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(Late Exhibitioner, Christ's College, Cambridge). (1951).

Senior Master

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English. Careers Master. Hockey. i/c Tennis. (1951).

Assistant Masters

H. C. Addison, B.Sc. Maths. Physics. Formmaster of 4A. House
Tutor of Simpson. i/c Cricket. (1961).

P. A. Barker, M.A. Chemistry. Head of Science Dept. i/c University
Entrances. Cricket. Rugby. R.A.F. Section.
(1959).

J. F. Clayton, B.A. French. Formmaster of 3A. i/c Modern Languages
Soc. i/c Film Guild. i/c Ski-ing. Rugby.
Cricket. (1965).

T. C. G. Fairbairn, M.A. French. Head of Modern Languages Dept.
Housemaster of Nicol. O.C., C.C.F. i/c
Ballroom and Highland Dancing. Hockey.
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G. Giles, B.Sc., Ed. B. Maths. Head of Maths. Dept. i/c Science
Soc. i/c Astronomical Soc. Tennis. Riley
games. (1959).

M. Gray, B.Sc., Dip.Ed. Physics. Head of Physics. i/c Sailing. i/c
Gramophone Club. Rugby. (1955).

- P. E. Grigsby, M.A. Biology. Head of Biology. i/c Scripture Union. i/c Young Farmers' Club. Riley games. C.C.F. (1960).
- D. B. Henderson. Physical Training. Fencing. Boxing. Swimming. Lifesaving. Athletics. Piping. C.C.F. (1960).
- C. P. Hewson, M.A. Latin. Housemaster of Riley. Riley Games. (1953).
- K. C. Jackson, M.A. Physics. Music. Chapel organist. Orchestra. i/c Concert visits. Rugby. (1960).
- R. N. Johnson, M.A. English. Head of English. Assistant Careers Master. Rugby. Hockey. i/c Golf. (1963).
- P. T. MacLellan, M.A., Dip.Ed. Maths. Housemaster of Ruthven. i/c Timetable. i/c External Exams. i/c Grounds. Rugby. (1956).
- T. J. MacLeod, D.A. Art. Formmaster of 2. i/c Pre-Service section. i/c Duke of Edinburgh Award. Sailing. (1965).
- F. S. McNamara, B.A. Geography. Formmaster of 5. House Tutor of Riley. i/c Rugby. i/c Swimming. (1963).
- Rev. I. R. N. Miller, M.A. Scripture. School Chaplain. (1966).
- S. C. Pollard, M.A. Biology. Young Farmers' Club. Athletics. Shooting. (1961).
- D. P. Ramsden, B.A. German. French. Spanish. Formmaster of 4C. House Tutor of Riley. Riley games. (1965).
- D. S. Rymer, M.A. Geography. Head of Geography. Formmaster of 5. House Tutor of Nicol. i/c Dramatics. i/c Shakespeare Soc. i/c Fire Drill. i/c R.N. Section. Hockey. Rugby. (1960).
- G. W. Searle, M.A. History. Formmaster of 1. House Tutor of Ruthven. Rugby. Cricket. (1962).
- W. D. Shaw, A.H.-W.C. Chemistry. Formmaster of 3B. i/c Photographic Soc. R.N. Section. Rugby. Sailing. (1963).
- P. R. Spurgin, M.A. English. Housemaster of Freeland. i/c Hockey. (1952).
- A. J. Stewart, B.A., U.E.D. Latin. English. i/c Games. Hockey. Cricket. (1962).
- G. West, B.A., L.R.A.M., A.G.S.M. Director of Music. (1951).
- D. J. Whyte, M.A., Dip.Ed. English. History. Formmaster of 4B. Rugby. i/c Athletics. (1964).
- W. S. Wilkie, M.A. Latin, Greek. Head of Classics. i/c Classical Soc. i/c Film Guild. Rugby. Cricket. (1961).
- D. A. R. Williams, M.A. Economics. German. French. i/c "The Strathallian." i/c Library. i/c Sixth Form Soc. Orchestra. Cricket. Hockey. (1958).
- J. L. R. Williams, M.A. English. French. House Tutor of Freeland. i/c Shooting. i/c Angling. C.C.F. Rugby. (1962).
- E. Wormald, M.A. Maths. Formmaster of 3C. i/c Films. i/c Stamp Club. i/c Factory visits. i/c R.A.F. Section. Rugby. (1957).

D. E. Young, M.A. History. Head of History. Housemaster of Simpson. i/c Debating Soc. i/c Bridge and Chess Club (1951).

J. Mouland Begbie. Strings. Junior Orchestra.

W. N. Davie. Woodwork.

L. J. Maiden, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M. Wind instruments.

Miss F. McGlynn, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M. Piano.

D. Wiggins. Strings.

Editorial

THERE have been many structural changes within the School in the past five years, and these have done much to determine Strathallan's place amongst the top Public Schools. The Chapel, a worthy focal point, has added a new atmosphere to the School's activities; and the Sixth Form block has brought excellent working and studying conditions to the A-level candidate. The Language Laboratory has proved its worth, and the new Biology Laboratory has been very successful. That the money spent on the Gymnasium, with its modern equipment, and on the recently completed modifications and improvements to the swimming pool, was justified is shown in the use made of them.

With these and other changes that have taken place, one would expect the School to react in a favourable and agreeable manner, and in many spheres this has been the case. However, there has been this year that noticeable presence of a feeling of apathy and disinterest—a lack of enterprise and loyalty—which has been reflected not only on the games field, but in the classroom and in the various activities carried on in the School.

It is to be hoped that this is not a general trend for years to come, that boys at all stages of their school careers will try to attain the high standard that all the facilities provided at Strathallan would seem to deserve.

Alan Grant Lawson

THE sudden death of Alan Lawson on 27th July came as a very great shock to a very wide circle of friends; perhaps especially to those who had attended the Leavers' Dinner just a week previously, when he had made a splendid speech on behalf of his fellow leavers, full of his usual commonsense, wit and kindness.

When he came to Strathallan as Bursar ten years ago, he had already completed a career of which anyone could be proud. After serving as an officer in the 6th Cameronians in the Great War, he founded and was a partner in the firm of Fraser and Lawson; during the Second World War from 1942-45 he was Director of Bread for the United Kingdom; and from 1947 to 1956 he was Managing Director of Bilsland Brothers Limited, Glasgow. His spirit of service to the community would not allow him to retire, and Strathallan was most fortunate in having the use of his splendid gifts during these ten strenuous years. During the time he was Bursar, many projects for the physical improvement of the School were brought to happy fruition, and we were fortunate in being able to make use of his rich experience in finance and administration. Despite being extremely busy himself he always found time to give all manner of helpful advice, because of his unfailing courtesy and friendliness.

We shall remember him for his self-sacrificing devotion to his life's work; for the example that he set; for his simple faith and long loyalty to the Church; and above all for the integrity of his life. He will be missed by a great number of people, particularly all those who knew him so well at Strathallan.

Our deepest sympathy goes to his wife and son.

Staff Notes

At the end of the Summer Term we lost Mr. Rymer after six years distinguished and loyal service. As befits a person intensely interested in drama, he is a man of many parts and his activities have been varied; he has been House Tutor of Nicol, Head of the Geography Department, responsible for the dramatic performances, in charge of the Naval Section of the C.C.F. and in charge of all fire drill. Obviously it will be very difficult to replace someone who has occupied so many positions so effectively. We congratulate him on his appointment as Housemaster at Ashville College, and our best wishes go with him in the future.

Mr. Searle leaves us after four years of very valuable service in the teaching of History, as House Tutor of Ruthven, and on the games field; he is going as Head of the History Department at Stamford School. Mr. Searle has proved himself to be an outstandingly good schoolmaster and his results all round have been first class. His enthusiasm and loyal service will be very much missed by us all.

Mr. Stewart has been a careful and lucid teacher in English and Latin, and has been a tower of strength on the cricket and

hockey fields. Those who have benefited from his hours of non-stop coaching in the nets will, like all of us, regret his departure very much. He and his wife, who has given valuable help with dramatic productions and with tennis, take our best wishes with them on their return to South Africa, where Mr. Stewart goes as Housemaster to Michaelhouse.

The unenviable task of fighting a losing battle with the numbers reading Classics has fallen to Mr. Wilkie. It is to his great credit that in this scientific age he has not lost his enthusiasm for his subjects both in class and outside, where he has run a flourishing Classical Society. We wish him and his wife, who has taken an active interest in a number of the School's activities, all success at Glasgow Academy.

On the domestic front we are losing Miss Philips who, as Housekeeper has given us six years of loyal and efficient service in what is probably one of the most thankless tasks of all. She is going as Domestic Bursar at York University and our best wishes go with her.

In September we welcomed three new members of staff. Mr. J. F. Clayton and Mr. D. P. Ramsden have joined the Modern Languages Department, and Mr. T. J. MacLeod has taken over the Art Department. In the Summer Term we welcomed Mr. I. R. N. Miller as our new Chaplain.

W.N.S.H.

School Notes

THE new squash courts behind the study block have been completed.

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The roads from the Lady's Well to the rear of the gym, and from Rose Cottage to September Cottage have been resurfaced.

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New fire sirens have been installed in the main school.

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The swimming pool has been lined with glass-fibre.

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Two new houses for masters have been built near Coven Trees.

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The five courts have been converted into workshops and a central book-store.



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J. F. Davidson has been awarded a Bristol Siddeley Scholarship, tenable at Cambridge.

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G. R. Eadie has been awarded the Bruce of Grangehill and Falkland Residential Scholarship at St. Andrews.

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R. G. Lawson has been awarded a scholarship by the Institute of Civil Engineers, tenable at any University.

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R. D. Paul won the Senior Art Prize and A. D. G. Duncan the Intermediate Art Prize for Perthshire in the Brooke Bond Competition.

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R. H. Scott (Old Strathallian) has been awarded a Scholarship at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge.

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The Choir and Orchestra accompanied the evening service in St. Giles' Cathedral on June 12th.

D. M. R. Bell played for the London Scottish Schoolboys' Rugby XV.

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J. S. Hunter played for the Scottish Schoolboys' Hockey XI and went on the Swifts' world tour.

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W. M. Thompson and B. C. Young won the top awards in their classes in the Scottish Schoolboys' Foil Championships.

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R. J. Lawson reached the quarter-finals of the Scottish Lawn Tennis Association Under-15 Championship.

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Mr. Whyte played rugby for Scotland and was an official reserve for the Lions' tour.

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We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. MacLellan and Mr. and Mrs. Whyte on the arrival of sons, and Mr. and Mrs. MacLeod and Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie on the arrival of daughters.

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The Strathallan Occasionals are still unbeaten (see page 110).

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There were 357 boys in the School in the Summer Term.

Speech Day

SPEECH DAY this year was on Saturday, 18th June. As usual, the prize-giving and speeches were held in Perth City Hall. The Guest of the Day was the Right Hon. Lord Balerno, C.B.E., T.D.

Mr. G. C. Turner, Chairman of the Board of Governors, made mention in his introductory remarks of the School's progress, paying tribute to the Bursar and the work he has done in controlling the School's finances.

