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Editorial

NATURE is composing herself for the long Winter vigil. She sheds her light Summer leaves and stands shivering in her nakedness. Angry hissing swans chase their rivals from the water and even the robins, so tame and docile in the Summer sun, fight to the death amidst the dull leafy wreckage of Autumn. In the hills, enraged stags battle for supremacy, and the loser is left to die alone on the cold mountain side. The fittest survive and the weakest go to the wall. This is Nature's way, and some cynics might suggest that Strathallan follows Nature's example.

The C.C.F. teaches the rudiments of killing. On the rugby field homicidal tendencies are encouraged, and in the gymnasium boys are coached in "the noble art of self-defence". Competition is the key note of our life and for those who do not shine at games it is harder to gain that respect which everybody covets. Academic success is not so highly prized as sporting triumph. Now this state of affairs has obvious disadvantages, yet it has proved effective time and again. The lessons learnt on the rugby field,—the independence allied with the feeling of being one of a group doing something useful and important—are more valuable than the Latin grammar and the complicated mathematical formulae. In the classroom the mind is trained to think clearly; whereas in games, clear thought is followed by decisive action, and life is more often a matter for action than for passive reflection. Thus while Nature prepares to rest, Strathallan, like Virgil's bees:

. spem gentis adultos

Educunt fetus.

School Notes and Notices

WHILE small dogs circle the earth in one hundred minutes, while inter-continental ballistic missiles streak from one side of the world to the other, and while the Russians are advertising day trips round the moon and back in time for tea, Strathallan, its feet firmly planted in mother earth, pursues its diurnal course. Sputniks come and Sputniks go, but Strathallan goes on for ever.

However in its own restricted orbit the school is advancing steadily. What twelve months ago were only nebulous ideas or at best blue prints, are now hard facts and solid brick. The new laboratories are now almost complete and look both luxurious and efficient, while a new lecture room is already in use. Extensions to the house wings are even now rising brick by brick, and these should be ready by the Summer Term at the latest. A new block of cadet huts are now almost completed, and soon the changing rooms are to be improved. Everywhere there are signs of progress, and although influenza forced the unwilling majority to endure an additional ten days holiday, and the half-term week-end caused a further break, lost time has in large measure been regained by the continued good health of the majority.

We welcome to the staff E. Wormald, M.A. (Edin.) who takes over the Mathematics Department, A. G. Gillespie, B.Sc. (London), F.R.S.E., who is helping Mr. Heron in the Biology Department and who teaches Current Affairs, and R. A. Hockey, B.A. (Cantab), who is teaching chemistry. They have arrived just in time to make use of the new Master's Dining Room, which at the time of writing is being redecorated and promises to look like an exhibit from the Ideal Homes Exhibition. However with this advantage there is the corresponding disadvantage of having to walk to classes over the stone bridge near the Lady's Well and in wet weather past the Lady's Well itself. Thus several formerly pedestrian masters have been observed à bicyclette. This seems to conclude the items which cannot be entered under the more definite headings which the reader will find in the following pages and the editors hope that if you have followed this far you will bear with us for the rest of the journey to the last page.

Examination Results

CAMBRIDGE GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION

The following were successful:

Scholarship Level

Galbraith, W. R.: Latin, Mathematics.
 Hellon, R.: English, Latin.
 Kerr, R. I. M.: Mathematics, Physics.
 MacDougall, J. C.: Mathematics, Physics.
 Crabb, D. I. C.: Physics.
 Grierson, S. W.: Chemistry.
 Kinvig, R. J.: English.
 McInnes, J. M.: Physics.
 Macmillan, I. R. A.: English.
 MacPherson, W. T.: Geography.

Advanced Level

Galbraith, W. R.: Latin, Mathematics, Further Mathematics.
 Hellon, R.: English, Latin French.
 Hunter, K. R.: Biology.
 Kerr, R. I. M.: French, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics.
 MacDougall, J. C.: Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics.
 Aitken, J. M.: Mathematics.
 Benson, R. M.: Mathematics.
 Clark, R. B.: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
 Crabb, D. I. C.: Mathematics, Physics.
 Dinsmore, J. B.: Mathematics.
 Galbraith, J. B.: Geography.
 Grierson, S. W.: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
 King, N. R.: History.
 Kinvig, R. J.: English, French.
 Leishman, D. A.: Mathematics.
 Marsland, C. J.: Chemistry.
 McEachran, D.: Mathematics.
 McInnes, J. M.: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
 Macmillan, I. R. A.: English, Latin, French.
 MacPherson, W. T.: History, Geography.
 Pirrie, A. B.: French, Physics, Chemistry.
 Pottinger, W. S. T.: Physics, Biology.

Ordinary Level (in five or more subjects):

Ballantyne, K. D.	Boxwell, J. M.	Hunter, W. D.	Murdoch, T.
Bayne, S. M.	Campbell, A. D. K.	Hutcheson, A. J. C.	Robertson, R. C.
Beattie, A. W.	Chalmers, R. J.	MacKinnon, I. D. K.	Bucher, M. J.
Dyet, J. F.	Jones, I. Q.	MacGregor, R. C.	Wallace, P. G.
Gillies, T. R.	Lennox, S. C.	Paton, J.	Watson, J. M.
Goodall, P. T.	Lindsay, L. C.	Roselle, C. P.	
Harrison, T. L.	Mitchell, M. R.	Tennant, J. M.	

Chapel Notes

THE following preached at the Sunday Services during the Summer term:

5th May, Rev. J. Mackie; 12th May, Mr. H. G. Newman;
 19th May, School visited Forgandenny Church; 26th May, Rev.
 W. Melville King; 2nd June, Rev. Dr. A. W. Burnet; 9th June,
 Rev. Professor E. P. Dickie; 16th June, Rev. Dr. R. Selby
 Wright; 23rd June, Rev. A. B. Robson; 30th June, Rev. V. C.
 Alexander; 7th July, Rev. A. J. Fraser; 14th July, Rev. Dr.
 Marshall.

Nineteen candidates were admitted to full membership of
 the Church of Scotland at the service on 21st July, which was
 held in Forgandenny Church.

Anthems sung by the choir since the last issue have been:
 Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (Bach); Rejoice to-day with one
 accord (Bach); Above them stood the Cherubim (Richard
 Dering); Praise Ye the Lord (Tye); Richard de Castre's Prayer
 to Jesus (Terry); Eternal Father (Holst); Laudate Nomen
 Domini (Tye); Hear my Prayer (Mendelssohn); Thou visitest the
 earth (Greene); Zion hears her watchmen's voices (Bach).

Music Notes

DURING last term the music department felt rather like the tenants of a house who are under notice of eviction. It was known that any day the builders of the new Science Block might come and say that they would be starting to convert the music room into laboratories the next day. What prevented us from being too concerned about this, however, was the thought that, workmen and builders being what they are, if they said they would be starting something in May, no-one would really expect anything to happen until at least July. As it transpired it was September before anything serious happened. Anyhow, the Music Room is now temporarily the old Chapel, and whatever disadvantages this arrangement may have it has the advantage that the room is right on the music staff's doorstep.

Last term the Speech Day concert was held for the first time in the City Hall, Perth. A certain amount of apprehension was felt by performers beforehand about playing in so large a hall but most people agreed afterwards that it was a more pleasant experience than playing in the rather constricted space of the School Dining Hall. We were lucky to have the use of the reconstituted City Hall Organ for the concert. Indeed, we were perhaps particularly lucky to have the use of it in full working order for, although an official inaugural recital had been given on it a month previously, the work on it had not been entirely completed until five minutes before our final rehearsal.

At the concert at the end of last term two compositions by boys were given their first performance—a Victory march for piano by J. M. Tennant and a piece for orchestra entitled “The Jester” composed and conducted by R. J. Kinvig. Both pieces were appreciated by the audience. We hope to hear further original compositions in the future.

The choir are preparing to perform Handel's oratorio “Samson” at the end of the Easter term. This is a big musical undertaking and much hard work will have to be done to make it a success, especially as due to the “flu” epidemic rehearsals made rather a late start.

G.W.

“Androcles and the Lion” by G.B. Shaw

THE VI Form's performance of this play at the end of the Summer Term was characterised by the enthusiasm with which it was conducted. In little more than a fortnight a play was chosen, a large cast selected, parts learnt, scenery, lighting and costumes prepared, and the players were ready for the curtain

to go up. Under such circumstances who would expect perfection? But the production was surprisingly good, the actors performed with confidence and the audience showed its appreciation in unmistakable manner.

Much was made, sometimes no doubt too much, of Shaw's foolery, but the intention of some of the serious speeches towards the end of the play appeared to baffle the actors as well as the audience. I do not particularly regret this, as I think the producer, R. J. Kinvig, was quite right in placing the emphasis on Shaw's wit and not on his philosophy. As it was, there can be little doubt that the audience enjoyed the play of Shavian humour upon the predicament of the Christians without fully appreciating the implications of Shaw's peculiar view point.

Grierson made an excellent lion and roared expressively, while Kerr made an admirable Androcles, patient without loss of humanity and timid without verging on the despicable; his affection for his feline friend was convincing. Dinsmore's parade ground voice sounded rather strained but he was sufficiently fierce, while his superior officer, the Captain, represented by Pirrie, gave a smoother performance. The Captain's girl friend, Lavinia, was extremely well played by Marsland who exhibited some appreciation of the feminine temperament. Macmillan and Benson, as patricians, were entertaining in smaller parts and co-operated dexterously. Equally enjoyable was McInnes's presentation of Spintho.

The acting of McCallum, as Ferrovius, was highly appreciated; he gave a spirited and virile performance and appeared most happy in the more aggressive moments of this Mars among men. The professional and callous attitude to slaughter of Lilley and Dinsmore as gladiators was entertaining; and brief appearances of King as menagerie keeper and Pottinger as a call boy were memorable—the former's chagrin at the lion's loss of appetite being well conveyed and most amusing.

Hellon's portrayal of the Emperor was confident if exaggerated, and, although the standard of acting declined somewhat in the last act, there were certainly no dull moments in this production. The enthusiasm of the company proved infectious and all concerned are to be congratulated on providing the school with an enjoyable evening's entertainment.

P.R.S.

Fly-Tying and Angling

DESPITE the severe weeding-over of the Pond last term, the fishing was good. On the pond there were two very good periods, early last Spring and late in July. In the latter period, the fish were taken mainly on dry flies and nymphs, while earlier

they were taken on the wet fly. Even now there are stories of ones that "got away" and by next year these large ones should become reality. The best thirty fish taken during the season weighed 22.5 pounds, which is an average of slightly over $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pound. This is excellent when one considers that the fish are just three-yearlings.

A visit to Loch Leven last term proved as futile as usual: when Strathallan visit the loch there always seems to be a gale, or else the boat is completely becalmed. This winter the boat will be repainted, and a severe winter will almost be welcome if it cleans the pond of weeds. A large water scythe was bought last term for this very purpose, but actually the weeds proved too thick for it.

N.F.M.

Lectures and Entertainments

"GEORDIE", the first film of the term, was shown in Simpson common room to the thirty or so boys who remained at school during the influenza epidemic, and was enjoyed even by those who had spent the earlier part of the day watching the Ryder Cup golf match on the headmaster's T.V. set. "The Forsyte Saga", shown in the village hall a month later was however something of an ordeal, mainly due to poor sound and lighting from the projector.

So far our only lecturer this term has been Lady Forbes who has recently returned from the United States. She had some entertaining stories to tell of her experiences, and threw some interesting sidelights on Anglo-American relations.

M.G.

Scottish Country Dancing and Highland Dancing

SCOTTISH Country Dancing for juniors is supervised independently in each of the four Houses. Steps are being taught and various basic dances, such as Petronella and Strip the Willow, are being learned.

For seniors and those who have perfected the fundamental steps, School Country Dancing is held every Friday in the Library, where the aim is to learn a large number of dances and to perform them neatly. It is to be hoped that the numbers attending this activity will soon show an increase.

Highland Dancing is still under Miss Farquhar. Just now the "Argyll Broad Swords" and the "Duke of Gordon's welcome to Aberdeen" are being learned with a view to performing them on St. Andrew's Night. The dancing team feels very much the loss of its former Captain, D. A. Leishman, under whose enthusiastic direction we came third in the East of Scotland Schools competition in June, but it is hoped that the rest of the team and the new members will be able to attain the required standard for the competition this Summer.

