v. Old Boys, Feb. 13. Cross-Country, Senior and Junior. Feb. 24. Hockey v. Dulwich, Mar. 12. School Play (provisional dates) Mar. 14, 15, 16. Sports, Mar. 26. Triangular Athletics, probably at Whitgift, Mar. 28.

Note: The date of the Cross-Country is wrongly given in the Magazine as Feb. 20, and I should be grateful if as much publicity as possible could be given to the real date.

Old Boys' Home Matches: Aldershot Services (Veterans' Day), Jan. 30. K.C.H., Feb. 6. Middlesex Hospital (a.m.), Feb. 13. Catford Bridge, Feb. 27. Tauntonians, Mar. 5.

Annual General Meeting, 1960: This will not be held until December.

School News

The Headmaster is retiring at the end of the Summer Term after a long and successful term of office. An Appreciation will appear in the next number.

The Housemasters are: Alverstone, Mr. I. R. Stewart; Glenesk, Mr. P. H. Harwood; Kingsley, Mr. C. B. T. Gibbons; Layton, Mr. G. I. F. Tingay; Maclear, Mr. E. D. Slinn; Major, Mr. F. R. Miles.

In December the following boys gained Open Awards at Oxford and Cambridge:—

N. R. Chalmers: Exhibition in Natural Sciences, Magdalen (O).

P. J. L. Grant: Exhibition in Mathematics, Clare (C).

P. Gwynne: Exhibition in Natural Sciences, Balliol (O).

F. R. Hartley: Demyship in Natural Sciences, Magdalen (O).

A. A. Jones: Major Scholarship in History, Peterhouse (C).

M. D. Long, Minor Scholarship in English, Christ's (C).

I. P. D. Smith: Exhibition in Classics, Trinity Hall (C).

J. A. Tiller: Exhibition in Classics, Clare (C).

Christmas Concert: This was held in the Great Hall on December 15th at 2.15 and 8 p.m. The main work was Bach's Christmas Oratorio. The Choir sang extremely well and the performance was very enjoyable, though the treble and alto soloists' voices lacked strength. R. G. Angus's strong bass voice sounded particularly well in "Mighty Lord and King most glorious." After the interval carols were sung by the choir and audience.

Service of Nine Lessons: This was held at St. Mary's Church on December 17th.

Rugby Football: The XV once again won 4 matches and lost 7. The contrast between their best form and their worst was startling; it was almost impossible to believe that the side which lost so heavily to St. John's was the one that defeated Brighton and gave a fine game to Trinity Hall.

The Imposters brought a side that was far too strong for a school XV playing its first match, and we lost 3-30. We had little difficulty in beating Beaumont (14-0), Smith giving an almost unlimited supply of the ball to some lively outsiders. Against King's Canterbury we failed to establish

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forward domination, and their backs were too good for us (6-21). The St. John's match (0-22) is best forgotten. We were indeed without Knight and Arnott, but the side seemed to lose heart a quarter of an hour from the end.

We recovered our form and spirit in an entertaining match against St. Mary's Hospital (12-25), in which D. A. Hamilton made a promising first appearance on the wing; and then we ran a strong Trinity Hall side to 9-19, and proceeded to beat Brighton by a score (17-10) which by no means reflected our superiority. The last movement of this game, when the ball went from right to left and back again, with half the side handling, was a great thrill, though we narrowly missed scoring.

We thus gained confidence to deal with the unbeaten Whitgift side, and to our surprise and pleasure we were successful (9-8) though the score of three penalty goals to a goal and a try was not entirely satisfactory. Angas's line-out play and Phillip's kicking were decisive factors. However we followed this with a sad display against U.C.S., whose forwards survived an initial onslaught and proceeded to take charge. Our 3-16 defeat was well deserved.

A most attractive game with the Old Boys resulted in a rather unlucky defeat; but we redeemed ourselves by beating the strong Q.E.G.S. Wakefield team, which unluckily for them was slightly below full strength, by 11-3. An early score by Hamilton gave us confidence, and our diagonal kicks were vitally effective. Before the match we had endeavoured to repay their 1958 hospitality by giving them a dinner and taking them to the theatre.

I. P. D. Smith, R. D. Phillip and D. E. Meikle represented Surrey Schools in the holidays, and D. M. Mitchell Blackheath Schools. Meikle was travelling reserve for the London Scottish Schools in the New Year's Day match.

The Under 16 XV has won all its matches, beating Tonbridge 30-6.

Cross-Country: The Club beat Whitgift and won the Walton A.C. Invitation Schools Road Relay and the Triangular with Purley and R.G.S. Guildford; it lost to K.C.L.

Squash: The Club has won the six matches which it played. R. J. Wheeler reached the fourth round of the Public Schools' Open Squash Tournament.

Hockey: The Club has 7 fixtures: Six of last year's team remain.

Fencing: The Club lost to C.L.S. and drew with Epsom.

Chess: The team has beaten St. John's, Epsom, R.M.A. and the Masters, and lost to Surbiton County School.

Art Society Press: The new Art Room, a sumptuous building on the Priory Lawn, has been opened.

New Societies: These are The Travellers Club, which threatens to invade North Africa, The Motor Enthusiasts' Club, which contemplates Lodge Sparking Plugs, Go-Karts, and Formula I, 1956, The German Society and The Folk Song Society.

Dramatic Society: This promises us a performance of Ibsen's Hedda Gabler.

The other Societies, all fourteen of them, flourish.

House League Rugby: Considerable enthusiasm was displayed in the League, with six Houses competing for the first time. Layton and Kingsley raced neck-and-neck for the leadership, Layton getting home by one point with 45. Alverstone and Glenesk with 34 and 33 were next, and Major (8) and Maclear (4) brought up the rear.

Yours sincerely,

D. G. DALZIEL,
Hon. Secretary.