The Headmaster, presenting his sixteenth Annual Report, opened his speech by warning against the encroachments on the independence of the public school, especially by the Socialist Government whose political doctrine seems to demand that it closes down "by punitive taxation all institutions that the State cannot easily control, however efficient or worthwhile they may be." The Headmaster then went on to emphasise the value of practical work, quoting an ancient saying, "I hear

—I forget; I see—I remember; I do—I understand.” In this, we at Strathallan are lucky in having an opportunity to participate in many experiments in the science laboratories, and also in having a modern language laboratory.

The prizes were then presented by Lord Balerno, after which he addressed the School. He described Speech Day as “perhaps the worst thing that any boy at a public school has to suffer” but his speech ensured at least a quarter-of-an-hour’s enjoyment on this day. “Self-reliance, individuality and self-control are three virtues which make a large contribution to one’s success in the world, but,” Lord Balerno warned, “do not despise the day of small things. Small things make the world tick. By putting your individuality into the doing of small things you will find the road to true happiness.” Lord Balerno qualified his statement by saying that he was not advocating eccentricity, but a realising of one’s own capacities and virtues, and developing them to the full.

The performance of the Thunder and Lightning Polka in the morning concert proved a warning of things to come. Parents and pupils returned to School over a road often inches under water. The conditions severely hampered many of the activities planned for the afternoon, but the photographic exhibition, the history project and the laboratory displays were all well patronised, as was the vast and impressive exhibition of paintings in the Art Room. There was some doubt as to whether the Sunset Parade would be on, but by late afternoon the weather had improved and the ground had begun to dry out.

R.D.A.

(The programme of the Speech Day Concert is given under Music Notes.)

Speech Day Prize Winners, 1966

The Smith Cup for the Captain of the School	W. B. Melville
Prize for all-round achievement in work	R. M. Slater (in absentia)
The Houston Prize	J. S. Hunter
English	not awarded
Classics	P. A. K. Laband
Classics Essay	R. I. M. Murray
Modern Languages	R. M. M. Lang
History	not awarded
Geography	C. A. Willson-White
Geography Fieldwork	G. G. Wallace
Economics	I. A. Houston

Mathematics	R. M. Turner
Biology	A. R. Brash
Biology Project	A. G. Beaton
Physics	J. A. Fisher
Chemistry	A. R. Brash
Chemistry Research Prize	J. B. S. Chapman P. M. Wilson
Music	A. G. Balfour
Art	G. G. Wallace
Art Essay	R. D. Paul

SCHOOL PRIZES, SUMMER 1966

French Essay Prize	A. Young
Physics Essay Prize	P. le P. Barnett

DISTINCTION PRIZES, SUMMER 1966

D. B. Fraser	A. D. L. Lyszkowski
T. K. Lunan	

FORM PRIZES

IVB—R. A. L. Craig; IVC—D. M. S. Robbie; IIIA—D. M. Findlay;
 IIIB—C. D. M. Taylor; IIIC—C. T. Perry; II—T. K. Lunan;
 I—C. J. Cotton.

SALVETE

September, 1965

V—Carnegie, D. L. (N).

IIIA—Allison, I. G. E. (F); Bailey, G. E. (S); Drummond, N. S. (R);
 Edwards, J. G. (N); Evans, S. G. (R); Findlay, D. M. (F); Holmes,
 D. M. (S); Lawson, R. J. (R); Mahon, I. J. C. (N); Pennie, D. N. F.
 (F); Picken, B. J. (R); Walker, P. L. N. (N); Warnock, A. J. D. (F).

IIIB—Barclay, S. J. (S); MacGregor, W. G. M. (R); Mitchell, B. D.
 (F); Robertson, I. D. (R); Wilson, P. R. (S).

IIIC—Allan, B. G. (R); Broadwood, R. A. (N); Brown, D. B. (R);
 Brown, D. R. (N); Burnett, J. M. (N); Chalmers, A. A. (F); Inglis,
 R. W. (R); MacDonald, R. J. (R); McLean, K. C. (F); Main,
 A. G. R. (R); Maxwell, A. J. (R); Millar, W. S. H. (N); Perry, C. T.
 (F); Pringle, W. (S); Reid, M. J. (N); Simpson, R. W. C. (N);
 Walker, J. I. T. (R); Warburton, P. D. C. (F); Wilson, W. D. (S).

I.—Barnet, J. G. (Ri); Cassels, K. M. (Ri); Day, I. F. S. (Ri); Duncan,
 C. W. (Ri); Elder, W. S. M. (Ri); Hill, C. (Ri); Hill, P. (Ri);
 Houston, I. D. (Ri); Lawrence, A. B. (Ri); Low, D. R. D. (Ri);
 Owen, J. H. (Ri); Paterson-Brown, I. (Ri); Rankin, I. R. (Ri);
 Salt, H. T. (Ri); Sim, R. L. M. (Ri); Wallace, A. T. A. (Ri).

January, 1966

IIIB—Bastable, W. R. (R); Kunz, H. K. (N).

IIIC—Aitcheson, E. D. (N); Clark, G. A. (S); Downs, A. J. (S);
 Ferguson, A. C. (R); Fleming, T. (F); Mackay, R. J. (S); Nielson,
 J. F. (F).

I—Latta, D. (Ri); Wilson, R. A. (Ri).

April, 1966

- IIIA—Campbell, P. A. S. (S.); Lewis, I. D. (N.); McLachlan, C. L. (N).
 IIIC—Crawford, G. M. (F); Farmer, G. V. (N); Grant, J. E. (S); Lear,
 C. P. (S); Lindsay, W. M. (F); Pickering, M. J. F. (S).
 I—Campbell, C. A. (Ri); Lowden, S. D. (Ri); Sheddon, J. H. (Ri).



The Dungeon—modern style

VALETE

Autumn Term

Schol. VI:

- Brunton, W. A. T. (N). Came 62¹; III Inter; House Prefect 65²; Secretary of Shakespeare Society; Secretary of Astronomical Society; Lance-Corporal (Army).
 20 Learmonth Gardens South, Edinburgh, 4.
- Clark, M. G. (F). Came 61³; III Inter; House Prefect 65¹; School Prefect 65³; English Essay Prize 64; Latin Essay Prize, 64, 65; Latin Prize, 65; English Prize, 65; History Prize 65; Cross-country; President of VIth Form Society; President of Classical Society; President of Debating Society; Inter-schools debating team; Librarian; Editor of "The Strathallian"; Corporal (Army).
 57 Fotheringay Road, Glasgow, S.1.
- Davidson, J. F. (F). Came 61³; IIIA; House Prefect 65³; Maths. Essay Prize 64; Physics Prize 65; Physics Essay Prize 65; Shooting; Chairman of Science Society; Flight-Sergeant (R.A.F.).
 32 Royal Circus, Edinburgh, 3.

- Eadie, G. R. (S). Came 59³; I; House Prefect 65³; Physics Essay Prize 64; Chemistry Prize 65; Maths. Essay Prize 65; Secretary of Science Society; Sergeant (Pre-service section).
Redcroft, 432 Blackness Road, Dundee.
- Grandison, G. P. (F). Came 60³; IIIB; House Prefect 65³; Leading Seaman (R.N.).
105 Kinghorn Road, Burntisland, Fife.
- Slater, R. M. (N). Came 59³; I; House Prefect 65³; Dux of School 1964-65; French Prize 64, 65; German Prize 65; Distinction Prize 63, 65; President of Modern Languages Society; Inter-schools debating team; Corporal (Army).
23 Devonshire Road, Aberdeen.

Upper VI:

- Fenwick, M. K. (R). Came 61³; IIIC; Lance-Bombardier (Army).
Pinar, Station Road, Longforgan, near Dundee.
- Gemmell, R. J. (F). Came 59²; I; House Prefect 65³; XV 64-65, 65-66; Hockey XI 65; Athletics, Tennis; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Ormlie, Kingston Road, Bishopton, Renfrewshire.
- Rennie, I. J. (F). Came 61³; IIIB; House Prefect 65³; Corporal (Army).
Moor of Rannoch Hotel, Rannoch Station, Perthshire.

Lower VI:

- Lamb, R. A. (S). Came 59³; I; Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award; Lance-Corporal (Pre-service section).
P.O. Box 30081, Nairobi, Kenya.
- Logan, A. W. (R). Came 60³; I; Tennis; Cadet (Army).
Kirkmay, Crail, Fife.
- Sinclair, I. N. (R); Came 63³; IIIA; Cadet (Army).
Box 30034, Nairobi, Kenya.
- Steven, J. (N). Came 63²; IIIC; Shooting; Treasurer of Young Farmers' Club; Cadet (Army).
Wester Meathie, By Forfar, Angus.
- Wilson, J. (S). Came 60²; I; Secretary of Young Farmers' Club; Cadet (Army).
Carvenan, Anstruther, Fife.

V:

- Riach, N. D. (S). Came 63¹; IIIC; XV 65-66; Hockey XI 65; Athletics; Cadet (R.A.F.).
Poplar Bank, Duddingston, Edinburgh, 15.

Summer Term, 1966**Third Year VI:**

- Beaton, A. G. (S). Came 62²; III Inter; House Prefect 65³; Biology Field Work Prize 66; Lance-Corporal (Pre-service section).
Sheiling Knowe, Little Wenlock, Wellington, Shropshire.
- Black, J. H. S. (R). Came 61³; IIIA; Exh.; House Prefect 65³; School Prefect 65³; Head of Ruthven; XV 64-65, 65-66; Hockey XI 66; Fives; Captain of Athletics; Victor Lindorum 66; Chairman of VIth Form Society; Corporal (Army).
33 Cornwall Road, Cheam, Surrey.
- Elder, R. J. (F). Came 61³; IIIA; House Prefect 65³; XV 65-66; XI 65, 66; Hockey XI 65, 66; Corporal (Army).
Green Hedges, Lake Road, Virginia Water, Surrey.

- Jeffrey, D. I. (S). Came 61³; III Inter; House Prefect 65³; Biology Prize 65; Chemistry Essay Prize 65; XV 65-66; Captain of Boxing; Athletics; Secretary of Science Society; Sergeant (Army).
48 *Mountjoy Road, Huddersfield, Yorkshire.*
- Lawson, R. G. (R). Came 62²; IIIA; Exh.; House Prefect 65¹; School Prefect 65²; Civil Engineering Scholarship; XV 65-66; Athletics; Secretary of Photographic Society; Treasurer of VIth Form Society; Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award; Coxswain (R.N.).
260/1 *Moda Caddesi, Vitol Sikmazi, Moda-Kadiköy, Istanbul.*
- Melville, W. B. (N). Came 58³; I; Exh.; House Prefect 64³; School Prefect 65²; Captain of the School; Head of Nicol; XV 65-66; XI 64, 65, Captain 66; Hockey XI 64, 65, 66; Captain of Fives; Athletics; Treasurer of Stamp Club; Sergeant (Army).
41 *Milton Road, Kirkcaldy, Fife.*
- Murray, R. I. M. (F). Came 60¹; I; House Prefect 66²; Classics Essay Prize 66; Lance-Corporal (Army).
Rowanbrae, East Argyle Street, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.
- Paton, R. C. (N). Came 61³; III Inter; House Prefect 65²; School Prefect 65³; Cross-country; Sailing; Secretary of Angling Club; Inter-schools Debating team; Petty Officer (R.N.).
Culligran, Maybole Road, Ayr, Ayrshire.
- Smith, J. C. S. (N). Came 61³; IIIA; Lance-Corporal (Army).
P.O. Box 141, Kericho, Kenya.
- Trusdale, T. N. W. (N). Came 60²; I; House Prefect 65¹; School Prefect 66²; XV 65-66; XI 64, 65, 66; Hockey XI 66; Sergeant (Army).
17 *Coylton Road, Newlands, Glasgow, S.3.*
- Watson, G. D. (F). Came 61³; IIIB; House Prefect 66¹; Captain of Ski-ing; Chairman of Science Society; Secretary of VIth Form Society; Flight-Sergeant (R.A.F.).
33 *Fullarton Drive, Troon, Ayrshire.*

