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400 IN MARCH OF PROTEST AT BANNINGS

TOP: Students and Staff, many wearing their Academic Gowns, move slowly along High Street.

BELOW: Marchers at the entrance of the Arts Block.



NEARLY 400 RHODES STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS JOINED IN THE PROTEST MARCH DOWN HIGH STREET ON MONDAY, MARCH 13. THE MARCHERS STARTED FROM THE DROSTDY ARCH, MOVED DOWN TO THE CATHEDRAL AND RETURNED. THERE WAS A BANNER AT THE HEAD OF THE COLUMN READING: "PROBE BEFORE YOU BAN, DON'T BAN BEFORE YOU PROBE".

INCIDENT

The marchers assembled in the Arts Block quad, and Miss Satchwell explained exactly why the march was taking place. An incident of Guerilla Theatre was enacted as Miss Westcott was dragged away by two people, to show how frightening an experience this could be.

The march itself was very orderly and quiet. There were no incidents, and no members of the public interfered in any way with the marchers. Traffic police controlled the traffic as the procession wound through the crossroads at the bottom of High Street.

STAFF

Miss Kathie Satchwell commented after the march "It was successful in that a number of students had been involved who haven't been involved before. There were a number of staff marching." She also said that a programme of talks and discussion would take place, with the aim of informing and motivating the students to stay involved.

DR. HYSLOP

Dr. Hyslop said that he had no comment to make on the march. He did, however, say: "I have shown that I am against banning, by signing the petition — that's as far as I am prepared to go."

New Honour for Dr. Hyslop

DR. HYSLOP has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts for his contribution to higher education, both as a mathematician and as an administrator.

He played a leading role in planning the pattern of higher education for new states in Africa.

DEGREES

Dr. Hyslop has been Vice Chancellor of Rhodes University since 1963. He holds the degrees of M.A. and Doctor of Science from Glasgow and a Doctor of Philosophy from Cambridge. In 1967, he was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Law from Glasgow University.

WELL-KNOWN

Dr. Hyslop's works on Mathematics have been translated into several languages, and are known in many countries. As Principal of The Royal College in Nairobi, he was responsible for changing it from a technical college to a



DR. HYSLOP, SIGNING A PETITION OF PROTEST AGAINST THE BANNINGS. WATCHING IS MISS KATHIE SATCHWELL, PRESIDENT OF THE S.R.C.



RIGHT: Protest Marchers leave Drostdy Arch on their way down High Street and Back, preceded by their banner.

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THE chairman of Rag, Geoff DeJager, had to express great disappointment at the poor attendance of the house rag chairmen at meetings held recently, and urged them to make a greater effort to attend the forthcoming meetings.

"In order to make contact between students and the central Rag Committee," said Chairman Geoff, "we are making use of house chairmen who will nominate five members to their committees. In this way we are making use of not a committee of thirty, but a committee of 120.

CERTAIN

By so doing we hope to make certain our ventures are successful.

Students must remember, that Rag success is not the responsibility of the Rag Committee, but is the responsibility of each student."

Taki Kyriacos says that this year's "BIG BLEED" target has been set at 1 500 pints.

There will be points to the house with highest percentage of donors. The Rag Committee hopes that those who intend "bleeding" will get sponsor for

each pint. So get searching for sponsors and be at the Great Hall on April 26 to give your pint.

"A pint of beer for a pint of blood" was agreed upon by two representatives of Hobson and the manageress of the Hotel Victoria.

The Hobson girls asked if the Hotel Victoria would donate one bottle of beer for every pint of blood donated by Hobson at the Big Bleed.

The beer is being raffled by the Hobson inkettes and the money will go towards their Rag Fund.

STUNTS

Rag stunts this year must be organised by the individual houses, but dates must be booked at the Rag Offices so that no stunts are "cribbed". Points are being awarded for stunts too but these will only be recognised and points given if they have been registered at the Rag Office.

T.C. has already been very active in the race for house points and last Sunday staged an all day tennis marathon, so watch out for a "sneak-up" from the T.C. birds.

RECORD

Rich Brenchley, of Cory, was the first "stunter" when he broke the world record with his four-

teen storey card-stack. Using eight cards per storey Rich took three quarters of an hour to build the stack.

Struben will be holding a Sphagetti eating contest on Friday 17 at 5 p.m. This will be held on the lawn outside Struben and there will probably be beer or wine to wash the Sphagetti down

Aliter Mackenzie of Struben reports that they are also planning a pram pushing stunt. A team of Struben men will, if all plans go well, leave East London on Friday 24 at one p.m., and will push a pram to Grahamstown. There will be eight or nine in the team and it is hoped that a team of "babies" will be picked for them to push. "Mac" also hopes to find sponsorship for his boys in East London or Grahamstown and has approached Volkswagen for a Kombi to accompany the pushers.

BAND

The "Drummies" have finally got music to march to in the form of a Caledonian band, mostly of Rhodes students and the Kingswood band is unavailable for morning practices. But alas, it seems that they will have to march bare-foot as the Rag Comm. is having difficulty in finding boots for them and think that it may be something to do with "Inkettes foot".

Bird of the Week



MISS DENISE ROBERTSON

Good looks for Denise

Denise Robertson deserves this week's girl of the week award as much for stamina as for good looks. She is seen here on the terrace of Arnecourt, where she lives, looking radiant the morning after the house-warming thrash held by this bizarre institution on Saturday night.

Denise, from Durban is doing her final year of Secretarial Practice at Rhodes. A one-time drum majorette herself, she is designing this year's drummies' costumes.

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Dr. Toby Oldfield

DIANNE BROOKS (JOURN. II)

"Beautiful people" is how Dr. Toby Oldfield, a new member of the English department describes Rhodes students.

Dr. Oldfield is Canadian and has spent the last ten years in the United States. He obtained his Ph.D. at the University of Washington, Seattle, and specialises in the poetry of Samuel Johnson.

Dr. Oldfield has a two year appointment at Rhodes but hopes to stay here longer.