K. Wingate is in charge of all Country and Highland Dancing this session in succession to D. A. Leishman.

M.H.

The Aeromodeller's Society

A REASONABLE amount of flying was done in the Summer term. Not only the experienced members took part, but some of the novices tried Control-line flying, and progress was good. One member is constructing a twin engine, free flight bomber, which has not been attempted before. This year the Society has decided that indoor flying should be started if possible, especially in the winter months when there is virtually no outdoor flying.

The Society has risen in numbers this year, and we hope that it will continue to increase in the future. Boat-building has become popular, and several members are making diesel-engine boats. Last year's progress was highly successful, and it is to be hoped that it will be so during the coming year.

J.A.B.

The Sailing Club

ALTHOUGH there was no dinghy sailing on the Tay last term, the majority of the more junior members gained some valuable experience on the pond. In one of the weekend regattas at Loch Earn the Club was represented by two Cadets and one Firefly. On the Saturday D. S. Gleave had a first place in the Heron and Cadet Class, which was followed by another first in the same boat, sailed by I. C. Hutton on the Sunday.

At the Headmaster's request, some members of the Club, with four dinghies, entertained a party of young girls from St. Catherine's on the Monday afternoon of their half-term.

One of the two Cadets which has been under construction for the past year and a half has been successfully completed, and was launched on Speech Day. After the launching and its maiden voyage across the pond and back, it was displayed on the lawn at the Sailing Club stand, alongside the other uncompleted boat.

As usual the Schools Races week, at Clynder, on the Gareloch, was a great success. This series of races is organised by the Mudhook Yacht Club every year, when schools and universities from all over Britain compete against each other in Dragons and Garelochs, which are kindly lent to the Yacht Club by their owners. The School team, J. W. Dinsmore, J. R. Peters and J. C. McDougall, did reasonably well, finishing tenth out of the thirty-seven at the end of the week. A Dance held on the Wednesday night at R.N.Y.C. headquarters, Rhu, proved a great success, and offered some welcome relaxation from the tense strain of exciting and exhausting racing. However, there were some weary skippers and crews the following morning.

It is hoped this term to convert the present Advanced Maths. Laboratory into a Club room, where lectures will be given regularly on sailing tactics and related subjects, and in which a small library will be started for the use of the Club.

The Lady Anne has recently been sold, as the Club has neither the time nor the money to maintain and sail her. We all warmly welcome Mr. MacLellan, who has taken over from Mr. Shuttleworth, and we look forward to some excellent sailing in the future.

J.R.P.

Fencing Club

A FENCING CLUB has been started in the School this term and despite the difficult start to the term and the late arrival of our equipment, the Club is doing well.

Unfortunately, not everyone who would like to learn can do so. This is due principally to a lack of equipment, which is expensive, and also to the fact that one instructor alone cannot properly teach more than about a dozen learners in this difficult art.

However, with more equipment, especially if boys are willing to buy their own, it is hoped to enlarge the Club considerably next year, when it is hoped some matches will have been arranged.

A.P.F.A.

School Library

The following books have been added to the Library since the last issue:—

Botany is Fun; Organic Chemistry; The Atmosphere; How the Earth is Made.

Geography of Living Things; A Geography of Europe; The Soviet Union.

Slip Catches.

Walton's Lives; A History of the English Speaking Peoples, Vol. III; A complete set of the Dictionary of National Biography.

“ Le Tartuffe ”

A FRENCH play, *Le Tartuffe*, a comedy by Molière, was performed by La Troupe Francaise at the beginning of the term. As the play was not written in modern French, it was difficult for the audience to follow every word. However, the Frenchmen were very obliging and took great pains to speak very clearly and slowly, which enabled the gist of the play to be easily understood, and so it was enjoyed by most, although there were some differences of opinion amongst the non-classicists. Those of the Vth and VIth forms who were fortunate enough to have read and translated the play beforehand were thoroughly rewarded on the night of the performance, by their fuller appreciation of the funnier parts of the comedy.

After the performance, the Troupe was entertained by some of the Sixth form French set. French was the only language spoken and much information was gleaned about the French and their language.

The following day the Pipe Band performed for them and the Highland Dancing team put on a display. The Frenchmen watched in wonder and showed their approval with a unanimous “c'est formidable”!

K.W.

Lady Forbes on North America

WHATEVER Lady Forbes touches, be it the Zulus of East Africa, the lost treasures of the Incas, or the United Nations building, she covers it in the glow of her own vitality. She has a dignified yet intimate manner which projects her personality most effectively, without ever talking down to her audience, or ever talking

SCHOOL PREFECTS



W. P. Kilpatrick : R. Hellon : K. R. Hunter : R. J. Kinvig
W. R. Galbraith : D. S. MacCallum : Mr. Hoare : P. McLellan : F. J. C. Lilley

above their heads. Armed with these qualities Lady Forbes is indeed a powerful and persuasive speaker.

North America is too large a country to be exhausted in an hour's lecture, but Lady Forbes introduced us to people and places in a manner which will not easily be forgotten. Passing haphazardly from place to place and incident to incident, she contrived a unity, because of, rather than in spite of, the diversity of her subjects—that unity which is America.

Lightened here and there by flashes of wit, her talk promoted a spirit which will tolerate nothing but the closest unity between North America and Great Britain. She stressed the historical connections between the two countries and the genuine friendship of America to Britain, which was borne out by the welcome accorded to her and which the Royal Visit would confirm. She linked the schools and universities of America with those of Britain, and she emphasised the goodwill of the American people from the humblest of railway porters and taxi drivers to the most important men in the land. One can but hope that the friendship of individuals will result in a deep and confident political alliance which is the only hope of our civilisation.

R.H.

Shooting

IN the Junior Summer Competition the School entered two teams of four and the following scores were obtained:

Strathallan School "A"				Strathallan School "B"			
N. W. H. Macleod	100	99	199	A. D. K. Campbell	98	95	193
J. M. Boxwell	99	98	197	J. N. Fleming	98	95	193
T. P. S. Robertson	98	96	194	H. F. Wilson	98	91	189
A. L. Pullar	98	96	194	T. M. Crosby	97	90	187
784				762			

Strathallan "A" were placed second in this competition which is open to all schools and rifle clubs with members under eighteen and each member of the team was awarded a bronze medal.

In the King George V Competition for which the R.A.F. Section entered a team of twenty last year, we were placed above all other Scottish R.A.F. Cadets and consequently hold the Ffennell Shield. We did not enter a team this year, but next year it is hoped that teams from all sections of the C.C.F. will shoot in this competition.

Two teams of eight were entered for the Staniforth Cup, the First Eight coming 14th, thus beating all other Scottish Schools

except Glenalmond. Although the First Eight's score is about 15 points below their average, it beats their previous best in this competition by 7 points. The scores are given below:

FIRST EIGHT				SECOND EIGHT			
N. W. H. Macleod	...	...	99	J. Gibb	...	...	97
T. P. S. Robertson	...	...	98	H. F. Wilson	...	...	96
H. R. Brown	...	...	97	W. Chapel	...	...	96
J. N. Fleming	...	...	97	J. B. W. Massam	...	...	94
J. M. Boxwell	...	...	97	F. W. M. Priest	...	...	94
A. D. K. Campbell	...	...	94	A. B. Pirrie	...	...	93
A. Logan	...	...	94	R. I. M. Kerr	...	...	91
N. F. Clark	...	...	94	J. M. Aitken	...	...	79
770				740			

P.R.S.

Pipes and Drums

THE Band competed at Glasgow and at Edinburgh last term though without reaching the prize list. It was encouraging to note, however, that individual results were better than they have been before and H. F. Wilson came 7th in the Solo Drumming competition.

There are no losses in the Corps of Drums this session and the drummers thus have an excellent opportunity of nearing perfection. J. M. Boxwell—who did very well at shortish notice in the Summer—quite adequately fills the position of Bass drummer and if he does not possess the figure of a Morganthaler he has the same excellence of swagger and of rhythmic sense.

The departure of G. C. Stuart and W. T. Macpherson severs the last link with the Band as originally formed six years ago. The part which they played in raising the standard to its present level, especially during last session, was of the utmost value. Despite this loss there are likely to be ten Pipers playing this year and the future supply seems to be assured. The weekly Band practice instituted last term is now to be a regular feature and will prove to be of great value in the long run.

M.H.

Combined Cadet Force

THE Summer term ended upon a favourable note when a long Certificate A Board ground to a stop after conceding a satisfactory pass list. There are now 57 cadets who have both parts of the Certificate. The R.A.F. proficiency results, which arrived

during August, were excellent and N. F. Clark is to be commended for his first-class performance.

Work proceeds apace on the new C.C.F. hut which commands an excellent view of Big Acre. Within its walls, fully panelled in exotic hardboard, there will be three lecture rooms for classes of up to 12 cadets, and the installation of iron bars on three windows indicates that the Pipe Band is at last to have a home which it can call its own. The Signals Room will also have barred windows, and there will be a small store for training equipment situated next to the office. It is hoped that the building will be completed by the end of November.

Towards the end of last term the final stage in an experimental House competition was reached—this was an inter-house contest which was fought on the way to and from Westhall under the critical eyes of a Black Watch officer and Colour Sergeant. A triangular course was covered at great speed and included a section attack for good measure. Taking into account Shooting, Proficiency Tests (all services), a Senior and a Junior Drill contest and this scheme, Simpson platoon emerged the winner. The marking system has been found to be fair and workable, and the arrival of a suitable trophy is eagerly awaited.

Reference was made in the last issue of the *Strathallian* to a new form of training then under consideration. This has now made its appearance under the heading of a "Third Year Course", and it is intended, if all goes well, that all boys shall carry out this course in the year following Cert. A, Part II. It will include Morse Signalling, some R.E. and R.N. work, perhaps First Aid work, and at least two one term Cadre courses, each stage being marked by a test of a practical nature if possible. In pursuing this policy an attempt is being made to place more emphasis upon subjects of practical, everyday value though service drill and discipline will be firmly retained.

U/O Hellon succeeds U/O P. McLellan as senior N.C.O.

R.N. Section

DURING the latter stages of last term the progress of the section was rather poor, but now under the guidance of Mr. McLellan it has returned to its customary high standard. Although the section lost five out of its eight N.C.O.s, its strength has been restored to thirty by eight new entrants from the Army section.

The following promotions have been made since the Summer term: P.O. Linn to Instructor Cadet; L/S Harrison to P.O.; L/S Hutton to P.O.; A.B. Wingate to L/S; A.B. Allan to L/S.

It is hoped that the training this year will be along the same lines as that of the previous year, namely a Combined Operation

with the Army. With the exception of one cadet, all passed their courses. Some of the more fortunate spent eight days on board H.M.S. Eagle, where they gained valuable experience.

When H.M.S. Burley and H.M.S. Brinkley visited Perth harbour, the school was represented by a berthing party of eight cadets, and despite adverse weather conditions they fulfilled their task ably. Unfortunately, because of the cancellation of last term's L/S and A.B. exams there will be an unusually large number of candidates this term. At the moment we are in the embarrassing situation of having lost our Quarter Deck, which has been temporarily taken over by the workmen engaged in extending the Study Block. It is hoped that we will find another suitable spot, while the old Q.D. is being otherwise occupied.

W.R.L.

Army Section

AFTER an N.C.O.'s meeting it was decided that a new training programme was needed, as the old House system left large numbers of N.C.O.s without any squad to teach. Under the new system practically every N.C.O. is employed.

This term parade on Friday has been starting at 13.45 hrs., to make up for the time which used to be available on Tuesday evenings. The Royal Engineers are at present digging a system of trenches on the banks of Big Acre.

Promotions: C/Sgt. Kilpatrick to Under Officer.

Sgt. Kinvig to C.S.M.

Cpl. Fergusson to Sgt.

L/Cpl. McLellan to Sgt.

L/Cpl. Beattie to Sgt.

W.P.K.

R.A.F. Section

THE loss of five members at the end of last term was more than compensated for by the selection of seven recruits from the basic section in September, bringing our total strength to twenty-eight.

Cpl. R. I. M. Kerr was promoted to Sergeant towards the end of last term, and cdts. A. D. K. Campbell, J. Gibb and M. S. Jamieson were promoted to the rank of Corporal in September.