Upper VI:

- Anderson, J. W. B. (S). Came 62¹; IIIC; House Prefect 64³; School Prefect 66²; XV 65-66; XI 65; Cross-country; Flight-Sergeant (R.A.F.).
Parknook, Scotby, Carlisle.
- Beattie, S. S. (N) Came 62³; IIIA; Exh.; Sailing; Lance-Bombardier (Army).
Birkdale, Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire.
- Bell, D. M. R. (S). Came 58³; I; House Prefect 65¹; School Prefect 65³; Head of Simpson; XV 64-65, 65-66; Scottish Schoolboys' XV 65-66; Hockey XI 66; Athletics; Captain of Swimming; Under Officer (Army).
Caputh Manse, Murthly, Perthshire.
- Brown, D. T. (F). Came 62³; IIIA; Corporal (R.A.F.).
48 *Camphill Road, Broughty Ferry, Angus.*
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Case-Postale No. 500, 1211 Geneva, Switzerland.
- Burt, T. W. (R). Came 62¹; IIIC; House Prefect 65³; School Prefect 66²; Captain of Tennis; Secretary of Scripture Union; President of Classical Society; Corporal (Pre-service section).
Strathclyde, Bothwell, Near Glasgow.
- Cartledge, P. C. (F). Came 61³; IIIB; Chairman of Astronomical Society; Librarian; Corporal (R.A.F.).
Claremont House, Market Drayton, Shropshire.

- Cruickshank, D. M. (R). Came 62²; IIIA; Cadet (Army).
Foinaven, 2 Airthrey Avenue, Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire.
- Dunbar, J. A. (F). Came 61²; I; Shooting; Bombardier (Army).
144 Malone Road, Belfast, 9.
- Fairbairn, D. M. (N). Came 61³ IIB; Hockey XI 66; Lance-Corporal (Army).
44 Ardgowan Street, Greenock, Renfrewshire.
- Fea, A. W. S. (F). Came 61³; IIB; Secretary of Modern Languages Society; Lance-Corporal (Army).
c/o St. Rowans, Peterculter, Aberdeenshire.
- Ferguson, C. A. (F). Came 61³; III Inter; Lance-Bombardier (Army).
Monaughty, Forres, Morayshire.
- Fergusson, A. F. (N). Came 62¹; IIB; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Ardmore, 9 Brompton Terrace, Kinnoull, Perth.
- Hunter, J. S. (F). Came 59²; I; House Prefect 64³; School Prefect 65²; Vice-Captain of the School; Head of Freeland; XV 64-65; 65-66; Hockey XI 64, 65, Captain 66; "Swifts" World Hockey Tour 65; Scottish Schoolboys' Hockey 66; Houston Prize 66; Fives, Tennis, Athletics; Sergeant (R.A.F.).
3 Lennox Road, Edinburgh, 5.
- Kirkby, R. I. (S). Came 60³; IIB; House Prefect 65³; XV 65-66; Fives; Tennis; Sergeant (R.A.F.).
Mackerston Hotel, Largs, Ayrshire.
- MacFarlane, D. S. (N). Came 60³; IIB; Captain of Sailing; Athletics; Shooting; Petty Officer (R.N.).
71 Cranmore Lane, Aldershot, Hampshire.
- McGill, S. R. (S). Came 61¹; IIIC; House Prefect 66¹; Lance-Corporal (Army).
18 Glamis Road, Dundee.
- Murray, I. (F). Came 61³; IIB; Cadet (Army).
Ballymenoch, Cardross, Dunbartonshire.
- Riddell, A. J. S. (S). Came 62²; III Inter; Treasurer of Classical Society; Lance-Corporal (Army).
16 Bromley Road, Bramhall, Cheshire.
- Sharpe, A. R. (N). Came 60³; I; Lance-Corporal (Army).
Keppoch, 14 Taylors Road, South Broomage, Larbert, Stirlingshire.
- Stuart, M. M. (N). Came 59²; I; House Prefect 66¹; XV 65-66; Athletics; Tennis; Captain of Cross-country; Sergeant (Army).
25 Jordan Lane, Edinburgh, 10.
- Tseng, L. S. W. (S). Came 63²; IIIA; Shooting; Lance-Corporal (Army).
c/o Tim and Ed Co., P.O. Box 4, Jesselton, Sabah, Malaysia.
- Turner, R. M. (N). Came 59²; I; Exh.; Maths. Prize 66; M.A.A.S.A. Prize 66; Lance-Corporal (Army).
Roseland, 44 Irvine Road, Kilmaurs, Ayrshire.
- Wallace, G. G. (N). Came 61²; IIB; House Prefect 66¹; Geography Fieldwork Prize 66; Art Prize 66; Senior Solo Piping Cup 65. 66; Pipe-Major; Leading Seaman (R.N.).
Redlynn, 7 Kingsway Place, Fairmuir, Dundee.
- Willson-White, C. A. (R). Came 61³; House Prefect 65¹; School Prefect 66²; Geography Prize 66; Athletics; Cross-country; Secretary of Shakespeare Society; Editor of "The Strathallian"; Librarian; Under Officer (R.N.).
High Garrett, 17 Upper Glenfinlas Street, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.

Young, B. C. (F). Came 60¹; IIB; House Prefect 65²; Captain of Fencing; Captain of Shooting; Athletics; Junior Piping Cup 65; Bronze Medal Scottish Schoolboys' Fencing; Flying Scholarship; Warrant Officer (R.A.F.).
Broadlawns, Fernhill, Oxshott, Surrey.

Lower VI:

- Ainslie, A. J. (F). Came 60¹; IIIB; Fencing; Cadet (R.A.F.).
Bowles Folly, Wilmslow, Cheshire.
- Anderson, C. B. H. (F). Came 59²; IIIB; Cadet (Army).
Redding Wood, Redding Lane, Redbourne, Herts.
- Anderson, P. C. (S). Came 63¹; IIIC; Lance-Corporal (Army).
Hazlehead, 41 Woodend Drive, Ascot, Berkshire.
- Bosshardt, J. C. (F). Came 59²; I; Ski-ing; Athletics; Leading Cadet (R.A.F.).
42 Garvoch Hill, Dunfermline, Fife.
- McCallum, P. G. (F). Came 62¹; IIIC; House Prefect 66¹; Hockey XI 65, 66; Corporal (Army).
Craig-an-Righ, 7 Snowdon Place, Stirling.
- Mure, G. L. H. (F). Came 61³ IIIC; House Prefect 65³; XV 64-65, Captain 65-66; XI 66; Hockey XI 66; Fencing; Fives; Highland Dancing; Lance-Bombardier (Army).
Selaliparui Est., Valparai P.O., Via Pollachi, S. India.
- Spence, A. F. (N). Came 62¹; IIIC; XI 65, 66; Hockey XI 66; Fives; Lance-Corporal (Army).
28 Seafield Drive, Ayr, Ayrshire.
- Taylor, R. K. M. (N). Came 62²; IIIB; Shooting; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Fernbrae, 4 Allanbank Road, Larbert, Stirlingshire.
- Warburton, R. J. C. (F). Came 64³; V; Athletics; Corporal (Army).
Duchray, 25 Havelock Street, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.

V:

- Macfarlane, D. J. (N). Came 63¹; IIIC; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Easterhouse of Whitelec, Stewarton, Ayrshire.
- Mackay, J. D. C. (N). Came 63²; IIIC; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Hillandale, Upper Colquhoun Street, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.
- Macmillan, A. G. (N). Came 61¹; I; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Green Gables, Balerno, Midlothian.
- Robertson, B. M. (N). Came 63²; IIIC; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
8 Meiklewood Avenue, Prestwick, Ayrshire.
- Scott, G. (N). Came 63²; IIIC; Able-Seaman (R.N.).
Easter House, Jackton, Near East Kilbride, Lanarkshire.
- Stewart, J. M. (N). Came 64¹; IIIC; Cadet (Army).
2 Vennard Gardens, Strathbungo, Glasgow, S.I.
- Stewart, W. C. (F). Came 61²; I; Cadet (Army).
Throughgate, By Auldgirth, Dumfriesshire.
- Stirling, A. A. (F). Came 61²; I; Junior Drumming Cup 65; Cadet (Army).
Stanely, Victoria Road, Brookfield, Near Johnstone, Renfrewshire.
- Wallace, R. M. (S). Came 61²; I; XI 66; Leading Cadet (R.A.F.).
Sypland, Kirkcudbright.

Chapel Notes

DURING the Term we have had three visiting preachers, the Rev. Alan Boyd Robson, of Kelvinside Parish Church, Glasgow; Mr. Hugh Lyon, a former Headmaster of Rugby; and the Rev. R. Routledge Bell, of Caputh Parish Church.

Confirmation Services were held during the Term, the Very Rev. Dr. John Fraser conducting the Confirmation for the Church of Scotland and the Bishop of St. Andrews for the Episcopalians.

On the Sunday after Speech Day two services were held in the chapel at 10.15 a.m. and 11 a.m., each lasting for about half an hour. This was in the nature of an experiment in order to accommodate all parents who wished to attend, and by this means there was room for all the boys and their parents.

No report of the Chapel for this Term would be complete without an expression of thanks to the Very Rev. Dr. John Fraser for the many services he has rendered to the school over the last two years when there was no resident chaplain. His keen interest in all the activity of the School, and the amount of time he spared to foster the spiritual life of the School will always be appreciated and make him at all times a most welcome visitor to Strathallan.

The new chaplain would like to express his thanks to the Headmaster, the Staff and the boys for making his coming among them such a happy and rewarding experience.

I.R.N.M.

Music Notes

THE size of the School orchestra was increased considerably at the beginning of the year when last year's second orchestra was amalgamated with it. For the first time there have been three french horns—and five flutes! The third orchestra then became the new second orchestra, adding to itself many extra players. It gave its first public appearance very successfully in the Speech Day Concert.

The School orchestra's greatest effort was required for the accompaniment of "The Gondoliers." There was all too short a time before they were required to play at a run-through of each Act and much music had to be sight-read. They managed well but often dismayed the cast. However, by the time the performances arrived they were playing the music with confidence and softly enough for the cast to be heard singing! For

the last (concert) performance in the Village Hall they were playing like seasoned professionals.

The choir gave a good account of Vivaldi's Magnificat in St. Giles' Cathedral and this has been perpetuated on a gramophone record. The close proximity of the St. Giles recital to Speech Day made work very hard for a week or so. The Spirituals from Michael Tippett's "A Child of Our Time," which in the end the choir performed most successfully at the Speech Day concert, came too near to the point of being abandoned for safety.

Programmes of the various concerts that have taken place and anthems sung by the choir in chapel are given below.

G.W.