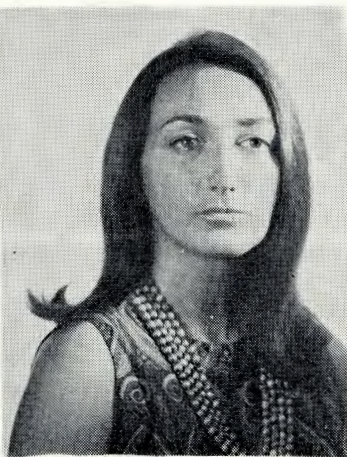
Dr. Oldfield said there were quite a few differences between a South African and an American university. He said the tutorial system at Rhodes was a good way for students to air their views, and to make contact with the staff.

Dr. Oldfield called Cape Town, "The San Francisco of South Africa", and said "how beautiful and handsome everyone is".

Not knowing quite what to expect at Rhodes he was pleased to see the familiar long hair that he had been used to in the United States.

Dr. Von Broembsen

Doctor von Broembsen is one of the two new lecturers in the English Department. She was born in Italy and went to school



DR. VON BROEMBSEN

in London. After her schooling, she spent a year in Canada working as a translator.

She spent the following two years at the Goodman Memorial Theatre, doing a undergraduate course in English and Drama.

In 1964 she went to the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. In 1967 she got her M.A. and in 1971 her Doctorate in English.

At the moment Dr. von Broembsen is writing a book on Tragedy. She prefers writing to directing a play, which she hopes to do at Rhodes.

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Cecilia rejects Cecil's refuse

CECILIA: THE WORMS TURN

IF THERE'S ONE THING I HATE, it's exhibition-Inks. Like the one who felt obliged to comment wittily through Film Society and indulge in Liberace-like performances in the common-rooms of women's reses. Ink-redible! Maybe he should be put in an Ink-ubator as a Rag stunt, or perhaps, shudder, he's Ink-urable.

Fair's fair and playing ball's one thing — but Cecil's ff...four letter words better stop.

Which reminds me, Axeman and Shriek had better pull up their jockstraps on the spare Parts page or disappear from the chaste columns of this tasteful publication Very Swiftly.

CRUELLA

A word on the subject of bloody fingernails and such kitsch-like atrocities. Some bestial rugger-bugger seems to have lashed out fistfully at one roasted brunette inkette — she is seen wandering around campus with two permanent black eyes. While nicens onlookers cluster behind cupped hands in consternation — she appears satisfied with the drama of the suntanned situation. Someone told me she's doing screech and trauma one.

Have you said yes yet. Rumour has it that Norma the

Warmer in her middy top is waging a moral revulsion against overweight lovers. A 20lb. beer paunch is just too much for her tender torso. What we want to know is would she accept the generous offer of incognitious Mafia Mashton? And then there's the bony prospect of Randy Andy ...

MINISTRY

A word of warning — beware of the Man from the Ministry! He's creeping into power from every direction. They say he suffers from colonial constipation.

Another piece of advice from the all-knowing Auntie Cecilia. When you've been on a botanical expedition and you suddenly find yourself suffering from hairy canaries or some such disease ... Don't delay! There's a home from home halfway down High Street, what stocks all sorts of health potents.

It's all balls

Has the ball (dance type) outlived its usefulness in the Rhodes Society?

After Saturday evening's Pharmacy Ball, held in an empty Great Hall — some new thinking must be done about this formalised session.

REALITY

Last Saturday could be the hoped for sign that the more thoughtful Rhodes student is waking up to the world of reality and has the feeling that there should be more to university entertainment than the Victoria Hotel, Rag Week and the numerous balls.

The new Students Union has, I hear, at least one decent sized

room which could be turned into quite a "cool" discotheque.

There are a number of bands at Rhodes, although one particular one has the monopoly, not to mention "Mr. Straight and his cronies" from East London, and at least one of these could make a guest appearance at the disco. Poetry readings, film shows, one-act plays — the world is really alive to these things at the moment but Rhodes is stuck in a one way street to nowhere.

Let's have some good ideas and some people who are at least willing to try them out.

Marriage

Last Thursday, College Knights and L. B. Bags announced their divorce, after ten years of marriage.

After a celebration at the Graham the divorce decree was solemnly presented to Joods (the leader of the rabble). But the Noble Knights soon found a new spouse when they were (again solemnly) received in matrimony by the Hobson Hot-pants.

Welcome Hobson and lets hope our marriage is consummated and that our two houses conceive a Jumbo float.

Cecil John is subtle — but watch the bite!

OF ALL the pompous, self-opinionated arrant fools who have ever crossed pens with me, this young upstart Sherard Blaw is the most pompous and the biggest fool. As someone once put it: "It is a tale told by an idiot — full of sound and fury signifying nothing." So how's that from my desk?

The fool suggests I dip my pen in poison — smut. But seeing that I am taking my job as a satirist seriously, I am going to lunge my pen into the rump of that Parliament of Fools — the SRC.

ABSURDITY

Well at least they're getting some publicity. I expect that Monty Keegan only got on to the SRC because people were voting for Lawrence Wright. And I suppose that Lawrence Wright only got on because people were voting for Monty. This is what is called "reductio ad absurdum," both people and the SRC being reduced to absurdity.

It's really hard on (no pun) the SRC that Miranda just can't make up Alan's mind. At this rate the fool will appear on the front page of Rhodexo each week.

FERMENTATION

Of course Arthur is going around foaming and frothing at the mouth with indignation trying to find out the identity of Cecil John — meanwhile the editor on behalf of Cecil John will fight a dual with M. Arthur with rapiers on the Library steps. There will be an Oppidan warcry practise cheering the editor. Rory Leigh has taken over from Tony Akerman as cheer-leader of Oppidan House leaving the latter with more free time to ferment other schemes of raising Varsity Spirit and Morale for Intervarsity.

Car-hole's quote for the week was: "Why don't we stay in the bedroom longer?" The answer of course is that Graham is out looking for his Hawaiian caftan-like thing.

LEADERSHIP

Gruce Bray's quote for the week was: "if UCM are organising

a protest, I suppose we better organise one too." This is what is called dynamic leadership. He's good officer material. I better mention Kathe Satchmo as a matter of form.