Our results in the July Advanced Proficiency Examination were again outstanding, and earned the congratulations of Group Headquarters. Six cadets out of seven passed, distinction being gained by N. F. Clark, credits by J. Gibb and I. D. E. Sim, and passes by A. D. K. Campbell, M. S. Jamieson and I. J. Willcox.

In the Imperial Challenge Shield shooting competition last year we succeeded in winning the Ffennell Shield for the best

R.A.F. score in Scotland, and this term a team of five has been entered for the R.A.F. Winter League.

At the end of last term Flt. Sgt. Grierson and Cpl. Crabb attended a week's gliding course at R.A.F. Edzell. Both obtained their "A" and "B" gliding certificates. During the holidays cdt. Campbell and Gibb attended a week's course at Turnhouse with the University Air Squadron based there, and received flying instruction in Chipmunk aircraft.

At the Annual Inspection last term our high standard of turn-out and drill was maintained, and Admiral Pelly showed great interest in the operation of the Link Trainer, which he visited during the afternoon. A demonstration of dinghy drill was also given in the school swimming pond. After Inspection Day those not taking Advanced Proficiency were divided into groups doing Link, engine work and dinghy drill, and use was made of the glider when the weather was favourable.

This term our main effort is devoted to preparing classes for both the Proficiency and Advanced Proficiency exams in March, although the glider has been used, and an afternoon's flying from Scone has been arranged, during which the aircraft will be navigated by members of the section.

R.I.M.K.

The Royal Signals

THE Royal Signals now consists of a full section of fifteen cadets and five N.C.O.s. This term Captain Ross has been coming regularly every Friday in order to teach the classification syllabus. Last term two cadets, Aitken and Hannah, passed their Classification test. They are both now instructing in the newly formed third-year plan, with the aim of passing twelve cadets for a Morse exam, in which they will be required to send and receive at the rate of eight words per minute.

Before the end of term we are hoping to move into a new, somewhat larger Signals room. At the beginning of next term it is proposed to start transmitting again; this has slowly fallen off during the last year or two due to lack of room. We hope to contact other Public Schools on the schools' network.

Corporal Phillip is now in charge of the section, and the other N.C.O.s are Corporal Aitken and Lance-Corporals Boxwell, Hannah and Hutcheson.

J.M.A.

A Week with the Navy

At last the journey out to H.M.S. Eagle was over. The half-hour which we had spent in the fishing boat had been enough to make even the most salty of sailors feel queasy. The massive hull of the Aircraft Carrier towered above us, mocking our incessant movement. The twelve cadets, of whom I was a member, clambered up the scrambling net and into the humming giant which was to be our home for the next week.

Our first night in hammocks was a quiet one. We were soon to learn, however, that to lie beneath a steam catapult was not an aid to slumber. It would thunder and screech in a most alarming fashion as it fired its charges into the night sky. Once safely out of our hammocks—in itself quite an undertaking—we shared the ship's duties with the regular seamen. Under our super-human efforts heavy aircraft moved, but grudgingly, while brasswork all over the ship found new gloss under our care and attention. The only use the seamen had for us was to give us those tasks which they did not wish to do themselves.

The first day was one of great wonderment and admiration for the ship's dimensions and equipment. Every spare moment was spent in watching the activities on the flight deck. One minute the exhaust blast of a jet aircraft taking off would be flattening us against the funnel, and the next we would be held spellbound by the sight of an aeroplane coming in to land. The only organised activities were two lectures, one on diving, the other concerning life in the Navy.

The second day opened with strenuous Physical Training exercises conducted by the Ship's Boxing and Games officer. This training was enforced on every succeeding morning. The instruction for the day was that of aircraft handling in hangars. The hangar which we saw was split into sections by fire curtains, preventing us from seeing the whole length of it. The meals were definitely good: three courses at lunch and supper, and two at breakfast. The manner of service was a trifle haphazard, but the bulk of the food landed on the plate.

On the third day the fighter aircraft practised firing their cannons at a splash target which we towed behind us. At dusk the ship was darkened, as if in wartime, when detection would mean destruction. Our escorting destroyers reported all lights visible which would disclose our position. Even though the ship was blacked out, aeroplanes continued to take off and land.

On the fourth day Asian 'flu broke out. Within a day over two hundred cases were reported; the ship was therefore put in

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quarantine. A bomb attack was carried out on the island of Hoy, in the Orkneys, with great success.

For most of the day we were in company with H.M.S. Bulwark, another, though smaller, aircraft carrier. In the afternoon we were fuelled by a Fleet tanker. Two huge pipe-lines were slung between the two ships as both carrier and tanker continued travelling at twelve knots.

The sixth day was an important one for the ship's company, because a conference was held aboard, concerning the forthcoming N.A.T.O. operations. We anchored off Lossiemouth, and fished over the side while many high-ranking officers discussed matters behind closed doors.

Our seventh and last day was a quiet one, although not entirely uneventful. The passage from Lossiemouth to Rosyth was calm, but the last five minutes were very exciting. At low tide, going slow ahead, we passed under the Forth Bridge with what appeared to be only six or seven feet to spare. As we pulled away from Eagle, we all wore cap ribbons bearing her name, and held memories which would never be forgotten.

J.G.M.M.

Y R A U T I B O

The dog is dead. It passed away
At noontide only yesterday.
Its last meal, we're told, was dosed,
And so the thing gave up the ghost.

Historic dog! Could you but know
The ink which you have caused to flow;
Could you have read with eager eyes
From out the deep unending skies

The reams of print, the lab reports,
Foolish sayings, wise men's thoughts;
Then would your heart have swelled with pride
To know the cause for which you died.

Your soul is gone, but Sputnik II
Whirls on with what remains of you,
So for a decent span of days
You will be mourned . . . by cosmic rays.

R.J.K.

“Centre International de Port-Blanc”

THIS was the sign which greeted me on my arrival at the International Camp on the outskirts of Dinard, the Blackpool of the Breton Coast. The first impression I received was not unduly encouraging: it was clear that I had come to no luxury camp, for what first met my eye was a fence topped by some barbed wire, enclosing six or seven long huts which closely resembled the smaller type of Army Barracks. Indeed, the parallel did not end there, for the food was as uninteresting and the menu as monotonous as at Corps Camp. Luckily, however, we did not have to subsist on these meals alone, for fruit, above all peaches, was plentiful, and there was always the incomparable French bread to fall back on.

However, I soon found out that the value of the Camp lay not so much in its material possessions, but in the people who stayed in it. There were present representatives from Germany, Great Britain, France, Indo-China and Holland, making a total of seventy or eighty, the majority being Germans, as there were three large parties of them from the Saar, Mannheim and Stuttgart. I have never, I think, met a more interesting or friendly group of people, for everyone was eager to learn as much as he or she could about the people from other lands.

Saint Remier once said, “le plus beau métier des hommes est d’unir les hommes”, and this might very well have been the motto of the Camp. The first impression was thus perhaps rather unfair. The Camp’s situation was almost ideal, for it was twenty minutes’ walk from the centre of Dinard, and just down the road lay a sandy bay, suitable for swimming or sunbathing.

The Germans proved impressively earnest and knowledgeable about World affairs, and were particularly eager to know what people in Britain thought about the proposed European Free Trade Area, which they thought was a necessity. And in the evenings, of course, there were convivial gatherings in the various cafés of the neighbourhood. There were organised excursions to various places of interest, and the final conclusion must be, I think, that the Camp was very well worth while, and I certainly gained a great deal from it.

N.W.H.M.

Ode to a Dentist's Drill

Cold tombstone of my manhood,
Gaunt scaffold of my pride;
Insidious grim-faced sergeant,
Who stands at Torment's side.

Unpitying, relentless,
Your searing heads harsh grind;
Unfeeling in destruction,
You cow the haunted mind.

Oblivious to my agony,
Unmindful of my pain,
Your restless probing finger
Turns sanity insane.

Your cruel task accomplished,
You sink back poised in rest,
Crouching in eager readiness
To spring at Pain's request.

A smirk across your pulleys,
Point bared in fiendish leer,
With well-oiled stealth scarce can you wait
To pounce on quaking fear.

R.H.

Vreemdeling in het Paradijs (Stranger in Paradise)

WHEN my parents and I were crossing the English Channel on Monday, 6th May, 1957, I was pretty sure about my English and knew all the irregular verbs your language possesses.

How different did I feel when we were received at Strathallan School by a master who told me a few things about the School in a speech of which I understood exactly seven words; and by the time I was sitting in the House Library, surrounded by boys who kept asking about the "school situation" in Holland, I wished I was at home.

In this article I would like to point out some differences between Dutch and British schools. Boarding schools are almost unknown in Holland. We have about six of them, and these are all Roman Catholic.

I live in Amstelveen and my school was in Amsterdam and every day I went to the school on my bike (which was pretty hard work in winter). School started at half past eight with prayers in the gymnasium. All the boys and girls went there because the system of dividing schools into houses is completely unknown in Holland. So the first thing I had to learn when I came here was that Ruthven House was the best house, which it is indeed.

To come back to my school in Amsterdam: after prayers we had two periods on whole days and three on half-holidays. (One period is 50 minutes.) In break we always walked in the school gardens and although we were not officially allowed to smoke, everyone did if he wanted to and no teacher has ever said anything about it. After half an hour's break there were another two periods and after that we had an hour's lunch break. There was no opportunity to have lunch at school and if you lived too far away to go home for lunch you would have to take lunch with you in the morning, which is not too difficult as the Dutch lunch consists mainly of bread. We had another three periods in the afternoon.

There were no organised games at school, and even if there were, we would not have had time because of the prep. for the next day, which I remember sometimes took many hours. In Holland twelve subjects are compulsory and you can take a few more subjects but no-one ever does.

Something entirely new for me was the system of juniors, seniors, prefects, etc. I had to find that out by experience. One of the first days I was here someone asked me to do something which I flatly refused. I do not know who got the worst shock: he because I was so rude to refuse or I when I found out that he was vice captain of the school! At our school every boy has exactly the same rights. It does not matter whether he is 11 or 21 years old.

Another big difference is that we have no school uniforms. There are hardly any rules about what you are allowed to wear and what not. Our school has only one rule and that is that girls are not allowed to wear strapless dresses. Well, the school uniform did not upset me at all. But I can't say the same for the kilt. On my very first Sunday at Strathallan I really did not know what I saw. And I will never forget the first day I put on a kilt. I felt a complete fool but it seemed that I looked pretty normal because no-one burst into laughter when they saw me. But after a few weeks a kilt also didn't bother me any more.

Something else to which I had to get accustomed was that no-one called me Chris, but that I was known as Witsenburg. Now if you want to be impolite in Holland you should call someone by his surname. It is not just impolite but it really

an extremely rude thing to do. At my school in Amsterdam there was one teacher who called us by the surname and we hated him for it.

One of the biggest handicaps for me in the beginning was the language. My English was all right in the mornings but in the afternoon it got worse and in the evening I couldn't say one sentence without mistakes. But fortunately there is a boy who speaks Dutch and when I get really tired of speaking English I go to him and we have a nice chat in my native language.

Although there were many difficulties to overcome, I'll be sorry when I leave Strathallan in April. And when I am back in Holland again I'll never forget this happy year in my life.

C.W.

Life Saving, 1957

THIS year 87 candidates took the various Royal Life Saving Society's examinations at the Public Swimming Pool in Perth. The following results were obtained:

Scholar-Instructor's Certificate	...	...	...	5	
Award of Merit	...	...	...	5	
Bronze Cross	...	...	...	9	
Bar to the Bronze Medallion	...	...	...	5	
Bronze Medal	...	...	...	22	—1 failure
Intermediate Certificate	...	...	...	21	
Elementary Certificate	...	...	...	19	
Total				86	

On Speech Day a team which was trained by K. Wingate, and which consisted of S. R. Hunter, D. M. Lawson, W. A. McFie, I. R. White, B. A. Wingate and I. S. Young, gave a demonstration in the School Swimming Pond of the current methods of Life Saving. There was a large audience and upon request the performance was repeated twice. After almost an hour and a half of swimming, land drill and rescuing, the team was thoroughly exhausted. The object of this exhibition was mainly to show debutant Life Savers the correct way to rescue a drowning person.

K.W.

Athletics

THIS year again, a number of former Standards were relinquished, and in spite of the more exacting demands, or because of them, which is more likely, the result of the Standards competition reflected the continued improvement in the quality of Athletics within the school.