Anthems sung by the choir this year have been:

Creation's Hymn (Beethoven); Gloria in Excelsis (Haydn); All glory be to God on high (Schroeter); Magnificat in G (Stanford); Sleepers Awake (Mendelssohn); Cherubim Song (Bortniansky); Jesu, Lamb of God, Redeemer (Mozart); Turn thy face from my sins (Attwood); The will of God is always best (Praetorius); Jubilate Deo in C (Britten); Lord, we beseech thee (Batten); The strife is o'er (arr. H. Ley); Subdue us by thy goodness (Bach); Allelujah Psallita (Anon.); Psalms 23, 8 and 93 (Gelinear).

The whole School has sung in the following anthems: Nunc Dimittis in B flat (Stanford); "Hallelujah" Chorus (Handel); Ride on in majesty (Williamson); Te Deum (Williamson); Jubilate Deo (Britten).

INFORMAL CONCERT—13th DECEMBER, 1965

1. Orchestra
Hungarian March *Berlioz*
2. Piano (A. G. Balfour)
Moment Musical in A flat *Schubert*
3. Flute, Oboe, 'Cello and Piano
(R. M. M. Lang, W. B. Melville, A. J. Burnett, G.W.)
Last movement of Trio Sonata in G major *Bach*
4. Tenors and Basses
The Jet Song }
Cool } From West Side Story *Bernstein*
5. Orchestra
Slavonic Dance in F *Dvorak*
6. Violin Solo (R. A. Lamb)
Last movement from Sonatina *Dvorak*
7. Horn Solo (J. M. Blair)
Rondo from 3rd Horn Concerto *Mozart*
8. Tenors and Basses
The Banks of Newfoundland *Folk Songs*
Cindy
Drill Ye Tarriers
9. Orchestra
Overture: "The Italian Girl in Algiers" *Rossini*

CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA IN ST. GILES CATHEDRAL—12th JUNE, 1966

MUSIC AT 6 p.m.

1. Trio Sonata in A major *Boyce*
2. Pastorale (arr. for Clarinet and 'Cello) *Vivaldi*
3. Magnificat *Vivaldi*

MUSIC DURING THE SERVICE

Hymns—

The God of Abraham Praise

Glory be to God the Father

Anthem—Lord, we beseech Thee *Adrian Batten*

Voluntary after the Service—

Overture: "The Shepherd King" *Mozart*

SPEECH DAY CONCERT PROGRAMME

1. Orchestra
Overture: The Shepherd King *Mozart*
2. 'Cello Solo (A. J. Burnett)
Sicilienne *von Paradis*
Courante from Sonata in G minor *Eccles*
3. Orchestra
Introduction to Act III of "Lohengrin" *Wagner*
4. Trio (L. S. W. Tseng, R. J. H. Neil, A. J. Burnett)
Sonata in A major *Boyce*
5. Second Orchestra
Swedish Folk-Dance *Traditional (arr. J. Brown)*
6. Choir
Three Negro Spirituals from "A Child of our Time" *Tippett*
(a) Steal Away
(b) Go Down, Moses
(c) Deep River
7. Orchestra
"Thunder and Lightning" Polka *J. Strauss*

NATIONAL ANTHEM

ORCHESTRA

Violins: Mr. J. Mouland Begbie (leader), L. S. W. Tseng, R. J. H. Neil, C. Tingsabadh, D. M. Fairbairn, G. L. H. Mure, J. O. McIntyre, A. C. Paton, N. L. Wilson.

Violas: C. S. Y. Gillanders, R. L. Settles.

'Cellos: A. J. Burnett, Mr. K. C. Jackson.

Double Basses: D. M. R. Bell, A. C. Mulhall.

Flutes: J. C. Bosshardt, R. M. M. Lang, A. N. H. Guthrie, K. B. King, J. D. N. Ovenstone.

Oboes: W. B. Melville, M. W. MacEwen, A. Gray.

Clarinets: G. L. MacEwen, D. K. MacDougall, I. D. R. Prain.

Bassoon: Mr. D. A. R. Williams.

Trumpets: A. W. Gardner, D. J. M. Wilson.

French Horns: A. W. S. Fea, J. M. Blair, P. le P. Barnett.

Percussion: P. M. Fisher, R. J. C. Warburton, A. D. L. Lyszkowski, W. J. S. Grant.

Piano: A. G. Balfour.

SECOND ORCHESTRA

Violins: D. J. McNair, N. J. B. Fielding, J. C. Bell, N. D. Lane.

Viola: M. M. Norval.

'Cellos: J. S. Hunter, M. G. Szwed-Cousins.

Flute: I. J. C. Mahon.

Trumpets: R. W. Sproat, J. G. Steven.

Trombones: G. G. Robbie, D. G. Jenkins.

Piano: T. K. Lunan.

CHOIR

Trebles: I. G. E. Allison, S. J. Barclay, A. W. Bethune, J. J. Black, D. B. Brown, K. M. Cassels, A. A. Chalmers, M. W. H. Cran, J. R. Davies, N. J. B. Fielding, P. J. Hunter, R. A. Jenkins, G. C. H. Lait, A. B. Lawrence, D. R. D. Low, I. G. C. Mahon, W. S. H. Millar, N. M. Munro, I. Paterson-Brown, B. J. Picken, M. J. Reid, I. B. Rennie, G. R. S. Smith, A. J. D. Warnock.

Altos: J. M. Baxter, A. D. G. Duncan, C. S. Grant, J. E. Grant, N. D. Lane, R. J. Lawson, T. K. Lunan, G. L. MacEwen, J. F. Nielsen, P. D. C. Warburton, P. R. Wilson.

Tenors: S. S. Beattie, D. M. R. Bell, C. H. G. Buchanan, A. W. S. Fea, A. D. L. Lyszkowski, S. C. M. McLean, R. C. Paton, N. H. F. Wilson.

Basses: A. J. Ainslie, R. D. Anderson, A. J. Burnett, R. G. Lawson, A. R. Sharpe, J. C. S. Smith, M. M. Stuart, C. J. R. Townson, T. N. W. Trusdale, R. J. C. Warburton, G. D. Watson, C. A. Willson-White, B. C. Young.

The following have passed Associate Board exams:

Balfour, A. G., Piano, Grade VII (distinction).

Burnett, A. J., Cello, Grade VII (distinction).

Tingsabadh, C., Violin, Grade VII (merit); Theory, Grade VII (distinction); Piano, Grade III.

Guthrie, A. N. H., Flute, Grade V.

Mure, G. L. H., Violin, Grade IV (merit).

MacDougall, D. K., Clarinet, Grade IV (distinction).

Ovenstone, J. D. N., Flute, Grade IV.

King, K. B., Flute, Grade IV (merit).

Prairie, I. D. R., Clarinet, Grade IV.

Blair, J. M., Horn, Grade IV, Piano, Grade IV; Theory, Grade V.

McIntyre, J. O., Violin, Grade III.

Fielding, N. J. B., Violin, Grade III (distinction).

Barnett, P. le P., Horn, Grade III.

Wilson, D. J. M., Trumpet, Grade III.

McNair, D. G., Violin, Grade II.

Norval, M. M., Viola, Grade II (merit).

Settles, R. L., Viola, Grade II.

Lane, N. D., Violin, Grade I (merit).

Bell, J. C., Violin, Grade I.

Library

"If we want things to stay as they are, things will have to change" is perhaps a fitting comment with which to begin the Library report about a year in which lack of respect, both for the property and other people's rights has been particularly marked. The Library is not an extra common-room or a glorified study, and it is to be hoped that the severe measures imposed during the Summer term do not have to be employed again.

Nevertheless, the Library has seen an increase in use, and though the Fiction section still proves to be the most popular, the more edifying sections have received their share of attention and interest.

With the introduction of soft chairs, two magazine racks, and a new card index cabinet, the traditional puritan picture of a library has given way to one of leisurely modernity.

The librarians during the year were: M. G. Clark (left Christmas term); R. D. Anderson; P. C. Cartledge; S. C. M. McLean; C. A. Willson-White; P. A. K. Laband.

"Time Magazine" and "Life" have been added to the periodicals.

We would like to thank W. S. Scott, Esq., for his presentation of "The World of Cricket," by E. W. Swanton.

Additions of the past year include: Elliot, "Revolt of the Catalans"; Trevor-Roper, "The Rise of Christian Europe"; Jacob, "Elements of Orchestration"; Lomax, "Folk Songs of North America"; Hule, "Drawing Lessons from the Great Masters"; Gaunt, "Concise History of English Painting"; Dorey, "Cicero"; Holmes, "Principles of Physical Geography"; Raisz, "Principles of Cartography"; Bullock, "Great Rivers of Europe"; Posin and Shampo, "Chemistry for the Space Age"; Rodee, "Introduction to Political Science"; Gregor, "Environment and Economic Life"; Coghill, "The Poet Chaucer"; Osborne, "Luther"; Clark, "Barbarossa"; "The Churchill Years."

P.A.K.L.

Dramatics

THERE has been only one major drama offering this year which was the triennial production of a comic opera. Once again the choice fell on Gilbert and Sullivan and this year it was "The Gondoliers," which was given three performances in March at the end of the Spring term. The production was

helped by the valuable refurnishing of the stage and the installation of a new electrical system. This put the stage out of action throughout the winter, and limited drama activities temporarily.

An innovation, which it is hoped will be repeated, was a highly successful concert performance (in costume) of "The Gondoliers" in the Village Hall. This brought the village and the School together and was a most enjoyable social occasion, helped by the generous hospitality of the village ladies.

D.S.R.

The Gondoliers

GILBERT and Sullivan came back to Strathallan this year, and for the best part of the Spring Term half the School seemed to be whistling or humming snatches from 'The Gondoliers'. Of all G. and S. the music of 'The Gondoliers' is probably the best known, but much of it is very taxing for singers and players alike. When heavy demands are made on the technical skills of performers, continuity and expression are frequently lost, and it is to the credit of the conductor and the producers that the audience enjoyed an evening of continuous amusement and entertainment.

The principals played their roles with great confidence. The gondoliers acted with suitable levity, with Burnett obviously enjoying his brief elevation to the ranks of royalty. Paton sang the very difficult 'Take a pair of sparkling eyes' with feeling, and the audience rose to him. Smith was suitably suave and sinister in turn, and the Plaza-Toros were always good for a laugh. Gillanders and Trusdale should have no difficulty finding employment as pantomime dames. The 'girls' all did well, although occasionally their movements about the stage were more those of Riley boys than of delicate young maidens. Not altogether surprising.

The chorus sang with vigour and found their way about a small stage with commendable accuracy, and the orchestra provided excellent accompaniment, allowing the audience to hear virtually every word.

If some of the jokes seemed rather laboured, it was because the opera was performed as originally written. Perhaps, with the expiry of the copyright, schools could take a leaf out of Tyrone Guthrie's book and bring the dialogue into the 1960's.

That is merely my opinion. Many will disagree. This was a very good production, involving nearly a third of the School, and the obvious enthusiasm of all those taking part was not lost on an appreciative audience.



** Gondoliers' : Principals and Contadine*



** Gondoliers' : Principals*

THE CAST

Duke of Plaza-Toro	T. N. Y. TRUSDALE
Duchess of Plaza-Toro	C. S. Y. GILLANDERS
Casilda	G. R. S. SMITH
Luiz	R. D. ANDERSON
The Grand Inquisitor	J. C. S. SMITH
Marco	R. C. PATON
Guiseppe	A. J. BURNETT
Gianetta	P. J. HUNTER
Tessa	N. FIELDING
Inez	J. F. NIELSON

Gondoliers:

Beattie; D. S. Macfarlane; Lyszkowski; P. Orchard; N. H. F. Wilson;
A. R. Sharpe; M. M. Stuart; B. C. Young; R. G. Lawson;
R. C. Warburton; J. S. Houston.