SUB-CULTURE

Time for Personality of the week: After Rhodexo appeared on Thursday, Blaine was seen lurking around old Kaif on his motor-

tion to get your name in my column. It means you are somebody — in Sherard Blaw's words: "The who's who of who is who." I know he would have been peeved if he didn't get a mention this week. This is the procedure to get one's name in Cecil John: enclose one's name, a few basic particulars (and I mean basic), plus twenty cents in an envelope addressed to Cecil John and leave it in the Rhodexo pigeon hole. Money will go towards Rag and

Cecil John



bike looking for Cecil John, who was with an inkette called Ingrid at the time, nothing daunted nothing feared. What Blaine wanted to tell me was that he has made a score at TC and has obviously found a gullible kid who digs the motorbike sub-culture scene.

Now by definition the award is not given to a good-looking person (the precedent was set last week with Mikehole King), but to a dynamic and fascinating personality.

So the award this week goes to Blaine. In the words of his TC kid: "He's a groovy cat, with the best pers'nality and I really crave his body."

BASIC PARTICULARS

Let's face it, it's quite a dis-

through me you will become significant. I've already received an advance envelope with 27,8 x 10 coloured glossy photographs, with circles and arrows, and paragraph on the back of each one, explaining what each one was from de Bra west.

Zacariah P. Raphael said: "How does this nouveau riche, campy jet set scene grab you—darling?"

THE SCENE

The weekend saw a deluge of screams. There was a party for the arties in Hill Street, there was a party for the hearties in Watson Street, and there was a party for the in-betweens who don't really know what scene they're in like de Bra who doesn't know what stand to take.

In the words of Sherard Blaw: "I leave you with the thought."

Diary of the week

Thursday 16: Christian Society Meeting — 5.15. Film GLT "The Ladykillers" — 8.00 p.m.

Friday 17: Botanical Society braai — 6.30 p.m. NUSAS Ball Great Hall — 8.00 p.m.

Saturday 18: Science Societies Ball, Great Hall — 8.00 p.m.

Sunday 19: SCA talk — Methsoc Hut — 4.30 p.m. Folk Club meeting — Room 160 — 6.30 p.m. Film — GLT — "Viva Zitata" — 8.30 p.m.

Monday 20: UCM lecture — GLT 5.15 p.m. RUPSA film — GLT — 8.00 p.m. Mini Bleed — Kaif Grad Lounge — 8.00 p.m.

Tuesday 21: Botanical Society Lecture — 5.15 p.m. Bridge Club meeting.

Wednesday 22: Meeting Methsoc Hut — 6.00 p.m. Debate — GLT — 8.00 p.m.

Thursday 23: Angsoc meeting. Film — GLT — "Hands over the Sky" — 8.00 p.m.

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EDITORIAL

SRC new start?

MR. GRAY has been moved from Education Councillor to Vice President. This means that after six months of Education Councillor, he has done significantly nothing about Faculty Councils, one of the strongest platforms of his election campaign. He mentioned it in his Manifesto, and referred to it in his election speeches. Up till now, nothing effective has been done on the establishment of these Councils. We hope that Mr. Marcos, the new Education Councillor will be more effective than Mr. Gray has seemed to be, and that Faculty Councils, preferably along the lines outlined by Rhodéo and Mr. Gray last year, will become an important part in our academic lives.

Educational reform is long overdue, and it is time that this subject was given the attention that it deserves. There is so much to be done, but there are many people who are more than willing to co-operate. It is now up to the SRC and to Mr. Dave Marcos to take the lead.

Educational reform

ONCE AGAIN, there is a full SRC. The election of Messrs. Marcos, Spicer, Wright and Cooper now enables the SRC to stabilise itself, and also to find itself. The problems it faces are still many-fold, and in the new Councillors, there is nobody who is recognised as a powerful student figure, but there is a hope that the introduction of new blood will be the catalyst required to bring the old members of the SRC to their senses.

In the reshuffle of portfolios, when the new members were fitted in to their positions, in a meeting in which everything had obviously been pre-arranged Mr. Ashton was made Deputy President, Mr. Gray Vice President, and Mr. Parker was given the other Executive Post. The Exec. was not significantly strengthened. Mr. Parker has the common sense to see the heart of most problems, and to argue accordingly, but he will not be able to give the Executive the strength to control the rest of the SRC, and Miss Satchwell still tries too hard to accommodate both sides of a question, and it seems unlikely that the Executive will be able to give a strong line that the rest of the SRC will be willing to follow.

At a Statutory Meeting of the SRC held on Sunday night, all the old evidences of discord and disunity were alarmingly present. For an SRC which is half-way through its term of office this state of affairs is alarming. One of the greatest weaknesses is an emotionalism which tinges most of their decisions, such as the Momberg resignation. In a fit of frustration, he left an SRC meeting, handed in his resignation, and after four hours, when he had calmed down, reversed his decision and withdrew his resignation.

But now, hopefully, with a full SRC and an immediate programme of action ahead, the SRC will come to realise the urgency of "now" and will go all out to achieve some sort of unity. Now is the time when they must stop "taking" and start "giving". Now is the time when they must accept Kathie Satchwell as their leader, whatever her shortcoming, and like proverbial oxen, start pulling all in the same direction. Now is the time when the SRC can make a new start, accepting their limitations, realising their failures and determining to act as a single body, with a common purpose and a common direction.

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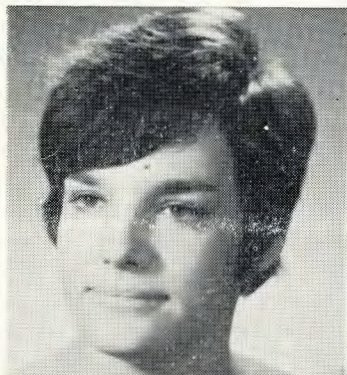
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KNOW YOUR SRC



PRESIDENT: Kathie Satchwell.

Function: to co-ordinate the activities of the other eleven portfolios of the SRC, lead corporate action and liaise with the student body and the authorities.



HONORARY SECRETARY: Monty Cooper.

Function: to attend to the correspondence, files and minutes of the SRC and Student Body Meetings, and ensure that policy is correlated.



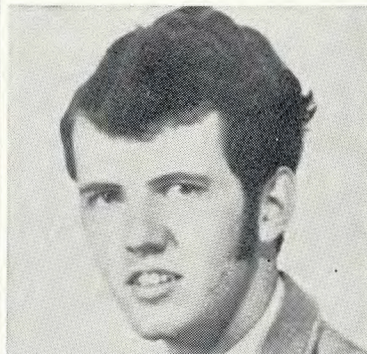
PUBLICATIONS COUNCILLOR: Elaine Durbach.