This, of course, is as it must be in an age of intense competition.

Twelve new school records were established, three during the match against Morrison's Academy, and nine on Sports Day.

In the Scottish Schools Championships held in June, K. D. Ballantyne and D. I. C. Crabb won Standard medals in the half-mile. Crabb was third in the senior half-mile and also in the 1 mile Steeplechase held this year for the first time in Scotland.

RESULT OF THE STANDARDS COMPETITION

1st, Ruthven	218 points
2nd, Simpson	211 points
3rd, Freeland	203 points
4th, Nicol	197 points

STRATHALLAN versus MORRISON'S ACADEMY

Monday, 8th July, 1957 at 5.30 p.m.

EVENTS

1. 100 yards Junior—
1: Holloway, 2: Wallace, 3: (M), 4: (M).....11.4 secs.
2. 100 yards Inter.—
1: Robertson, 2: Duncan, 3: (M), 4: (M).....11.0 secs.
3. 100 yards Senior—
1: Galbraith, 2: (M), 3: (M), 4: Lilley.....10.8 secs.
4. Long Jump Junior—
1: Carswell, 2: Allcock, 3: (M), 4: (M).....15 ft. 11½ ins.
5. Shot Inter.—
1: Allan, 2: (M), 3: (M), 4: Roselle.....†37 ft.
6. High Jump Senior—
1: Grierson, 2: (M), 3: McMillan, 4: (M).....5 ft. 4 ins.
7. 880 yards Inter.—
1: Ballantyne, 2: Thorburn, 3: (M), 4: (M).....2m. 3.2 secs.
8. 440 yards Junior—
1: Holloway, 2: Wallace, 3: (M), 4: (M).....†56.8 secs.
9. Javelin Senior—
1: Brown, 2: Jamieson, 3: (M), 4: (M).....†132 ft.
10. High Jump Inter.—
1: Roselle, 2: (M), 3: (M), 4: Robinson.....5 ft. 3 ins.
11. Discus Junior—
1: (M), 2: (M), 3: Lawson, 4: Wingate.....110 ft. 7 ins.
12. Mile Senior—
1: Crabb, 2: (M), 3: Kinvig, 4: (M).....4m. 36.5 secs.
13. 440 yards Inter.—
1: Boxwell, 2: Ballantyne, 3: (M), 4: (M).....54.8 secs.
14. Long Jump Inter.—
1: Duncan, 2: Sim, 3: (M), 4: (M).....18 ft. 7 ins.
15. Shot Senior—
1: (M), 2: Galbraith, 3: MacCallum, 4: (M).....40 ft. 6½ ins.
16. Javelin Junior—
1: (M), 2: Wingate, 3: (M), 4: Wallace.....106 ft. 11½ ins.
17. 220 yards Senior—
1: Galbraith, 2: Irvine, 3: (M), 4: (M).....24.8 secs.

18. 220 yards Inter.—
1: Robertson, 2: Boxwell, 3: (M), 4: (M).....24.8 secs.
19. 220 yards Junior—
1: Holloway, 2: Wallace, 3: (M), 4: (M).....26.2 secs.
20. High Jump Junior—
1: Eason, 2: (M), 3: Wingate, 4: (M).....4 ft. 9 ins.
21. Long Jump Senior—
1: Wood, 2: Galbraith, 3: (M), 4: (M).....18 ft. 5½ ins.
22. Discus Inter.—
1: Roselle, 2: (M), 3: (M), 4: Watts.....123 ft. ½ in.
23. 440 yards Senior—
1: Chalmers, 2: Irvine, 3: (M), 4: (M).....54 secs.
24. Discus Senior—
1: (M), 2: (M), 3: Pullar, 4: Beath.....104 ft. 9 ins.
25. Javelin Inter.—
1: (M), 2: Roselle, 3: (M), 4: Watts.....120 ft. 4½ ins.
26. Shot Junior—
1: Ridland, 2: Holloway, 3: (M), 4: (M).....39 ft. 3 ins.
27. 4×110 yards Junior—Strathallan.
28. 4×220 yards Inter.—Strathallan.
29. 4×220 yards Senior—Strathallan.

† New Record.

RESULT: STRATHALLAN 136; MORRISON'S 58

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Senior

Event	1st	Time/Distance
100 yards	Galbraith (S)	11.1 secs.
220 yards	Galbraith (S)	24.8 secs.
440 yards	Ballantyne (F)	54 secs.
880 yards	Ballantyne (F)	2 min. 2.7 secs.
One mile	Crabb (F)	4 min. 34 secs.
High Jump	Grierson (N)	†5 ft. 5 ins.
Long Jump	Galbraith (S)	19 ft. 4 ins.
Putting the Shot	Galbraith (S)	37 ft. 9 ins.
Javelin	Budge (N)	130 ft.
Discus	Pirrie (F)	95 ft. 3 ins.
Hurdles	Wood (N)	†10.9 secs.

Middle

100 yards	Duncan (S)	10.8 secs.
220 yards	Robertson (N)	24.6 secs.
440 yards	Boxwell (R)	55.3 secs.
880 yards	Thorburn (N)	2 min. 10.6 secs.
High Jump	Thorburn (N)	5 ft. 2 ins.
Long Jump	Sim (S)	17 ft. 9 ins.
Putting the Shot	Allan (S)	35 ft. 3 ins.
Javelin	Watts (S)	†116 ft. 6½ ins.
Discus	Duncan (S)	†127 ft. 6 ins.
Hurdles	Duncan (S)	†11.7 secs.

Junior

100 yards	Wallace (F)	11.4 secs.
220 yards	Holloway (R)	27 secs.
440 yards	Holloway (R)	†56.7 secs.
High Jump	Eason (S)	4 ft. 10½ ins.
Long Jump	Lochore (F)	15 ft. 11 ins.
Putting the Shot	Ridland (S)	†37 ft. 4 ins.

Javelin	Holloway (R)	†117 ft. 7½ ins.
Discus	Ridland (S)	†101 ft. 2½ ins.
	† New Record.	

Victor Ludorum.....	W. R. GALBRAITH (S)
Bruce Mackay Cup for Middle Championship....	D. C. DUNCAN (S)
Junior Championship.....	A. H. HOLLOWAY (R)

Result of Sports:	1st, Simpson	330 points
	2nd, Freeland	307 points
	3rd, Nicol	297 points
	4th, Ruthven	291 points

Cricket

LAST season the First Eleven played twelve matches, of which they lost four, drew five and won only three, which is, on paper, not a good record. However, when it is realised that in four out of the five draws the School had nine of their opponents' wickets down, with runs in hand, the record is more encouraging. We had a team of considerable talent and promise but one which lacked the ability to make the most of its opportunities. This manifested itself in temporary slackening-off in the field, a lack of concentration in the batsmen when well set, and the failure of the bowlers to follow the paramount rule, which cannot be sufficiently emphasised, that is to say, to bowl straight.

On the credit side, it was most encouraging to have so many batsmen to choose from; the scores made by the Second Eleven are evidence of this. Most of the side made runs at one time or another, the best batsmen being Hudson, Beattie and Galbraith. Hudson and Galbraith showed ability but paid the penalty for lapses in concentration, whilst Beattie showed most promising form.

We had a wide range of bowling, although we lacked a leg-spinner, particularly as Kilpatrick was off cricket for most of the season. Jamieson bore the brunt of the bowling and he never bowled really badly; his excellent analysis in the Old Boys match was due to the fact that he obeyed implicitly the number one rule—he bowled straight. Watts will get many wickets when he obeys this rule, for he is a promising bowler. Duncan, Wallace and Willcox usually bowled well though Willcox had no luck at all.

The fielding was variable, but usually it was fairly sound, Beattie's work in the slips being outstanding, whilst Galbraith was very good at mid-off and Hudson kept well and occasionally brilliantly throughout the season.



BACK ROW : Wallace, P. G., Watts, B. O. C., Kilpatrick, W. P., Dinsmore, J. W., Pirrie, A. B.,
MacCallum, P. S., Duncan, D. C.

FRONT ROW : Willcox, I. J., Hudson, G. T., Galbraith, W. R., Jamieson, M. S., Beattie, A. W.

SUMMARY OF LAST SEASON'S RESULTS

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
1st XI ...	12	3	4	5
2nd XI ...	7	6	1	0
Colts XI ...	6	4	2	0
Junior XI ...	8	5	0	3

FIRST XI BOWLING AVERAGES

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Jamieson ...	172	52	358	41	8.732
Galbraith ...	39	5	132	15	8.8
Duncan ...	64	14	154	12	12.83
Watts ...	110	32	319	22	14.5

FIRST XI BATTING AVERAGES

	Innings	Not Out	Aggregate	Highest Score	Average
Hudson ...	14	2	269	89 (not out)	22.4
Galbraith ...	13	1	247	51 (not out)	20.6
Beattie ...	14	1	249	46	19.2
Watts ...	12	2	137	31 (not out)	13.7
Duncan ...	13	1	152	30	12.7
Dinsmore ...	11	4	72	14	10.3

First XI

4.5.1957

STRATHALLAN versus MASTERS' XI at Forgandenny

Strathallan batted first. Match lost

Strathallan

I. J. Willcox, lbw, b Bland ...	0
A. W. Beattie, run out ...	4
G. T. Hudson, lbw, b Alexander ...	3
*W. R. Galbraith, lbw, b Bland ...	0
A. B. Pirrie, b Bland ...	0
W. P. Kilpatrick, c Bland, b Hewson ...	7
D. C. Duncan, c Young, b Alexander ...	0
J. W. Dinsmore, lbw, b Bland ...	0
B. D. C. Watts, lbw, b Bland ...	5
J. M. McInnes, lbw, b Bland ...	0
M. S. Jamieson, not out ...	2
Extras ...	8

Total 29

Bland 5 for 11; Alexander 3 for 9

Strathallan (second innings)

G. T. Hudson, not out ...	49
A. W. Beattie, b Hewson ...	8
W. P. Kilpatrick, not out ...	22
Extras ...	3

Total for 1 wicket 72

* Captain

Masters' XI

C. P. Hewson, lbw, b Jamieson ...	0
P. Breuer, b Jamieson ...	3
R. J. B. Hoare, not out ...	63
*A. P. F. Alexander, c Willcox, b Kilpatrick ...	15
I. T. William, c and b Galbraith ...	5
R. A. L. Burnet, not out ...	15
K. V. Birks, b Jamieson ...	3
D. Silver, R. Heron, D. E. Young and D. Bland did not bat	
Extras ...	0

Total for 5 wickets 102

M. S. Jamieson 3 for 30

What was described last year as unpredictable but mysteriously potent bowling was again the cause of the School's downfall. The last minute addition to the Masters' side of R. J. B. Hoare proved quite useful and the match was over soon enough for the School to have some more batting against some apparently less dangerous bowling.

15.6.1957

STRATHALLAN versus OLD STRATHALLIANS at Forgandenny

Old Strathallians batted first. Match won

Old Strathallians		Strathallan	
M. D. Rossie, b Jamieson ...	22	A. W. Beattie, b Hinshaw ...	4
J. G. Clark, lbw, b Jamieson ...	2	I. J. Willcox, c and b Mac-	
R. P. Thomas, b Jamieson ...	0	Innes	8
W. R. Brown, b Jamieson ...	0	D. C. Duncan, not out	9
M. Dawson, b Jamieson	1	G. T. Hudson, not out	13
A. M. Nicol, b Jamieson	0	Extras	13
*D. O. Hinshaw, lbw, b Jamie-			
son	4	Total for 2 wickets	47
W. W. Watt, c Galbraith, b			
Duncan	1		
N. Stevenson, c McInnes, b			
Jamieson	1		
J. W. MacInnes, st Hudson, b			
Duncan	3		
J. Hall, not out	2		
Extras	4		
Total	40		
M. S. Jamieson 8 for 11			

Old Strathallians (second innings)

J. G. Clark, st Hudson, b Gal-	
braith	11
M. D. Rossie, st Hudson, b	
Galbraith	31
R. P. Thomas, c Hudson, b	
Galbraith	4
W. R. Brown, c Beattie, b	
Willcox	3
A. M. Nicol, run out	0
N. Stevenson, b Wallace	2
J. W. MacInnes, st Hudson, b	
Wallace	1
M. D. Dawson, b Dinsmore ...	0
D. O. Hinshaw, b Wallace ...	0
Extras	0
Total for 9 wickets	52
P. G. Wallace 3 for 0	
W. R. Galbraith 3 for 21	

* Captain

Jamieson bowled straight and fast on a good wicket and the Old Boys, with the exception of Rossie, had little idea of what to do about it, obviously being badly out of practice. The School had little trouble in obtaining the runs.