Contadine:

Allison; Barclay; Bethune; J. J. Black; Cassels; Cran; Grant; R. A. Jenkins; G. C. H. Lait; Lawrence; D. R. Low; G. L. MacEwen; Munro; Paterson-Brown; Picken; Reid; Rennie; P. J. Warburton; Warnock;
J. M. Baxter; R. J. Lawson; Lunan; Szwed-Cousins.

ORCHESTRA

Violins:

Mr. Begbie (Leader); L. S. W. Tseng; R. J. H. Neil; C. Tingsabadh;
D. M. Fairbairn; J. O. McIntyre; N. L. Wilson; A. C. Paton;
G. L. H. Mure.

Viola: R. L. Settles.

Cello: Mr. Jackson.

Double Basses: D. M. R. Bell; A. C. Mulhall.

Timpani: J. Fisher; K. B. King; J. D. N. Ovenstone.

Flutes: J. C. Bosshardt; R. M. M. Lang; A. N. H. Guthrie.

Oboes: W. B. Melville; N. W. MacEwen; A. Gray.

Clarinets: Mr. Williams; D. K. MacDougall; I. D. R. Prain.

French Horns: A. W. S. Fea; P. Barnett.

Trumpets: A. W. Gardner; D. Wilson.

Piano: A. G. Balfour.

Stage Managers: D. M. R. Bell; C. A. Willson-White.

Assistants:

N. L. Wilson; T. Gilmore; A. Gray; A. A. Stirling; P. Cranston;
P. G. Brown; I. D. R. Prain; E. C. Roy; D. H. Muir.

Scenery: Mr. MacLeod; A. M. Paul; J. G. Steven; S. Hicks.

Wardrobe: Miss Speakman.

Make-up: Mrs. Stewart; G. Scott; P. M. Wilson; and others.

Musical Director: Mr. West.

Producers: Mrs. Burnet; Mr. Rymer.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

In view of the increased use made of the School Library, the present premises seem unable to cope with the numbers. This has naturally resulted in the room being overcrowded at peak periods (mostly during the week-end). It is not unusual for people wanting to work finding no place because of those who resort there to have a social gathering. The obvious solution is to extend the area available for the Library. This would have the additional benefit of giving space for more books. At present, the emphasis seems to be on the non-fiction sections, so fiction is neglected and what new fiction does appear is not of the best quality. Is it not time that fiction was brought into line with the times, and a substitute for the unpalatable diet of Wodehouse was found?

Yours faithfully,

A. J. S. RIDDELL.

“Swifts” World Hockey Tour, 1965

ON 29th July of last year, a party of 16 Public Schoolboys, two Oxbridge graduates and a Public School headmaster, set out from London Airport for a seven-week holiday flying round the world, playing hockey at the various places we visited. The team—the “Swifts” as we were called—was a representative team from the 1965 Oxford Hockey festival, of which the Rev. Martin-Harvey—a housemaster at St. Lawrence College, Kent—is the founder and organiser. The “Swifts” were made up of eleven English schoolboys, two Canadians, one Welshman, one Irishman, and I was the Scotsman. We had hardly met each other before when we set out on that lovely summer’s day, but we were all eagerly looking forward to what promised to be the experience of a lifetime.

The tour was financed by a sports trust—the “Swifts’ Sports Trust”—founded by Mr. Martin-Harvey and set up to give help to teams of young people playing all kinds of sports abroad, as well as helping teams visiting this country. The Trust did not cover all expenses, however, and the rest was met by private means and help from the School.

We planned to be away for fifty-two days and in that time to play twenty or twenty-five matches; by the end we had, in fact, played thirty. I cannot hope to recount in detail these matches or all the places we visited, but I will try to give a brief outline of the tour.

We had planned to get out to Perth, Western Australia, as quickly as reasonably possible and so, on the way out, our only major stops were at Bangkok and Singapore. Boarding a plane for Tokyo at Amsterdam, we flew to Bangkok in 20 hours, stopping for fuel at Zürich, Athens, Cairo, Abadan, Karachi, and Delhi. We spent a day in Bangkok and found it most interesting, visiting the floating market and various temples, beautiful against the blue sky. We spent two days in Singapore relaxing in the various clubs, with swimming pools, squash courts, tennis courts and many other amenities. A rest was welcome after travelling so far in such a short time. In Singapore we had our first game—a game against a combined Forces team, in 90° F. We lost 2-1 but gained a lot of experience in playing on hard pitches.

Having left London on Thursday, 29th, we were in Perth on Tuesday, 3rd, early in the morning. It took a day or two to settle down and as soon as we had done so, we were taken on a two-day 500 mile bus tour of the timber areas of Western Australia. This was most interesting but not the ideal occupation after such a long journey by air.

We spent three weeks in Australia, visiting Perth, Adelaide, Melbourne, Hobart, Canberra and Sydney. All were most interesting cities: Perth beautifully clean and new; Melbourne big and dirty but inviting; Canberra—the federal capital—a city-in-the-making, being laid out on a geometrically balanced pattern, where everything was new; Hobart, where the scenery was remarkably like Scotland and we even saw a Ben Lomond; Sydney, a most interesting city where we saw the world-famous bridge, and controversial opera house, to finance which there are vast national lotteries each month. In Australia we played 14 games, only eight of which we won. Indeed, in the first nine games we won only two. Throughout the tour, the teams we played were Colts (under 21) sides, state teams and representative schools' teams.

The highlight of our stay in New Zealand, where we visited Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington and Auckland, was a visit to Rotorua—the thermal area of the North Island, where we saw geysers, coloured pools and boiling mud all in their natural state. Here we visited a model Maori village and were entertained to a Maori concert of singing and dancing. The only bad memory of a most enjoyable day was that the tyre of our hired mini-bus blew out on the long journey back to Auckland, not the least consequence of which was a further £9 into the kitty.

The other New Zealand cities were also most interesting. In Dunedin, "Edinburgh of the South," I was forced to wear

my kilt, much to the amusement of the other members of the party. "Windy Wellington" lived up to its name and there we spent a most enjoyable few days. In Christchurch, too, we were well entertained, visiting a sheep-farm—or rather station—where six of us tried in vain to round up 2,000 sheep in one of the paddocks.

By the beginning of September our visit to New Zealand was over and our match record was more impressive. In a further seven matches we were unbeaten, drawing only one. We now looked forward to two days of rest on Hawai sands.

In most of the places we visited we were accommodated in private homes with people who had some connection with hockey in the district. This way we met a great variety of people and were treated most kindly everywhere.

Leaving Auckland at 8 p.m. we arrived in Honolulu at mid-day on the same day, crossing the international date line during the long flight. Here we had a marvellous time, sun-bathing and surfing all day long. Unfortunately, as pocket money was now rather low, most of us were on a starvation diet and so could not afford the local delicacies.

Vancouver, the next stop, was to us the highlight of the tour. Three of us, staying with the president of the local hockey association, were treated most handsomely and were taken all over the city. Vancouver has everything and is a very clean city; if it was not for the fact that it is on the West coast and not the East, I would have no hesitation in going out at the first opportunity.

In Vancouver we played a team which was virtually the Canadian Olympic team from Tokyo. In our first match we went down 2-1, having stepped off the plane from Honolulu after flying all night, only hours previously. In a return match, however, we won 5-2. This was perhaps the most satisfying game of the tour.

Up to now we had flown everywhere but from Vancouver to Calgary we went by train over the famous route through the Rockies. This journey was a bit of a disappointment as mist and cloud shrouded the mountains for most of the way. However, dampened spirits were raised in lively Calgary and we all left the city with white cowboy hats—this caused us to be mistaken as Texans on our return to London.

In Toronto we witnessed the opening of the new town hall—a most impressive building. This was our last Canadian stop as we flew to New York the next day, via Niagara Falls where we all explored the tunnels beneath the falls. This was a hair-raising experience, but very worth while.

In New York we visited the World Fair and were well entertained there for a whole day. We also "climbed" the State building and toured Manhattan, visiting the Statue of Liberty.

We played hockey in New York State in a small town called Bedford, fifty miles out of the city. Here three matches were arranged in one day and I was one of the "lucky" ones who had to play in all three. With the temperature reaching 100° at one stage, exhaustion was not a suitable adjective after the full-time games. On top of this, we flew to Amsterdam that night—only a matter of hours after playing—arriving at 10 a.m. All planes from London to Edinburgh being booked, I had to return by train, arriving at 3 a.m. on Monday, and by noon I was back at Strath for the start of another term!

We all enjoyed the tour tremendously and gained terrific experience from it in all fields. Everywhere we were given a great welcome. In some places, for the first time, Press, radio and television gave full coverage to the hockey matches. We met people of many nations and began to understand something of their life and institutions, industries and countryside. Hockey-wise, too, we were successful, winning 20 out of 30 matches, with 8 losses (7 losses in the first 9 games) and 2 draws. Our only regrets were that things were so rushed and that such opportunities come but once in a lifetime.

J.S.H.

The End of Time

The end of time is nigh—
do you not hear the angel taking in his breath
to blow his silver trumpet
whose music of joy and sorrow will come pealing over the hills
and through green valleys?
Do you not hear the crackle
as a long, long roll of paper is unrolled
and the first name looked at in preparation?
Do you not hear these things, Miranda?
Do you not fear these things, Miranda?
The wars in the world must stop,
the warriors take notice,
turn their heads to look, and then come,
to hear their names and their sins read out—
but do you not fear these things, Miranda?

P.B.

The Clock

The grandfather clock in the hall
is of oak and of steel and of life.
It moves, it exists, it has become
a relative,
some remnant from the loins of an ancestor.
The children cry, "It is not dead, Mummy,
surely it is not dead."
And the grandfather clock goes unsmilingly on,
telling the time
(correct to the nearest hour and a half),
looking down on the man and the wife
making no comment.

But wait—it has no use—
it is an ornament, no more.
There is no room for an ornament
in the sparse space of the flat.
Therefore, by logic, it goes.

Morning comes.
A man with a cart and a horse rings the bell,
with a smile on his face
and five pounds in his pocket.
Five valuable pounds—
Jesus was sold for twenty pieces of silver.
The 'relative' is carried down the stairs—
it does not scream or kick or cry,
but says farewell in a dignified way.
If it had eyes it would cry.
(If we had hearts we would scream.)
The clock is gone.

And gone with it a piece of me, a piece of the family,
a gap so narrow as to be unnoticeable
and so wide as to be unbridgeable.

The clock is gone.
Somewhere in a yard
smashed, broken, useless.
The clock is gone.

P.B.

Perseverance

We all seek comfort in the present day,
But Fate forbids; 'tis good there is delay.
Life is a flower, and when that flower we pick,
We, by its stinging thorn, must bear the prick.
Through torments sore and all that does annoy
We, if we stand, shall reach our dearest joy.
The task unfinished melts into decay,
And frowns and jeers attack us on our way.
Do not long rest until the deed is done,
Then look around—and see what you have won!

T.F.H.