Function: to be responsible for Rhodéo, Forum, Rhodian, the Diary and other SRC publications.



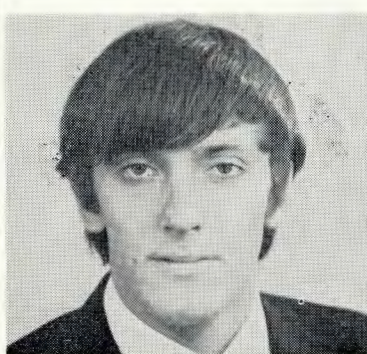
DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Arthur Ashton.

Function: To deputise for and assist the president, to handle contact with other universities and external organisations, and to convene the Academic Freedom Committee.



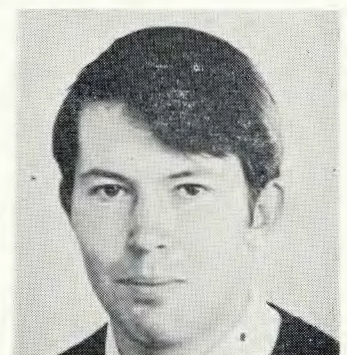
SOCIETIES COUNCILLOR: Lawrence Wright.

Function: to co-ordinate the activities of all the societies on campus and draw up the term programme, and collate society constitutions.



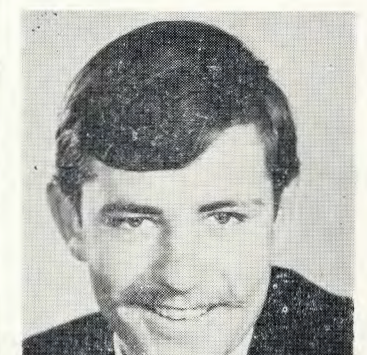
NUSAS COUNCILLOR: Mike Spicer.

Function: to liaise between the Nusas local committees and the SRC, and to co-ordinate Nusas activities on campus.



VICE PRESIDENT (Internal): Bruce Gray.

Function: to be responsible for all internal events on campus, other than society activities, reappraisal of the university structure, and contact between house committees and the SRC.



AMENITIES COUNCILLOR: Pete Bennett.

Function: to sit on the Kaif Board of Management, and be responsible for the organisation of dances and other SRC entertainment.



EDUCATION COUNCILLOR: Dave Marcos.

Function: to be responsible for education reform on campus, the implementation of Nused policy, and to liaise with the Library authorities.



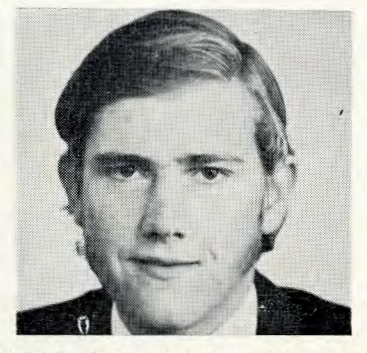
HONORARY TREASURER: Carol Lombard.

Function: to organize the financial activities of the SRC, its sub-committees, societies, publications, dramatic productions and to chair the Finance sub-committee.



CULTURAL COUNCILLOR: Alan Momberg.

Function: to chair the drama union, implement Aquarius activities on campus and chair the Arts and Science Committee.



WELFARE COUNCILLOR: Ben Parker.

Function: to co-ordinate the various welfare organisations run by students, promote their activities and student involvement in them, and implement Nuswel policy on campus.

Reshuffle of SRC

The four new members of the SRC were given their portfolios at a Statutory Meeting of the SRC on Sunday night. There was also a general reshuffle of portfolios among the old members of the SRC.

The Executive now consists of Miss Kathie Satchwell, President, Mr. Arthur Ashton, Deputy President, Mr. Bruce Gray, Vice President, Miss Carol Lombard, Treasurer and the fifth member of the Executive is to be Mr. Ben Parker, Welfare Councillor. Mr. Monty Cooper was elected Secretary and the Councillors were elected as follows: Amentities; Mr. Bennett, Cultural; Mr. Momberg, Education; Mr. Marcos Publications; Miss Durbach; Nusas, Mr. Spicer and Societies, Mr. Wright.

There was only a 63 per cent poll, and it was reached after 32 hours of voting. This low level of voting was a reflection of the general lack of interest in the By-elections, and is an indication of the general lack of involvement of the majority of students on the campus.

Queen snatched and lost

BLUSHING and surprised UPE Rag Queen, Miss Tillie Vermeulen, was kidnapped in Port Elizabeth on Saturday morning and brought to Grahamstown in a light aircraft.

Tillie was met at the Grahamstown landing strip by a welcoming committee of representatives of Retief and John Kotze houses, who organised the daring kidnap a bunch of Rodents and a RHODEO reporter.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Tillie was phoned beforehand and asked if she would be willing to pose for the local press. She agreed and it was arranged that she be picked up and the photographs taken at the Elizabeth Hotel, the beach and the Port Elizabeth airport early on Saturday morning.

AIRPORT

Posing as press photographers two of the kidnappers picked Tillie up at her Port Elizabeth home and suggested they take the first series of photographs at the Airport.

When they got there the plane was ready and the bewildered Rag Queen was whisked off to

Grahamstown and then Rhodes.

In a brief interview with a RHODEO reporter at the landing strip, Tillie said "This is the first time I've been to Grahamstown. It's all very exciting.

MISSING

It proved to be more exciting than she thought. That night, Tillie went missing from the Pharmacy Ball. Retief and J. K. were hopping mad especially when the rumour went about that UPE had received an anonymous phone call asking for an additional R20 ransom from Cory House.

A representative of Retief said on Sunday afternoon that he had no idea what had happened to Tillie and they were very concerned.

"Apparently she left the Ball with somebody she knew, but where she is now is anybody's guess," he said.

UPE

On Sunday evening a spokesman for J. K. said that although they still didn't know what had happened to Tillie, all the indications were that she had been kidnapped by some UPE students and was now in Port Elizabeth.