11.5.1957

STRATHALLAN v. EDINBURGH ACADEMY at Newfield, Edinburgh

Academy batted first. Match lost

Edinburgh Academy		Strathallan	
M. H. Bond, b Jamieson	32	G. T. Hudson, c Gillan, b Proudlock	18
K. L. G. Sinclair, c Pirrie, b Jamieson	54	A. W. Beattie, b Henderson	4
D. R. Gillan, not out	25	W. P. Kilpatrick, b Henderson	15
P. J. Burnet, b Jamieson	10	*W. R. Galbraith, c Harris b Henderson	18
*D. M. Henderson, b Jamieson	3	D. C. Duncan, c Sinclair, b Gillan	9
R. Mathieson, lbw, b Jamieson	0	A. B. Pirrie, lbw, b Proudlock	2
J. E. N. Harris, st Hudson, b Watts	1	I. J. Willcox, lbw, b Sinclair	5
H. J. M. McDougal, b Watts	1	B. D. C. Watts, c Harris, b Sinclair	9
D. M. Mowat, b Watts	0	I. C. Wood, st Tod, b Sinclair	1
M. C. R. Tod, run out	4	J. W. Dinsmore, not out	9
D. J. L. Proudlock, lbw, b Watts	1	M. S. Jamieson, c Tod, b Sinclair	2
Extras	3	Extras	4
Total	137	Total	96
B. D. C. Watts 4 for 32		K. L. G. Sinclair 4 for 13	
M. S. Jamieson 4 for 45		D. M. Henderson 3 for 32	
		D. J. L. Proudlock 2 for 22	

* Captain

After a good opening stand, the Academy batsmen collapsed against Jamieson and Watts, and Strathallan were left with plenty of time in which to make the runs. However, a succession of batsmen played themselves in and then got themselves out by not concentrating. Henderson bowled very well for the opposition.

20.5.1957

STRATHALLAN versus KIRKCALDY C.C. at Forgandenny

Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Kirkcaldy C.C.	
G. T. Hudson, b Diack	27	Bowie, b Kilpatrick	6
A. W. Beattie, run out	4	Robertson, lbw, b Kilpatrick	9
D. C. Duncan, b Colville	12	*Innes, b Galbraith	20
*W. R. Galbraith, b Colville	21	MacGregor, b Duncan	1
W. P. Kilpatrick, b Halley	4	Colville, not out	14
I. J. Willcox, b Colville	3	Juir, c Pirrie, b Galbraith	0
B. D. C. Watts, b Colville	1	Bowie, st Hudson, b Pirrie	0
A. B. Pirrie, b Colville	12	Extras	3
C. P. Roselle, not out	5	Total for 6 wickets	53
M. S. Jamieson, not out	0	W. R. Kilpatrick 2 for 8	
Extras	9	W. R. Galbraith 2 for 7	
Total for 9 wkts. dec.	109		
Colville 6 for 26			

* Captain

Excellent leg-spin bowling by Colville bemused all the School batsmen except Hudson and Galbraith, but the declaration came too late to give Kirkcaldy a good chance and the match ended rather tamely.

15.5.1957

STRATHALLAN versus GLASGOW ACADEMY at Forgandenny

Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Glasgow Academy	
G. T. Hudson, b Henderson	56	*Henderson, c Willcox, b Duncan	18
A. W. Beattie, b MacKinlay	15	Watson, run out	0
W. P. Kilpatrick, b Henderson	1	MacRossan, c Galbraith, b Duncan	7
*W. R. Galbraith, not out	51	Lockhart, b Watts	8
D. C. Duncan, c Keiller, b Jackson	24	Keiller, st Hudson, b Duncan	2
A. B. Pirrie, b Graham	3	Evans, st Hudson, b Duncan	0
I. J. Willcox, not out	6	Ross, lbw, b Duncan	0
Extras	2	Richmond, b Jamieson	0
Total for 5 wks. dec.	158	Jackson, not out	6
		Graham, c Galbraith, b Watts	1
		MacKinlay, not out	6
		Extras	3
		Total for 9 wickets	53
		D. C. Duncan 5 for 11	
		B. D. C. Watts 2 for 13	
		M. S. Jamieson 1 for 19	

* Captain

On a damp wicket, Strathallan scored fast; Hudson and Galbraith batted very soundly and neither was afraid to hit the loose ball hard. Glasgow Academy made very heavy weather of our bowling and Duncan went through them quickly, cutting the ball considerably off the drying wicket. A stubborn last wicket stand robbed the School of victory in a most exciting finish.

25.5.1957

STRATHALLAN v. DANIEL STEWART'S COLLEGE at Edinburgh

Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Daniel Stewart's College	
G. T. Hudson, c and b Anderstrem	6	Henderson, b Jamieson	2
A. W. Beattie, not out	36	Ballantyne, c Hudson, b Roselle	0
D. C. Duncan, b Will	12	Craig, b Jamieson	0
*W. R. Galbraith, c and b Allan	26	*Edwards, not out	54
W. P. Kilpatrick, b Mackenzie	5	Carter, c Hudson, b Watts	10
B. D. C. Watts, not out	25	Allan, c Watts, b Galbraith	3
A. B. Pirrie, I. J. Willcox, J. W. Dinsmore, C. P. Roselle and M. S. Jamieson did not bat		Lloyd, b Willcox	16
Extras	8	Lowe, b Watts	3
Total for 4 wks. dec.	118	Will, lbw, b Duncan	0
Mackenzie 1 for 22		Anderstrem, b Dinsmore	3
Anderstrem 1 for 9		Extras	10
		Total for 9 wickets	101
		B. D. C. Watts 2 for 7	
		M. S. Jamieson 2 for 20	

* Captain

The School won the toss and batted well on a true wicket but found that three hours was not sufficient time to bowl out the opposition. However, it proved to be another "all but" match, and only an excellent innings by their Captain saved Stewart's from defeat.

22.5.1957

STRATHALLAN versus CRIEFF C.C. at Forgandenny

Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Crieff C.C.	
G. T. Hudson, c and b Ryan	23	Bell, run out	0
A. W. Beattie, st, b Ryan	2	Duncan, c Roselle, b Kilpatrick	9
D. C. Duncan, b Blyth	12	Cowan, b Duncan	7
*W. R. Galbraith, b Robertson	7	Donaldson, b Duncan	0
B. D. C. Watts, b Blyth	24	Sinclair, c Galbraith, b Kilpatrick	2
J. W. Dinsmore, not out	12	Robertson, c Watts, b Pirrie	6
W. P. Kilpatrick, not out	4	*Ryan, b Willcox	21
Extras	2	Blyth, c Galbraith, b Duncan	14
Total for 5 wks. dec.	87	Douglas, not out	5
Ryan 2 for 19; Blyth 2 for 16		Forrest, not out	4
		Urving did not bat	
		Extras	4
		Total for 8 wickets	72
		D. C. Duncan 3 for 15	
		W. P. Kilpatrick 2 for 11	

* Captain

Galbraith won the toss and Strathallan went in to bat on a dampish wicket. Hudson and Watts made most of our runs in rather contrasting manners, and we left Crieff sufficient time to get some runs.

Duncan and Kilpatrick bowled well, and Crieff were in a poor way until their Captain came in and struck some firm blows to swing the match in their favour. Two more wickets, however, swung it our way again, and the finish was very close.

29.6.1957

STRATHALLAN versus PERTH ACADEMY at Perth

Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Perth Academy	
A. W. Beattie, c and b Bell	9	R. Miller, lbw, b Jamieson	7
I. J. Willcox, c and b Bell	21	Robertson, lbw, b Jamieson	4
G. T. Hudson, not out	89	Duigan, lbw, b Jamieson	10
*W. R. Galbraith, c Bell	6	Thomson, c King, b Jamieson	0
D. C. Duncan, run out	0	Jones, c Watts, b Jamieson	0
J. W. Dinsmore, run out	7	Kemp, c Hudson, b Galbraith	8
B. D. C. Watts, c and b Robertson	6	Miller, c Beattie, b Galbraith	2
Extras	5	Bell, not out	14
Total for 6 wks. dec.	143	Mort, c MacCallum, b Galbraith	0
A. Bell 3 for 44		Cuthbertson, b Jamieson	7
		Pritchard, not out	0
		Extras	10
		Total for 9 wickets	62
		M. S. Jamieson 6 for 11	
		W. R. Galbraith 3 for 11	

* Captain

Once again the School were robbed of their victory by a last wicket pair. Hudson batted well and Jamieson bowled very accurately but the last wicket was unfortunately not to be ours.

28.5.1957

STRATHALLAN versus FETTES COLLEGE at Edinburgh

Fettes batted first. Match lost

Fettes College

Strathallan

Lloyd, c Beattie, b Jamieson	0
Grant, c Beattie, b Jamieson	0
* Hoare, c and b Allan	52
Graham, b Watts	18
Shackleton, c Pirrie, b Watts	73
Hamilton, c Beattie, b Jamieson	5
Dakers, lbw, b Watts	5
Stewart, b Jamieson	3
Armit, c Hudson, b Watts	34
Bain, c Hudson, b Watts	0
Roy, not out	7
Extras	4

Total 202

B. D. C. Watts 5 for 63

M. S. Jamieson 4 for 68

G. T. Hudson, b Armit	3
A. W. Beattie, c Stewart, b Armit	42
D. C. Duncan, b Bain	24
* W. R. Galbraith, c Hoare, b Shackleton	24
I. J. Willcox, c Grant, b Armit	0
B. D. C. Watts, lbw, b Roy	12
A. B. Pirrie, st Lloyd, b Roy	3
W. P. Kilpatrick, lbw, b Shackleton	0
J. W. Dinsmore, not out	3
G. R. Allan, c Hoare, b Roy	0
M. S. Jamieson, b Roy	3
Extras	5

Total 109

Roy 4 for 40

Armit 3 for 20

* Captain

The match opened with a beautiful slip catch by Beattie off Jamieson's first ball, and another even better catch off the sixth ball. Unfortunately this was not the shape of things to come and Fettes forged on to a good score after their disastrous start. The School fielded very well throughout a long innings, and Jamieson and Watts performed nobly. Strathallan on the other hand got off to a good start; Beattie batted beautifully, as did Galbraith until he attempted a frightful swish at the ball; our batsmen collapsed, however, against Roy, making most indeterminate prods at him.

25.6.1957

STRATHALLAN "A" versus FORGANDENNY C.C. at Forgandenny

Forgandenny batted first. Match lost

Forgandenny C.C.

Strathallan "A"

T. Mackie, st Hudson, b Crosby	15
* A. Boag, c Hudson, b Roselle	0
A. Peter, st Hudson, b Crosby	61
P. Hamilton, c Hudson, b Roselle	27
M. Smith, run out	7
D. Kemp, b Allan	7
J. Kettles, not out	10
A. Kemp, b Watts	0
A. Hendry, b Pirrie	3
W. Henderson, not out	0
W. Tolloch did not bat	
Extras	16

Total for 8 wkts. dec. 146

T. M. Crosby 2 for 18

C. P. Roselle 2 for 32

J. M. McInnes, b Kemp	2
J. W. Dinsmore, c and b Boag	12
* G. T. Hudson, c Smith, b Boag	16
A. B. Pirrie, lbw, b Kemp	0
P. G. Wallace, b Boag	1
B. D. C. Watts, lbw, b Boag	0
N. R. King, st Smith, b Boag	8
R. J. Philip, b Kemp	5
G. R. J. Allan, c Hamilton, b Boag	12
C. P. Roselle, b Boag	9
T. M. Crosby, not out	0
Extras	2

Total 67

A. Kemp 3 for 35

A. Boag 7 for 30

* Captain

An experimental team was well and truly thrashed by the village who made a good score of 146, Peter hitting the ball very hard. The "A" XI batting had little answer to the off-spinners of Boag, who bowled very steadily.