In the English Garden, Munich

In a fair land with green and flow'ry meads,
Where birds did sing with hearty notes and sweet;
Where bush and tree together did conspire
To hide the little folly; where the children
Sang with gay hearts, and loved each other well;
Where dog and cat made merry, playful chase;
Where life was at its best; I there espied
A small round temple on a little hill,
Half-clothed in thick, bright foliage, and I walked
Up the rough, rustic path to be inside.
A squirrel greeted me; I fed him well;
With chants I was surrounded; simple tunes,
Which made the meaning of the day's light mood.

Behind the mossy pillars did I skip
And view all Munich—city of my heart!
I thought on days long past, when my poor brain
Was toiling, torn and tired, on tedious tasks.

I left the mound, and strolled through gracious groves,
And saw an oriental tower, and there
I wandered, with a wish to be on high.
The door was bound—but I could see inside.
My frame did now for food and drink demand;
Soon satisfied, I went my wondrous way
Unto a lake where bright young swans did glide.

I lay upon the meadow, and I sang,
“Long sought I joy complete—'tis here it comes!”

T.F.H.

Factory Visits

ON the 19th July, parties of G.C.E. candidates, their exams finished, visited the following establishments:

Dewar's, Perth; Pitlochry Fish Hatcheries; Ferranti, Dalkeith; "The Scotsman"; McVitie and Price, Edinburgh; The Moncreiff Glass Works, Perth; Ind Coope, Alloa, and Edinburgh Art Gallery. Those who went appeared to find their visits instructive, from the speed at which a newspaper is printed, to the wind capacity of a glassblower.

E.W.

Angling Club

THE Season 1966, started on a note of optimism. Within a week of the summer term, seven fish had been caught with an average weight of 1½lbs. However catches rapidly dwindled. Weed, the perennial enemy, covered most of the pond, in spite of strenuous efforts by the Pre-service Corps. This, together with a pair of nesting swans and blustery weather, made fishing the occupation for only the hardy. Eventually one half of the pond was surrendered to the weed, fishermen in the other half competing with a Cadet and an R.N.S.A. dinghy for water.

To increase catches the "fly only" ban was lifted. This resulted in many ingenious, if not entirely legal attempts to secure a fish for dinner. The most successful exponent secured thirteen fish in one morning by means of a landing net.

It was decided to drain the pond and dredge it thoroughly at the end of this term. Rainbow trout will be used to restock. In a few years time these should be in excellent condition.

Once again our thanks go to Mr. Williams for running the Club so efficiently.

R.C.P.

LOCH LEVEN

THE Old Boys once again invited for a day's fishing on Loch Leven. A party of six boys and Mr. Williams were distributed among the boats.

With a strongish wind blowing it proved not only difficult to catch the trout but also impossible. The result of the day's fishing was no fish and a lot of tanned faces.

The Old Boys entertained us to drinks and a meal at a nearby hotel.

We would like to thank the Old Boys for a day which we will all remember for many years.

G.W.B.

Astronomical Society

WEATHER reduced the number of suitable nights for observing to a small number. However, useful observations and measurements were carried out on the "Echo" satellite trajectories.

Observations of the moon and some attempt at photography using the school telescope took up much of the time, but some work was done on Nebulae and Star Clusters.

A visit to the Mills' Observatory, Dundee, and a lecture by Mr. N. G. Matthew of the Calton Mill Observatory, were among the activities of the society in the last year.

It is hoped that in future more interest will be taken in the subject and more observations be made.

P.C.C.

Classical Society

OFFICE-BEARERS

President: T. W. Burt

Secretary: J. N. Cochran (*Autumn Term*) and P. A. K. Laband

Treasurer: A. J. S. Riddell

ALTHOUGH the Society has a membership of over 25, attendance at the fortnightly meetings rarely attained this number, and those who did actively participate in its affairs were generally from the lower forms in the school. This trend is not particularly encouraging and it is hoped that in future terms more boys from the upper forms will take a keener interest in an age which has contributed so much to our own civilisation.

Among the year's more memorable events were the film "The Roman World" a 'Classical Entertainment' with various songs and sketches performed by the members, and a brochure on some Roman Coins kindly lent to us by the Orbilian Society.

Finally a word of thanks must be given to Mr. Wilkie who leaves this year. Under his guidance the Society has run efficiently and smoothly, and his interest and enthusiasm has contributed greatly to its success.

P.A.K.L.

Ballroom Dancing

BALLROOM Dancing classes were again held in the Winter and Spring Terms in the VIth form Hall by Miss Le Mesurier. The class was split up into two groups, the beginners and an advanced class of four boys who went on to take The Amateur Ballroom Dancing Bronze Medal test, in which McLeod and Tseng were commended and Beatton and Fea were highly commended. The exam was taken at Dollar Academy and the boys concerned were very grateful to their partners, who came over for several invaluable lessons.

At the end of the Winter Term an instructional class was held at Seymour Lodge, which was very pleasant and which was the last of a series as the School has now closed. In the Spring Term we entertained girls from Dollar Academy for a similar class, which was a great success.

In the Summer Term Miss Le Mesurier's pupils gave a dancing display at the Convent at Kilgraston on their Parents' Day and the girls were joined by Beatton, McLeod, Shanks and Wilson, N. L. to dance a costumed quadrille, as well as by Neil for the Cha-cha. In addition Mackie played the pipes for Highland Dancing. All this was witnessed by two of the Masters and their wives who were watching their young daughters dancing.

We should all like to thank Miss Le Mesurier for her classes, Mr. Fairbairn for organising them, and the girls of Seymour Lodge, Dollar Academy and Kilgraston for partnering us.

A.G.B.

Highland Dancing

DANCING classes under the guidance of Miss Farquhar have continued as usual during this year. G. L. H. Mure won second prize in the sword dance, and the dancing team came third in the foursome at the Scottish Schools' meeting in Edinburgh. The class, now low in numbers, badly needs recruits if it is to enter competitions and give demonstrations at Abernethy and Speech Day next year.

A.A.S.

Debating Society

THE highlight of this year's debates was the Scottish Inter-schools Competition run by the English Speaking Union. We have entered for some years now but this is the first time we have reached the finals, the last four schools out of over a hundred

all over the country. We had M. G. Clark and R. M. Slater to take us there, the former rising in the semi-finals to a standard of public speaking that rightly earned the highest admiration. This was a long way above his standard of the earlier rounds and at that rate of improvement he would have been in parliament by now. Unfortunately he and Slater left us at Christmas and we had the difficult job of training two new speakers for the final. C. A. Willson-White and R. C. Paton did their best and reached a standard which might well have won a first round but which was clearly not experienced enough to cope with the finalists from the other quarters of Scotland.

I think we will give the competition a rest next year. For four successive years now we have debated Britain's entry into the Common Market, and for most of us the subject is wearing a little thin. Anyway, we would have a very young team who will have their chance the year after. And by then we may be *in* the Common Market.

D.E.Y.

Film Guild

THE Film Guild was restarted during the Spring Term. According to a new policy, membership was open to all those above 4th Form. This boosted the membership to above 30.

During the session three meetings were held. The most popular films shown were "The Home-made Car" and "Trawler Boy."

Secretary for the session was N. McNab, and the treasurer A. J. Stuart. The Society is very sorry to hear that Mr. Wilkie will be leaving. His place will be taken by Mr. Clayton.

N.M.

Fly-Tying

MANY new members joined at the beginning of the year, making twenty-four, of which most used the facilities frequently. There was instruction for the new members throughout the Winter and Easter terms under the organisation of R. F. Paterson and W. Insch. From the year's subscription and a donation from the Angling Club, much new equipment was bought. As usual in the Summer Term there was little fly-tying as members were more concerned with "reaping the harvest" with their own flies.

W.R.O.I.

Modern Language Society

MEMBERSHIP this year exceeded forty, and there have been good attendances at all the meetings. The first experiences consisted of a talk from Mr. Ramsden on his experiences in Germany. Mr. Clayton, at the next meeting followed this up with an equally interesting, and amusing account of his "Travels on a Donkey."

The following meeting was held in the Chemistry Demonstration Room, and two films, in French, were shown: the first "En plein Ciel," gave a colourful account of the life of Saul Exupéry; the second was on the training of a French formation-flying pilot.

Perhaps the highlight of the year was a talk on the German education system by J. Boss, a German student, who spent a term here at Strathallan. His English was of an exceptionally high standard, and he had no difficulty in retaining the interests of his audience for a full hour.

There was an informal air at all the meetings, which were held in the Language Laboratory in the Sixth Form Block. Membership, however, was not restricted, the society containing members ranging from the Third Form to the Upper Sixth.

President: Mr. Clayton; Secretary: A. Fea.

A.W.S.F.

Photographic Society

THIS year Mr. Thomson left us after five years of invaluable aid and he was replaced by Mr. Shaw, to whom our thanks are due.

The society continued to function normally. A slide show was presented on Speech Day and this seemed to be enjoyed by those parents who attended. Plans for a new darkroom are under development.

The tradition of the society making the school Christmas Card was discontinued when Mr. Thomson left. This may have serious effects on the Society's financial situation in future years as the Christmas Card was one of our main sources of revenue.

R.M.M.L.

Pipes and Drums



General Inspection : The Pipe Band

THIS year, as was generally expected, the band did not attain either the high standard of performance or success, as was achieved last year. One doesn't wish to make excuses, but we had in fact several unfortunate setbacks. These included the loss of Drum-Major Wilson at the end of the summer, who had inspiringly taught our drummers for the past six years. We failed to get another instructor, but despite this, credit must go to Sgt. Fisher for the high standard of band drumming which he has attained. Two of our experienced pipers left at Christmas, and because of illness which was prevalent during the Spring Term, little progress was made.

As usual the band played on St. Andrew's Night, where they gave a good account of themselves, and also on Speech Day. We were again invited to perform at Abernethy Gala Day which after the competitions proved to be an enjoyable and more light-hearted engagement.

The set which we played at the Glasgow Highland Club competition held at Glasgow Academy on the 10th June was: Charles Edward Hope Vere (2-4 march), Dorrator Bridge

(Strathspey) and Over the Isles to America (Reel). We were unplaced in the band competition, but Piper W. C. Stewart is to be congratulated on winning the junior solo piping event.

For the East of Scotland Schools Competition held at Daniel Stewart's School on the 24th June, it was decided that we should change our march to the Balmoral Highlanders. In this competition, we also played the 6-8 march, All the Blue Bonnets over the Border, after the reel. After playing better than on any previous occasion we were disappointed to be placed fifth but received some consolation from hearing that our drumming and turnout was the best.

On the last Sunday of term the piping and drumming cups competed for by those in the school was held. The winners were:

Senior Piping—G. G. Wallace. Junior Piping—W. C. Stewart. Senior Drumming—W. J. S. Grant.

This year six pipers are leaving school and only three who were in the band are coming back. However, we shall still have plenty of drummers as only Sgt. Fisher is leaving (at Christmas).

We are indebted to Mr. Henderson and Pipe-Major Sinclair for the great deal of work they have put in to the band during the year.

G.G.W.

Saint Andrew's Night

THIS was once again celebrated with the traditional country dancing in the gym followed by coffee and refreshments in the Music Room.

The Band gave the first performance of their season, and the Highland Dancers gave a short display, with exceptional dancing by G. L. H. Mure.

Mr. Jackson and his band provided the music and they were joined by Miss R. Harvey-Watt and Mr. Macmillan (cousin of A.G.) who very kindly came from Edinburgh with their accordions.