Abduction at Rhodes



MISS TILLIE VERMEULEN, Rag Queen

Letters to the Editor

SRC Ironical Irrelevant questions

Dear Sir,
The almost continuous protest action organised by the SRC and NUSAS over the last year has become strangely reminiscent of the actions of that brave knight Don Quixote, for in almost every action of the Government and the university administration these bodies see a threat to the freedom of the student.

DISRUPTIVE

I certainly do not approve of many Government measures, and I would not deny anyone the right to protest, but like the majority of the staff and students, who regard a university as primarily an educational institution, I find these protests disruptive of academic life, and I suggest that the market-place would be a more suitable venue for political protests than the university campus or even a cathedral.

I find these protests by the SRC rather ironical as the self-appointed champions of individual freedom, the members of successive SRC's, have consistently denied Rhodes students the elementary liberty of deciding to which organisations they may belong by compelling every student to belong to NUSAS and pay membership fees, and by banning the Afrikaanse Studentebond.

DISENCHANTED

Now I hold no brief for the Afrikaanse Studentebond, which, like NUSAS, is politically oriented,

tated, but I feel that every student should have the right to decide whether he wishes to belong to any particular society or not.

A few years ago a motion that Rhodes disaffiliate from NUSAS was narrowly defeated at a student body meeting attended by over 800 students, which proves that students have become increasingly disenchanted with NUSAS as a result of its political activities.

CONSERVATIVE?

Recently 2 000 students at Pretoria University backed a demand that the said university disaffiliate from the Afrikaanse Studentebond and that every student be allowed to decide for himself whether he wished to belong to the Studentebond or not. Can it be that the Pretoria students are more liberal, in the true sense of the word, than the Rhodes SRC?

J. Smuts.

Dear Sir,

THE Grazzie Session took place last Wednesday. Wow! You should have been there, but you probably weren't as only 40 people were. Well, you really missed something, I wish I had too.

I thought that a grazzie session was so that students could question prospective SRC members on the contents of their manifestos, and on any other Relevant matters.

Okay, some relevant questions were asked, but so were some inane ones. And what was the point of the deliberate trick questions asked by a certain past SRC member. And why did each candidate have to speak for their full five minutes, even though there was really nothing serious left to say.

As is usual on this campus, things soon turned to sex. Unfortunately one candidate had used

the phrase "organs of the university" in her manifesto, and had to answer a barrage of pointless questions full of innuendoes.

DISGUSTED

Some people really laughed,

but some of us didn't. We were just disgusted that people who want freedom of speech had nothing worthwhile to say.

No wonder there are some who want to limit that freedom.

"Disillusioned"

Empty gestures a Satch-phrase

Dear Sir,

WITHOUT doubt Satchwell's Circus has done it again. It would be crediting the SRC with too much intelligence to suggest that its confused attitude to the NUSAS stand on the Parliamentary Committee of Inquiry was designed specifically to disillusion first-years and cement cynicism in student politics on campus — thereby protecting the elitist clique in a cloud of indifference.

But judging by the lack of interest shown in the by-elections — manifested in the low attendance at the Grazzie Session it certainly succeeded.

ATTACK

"Empty gestures" — a catch-phrase coined by Miss Satchwell to describe the stand of NUSAS against this latest attack has become a Satch-phrase, more applicable to our favourite Students' Representative Circus. Consider the recent statement of "solidarity" with NUSAS: "This SRC is in total support of NUSAS ... We feel that it is important to generate support for NUSAS," Miss K. Satchwell.

Even Mr. Bennett, one of the most vocal opponents of NUSAS on the campus, to quote RHODEO, March 2, agreed to support NUSAS in the coming months by joining NUSWEL and NUSED. An admirable gesture — the ambitious projects of the local affiliate organisations rang-

ing from a multi-racial sports league to poetry readings and Welfare schemes, certainly deserve support.

But actions speak louder than words.

LOW GRANT

NUSAS local committee, to finance the local branch of a national organisation and its wide-ranging affiliate projects received one of the lowest society grants from the SRC — R155.

This is a time of crisis for NUSAS, its enemies are powerful and numerous and campus support is vital. NUSAS certainly does not need the lip-service support of the SRC which at the same time effectively attempts to stifle its activities on campus. With friends like that, who needs enemies?

"Browned Off"

Band squabbles

Dear Sir,

MANY PEOPLE at Rhodes assume that the Rhodes band, the Medium Shag, is the same as the band last year — why is nobody prepared to give these guys at least a fair hearing.

GROUPS

The Medium Shag have not been getting a fair share of the trade that Rhodes offers. Rag, and the societies that have had Balls have been using external groups to come and play for them.

Why is this? Does this mean that Rhodes people have no faith in their own band's ability.

It can be argued that external groups provide an element of excitement and the prestige of a new name to put on the tickets, but the Rhodes band should also

be given a chance.

There has also been some controversy about the room in the Great Hall where the Medium Shag store their equipment. For some eight years, the same band, under different names has been using this room, and they have come to look upon it as their own.

With the emergence of the "Tribes" this has now been challenged. Now both bands have to share the room. This makes it very difficult for both bands as now more people have access to the room, which cannot be used for practices.

The problem arises over the matter of storing the equipment. The SRC have taken the matter up. Why can the bands not sort the problem out for themselves?

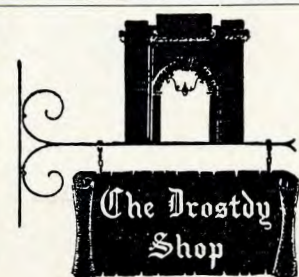
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ARTS

societies

Shameful ravings

THE attendance was poor, the debating putrid, The grand opening of the Debating Society wilted embarrassingly.

According to the chairman, Nigel Henson, the Opening Debate was traditionally part of Freshers Reception — two first years versus two seniors.

Apparently, the first years mumbled and stumbled so badly that this year an all senior debate was arranged. The first years could come along and gauge the standard.

Perhaps they'll be able to live up to that standard after all!

The subject of debate was: "The student of today has outlived his usefulness in modern society". Proposing the motion were Jo Leng and Mike Spicer while Di Hay and Arthur Ashton opposed.

Mike Spicer began by stating that students are not afforded freedom of thought or action, as society imposes certain rules which have to be regarded.