6.6.1957

STRATHALLAN versus DOLLAR ACADEMY at Forgandenny

Strathallan batted first. Match won

Strathallan

A. W. Beattie, b Sharp	9
I. J. Willcox, lbw, b Sharp ...	0
D. C. Duncan, b Sharp	30
G. T. Hudson, lbw, b Archibald	18
*W. R. Galbraith, c and b Sharp	9
B. D. C. Watts, b Parsons	22
A. B. Pirrie, b Archibald	0
J. W. Dinsmore, not out	10
N. King, b Parsons	0
M. S. Jamieson, b Sharp	2
G. R. Allan, b Sharp	0
Extras	5
Total	101

W. D. J. Sharp 6 for 30
Archibald 2 for 11

Dollar Academy

*R. A. F. Wight, c Beattie, b Jamieson	4
D. Rorke, b Jamieson	11
D. M. Boyd, b Watts	6
G. J. Kieth, c Hudson, b Jamieson	36
A. Hetherington, run out	30
R. A. Archibald, run out	6
M. R. Morris, b Jamieson	0
J. I. Wallace, b Watts	1
W. D. J. Sharp, st Hudson, b Watts	0
I. R. D. Parsons, b Jamieson	0
A. S. M. MacGregor, not out	0
Extras	3

Total 97

M. S. Jamieson 5 for 27
B. D. C. Watts 3 for 35

* Captain

Only Duncan batted well for us in this match and 101 was not a good score. The match, however, ended most excitingly in the last over with the School fielding excellently, particularly Hudson, who kept admirably.

19.6.1957

STRATHALLAN versus PERTSHIRE C.C.C. at Forgandenny

Pertshire batted first. Match lost

Pertshire C.C.C.

L. C. Dudman, b Wallace	13
J. T. Lodge, run out	61
*S. A. Hay, not out	48
A. S. Hay, c Hudson, b Wallace	15
D. Stewart, not out	25
Extras	7

Total for 3 wks. dec. 169

P. G. Wallace 2 for 34

Strathallan

A. W. Beattie, c and b A. S. Hay	12
I. J. Willcox, st Glen, b Campbell	15
D. C. Duncan, st Glen, b Lodge	11
G. T. Hudson, b S. A. Hay	13
*W. R. Galbraith, c and b Gardiner	19
B. D. C. Watts, b Dudman	1
J. W. Dinsmore, lbw, b S. A. Hay	3
D. S. MacCallum, c and b A. S. Hay	20
P. G. Wallace, b A. S. Hay	4
J. M. McInnes, not out	3
M. S. Jamieson, c and b Thomson	5
Extras	11

Total 117

A. S. Hay 3 for 16
S. A. Hay 2 for 10

* Captain

The County Club paid us the compliment of bringing a strong team and quickly ran up a good score. The School batted very well against some spin bowling of a quality they had not before experienced.

9.7.1957

STRATHALLAN versus A. P. F. ALEXANDER'S XI at Forgandenny
Strathallan batted first. Match won

Strathallan		A. P. F. Alexander's XI	
A. W. Beattie, b Dudman	38	L. C. Dudman, b Jamieson	0
I. J. Willcox, b Bland	8	I. M. Smith, st Hudson, b Galbraith	5
J. W. Dinsmore, lbw, b Dudman	7	S. A. Hay, c Allan, b Galbraith	31
G. T. Hudson, c Glen, b Dudman	0	A. S. Hay, lbw, b Willcox	18
*W. R. Galbraith, c Philip, b S. A. Hay	29	R. J. Philip, c MacCallum, b Galbraith	7
N. R. King, run out	7	*A. P. F. Alexander, b Willcox	0
B. D. C. Watts, not out	31	A. Glen, b Jamieson	43
D. S. MacCallum, b Dudman	7	R. A. L. Burnet, b Jamieson	6
P. G. Wallace, run out	1	T. R. Taylor, not out	0
M. S. Jamieson, b S. A. Hay	4	D. A. Bland, lbw, b Jamieson	0
G. R. J. Allan, lbw, b S. A. Hay	0	I. T. Williams, absent hurt	
Extras	13	Extras	2
Total	145	Total	112
L. C. Dudman 4 for 19		M. S. Jamieson 4 for 13	
S. A. Hay 3 for 21		W. R. Galbraith 3 for 35	

* Captain

Against a team of strange assortment the School batted steadily, particularly Beattie, and left the opposition little time to make the runs. However, they left themselves to bowl the opposition out, only S. A. Hay and Glen making any sort of showing against the School bowling.

20.7.1957

STRATHALLAN versus TRINITY COLLEGE, GLENALMOND
Strathallan batted first. Match drawn

Strathallan		Glenalmond	
A. W. Beattie, c Fairbairn A. C., b Fairbairn M. K.	24	S. F. Martineau, lbw, b Watts	12
I. J. Willcox, c Sub., b MacPherson	10	A. C. Fairbairn, lbw, b Wallace	13
D. C. Duncan, lbw, b Black	9	K. B. D. Aitken, lbw, b Galbraith	0
G. T. Hudson, lbw, b MacPherson	0	J. I. MacDonald, c Hudson, b Jamieson	4
*W. R. Galbraith, lbw, b Fairbairn, M. K.	26	*D. H. MacPherson, c Galbraith, b Watts	20
B. D. C. Watts, b Black	0	T. D. M. Hart, c Galbraith, b Watts	0
J. W. Dinsmore, b Fairbairn A. C.	14	M. K. Fairbairn, b Watts	14
D. S. MacCallum, b Black	5	C. H. Kennedy, lbw, b Watts	7
P. G. Wallace, c Macdonald, b MacPherson	3	A. D. Brown, b Watts	5
N. R. King, c Fairbairn A. C., b MacPherson	4	C. I. Emmerson, not out	0
M. S. Jamieson, not out	0	J. W. Black, not out	0
Extras	3	Extras	4
Total	98	Total for 9 wickets	79
MacPherson 4 for 39		B. D. C. Watts 6 for 28	
J. W. Black 3 for 23			

* Captain

The wicket was very wet when Strathallan went in to bat, but not difficult, and it was through the fault of our own batsmen rather than the Glenalmond bowlers that wickets fell so cheaply. Once again Beattie looked our soundest player.

Again we had nine opposition wickets at the close of play and the game was a draw in our favour. However, it had been most exciting in its varying advantages and nerve-wracking to watch. Watts bowled excellently on a wicket that was not giving the bowler very much help.

8.6.1957

STRATHALLAN versus LORETTO at Edinburgh

Strathallan batted first. Match lost

Strathallan		Loretto	
A. W. Beattie, c Orr, b Harris	46	J. M. Orr, c MacCallum, b Jamieson	28
I. J. Willcox, b Barr	3	W. A. Burnett, lbw, b Jamieson	2
D. Duncan, c MacCauley, b Pattullo	0	*P. R. Prenter, not out	43
G. T. Hudson, c Gibson, b Pattullo	0	A. N. G. Barker, lbw, b Jamieson	2
*W. R. Galbraith, c Burnett b Pattullo	15	MacCauley, not out	16
J. W. Dinsmore, c Goodwille, b Harris	4	Extras	4
B. D. C. Watts, run out	1	Total for 3 wickets	95
P. G. Wallace, c Prenter, b Harris	0	M. S. Jamieson 3 for 47	
A. B. Pirrie, b Barr	0		
D. S. McCallum, not out	7		
M. S. Jamieson, b Barr	6		
Extras	7		
Total	89		
N. D. R. Harris 3 for 3			
A. H. Pattullo 3 for 15			
J. T. G. Barr 3 for 35			

Strathallan (second innings)

A. W. Beattie, st Miller, b MacCauley	10
I. J. Willcox, b Pattullo	31
D. C. Duncan, run out	0
G. T. Hudson, not out	42
*W. R. Galbraith, not out	25
Extras	4

Total for 3 wickets 112

* Captain

Only Beattie showed the slightest knowledge of how to play medium-paced swing bowling, the remainder of the side performing very badly. Beattie's innings was good, but could have been better but for lifting his head and swinging across the ball just before lunch. Loretto had little difficulty in getting the necessary runs.

THE SECOND ELEVEN

Versus Glasgow Academy. Won by 74 runs.

Strathallan 121 (King 17, Phillip 16).

Glasgow Academy 47 (Allan 9 for 19).

Versus Daniel Stewart's. Won by 41 runs.

Strathallan 81 (Allan 17 not out, Buchanan 16).

Daniel Stewart's 40 (Crosby 3 for 5).

Versus Black Watch. Won by 81 runs.

Strathallan 151 (Phillip 71, Hair 24, Buchanan 23).

Black Watch 70 (Stephen 35, Roselle 5 for 33).

Versus Dollar Academy. Won by 90 runs.

Dollar Academy 67 (Fyfe 25, Roselle 4 for 26).

Strathallan 157 (Roselle 33).

Versus Loretto. Lost by 5 wickets and 21 runs.

Strathallan 107 (McInnes 46, King 30). Loretto 132 for 4.

Versus Perth Academy. Won by 89 runs.

Strathallan 137 (Pirrie 45, McLellan 20, Roselle 17).

Perth Academy 48 (Allan 8 for 8).

Versus Trinity College, Glenalmond. Won by 74 runs.

Strathallan 114 (Phillip 48, Roselle 21 not out).

Glenalmond 40 (Grant 17 not out, Allan 8 for 26).

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
7	6	1	0

THE COLTS ELEVEN

Versus Glasgow Academy 3rd XI. Won by 86 runs.

Strathallan 111 (Taylor 63). Glasgow Academy 25 (Reid D. G. 3 for 3).

Versus Fettes College. Lost by 124 runs.

Fettes 157 for 6 (Graham 100). Strathallan 33 (Kerr 5 for 11).

Versus Dollar Academy. Won by 97 runs.

Strathallan 143 for 6 (Wallace 80, Taylor 50 not out).

Dollar 46 (Wallace 6 for 10).

Versus Queen Victoria School 1st XI. Lost by 17 runs.

Strathallan 66. Queen Victoria 83 for 7.

Versus Perth Academy Colts. Won by 151 runs.

Strathallan 177 (Rankin 36 not out, Taylor 31).

Perth Academy 26 (Mackenzie 7 for 7).

Versus Glenalmond Colts "A". Won by 31 runs.

Strathallan 155 for 9 (Pate 44). Glenalmond 124 (Wallace 6 for 33).

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
6	4	2	0

THE JUNIOR ELEVEN

22.5.57. **Versus Drumtochty Castle (H).** Won by 119 runs.

Strathallan 132 for 4 declared (Christie 51 not out, Cook 44, Turner 18).

Drumtochty 13 (Davidson 5 for 3, Mackenzie 2 for 3).

5.6.57. **Versus Dollar Academy (A).** Match drawn.

Strathallan 86 (Turner 29, Mackenzie 14, Davidson 14 not out).

Dollar 74 for 8 (Mackenzie 2 for 13).

8.6.57. **Versus Belmont House (A).** Won by 148 runs.

Strathallan 168 for 5 dec. (Dow 56 n. o., Cook 46, Scott 18, Hutton 14).

Belmont 20 (Davidson 5 for 7, Mackenzie 4 for 9).

12.6.57. **Versus Lathallan** (A). Match drawn.

Lathallan 140 (Davidson 4 for 46, Sinclair 3 for 27).

Strathallan 127 for 9 (Christie 28, Dow 25, Davidson 20).

19.6.57. **Versus Croftinloan** (H). Won by 153 runs.

Strathallan 171 for 6 declared (Christie 71, Mackenzie 41).

Croftinloan 18 (Hutton 3 for 7, Dow 2 for 0, Pate 2 for 3).

22.6.57. **Versus Ardreck** (H). Won by 80 runs.

Strathallan 131 for 4 declared (Turner 30, Christie 47, Dow 23 not out).

Ardreck 51 (Pate 3 for 5, Sinclair 3 for 10, Davidson 3 for 2).

3.7.57. **Versus Ardreck** (A). Won by 9 wickets.

Ardreck 73 (Mackenzie 5 for 26, Sinclair 3 for 22).

Strathallan 91 for 1 wicket (Cook 23, Turner 18 n. o., Christie 42 n.o.).

10.7.57. **Versus Craigflower** (H). Match drawn.

Craigflower 127 for 6 declared (Sinclair 4 for 39).

Strathallan 97 for 3 wickets (Mackenzie 30 n.o., Turner 17 n.o., Cook 18, Christie 18).