Science Society

AT the beginning of the year the committee decided to increase the number of films shown, because attendances at the lectures had dropped alarmingly. This change of policy was fairly successful and the attendances at the meetings rose during the Winter and Spring Terms.

The programme of the Society included a visit to a computer at Dundee. Films were shown on a variety of topics. The following gave lectures to the Society: Mr. Barker; W. A. T. Brunton; G. R. Eadie; Dr. Hemingway; D. I. Jeffrey; Dr. J. M. Rushforth; Dr. D. A. Stamfield.

In the Winter Term G. R. Eadie was secretary and J. F. Davidson chairman; on their departure D. I. Jeffrey was elected secretary and G. D. Watson, Chairman. Other Committee members: M. G. Clark, R. G. Lawson, W. B. Melville, J. C. S. Smith.

The Society is grateful to Mr. Giles, the new Vice-President, for his help and encouragement throughout the year.

D.I.J.

The Scripture Union

THE Scripture Union has prospered this year, and although numbers have fallen there has been no flagging in enthusiasm, especially from the Middle School. Throughout the year, meetings have taken the form of a topic introduced by a member, followed by a discussion.

We had a visit from Dr. Morgan of Fettes, who gave an excellent talk on Prayer, and the Reverend R. B. Gorrie, also from Fettes, came in the Winter Term with a "Fact and Faith" film. George Martin visited us each term and in the Summer Term he showed films of the V. P. S. Summer Camp.

I here take the opportunity of thanking Mr. Grigsby for his help in the running of the group.

T.W.B.

Shakespeare Society

THE Society has functioned successfully this year. On the whole, the standard of reading has been high, although, because of insufficient preparation beforehand, some of the minor parts have not been presented as well as might have been hoped.

The Society has again not devoted its attentions solely to Shakespeare, one contemporary play being read a term.

The plays read, and their respective hosts to whom the Society is most grateful, were:—

Winter Term—"Twelfth Night" (Mr. and Mrs. MacLellan)
"Becket" by Jean Anouill, (Mr. and Mrs. Fairbairn):
"Coriolanus" (Mr. and Mrs. Grigsby).

Spring Term—"The Tempest" (Mr. and Mrs. Wormald): "The Royal Hunt of the Sun" by Peter Shaffer, (Mr. and Mrs. H. Stewart): "Hamlet" (Mr. and Mrs. Burnet).

Summer Term—"Cymbeline" (Mr. and Mrs. Wormald): "A Touch of the Sun" by N. C. Hunter, (Mr. and Mrs. Fairbairn).

The practice of inviting members of the staff to introduce the plays has been continued, and the Society is most grateful to Mr. Johnson; Mr. Fairbairn; Mr. A. J. Stewart; Mr. Burnet; Mr. J. Williams, and Mr. Rymer for doing so.

The Society's links outside the school have been extended in the course of the year. Miss Lesley Mead, who acted the part of Helena in the School's production of "A Midsummer-Night's Dream" in 1965, read the parts of Ophelia in "Hamlet" and the Queen in "Becket." Mr. and Mrs. David Hill from the Perth Repertory Company attended the reading of "Becket," and Mr. and Mrs. H. Stewart, of "The Croft," Forgandeny, were once again hosts to the society.

The encouragement given to various readers to sing paid dividends, adding to the entertainment and atmosphere of the readings.

The British Drama League continues to supply copies of modern plays which were not available within the school.

The Society is grateful to Mr. Rymer, its founder, for his enthusiasm and direction, and it is hoped that he will establish a similar society when he takes up his appointment at Ashville College.

C.A.W.W.

Stamp Club

ONCE again we have a stamp club for Senior Boys. The aim of the club is to lay the foundations for better presentation of collections and to encourage specialisation. It is hoped in the future that the club will affiliate with the Perth club.

During the term competitions have been arranged, but owing to lack of confidence in their own ability there were not many entries. Lectures have been given on general topics by Mr. Wormald and some of the members. In addition to the normal meetings an exhibition was arranged for Speech Day, incorporating many different themes.

Office-bearers for the first time have been:

President—Mr. Wormald; Chairman—A. D. L. Lyszkowski; Treasurer—W. B. Melville; Secretary—G. W. Balfour.

G.W.B.

Wing-Forward

THE magazine flourished this year owing to the support that the school so readily gave. The standard of presentation has undoubtedly risen, and improved printing techniques have added greatly to the all over appearance.

Despite setbacks concerning layout and printing, an edition appeared on Speech Day which met with overwhelming success, thanks to the generosity of the parents. The profit made that day surpassed all our expectations, and we intend to use it to modernise the magazine with further refinements, including, we hope, photographs.

Editors: J. M. Thompson, I. A. Roy, P. Barnett.

Printers: P. Orchard, R. Smith.

P.B., J.M.T., I.A.R.

Young Farmers' Club

THE Club has continued to flourish this year. J. Wilson was secretary for the Winter Term, and he produced a varied selection of meetings, the highlight being a visit to the Sugar-beet factory at Cupar. Among the guests who spoke at the meetings were Mr. Frazer of Frazer & Macdonald's Auctioneers, and Mr. Baird of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board.

J. T. Shanks was secretary in the Easter Term. The annual visit to the Perth Bull Sales was cancelled. Mr. Annand, the past President of the Scottish Young Farmer's Clubs, gave a talk on the Young Farmer's Clubs in India and Australia. Mr. J. Marshall, a member of the Potato Marketing Board, introduced the film "A crop for all season's" at a subsequent meeting.

At other meetings during both terms a good selection of films was shown. There has been an encouraging increase in the Club's membership, and it is hoped that this enthusiasm will continue.

J.M.M.

Combined Cadet Force

THE Corps has been operating very successfully on parades once a fortnight for a complete afternoon instead of a couple of hours every week. This gives a longer continuous time for each session of training, and the possibility of shooting, flying and sailing on the Tay.

The General Inspection was carried out by Rear Admiral J. G. Watson C.B., the Admiral Superintendent of H.M. Dockyard, Rosyth, on the 10th June. The parade under U/O Bell was extremely smart and the March-Past good. The Band played excellently. In the afternoon the I.O. inspected the Pre-Service demonstration, a very good R.A. demonstration, Army and R.A.F. training and a very successful regatta by the R.N. section on the Tay. The Corps was generally a great credit to the School.

The Sunset Parade on Speech Day under U/O Willson-White was impressive and the bugling by L/Cpls. Gardner and Fea outstanding. One of the flags did not quite behave. Detachments were under command of Cox Lawson, Sgt. Melville, Sgt. Jeffrey, F/Sgt. Anderson and P/M Wallace.

In the Winter term the Army section's Field Day Mountain Rescue exercise was made more realistic by snow though the cadets were rather unenthusiastic in spite of the help from the R.A.F. Mountain Rescue Team. I felt that many missed an opportunity of learning something really useful. The 'casualty', Cadet Sinclair, very nearly did get frostbite!

All cadets who took the Army Proficiency Certificate in the Easter term passed, which was very creditable considering the amount of interruption of training because of illness. The President of the Board has a son in the School—a thought!

The camps of all sections were successful. As far as the Army is concerned we were very grateful for all the assistance given by H.Q. Northern Ireland Command and various T.A. units in N. Ireland. The Officers were very glad to get the opportunity of visiting both Northern Ireland and Eire.

The Band has been a good one for all our own functions, though perhaps a little nervous in competitions. G. L. H. Mure was 2nd in the Individual Dancing in Edinburgh, and L/Cpl. Gardner 2nd in Bubling.

We welcome Mr. T. J. McLeod who took over the Pre-Service, and we are very sorry to say good-bye to Lieut. D. S. Rymer who has run the R.N. section with such enthusiasm, imagination and efficiency.

T.C.G.F.

Army Camp, 1966

ONCE again we set off across the sea to Camp, this year to Magilligan in Northern Ireland.

The section of 60 boys accompanied by two Officers set off from Glasgow on Tuesday, 19th April, in the Burns and Laird ship 'The Royal Ulsterman'. The crossing was smooth, and all

slept well, sharing the bunks and the floor of the second class lounge with the R.N. section. The next day, after breakfast on board, we caught a train from Belfast to Magilligan where Major Fairbairn and Mr. Henderson met us driving fierce looking Army lorries and took us the three-mile journey to camp.

On arrival, after settling in, we started preparing for a Night Exercise. During the first afternoon we were able to see the beautiful strand beaches of this part of the country, which extend to within a few hundred yards of the camp. The mountains of Donegal were clearly visible, and Lough Foyle, marking the border between Ulster and Eire, was only a mile from the Camp. The night exercise was quite successful, and though one enemy cadet got to know the password and managed to get within ten yards of his objective before being caught, the I.R.A. failed to penetrate!

The next day, Friday, was set aside for practical Map Reading. Two-thirds of the section were taken out by truck and map-marched back. The remainder were less fortunate and were given a map reference from camp where they had to march and camp for the night. Soon after the party arrived and pitched tents, Fl./Lt. Wormald arrived by truck, fires were lit and a welcome but somewhat primitively prepared meal was served. Because it was pouring with rain the party went to bed early and spent an uncomfortable night under canvas or in the back of the lorry. In the morning it was discovered that sticks which had been placed under a nearby bridge to keep dry had been swept away, the river having risen several feet overnight. A few vain attempts were made to light a fire, and so the soaking group returned to camp, where with the help of Mr. Henderson a meal was prepared under somewhat better conditions than the night before.

The remainder of the day was taken up with military manoeuvres in the Camp area. In the evening we set out for Coleraine for our first taste of Irish hospitality. Everybody has a pleasant evening, and most learnt something of the Irish and Army ways of life.

On Saturday morning a group of N.C.O.'s were detailed to attack the camp while the remainder defended it. The N.C.O.'s under Mr. Wormald, seeing that all the difficult ways of entry were barred, simply crawled past the outer guard ring, and entered the Camp in a squad—unchallenged! Although some claimed that the manoeuvre was unmilitary and unfair, the N.C.O.'s felt it to be a complete victory.

After lunch inter-hut football was arranged and one team, determined to keep it as friendly as possible turned out to play

in pyjamas! The evening was spent by most in Londonderry. Some people did cross the border but seeing that there was little difference, they returned. Whether they stayed in the city or travelled 'abroad', the evening was enjoyed to the fullest.

On the Sunday morning a Church Service was held in the Camp. The most noticeable thing about it was the absence of accompaniment on the piano for the hymns. The Minister having announced the hymn started singing and the cadets after overcoming their initial surprise, joined in heartily, and the tin roof of the building was in danger of being blown off. After Church all cadets had the chance of firing the SLR under the T.A. After lunch we visited the Giant's Causeway, and this proved to be of great interest to all. In the evening the camp was tidied and kit packed.



Looking for a runway?

Monday was R.A.F. day, in that we spent the day at R.A.F. Ballykelly. We were shown around the radioactive protection unit, various aeroplanes and the fire department. Their reputation for providing the best food in the R.A.F. was well tested by our visit. The chef could not understand where eighty steaks disappeared amongst only sixty people, while other dishes on the menu such as omelettes were also being eaten! The section returned to Belfast with a full stomach, and the crossing, this time on 'The Royal Scotsman' was again, mercifully, smooth. We arrived back in Glasgow early on Tuesday morning, with

some hours of freedom before the beginning of term later that day.