He said that society does not need thinking people but mere skilled artisans, and the only thing left for students to do is to "move outside society and change it" — a vaguely contradictory statement if one remembers that he was proposing the motion.

Opposing the motion, Miss Hay suggested that students have the ideal opportunity of asserting themselves to "revitalize" society and propagate changes.

Miss Leng, proposing, made mention of last year's Civil Disobedience Campaign, stating that modern society has rejected the students' role — that of playing the critic.

Miss Leng put forward a sound argument.

Mr. Ashton's speech was unmentionable. I merely quote a speaker from the floor, "Mr. Ashton's speech was the most incredible amount of intellectual claptrap!"

So, what with the meanderings of Mr. Spicer and the intellectual ravings of Mr. Ashton, the Opening Debate closed for the night.

Ashton appeals

As the Literary Society is now defunct, the Creative Writing sector of the society will now function under Aquarius.

In an interview this week, Arthur Ashton — Chairman of the Creative Writing Group — said that he hopes to hold meetings every fortnight. These will be held in the Kaif Grad Lounge on Wednesday nights at 8.00 p.m.

The first meeting will be held on March 22.

Mr. Ashton made an appeal to all those interested to give the society their full support.

Work must be submitted to Mr. Ashton's pigeon-hole in the SRC Offices a week before the meeting. Contributions will then be selected, typed, and distributed to all those who are interested in the group.

At the actual meetings, the selected contributions will be discussed by the members present. These contributions will then be kept and submitted for publication in Forum, the campus Poetry Magazine.

A sub-group of the society is also to be formed to study philosophical movements in contemporary European Literature. A proposed topic of discussion is Existentialism in Sartre and Camus.

In conclusion, Mr. Ashton stated: "Let it be known that this society has dispensed with all bureaucratic organisation."

theatre

Spanish tragedy

During May Rhodes will see the Lorca play The House of Barnarda Alba, performed by third year Drama students and produced by Mr. Andre Brink.

The play will be performed in the theatre workshop style, with no set and only basic costumes. The whole effect will depend on Spanish music and lighting.

After the Lorca production, Mr. Brink — a lecturer in the Afrikaans Department — hopes to produce Adam Small's Kanna His Ko Hystoe, a setwork for Afrikaans I.

Anyone interested in taking part should contact Mr. Brink. People do not have to worry about their English accents because they will be camouflaged by the Cape Coloured accent typical of the play.

Later in the year Mr. Brink will also produce his own Afrikaans translation of Synge's The Playboy of the Western World for Pacofs. The play will open in Bloemfontein in July, and after that will tour through the Free State, Natal and South West Africa.

films

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Hoffman is the love story that countless Hoffman's and Miss Smith's would gladly give half their lives to live out.

Sellers Brando and Quinn

The two Film Society offerings for this week will introduce viewers to two very different sorts of film — the British comedy and the peasant epic.

The Ladykillers, to be shown tonight, was made at Ealing Studios, in Britain, under the direction of Alexander Mackendrick. It stars Alec Guinness, Cecil Parker, and Peter Sellers.

The film is an outstanding example of the very typically British comedies to come out of Ealing, each notable for their use of character and characters.

Viva Zapata, to be screened on Sunday, stars Marlon Brando and Anthony Quinn. The film traces the story of a simple peasant (Brando) who becomes the President of Mexico, only to become disillusioned with that way of life and return to the hills and his peasant friends.



Two members of the "Tribe".

from my desk

A WEEKLY SURVEY OF THE ARTS

The lecturer was bearded
By a scheme of his own devising.

Although he might have feared it

He didn't foresee such up-rising.

The students wept and were up in arms

For almost one whole day.

Professor frowned and announced his qualms

About such childish play.

Theatre it would seem, when it is guerrilla,

Is really quite effective, really quite a thriller.

LAST week a lecturer in the English Department enacted the scene of which Basil Moore must have been an unwilling participant when he was handed his banning order two weeks ago.

The effect of this piece of guerrilla theatre was marked — but by mistake, not design.

People thought that the lecturer himself had been banned, and for this reason, and this reason only, came away from the lecture with tears in their eyes and sadness in their hearts.

The moral of the story? That only when a banning is close to home do people care.

And that, I am sad to say, makes this piece of theatre nihilistic in tone. Or do I mean to say absurd?

The only ray of hope appears to be that someone had the courage and enterprise to enact the piece.

Sherard Blaw.

Dance to groovy rock

A new band playing progressive rock music is an unusual occurrence on the Rhodes Campus — but that's exactly how Tribe, the new music group, describe themselves.

The band was first formed at the end of last year as Sopworth Camel. Then, after their organist and their drummer left, they reformed under their new name.

Then intend to play progressive but danceable music of a different sort to Medium Shag, the other Rhodes band. Their charge is R80 for a ball.

The musicians in the band are: Brian Watts (lead guitar and vocals), Alistair Coakley (second lead and flute), Ben Wood (drums), and Bill Malkim (bass).

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SPORTS

ARTS

Athletic results
are excellent

FOXY DE JAGER and Henry Hill represented Rhodes at an athletics meeting in East London on the 4th March. Foxy won three events including the 800 and 1500 metres.



FOX DE JAGER

SMALLS

Unclassified smalls will be published on request, the cost being: 20 cents for 10 words. Thereafter two cents per word.

WANTED: Student to share country house with post-graduate student. Transport essential. Apply Nick Taylor, Geology Dept.

PORTABLE TYPEWRITERS: Special reduced rates for students — Olivetti. Apply Dr. Giffard, Journalism Dept.

The times were slow because of poor weather.

Henry Hill broke the Border shot put record with a 50 ft throw.

Results from the E.P. athletics championships in Port Elizabeth

N. Hodder won the 100 metres in 11.0 seconds.

P. Lucas was second in the 100 metres and given the same time.

B. Tait 1st in the 400 metres hurdles in 54.2 seconds.

H. Hill 1st in the shot with 48ft 6ins.

P. Bouwer 2nd 400m. in 49.3 sec.

R. Cowling 2nd 110 metres hurdles in 16.6 sec.

R. Cowling 2nd high jump 5ft. 10ins.

Eric Leach 2nd triple jump 43 ft. 1½ins.