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Runs for	Runs against
8	5	0	3	1,004 for 41 wkts.	516 for 75 wkts.
				Av. per wkt. 24.48	Av. per wkt. 6.88

Hockey

HOCKEY was played throughout the Summer Term by about forty enthusiastic non-cricketers. Only two matches were played; the first against Glenalmond and the second against Edinburgh Academy, leaving the team with a record of one win and one draw, scoring five goals and conceding three.

A scrappy game at Glenalmond, despite the excellent conditions, resulted in a draw. Strathallan were slow to settle down, and Glenalmond, taking advantage of this, went ahead after a quarter of an hour. Neither side played with much cohesion and later pressure from Strathallan was warded off by a stout Glenalmond defence. In the second half Strathallan settled down and some improved hockey resulted in a goal scored by Burns. Further Strathallan pressure resulted in several near misses which, with quicker and more accurate shooting, would have been goals. The game finished without further score.

Rain, which had fallen throughout the morning, continued through most of the match against Edinburgh Academy, but despite this the standard of play was high. The Academy were soon on the attack and opened the scoring with an excellent goal from a short corner. This provided Strathallan with the stimulus needed and soon the scores were levelled by Burns after good work by the halves. The same player put Strathallan into the lead shortly before the interval. The Academy started strongly in the second half and were rewarded with another goal. Towards the end of the second half Strathallan scored through McLellan and Marsland.

The following played: MacPherson (Capt.),† Burns,† McLellan M. R.,† Leishman D. A.,† Hellon R.,† Logan A., Dyet, Gillies, Blanche, Marsland, Dickie, Gordon R. M.

† Colours.

Swimming

In a closely and keenly contested competition, Freeland once again took the honours. This was their seventh consecutive Inter-House Championship win, but the margin was cut down from the usual 40 or 50 points to 8. Nicol were runners-up, with Ruthven in third place. The latter House had the consolation of gaining the highest number of "standard" points.

In the Individual Championships, K. R. Hunter with 22 points won the Senior Championship, while A. B. Pirrie (10 pts.) was runner-up. Competition was so keen in the Middle Championships that four boys—Cornish, Harrison, Menzies and Mitchell—had the unusual distinction of sharing this honour with 6 points each. J. G. M. McKinlay with 11 points was Junior Champion and R. F. Ridland (8 pts.) runner-up.

Eleven of the fifteen School records were broken and another equalled. The new record holders are:—

SENIOR

100 yds. Breast Stroke—1 min. 24.3 secs. set up in a semi-final heat by R. M. Gordon.

75 yds Backstroke—60 secs. (semi-final heat)—K. R. Hunter.

100 yds. Free style—1 min. 7.1 secs.—A. B. Pirrie.

400 yds. Free style—5 mins. 54.2 secs. (semi-final heat)—K. R. Hunter.

MIDDLE

75 yds. Breast Stroke—1 min. 1.1 secs.—C. M. T. Cornish.

50 yds. Backstroke—38.8 secs.—T. L. Harrison.

JUNIOR

50 yds. Breast Stroke—41.7 secs.—S. R. Hunter.

25 yds. Backstroke—16.1 secs.—R. J. Ridland.

50 yds. Free Style—30.6 secs. (semi-final heat)—J. G. M. McKinlay.

100 yds. Free Style—1 min. 15.5 secs.—J. G. M. McKinlay.

150 yds. Medley Relay—2 mins. 0.6 secs.—Nicol.

M. R. Mitchell equalled A. B. Pirrie's time of 50.4 secs. for the 75 yds. Free Style set up in 1956.

The results of the Inter-House finals are given below:—

SENIOR CLASS

100 yds. Breaststroke: 1. R. M. Gordon (F); 2. K. R. Hunter (F); 3. K. Wingate (R); 4. M. B. Shiels (N). Time, 1 min. 27.2 secs.

75 yds. Back Stroke: 1. K. R. Hunter (F); 2. I. A. Marnoch (F); 3. P. McLellan (S); 4. G. M. Fergusson (R). Time, 1 min. 5.3 secs.

100 yds. Free Style: 1. A. B. Pirrie (F); 2. D. S. McCallum (F); 3. A. L. Pullar (R); 4. A. D. Budge (N). Time, 1 min. 7.1 secs.

400 yds. Free Style: 1. K. R. Hunter (F); 2. A. D. J. Budge (N); 3. D. S. McCallum (F); 4. G. M. Fergusson (R). Time, 6 mins. 3.8 secs.

300 yds. Relay Medley: 1. Freeland; 2. Nicol; 3. Ruthven; 4. Simpson. Time, 4 mins. 16.5 secs.

MIDDLE CLASS

- 75 yds. Breaststroke: 1. C. M. T. Cornish (S); 2. P. T. Goodall (N); 3. J. F. Dyet (F); 4. T. I. R. Ovens (R). Time, 1 min. 1.1 secs.
- 50 yds. Back Stroke: 1. T. L. Harrison (N); 2. D. S. Duncan (S); 3. M. W. Shaw (S); 4. P. T. Goodall (N). Time, 38.8 secs.
- 75 yds. Free Style: 1. M. R. Mitchell (S); 2. B. D. C. Watts (S); 3. G. G. H. Maclellan (F); 4. M. S. Winning (R). Time, 50.4 secs.
- 200 yds. Free Style: 1. I. W. Menzies (N); 2. W. Chapel (N); 3. I. D. E. Sim (S); 4. J. D. McKinlay (R). Time, 3 mins. 16.8 secs.
- 200 yds. Relay Med.: 1. Simpson; 2. Nicol; 3. Freeland; 4. Ruthven. Time, 2 mins. 48.5 secs.

JUNIOR CLASS

- 50 yds. Breaststroke: 1. S. R. Hunter (F); 2. B. A. Wingate (R); 3. I. S. Young (N); 4. D. M. Lawson (R). Time, 41.7 secs.
- 25 yds. Back Stroke: 1. T. R. J. Ridland (S); 2. J. G. M. McKinlay (N); 3. W. A. M. Macfie (S); 4. T. R. Taylor (R). Time, 16.1 secs.
- 50 yds. Free Style: 1. J. G. M. McKinlay (N); 2. T. R. J. Ridland (S); 3. W. A. M. Macfie (S); 4. J. M. O. Lang (N). Time, 31.9 secs.
- 100 yds. Free Style: 1. J. G. M. McKinlay (N); 2. G. S. Caldwell (S); 3. J. M. O. Lang (N); 4. T. R. J. Ridland (S). Time, 1 min. 15.5 secs.
- 150 yds. Relay Med.: 1. Nicol; 2. Simpson; 3. Freeland; 4. Ruthven. Time, 2 mins. 0.6 secs.

I.T.W.

House Championship, 1956-57

	Freeland	Nicol	Ruthven	Simpson
Rugby	1½	16½	16½	11½
Cricket	6½	16½	1½	21½
Athletics	10	5	0	15
Hockey	8	3	0	5
Fives	2½	2½	2½	8
Cross-country	5	3	8	0
Swimming	8	5	0	3
Boxing	0	8	5	3
Shooting	3	5	8	0
	44½	64½	41½	67

Result:

1st, SIMPSON; 2nd, NICOL; 3rd, FREELAND; 4th, RUTHVEN.

Old Boys' News

ON 22nd July, 1957 Strathallians in the Argentine dined together in Buenos Aires for the second time, the occasion marking a further visit to the Argentine of Mr. Allan Grant to judge Aberdeen Angus cattle at the Annual Cattle Show. In addition to Mr. Grant there were present Messrs. J. B. Balfour, R. F. Botting, G.

Dickinson, H. Forbes, V. F. Baillie, B. G. C. Robinson, B. Taylor, C. W. Lacey and Mr. T. T. Legge.

To strengthen the link between the Argentine and the School it was decided to present a trophy to the School for annual competition on lines to be determined by the Headmaster. The trophy will comprise a plinth of quebracho, a hard wood indigenous to the north part of the Argentine, with round it three or four chains carrying coins. It is understood that this is referred to locally as a "rastra" and is in effect a form of belt worn by gauchos. Old Boys in this country, to whom this will be the first intimation of this generous gift from the Old Boys in the Argentine, will wait with interest to hear for what contest the Headmaster decides the trophy should be awarded. We look forward to learning that "getting the belt" no longer has the significance which it used to have!

In the issue of the Magazine for December, 1956 there appeared a photograph of those present at the first reunion dinner in the Argentine. As many will have noticed already, the caption giving the names has been completely transposed. The correct version is as follows:—

Back Row (left to right) B. G. C. Robinson, C. W. Lacey, R. F. Botting, T. T. Legge, B. Taylor, G. Dickinson and V. F. Baillie.

Front Row (left to right) H. Forbes, A. Grant, J. B. Balfour and R. M. Fraser.

The suggestion, put forward at the Annual General Meeting in 1956, that Branch Clubs should be formed in London and in the Midlands and North of England, has been carefully followed up by the Council and we are pleased to report that through the good offices of Gil Leburn, Old Boys' resident in the London area have been invited to attend a preliminary meeting to be held in the House of Commons on 28th November. We are confident that under Gil's energetic leadership a flourishing Branch in London may be expected in the near future.

In the Midlands and North of England, thanks to the enthusiasm of Dr. Bill Smith (412 Didsbury Road, Heaton Mersey, Stockport, Cheshire) events have progressed even more satisfactorily and a preliminary meeting has been held. The 1957 Annual General Meeting will be asked to approve the formation of this Branch and the incoming President and the Headmaster can add "the Midlands Dinner" to their respective engagement diaries for 1958. The club owes much to Bill Smith for volunteering to initiate this project and for the manner in which he has set about his task. Old Boys visiting or passing through the area can always count on a warm welcome from Bill.

From news of Old Boys en masse we now turn to news of some particular ones, those who reply (or whose friends reply on

their behalf) to the half-yearly questionnaire which is sent out in the hope that sooner or later there will be such a flood of replies that the Editorial Board will require to work overtime instead of on short time as at present.

W. C. Roy ("Coffee" to his contemporaries at School from 1926/33) has been appointed Field Manager and Visiting Agent of and Tea and Coffee Estates in South India under the agency of James Finlay & Company Limited. Our congratulations are also extended to "Coffee" on becoming the first overseas member of the newly formed Golf Section of the Club and we hope it will not be too long before he "plays himself in" at one of the regular meetings.

Keith Frost (1944/50) qualified as a Chartered Accountant in December, 1955 and as Sub-Lieutenant Frost is meantime holding a National Service Commission in H.M.S. Birmingham, flagship of the Mediterranean Fleet. He still finds time to play cricket and played for the R.N. Mediterranean XI against the Army and the R.A.F. in an inter-services cricket tournament at Malta. In a two day match against the R.A.F., although he was on the losing side, he took a very creditable 5 wickets for 86 in the first innings, and was second top scorer in the Navy's second innings with a well earned 38.

Another Old Boy also doing his National Service in the Royal Navy is Midshipman J. C. Pattullo (1952/56) who is presently serving with a flotilla of gunboats based on Hong Kong.

We congratulate T. R. L. Fraser (1944/46) on his appointment to the staff of the American Agricultural Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in London.

W. M. Falconer (1928/32) after being in Nigeria from 1946 to 1956 is now General Sales Manager of Pilkingtons Tiles, Manchester. He is reported as having attended the preliminary meeting of the Midlands and North of England Branch Club looking very fit and well after a lightning world tour on business for his firm.

Alistair Clayton (1946/49) takes a prominent part in the student life at Queen's College, Dundee (although this apparently has not come to the notice of our St. Andrew's University correspondent whose zeal is commended elsewhere) and we congratulate Alistair on being elected as Vice-President of the Students Union for 1957/58.

A. R. Pate (1939/47) is a Junior Surgical Specialist in the R.A.M.C. and stationed in London. He is due to be demobilised in March, 1958.

Douglas Boyd (1945/50) is in Iserlohn, Germany, where he is serving as a Lieutenant in the Army Dental Corps.

Hugh L. Stuart (1948/53) graduated B.Sc. (Eng.) with 2nd class honours at Glasgow University in September, 1957.

One of the regular attenders at the Golf Section Meetings is Dr. Donald McColl (1930/37) who has been Works Medical Officer of the I.C.I. Factory at Ardeer since 1949.

K. R. Hunter (1952/57) is at St. John's College, Cambridge where he has just started his medical curriculum. He is reported as having played for one of his College XV's—the St. John's Cygnets.