4 x 100 relay: 1st Rhodes "A" 1st 42.5 sec.



NIGEL HODDER

GOLF MEET

THE KREMLIN'S underhand methods were evident again at Saturday's First Year "Better Ball" golf competition played at the Grahamstown Golf Course.

WIN

Pete Stewart and Grant Nupen managed to score 23 points on the back nine giving them a total of 41 points. They won by five shots from Gavin Scholefield and Andre Scheepers (36 points), who were one shot ahead of Alan (the Weasel) Hedding and Bum Hopley.

Pete Stewart has reached the last eight of the Grahamstown Championships.

A golf trophy, awarded to winners of a match between Rhodes and Grahamstown was discovered last week in the Grahamstown Golf Club. The match had been forgotten for about ten years but will be played again this year on June 3.

Kit cards

In future students will not be allowed to draw sports equipment from the Kit Room in the Alec Mullins Hall without producing their University Identity cards.

Mr. Dave Alberts, Sports Officer at Rhodes said that this was a precautionary move. With the present system strangers could draw kit without being questioned about it. This new ruling will be enforced when students receive their Identity Cards for 1972.

UCM—no corruptual
orientation

U.C.M.'s first seminar on education was not a seminar at all. No discussion could, or did, occur since none of the speakers had a common concept of education.

Professor Noble, arguing it seems, from the premise that education subsists in knowing one's lecture notes, began with a badly organised (and delivered) digest of a study manual. James Massey followed this with some noisy humminess, the denouement of which escaped me. Brenda Jenkins, arguing this time on the grounds that education subsisted in memorising lecture notes, gave some cosy hints about study aides.

It remained for Mike Stent to inject some intelligence into the

proceedings with his perceptive, but incoherently formulated musings as to what education really was. These were extended by Professor Honey, who, one imagines, outraged Professor Noble's sensibilities by advising us to attend fewer lectures.

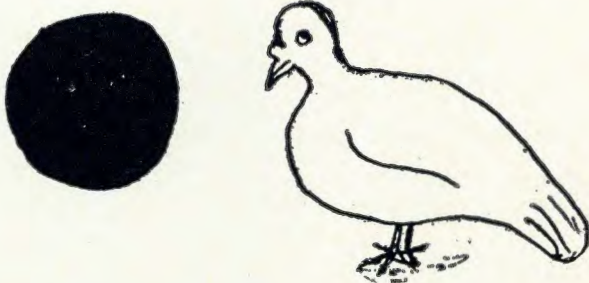
Arthur Ashton's murmurings seemed from the few sentences I heard to be a discursus on quite the most irresponsible literary method I have ever come across. Some more cosy study hints, this time from Mr. Durham, and I left the hall in histrionic high dudgeon. And how distressed he was to observe that all the Inks that had studiously attended the "debate" had taken quantities of lecture notes!

University gremlins
strike yet again

Last week we had gremlins playing chess, and so various things got mixed up in the column. It should have read that Boris Spassky of Russia had an advantage in that he had won 3, drawn 4, and lost none of the previous encounters with Robert Fischer of America, but that it was Fischer who had walked through an impressive string of grandmasters. Twelve games will be played in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, and the other twelve in Reykjavik, Iceland.

This week we will have a look at a simple game, played on campus recently. It illustrates a number of basic principles of chess quite well. One of these is to get your pieces out as soon as possible, and the other is, not to open the game up while one's king is still in the middle of the board.

5. NxP — Risky, as it opens the K file on to the un-castled K but with precise play B1 should survive. Simpler though, is:
6. NxN — when 6. P-Q4 recovers the piece.
6. Q-K2 P-B4? A mistake. B1 weakens his K side even further. Not much better is:
6. P-Q4
7. NxN PxN
8. BxPch B-d2
9. BxR. But B1 must block the K file here by playing:
6. NxN.
7. P-Q4! B-K2!
7. Q-R5ch P-KN3 — Not: K-B1
7. Q-B7 mate
8. NxNP! R-KN1—B1 could better give up the R but playing: PxN
8. N-K5 dis ch K-K2 — The last Mistake. Only: R-N3 prolongs the game.
Now B1 gets mated in 2.
10. Q-B7ch K-Q3
11. N-B4 mate.



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2. N-KB3 N-QB3
3. B-QN5 — Puts pressure on the KP and indirectly on the K.
3. N-B3
4. O-O — If B1 now plays 4... NxP then B. R-K1 recovers the P easily.
4. B-B4 — Safer is 4... P-Q3.
5. NxP — A temporary sacrifice

Rhodeosport

HAST ON FORM RHODES WIN

IN a breath-takingly close game, Rhodes A beat Stanley Cricket Club by 10 runs on the Great Field last Saturday.

HAST

Hero of the Rhodes side was Greville (Spider) Hast, who proved that he is by far and away the most consistent bowler in the side, and his 6/50 in 19.2 overs was an inspired piece of bowling. Rowan Harmuth also bowled with considerable fire especially in his second spell and took 3/12 in 14 overs.

SLOW-WICKET

Rhodes elected to bat on a slow, grassy wicket and once again the brittleness of the batting line-up showed up. Barry Marshall was the only batsman to get on top of the bowling and found the slow wicket very suited to his fine hooking. Rob Pennefather managed to get to 20 but his patience wore out and he lofted a catch to mid-on. Of the other batsmen, Keith Willows had a somewhat streaky 17 and

Rowan Harmuth with 17 not out were the only ones to reach double figures.

STROKE PLAY

Of the Stanley bowlers, Leroy Webster (5/50) and Anthony Pittaway (2/42) were the most successful. Whilst the wicket was not conducive to stroke play, it should also have been easy enough for the "grafting" batsman to get runs and it is obvious that Rhodes batsmen are desperately in need of experience, which can only be gained through match practice.

Rhodes were all out for 118 shortly after lunch giving Stanley plenty of time to get the runs and it looked very much as though they might get them, after some solid batting by Anthony Pittaway. Pittaway who batted for almost the whole duration of the Stanley innings, played effectively if not elegantly and made 52 not out. Pittaway and Emslie put on 41 runs for the fourth wicket and it began to

look as though Stanley might win the game.