Euan Gilmour (1949/53) having just completed his training in Electrical Engineering has taken up a position with the South of Scotland Electricity Board.

B. I. Harle (1948/51) is still in the R.A.F. at West Kirby but hopes to be demobilised shortly when he will return to the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance at Newcastle.

G. S. A. Corbishley (1943/47) is a Textile Technologist (Chemist and Colourist) with Readsons Textiles of Manchester. Also a Textile Technologist is S. Roy Gillanders (1932/37) who lives in Harrogate and is with the Fibres Division of I.C.I.

The brothers J. F. (1948/53) and M. C. (1952/56) Padkin continue to take a keen interest in golf. Fergus has now left Manchester University where he captained the University Golf Team and graduated B. Com. Murray is taking a course in Civil Engineering at Manchester University and also plays for the golf team.

Bagpipes and rugby, learned and played at School, still play a part in the lives of H. Willcox (1952/56) and D. S. MacCallum (1950/57). The former, a Pilot-Officer in the R.A.F. plays rugby for Doncaster and the latter, awaiting entrance to Manchester University, plays for Broughton Park. Just where the bagpipes are played we are rather left to guess.

News from the Universities

Without intending to disparage the efforts of the other University correspondents the Editorial Board feel that the St. Andrew's University correspondent (who prefers to remain anonymous) deserves particular commendation for the alacrity with which his half yearly reports are despatched. The task of the Editorial Board is never a happy one but it is a very welcome change to receive contributions punctually and without prompting. Well done St. Andrew's! (Other University correspondents, please copy).

ST. ANDREW'S UNIVERSITY

While the pace of world events appears to become faster with each new week, Strathallians at St. Andrew's have again settled down to the saner and more leisurely life which prevails here; not

of course that it should be taken that we are completely neglectful of studies.

UNITED COLLEGES, ST. ANDREW'S

This year we welcome two bejants, whose arrival brings our number up to seven.

R. G. M. Philip (1948/53) is doing 3rd year Medicine and hopes to pass the 2nd Professional Examinations this year.

J. W. McInnes (1952/55) is now in 3rd year Science. John has curtailed his many activities of last year, but is still a member of the Air Squadron.

Also in his 3rd year is R. G. F. Walker (1951/55). A member of the O.T.C., he last year won the Class Medal and Blair Prize for Political Economy.

R. J. M. Philip (1951/56) now in 2nd year Science, is still persevering with Rugby and occasionally finds time for a little pleasure.

In 2nd year Arts we have E. A. Davidson (1950/56) who, for recreation, runs for the Cross Country Club.

R. B. Clark (1952/57) is in 1st year Science, as is J. M. McInnes (1953/57) who has taken up boxing. Both appear to find life here to their liking.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, DUNDEE

While it is supposed that there are still one or two Strathallians in Dundee, very little has been heard of them. If our reckoning is correct, A. Clayton should be in his final year Medicine, while it was noted that C. J. Raitt had success in Law Examinations in the summer.

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY

At the time of writing we are just recovering from the mad scramble of the Rectorial election and are able to report no casualties among our ranks.

This term we welcome four freshers into the Varsity life. S. W. Grierson is in first year Physics with aims to an honours degree; W. S. Pottinger begins the long grind in Medicine and I. R. A. McMillan is in first year Law. The fourth fresher D. C. Yellowley we think has started in the Agricultural College.

After welcoming the freshers we would like to congratulate Mike Edwards on graduating in Law. He is now doing his National Service in the Army.

D. A. Clement has also left us having finished his course at the Agricultural College.

Maurice Rossie continues in second year Medicine and is turning out regularly for one of the Varsity XV's.

Douglas Stuart is taking a building course at the Heriot-Watt College but little has been seen of him, so far, this year. Also at the same college A. Arneil attends classes in fourth year Surveying.

Donald Rossie, B.Sc. has now finished his National Service and is taking up an appointment in Trinidad at Christmas; we wish him all good fortune and hope he will keep in touch with us.

Finally mention must be made of our fellow students in the Accountancy Profession, who attend classes at the Varsity. Ian Stewart sits his finals in December.

Peter Davidson is in his fourth year and remains an energetic member of Edinburgh Southern Harriers.

Denis Thain is in his second year and is always to be found around the Union.

BIRTHS

BIGGART—On 25th November, 1957 to Mr. and Mrs. David A. Biggart (1943/48), a son.

BAXTER—On 17th September, 1956 to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Baxter, 38 Woodside Avenue, Kilmarnock, a son.

YOUNG—On 4th November, 1956 to Margaret wife of D. Lindsay Young (1940/43), 39 Greenhill Avenue, Giffnock, a son.

MARRIAGES

FROST, Robert C. (1943/46). On 22nd June, 1957 to Miss Anne Hempson of Edinburgh.

Old Boys' News

D. Lindsay Young (1940/43) has been appointed a Director of Watson - Brown (Advertising) Ltd.

J. A. M. Innes (1942/49) has left this country to take up an appointment in Toronto.

When he last wrote to us R. S. Eason (1950/54) was about to be demobilised from the R.A.F. after an interesting 18 months service in the Middle East.

Golf Section Notes

THE previous edition of the Strathallian was too early to contain all the details of the formation of the Golf Section.

The Section was duly formed at a meeting of the Council on Monday, 4th March, 1957, the minimum number of 25 being surpassed. (The total of Members now stands at 52).

The following office-bearers were appointed:—

Captain—J. Turner Johnstone.

Vice-Captain—Dr. A. C. MacEwen.

Committee—G. C. Turner.

R. H. Patterson.

B. L. Carlaw.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer—Ian MacEwen,
1 Melville Terrace, Stirling.

The season opened with the Spring Meeting on Thursday, 2nd May at Old Prestwick and took the form of a bogey competition for a prize presented by the Captain.

There were sixteen members present and the results were:—

1. M. Dawson 4 up.
2. Dr. I. D. Henderson 1 up.
3. G. C. Turner square.

The section then played their first inter Club match against Edinburgh Academicals at Luffness on Friday, 7th June and resulted in a drawn game 2 matches each. The following represented the Section:—

R. S. Johnson	}	won 1 up.
R. A. Houston		
A. C. MacEwen	}	won 4 & 3.
E. S. Dawson		
J. T. Johnston	}	lost 2 & 1.
B. L. Carlaw		
P. Wilkie	}	lost 3 & 2.
G. C. Turner		

This fixture proved a great success and it is hoped it will be the forerunner of many more to come.

The Summer Meeting took place at Gleneagles on Sunday, 16th June when 22 players took out cards for the Bogie Trophy.

This resulted in a tie between R.T.F. Wilson (the holder) and Dr. L. S. Scott with nett scores of 72.

The Autumn Meeting was played at Pollock Golf Club on Wednesday 11th September for the Johnston Trophy.

The section is greatly indebted to Messrs. J. T. and R. S. Johnston for presenting this handsome trophy for annual competition.

The winner was E. S. Dawson with a very fine score of 73 less 6.

The Section as usual took part in the Queen Elizabeth Coronation Schools Trophy at Barnton during the last week-end in September.

After receiving a bye into the second round the Section were beaten by Glasgow High School F.P.'s by 3 matches to nil.

The following represented the Section:—

J. W. Draper and Ian MacEwen.

R. H. Patterson and R. M. Kilpatrick.

R. S. Johnston and R. A. Houston.

The Section are now direct members of the Scottish Golf Union and as such are now eligible to play in open competition.

J. T. Johnston and Ian MacEwen represented the Section in the Evening Times Trophy played over Douglas Park in July and after receiving a walk-over in the first round, were defeated by the Merchant Company of Edinburgh by 3 and 2 after a very hard fought game.

SALVETE

Anderson, D. R.; Bell, F. R.; Birnie, G. W. V.; Blackburn, C. A.; Chalmers, R. S.; Clark, A. A.; Crawshaw, C. H.; d'Angibau, A. C.; Donald, J. S.; Fleming, J. M. S.; Gow, I. A.; Grosset, A.; Harrison, R. N.; Jenkins, T. A. F.; Joy, P. G.; Kenneth, R. A.; Keith, M. H. P.; Leask, J. C.; Logan, D. W.; Lyburn, R.; Marshall, J. R.; Marsland, P. L.; Matthew, K. A. L.; Menzies, D. W.; Morton, H. G.; McGarva, W. D.; McIntosh, A. J.; MacLeod, J. C.; McNair, G.; Nairn, J. H.; Niven, A. D.; Peters, R. S.; Priest, C. R.; Primrose, W. G.; Ritchie, D. M.; Sangster, J. A. W.; Shanks, A.; Swindall, V. A. N.; Wilkinson, A. P. D.; Wiseman, J. G. P.; Young, J. L.; Young, J. S.

VALETE

Anderson, J. M.	...	
Bayne, S. M.	...	
Beath, D.	...	House Prefect. 2nd XV Rugby. Athletics team.
Benson, R. M.	...	House Prefect. 2nd XV Rugby. Athletics team. P.O. (Navy). Orchestra.
Berwick, J. B.	...	
Blanche, W. D.	...	House Prefect. 4th XV Rugby. 2nd XI Hockey. Sergeant (Army).
Chalmers, R. J.	...	House Prefect. 1st XV Rugby. Athletics team.
Crabb, D. I. C.	...	House Prefect. 2nd XV Rugby. Athletics team. (Capt.). Standard Medal (880) at Golden- acre.
Dinsmore, J. W.	...	House Prefect. 1st XV Rugby. 1st XI Cricket. 1st XI Hockey. Boxing team. Sergeant (Army).
Dunlop, C. W. M.	...	
Dunn, R. J.	...	
Galbraith, J. B.	...	House Prefect. 2nd XV Rugby, 2nd XI Cricket. Sergeant (Army).
Galbraith, W. R.	...	School Prefect. 1st XV Rugby. 1st XI Cricket. (Capt.). 1st XI Hockey. Athletics team. Fives team. Sergeant-Major (Army).

Gleave, D. S.	...	
Gordon, R. M.	...	1st XI Hockey. Swimming team.
Grierson, S. R.	...	House Prefect. Athletics team. Shooting team. Flight Sergeant (R.A.F.). Queen's Scout.
Hunter, K. R.	...	School Prefect. 3rd XV Rugby. (Capt.). School Swimming Champion. Dux of School, 1955-56. Editor of "The Strathallian".
Hunter, W. D.	...	
King, N. R.	...	1st XI Hockey. 2nd XI Cricket.
Lang-Rose, J. H. W.	...	
Leishman, D. A.	...	House Prefect. 2nd XV Rugby.
Lilley, F. J. C.	...	House Captain of Nicol. 2nd Rugby XV. 1st Cricket XI. Athletics team. Fives team.
MacCallum, D. S.	...	School Captain. House Captain of Freeland. 1st XV Rugby (Capt.). 1st XI Cricket. 1st XI Hockey. Athletics team. Fives team. Swimming team. P.O. (R.N.). Pipe Band.
MacKinnon, I. D. K.	...	
McLellan, P.	...	House Captain of Simpson. 1st XV Rugby. 2nd XI Cricket (Capt.). 1st XI Hockey. Fives team (Capt.). U.O. (Army). Houston Medal for general merit.
MacMillan, L. R. A.	...	House Prefect. 1st XV Rugby. 2nd XI Cricket. Athletics team. Tennis team. P.O. (R.N.).
Macpherson, W. T.	...	House Prefect. 3rd XV Rugby. 1st XI Hockey. (Capt.). Sergeant (Army). Pipe Band.
Marnoch, I. A.	...	1st XV Rugby. Swimming team.
Mills, T. G.	...	3rd XV Rugby. Athletics team.
Murdoch, T.	...	
Paton, J.	...	
Pattullo, D. S.	...	
Pope, M. I.	...	3rd XV Rugby. Orchestra.
Pottinger, W. S. T.	...	Orchestra.
Pullar, A. L.	...	1st XV Rugby. 1st XI Hockey. Athletics team. Swimming team. Shooting team.
Robinson, W.	...	Athletics team.
Rutherford, W. H.	...	3rd XV Rugby.
Stocker, R. T. W.	...	2nd XV Rugby.
Stuart, G. C.	...	2nd XI Hockey. Pipe-Major.
Walker, J. C.	...	3rd XV Rugby.
Young, I. S.	...	

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