SUPERB BOWLING

It was then that Greville Hast came back with some superb bowling to upset the Stanley innings and put the match very much in the balance. With score of 102 for 8, Pittaway lofted a ball to deep square leg where it was badly misjudged by Bev Nicholson, who could not take the catch. A few minutes later however, Hast had Peter Wilmot brilliantly caught behind by Rob Pennefather and two overs later, he clean bowled Leroy Webster to give Rhodes the honours.

Of the new-comers, Barry Marshall again showed his all round talent but Rich Kernick who has had a somewhat unhappy debut, failed to score. With the end of this season in sight, the selectors must keep an eye open for possible batting talent for the Super league games to be played in the last term.

Rowing popular

The rowing club which is expanding its activities has increased its enrolment considerably this year.

On March 4 Rhodes entered crews in the Novice and Junior divisions of the Dale Regatta at the Laing Dam, King William's Town. Both crews achieved third places despite adverse weather. In a sculls event Des Bears came first.

Rhodes also turned out for the Buffalo Regatta in East London on March 11. Des Beard again won the Junior sculls event.

On Saturday March 18, the first Rhodes Regatta will be held at Settler's Dam.

Six men's clubs of three teams each, will compete in the sprint and 1500 metre events. There are two entries from Grahamstown

(Rhodes and St. Andrews), three from East London and one from King William's Town. The club hopes to have good support from Rhodes.

A new rowing tank has been built for training and after Saturday the club will train men and women's crews for inter-varsity.

Anybody interested in joining the rowing club should contact: Des Beard 3706, Andre Hendricks-Oakdene, Pete Waterman or Chris Wren-Sargent, Matthews.

Graeme loses

A WELL hit 111 by J. Weinberg helped Rhodes C to crush Graeme College 2nd's by 91 runs on the Great Field on Saturday.

Playing against a rather weak Graeme attack, Rhodes piled on 227 for 2 declared in just over a 100 minutes. Kingwill (67) and Gahagan (45 not out) assisted Weinberg who batted throughout the Rhodes innings. Graeme suffered a drastic early collapse and at one stage were 5 for 5, but Clayton who played soundly for 48 and Berriman (32) added 70 for the sixth wicket to bring some respectability to the Graeme total. Graeme were eventually all out for 136 with Niewenhuizen (5/41) and Gahagan (3/26) being responsible for most of the damage.

Yacht club is new

A RHODES University Yacht Club has been formed.

"The club intends buying at least two boats as soon as possible," said Dr. A. Giffard, Commodore of the Club. "Lesson will comprises lectures on sailing theory and instruction in practical sailing at Settler's Dam," he said.

The students will take part in Settlers' Dam Boat Club weekly races.

About 50 student members have signed up. Officers were elected at the first AGM.

Mr. Graham Butler is vice-commodore in charge of training.

Mr. Brian Gunn is rear-commodore in charge of the racing team.

The Bachelors win

IN a friendly match played on King Field on Saturday afternoon, the Bachelors Club defeated Cathcart Arms by 8 wickets.

ATTACK

Sent in to bat, the Cathcart side were all out for 85, falling at the hostile Bachelor attack consisting of Ramjams (4/24), Willers (3/16) and Harry Bombast (3/42). Keith West (19) and Perse (19) managed to stave off the eager Bachelors for a while but ultimately the Bachelors' keenness in the field, saw to the Cathcart downfall.

STRIKES

Cathcart's skipper, wicket and spokesman, Mike (Wallies) Walwyn had the singular misfortune to allow a Bangladesh-type delivery from Ramjam strike him on the pad, whereupon even his own umpire had to give him out. Bachelors cruised to an easy victory with Willers hitting a brilliant 63 before retiring and the Pink playing an entertaining 10.

KEEN

It must be said that from the outset the Bachelor fielding was keen and enthusiastic with the exception of Pandamerwe, who refused to waddle in with the bowling.

Founders up

Founders proved themselves unbeatable by winning all their matches and scoring the greatest number of goals.

They took first place with 31 points, followed by Oppidans (26). Smuts (24), Drostdy (12), and Kimberley (11).

Top goal scorers were Arnold. Watt, Southgate, Gorton, Neale-May, Holland, and Skinner.

Results of individual matches were: Founders beat Kimberley 5-2, Smuts 4-1, Oppidans 9-2, and Drostdy 5-2.

Smuts won their match against Kimberley 6-4 and Drostdy 8-3.

Oppidans beat Drostdy 8-2 Kimberley 4-3 and Smuts 6-5.

Drostdy's only win was against Kimberley 3-2.

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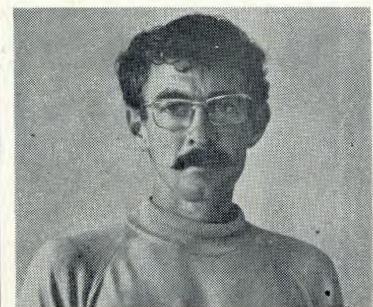
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SPORTS TALK

By Bev Nicholzen

IF you need a tie to wear to lunch walk 50 miles to Bathurst and back.

It is a tradition among Rhodes students to compete in the



Bugs Wilmot, Rhodes spin bowler, who took six valuable wickets in the recent match against Albany, shares the Sportsman of the Week award this week. Bugs has proved himself to be one of the most improved players in the Rhodes side.

annual walk and also to wear ties to lunch — it all ties up.

The walk will be held on March 26. The men start at 5 a.m. from Drostdy Arch. Women meet at 7 a.m. at Drostdy Arch and are taken by bus to the turning point at Bathurst — women do not wear ties to lunch and therefore only walk 25 miles.

All first years are expected to compete — and all those who are still energetic after their first year are also expected to compete.

Another attraction is that food and drink as well as first aid posts will be situated at convenient points.

There will be a time limit of 18 hours — competitors may run if they wish.

We would like to lodge an appeal to those people who watch cricket at the Great Field, not to leave their empty packets and bottles behind when they leave. For two Sundays now, the ground where the majority of the spec-

tators have been sitting, has been littered with the refuse. By all means watch the cricket, you are more than welcome to, but please do not litter up an otherwise meticulously kept field.



Henry Hill, shares the Sportsman of the Week award for this week for his outstanding performance in a recent athletics meeting held in East London. Henry smashed his own and the Border shot-put record.

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