The main thing which was learnt from this year's camp was that team effort is vital if a body of people are to look after themselves. This team effort, which included the making of fires, cooking, kitchen chores and general tidying up, was implemented with good spirit. Small fatigue parties carried out duties and small jobs necessary to keep the establishment running smoothly throughout the week.

Our thanks go to the Officers who acted as lorry drivers and who organised the Camp, and especially to Mr. Henderson as chief cook. We hope that Fl./Lt. Wormald was not too appalled by the difference between our primitive existence and the rather lusher facilities of a R.A.F. station, of which we had a small taste, and we hope that he enjoyed his week with us.

T.N.W.T.

Royal Naval Section

Under-Officer—C. A. Wilson-White

Coxswain—R. G. Lawson

P.O.—D. S. MacFarlane, R. C. Paton, J. A. Fisher

L.S.—Grandison, G. G. Wallace, Laband, Crawford, Ross, Turner, N. L. Wilson.

THE strength of the Section has been increased this year from thirty-four to fifty cadets.

The new system of one whole afternoon's C.C.F. every two weeks enabled the Section to undertake more enterprising and concentrated instruction and training, and on a number of occasions cliff and jackstay exercises took place.

However, although twenty-four cadets passed the Able-Seaman's Examination in the course of the year, only twelve reached the Proficiency standard and seven attained the Advanced Proficiency, which is not so good a record as in years gone by.

The standard of drill was not consistently high, but the Section is to be congratulated on its performance at General Inspection and at Sunset, and on its showing as the Ceremonial Guard in Perth on the 26th March. The Guard, of twenty-four cadets, was provided for the visit of the Captain of Tay Division R.N.R. to pay his respects to the City of Perth. In the words of the congratulatory signal received, the Guard was "smart and much appreciated." In this respect, the organisation and hard work of the Under-Officer was largely responsible and the Section owes much to his enthusiasm which fully

vindicates his promotion to this dizzy rank. (The third Under-Officer the Section has provided in three years).



Editor up the pole

In the Spring Term, a Lieutenant of the Royal Marines gave a lecture to the School on a Combined Services expedition to South Georgia Island in Antarctica. His lecture, illustrated by slides, and the equipment which he took with him, was of interest to mountaineers and non-mountaineers alike.

The Fleet Air Arm Presentation Team visited Strathallan in the Summer Term, arriving by helicopter, which landed on Riley Paddock. Their talk, supplemented by films and slides, was remarkably well co-ordinated and presented, and was of interest to all, especially those who were of the opinion that the Fleet Air Arm was virtually defunct.

The Training Officer of H.M.S. Unicorn, Lt. Commander Scott, and the School's Liaison Officer, lectured the Section in

the Spring Term, the former on Mine Sweeping and Sweep Gear, and the latter on general Service matters.

The Section's Hut and Rope Star have been re-organised, the morse-flasher installed, and the model harbour has been completed. The Section has also been presented with a working model of a ship's forecastle, by H.M.S. Unicorn, which should be useful for instructional purposes.

This year, as an innovation, the majority of the Section attended a "Section self-help Camp" in the Easter vacation on H.M.S. Kilmorey, a coastal minesweeper attached to H.M.S. Caroline in Belfast. In addition a number of cadets have been for weekend cruises on H.M.S. Montrose, other cadets have attended Quartermaster and Aviation courses to Denmark and Gibraltar.

The visiting officer for General Inspection was Rear-Admiral Watson, and in the afternoon he watched the Section sailing on the Tay from a pinnace, in eleven boats, including the Section's R.N.S.A. dinghy, the Sailing Club dinghies, and in boats on loan from H.M.S.. Unicorn.

On Field Day, most of the Section went to R.N.A.S. Lossiemouth, where they were shown many interesting aspects of the Fleet Air Arm, and some were given the opportunity of a short trip in either a Sea Prince or a Helicopter. The remainder of the Section went to H.M.S. Unicorn, where among other things, they were shown around the Dockyard and Port Authority area.

Visits were paid to Rosyth on two occasions: a number of cadets were shown over H.M.S. Corunna in the Winter Term, and in the Spring Term, the Section had an afternoon's training on H.M.S. Saintes.

It is worthy of note that the Section was well represented in the Pipe Band this year: L. S. Wallace was Pipe Major; and two other leading hands and two A.B.'s were members of the Band.

The following appointments and promotions have been made for the coming year: P. O. Fisher to Coxswain i/c Ship's Company; L. S. Crawford, Laband, Ross to P.O.

D.S.R.

R.N. Camp — "H.M.S. Kilmorey"

A PARTY of thirty-two cadets and one officer left Glasgow docks on the evening of the 19th April for Belfast, an advance party of one officer and two senior cadets having travelled over the day before to finalise the training programme.

The party arrived at the quay, and were shown the way to H.M.S. Kilmorey, a coastal minesweeper moored alongside H.M.S. Caroline, a 1914 Cruiser which is the Headquarters of the Ulster Division R.N.R. After a delicious breakfast prepared by the voluntary "cook and bottle-washer," Borland, the Ship's Company was detailed into Port and Starboard watches, which were themselves sub-divided for Quartermaster, Galley and Wardroom duties.

During the course of the next few days, an organised training programme was adhered to. After Reveille by Borland playing his bagpipes, there was three-quarters of an hour of "cleaning ship" (one of the favourite duties on board!), followed by breakfast. Training began at 0900 after Officer's Rounds, and in the mornings, there was usually instructions, and in the afternoons, practical work. The Section had the use of H.M.S. Caroline's whaler, and Campbell College, Belfast, were kind enough to lend us their boats. In the evenings, there was shore leave for the off-duty watch. Because there was not a P.O. Instructor attached to the Section, various H.M.S. Caroline rates instructed the cadets, and although this side of the programme was slightly weaker than had been hoped, nevertheless the cadets were instructed in anchor and cable work, sailing, pulling, parts of boats, and other subjects relative to the practical work being undertaken.

During the work, cadets went to sea for at least one day on an M.K.V. and most had the opportunity to take the wheel (and on one occasion, run the boat aground!)

H.M.S. Kilmorey with the cadets acting as crew, went to sea for a day on the Saturday, with no less than twenty-seven "gold-rings" on board, under the Captaincy of Captain Steele, through whose kind office the camp was arranged with Ulster Division R.N.R. The Ship's Company cleaned ship in the proper naval fashion (bare feet) until stand easy at Midday, and after lunch a number of the leading hands took it in turns to con and steer the ship after being shown how to retrieve a "man overboard" with great accuracy by the o/c of the Section. Most managed to con the ship with reasonable accuracy, with one exception!

On the Sunday, the Section was marched to the morning service at the Sinclair Seamen's Church in Belfast—a Church full of relics from many ships, including the Ship's bell from H.M.S. Hood. However, the Section could not march back to Kilmorey, since it was learned that the police were rather anxious that a military-looking body might start an Orangemen's riot!

Two days after arrival, the Section spent a day touring the north-east of Ireland, visiting among other places, the Giant's Causeway (where no live Leprechauns were seen), Portrush (where hundreds of coppers must have been spent in trying to determine the combination of Portrush's slot-machines!), and passing nearby the Army Section's Camp.

At the end of the week, the cadets were shown round the Fleet Air Arm Maintenance Yard in Belfast, which overhauls and repairs the Navy's Buccaneers and Sea Vixens. It was extremely interesting and the intricacy of some of the machines was astounding.

In the course of the week, there were various amusing incidents which took place. On one occasion, a leading hand had to cycle half-way round Belfast in uniform and pouring rain to buy some salt. A few caps were lost overboard, and one cadet caused much amusement by expending all his energy on showing how much he enjoyed pulling. There was a number of inconveniences which had to be overcome—the tannoy and power system did not always work properly—but these were more than made up for by Borland's humour. His intentional misuse of naval jargon was incredible, and sometimes exasperating. I'll have you hung drawn and quarterdecked.

The section returned to Glasgow on the night of Monday, 25th April, with the Army Section, after an exhausting but satisfying and enjoyable camp.

C.A.W.W.

“H.M.S. Montrose”

THROUGHOUT this year, increasing numbers of the R.N. Section's cadets have had sea-time on board H.M.S. Montrose, the R.N.R. Tay Division's minesweeper, based at Dundee. Despite the fact that the R.N.R. is not so up to date as the Royal Navy in the ships that it has, the cadets who have spent week-end trips on board the “Montrose” have undoubtedly benefited from their practical experiences in learning elementary seamanship. For most of the year, the “Montrose” sails to such places as Leith, Newcastle and Aberdeen, as well as mine-sweeping in the North Sea and in the Forth and Tay Estuaries. During the summer, she goes on longer cruises to the Scandinavian countries, Portugal, Spain, Gibraltar and the Mediterranean. Some members of the Section are fortunate enough to go on these more extensive trips.

G.G.W.

R.A.F. Report, 1965-66

As in the previous two years there was an increase in the numbers of the section bringing the total to 55. For this reason four flights were made instead of the usual three. At the end of the year out of the total of 53 cadets in the section 30 had their advanced proficiency, 49 had their proficiency and a large number of cadets possessed R.A.F. swimming certificates obtained while at annual camp.

Two Flying Scholarships were awarded to members of the section this year. They went to J. F. Davidson and B. C. Young. Unfortunately J. F. Davidson was unable to carry out his flying training because he had left school by the date of the award. Young did his flying training at Biggin Hill, Kent, and qualified for his private pilot's licence.

The annual camp, held at R.A.F. Syerston, although not up to the usual standard, proved to be a memorable one for those who were lucky enough to get flights in Jet Provosts, the R.A.F.'s basic jet trainer. Flt. Sgt. Watson was the senior cadet present. Two cadets, Corporal Cartledge and Leading Cadet Wallace went to a special camp at R.A.F. Geilenkirchen in Germany. There they lived in comparative luxury in the officer's mess throughout their stay. J. W. B. Anderson, R. M. Lang, A. R. Brash and D. J. M. Wilson all completed their gliding course for the A. and B. certificate during the Easter holidays, making a total of 9 qualified gliders in the section.

On four Corps days this year we sent cadets to either Scone or Turnhouse for flying, where every cadet in the section had the chance to fly at least once. More flying days were scheduled for the section but had to be cancelled owing to adverse weather conditions.

The shooting team, having been very successful in past years, entered three teams for the Scottish Leagues. At the end of the season we were placed 1st in the 2nd Division, 1st in the 4th Division and 3rd in the 5th Division. In the Assegai Trophy we were placed 8th and although this is the lowest position we have ever been, it is still excellent shooting considering all R.A.F./C.C.F. sections in Britain take part.

The N.C.O.'s were as follows:

W.O. B. C. YOUNG

Flt./Sgts. J. F. DAVIDSON, G. D. WATSON,
and J. W. B. ANDERSON

Sgts. HUNTER, LANG, KIRKBY

Cpls. BRASH, HOUSTON, NEIL, BROWN, SHANKS,
TAYLOR, CARTLEDGE

R.A.F. Shooting, 1965-66

A Team (*1st in 'B' Division*) B Team (*1st in 'D' Division*)

Flt. Sgt. Young

Cpl. McLean

Cpl. Shanks

Cpl. D. Brown

Cpl. Brash

Cpl. D. Taylor

Ldg. Cdt. N. Wallace

Ldg. Cdt. Ainslie

Cdt. K. Gillanders

Cdt. Bosshardt

C Team (*3rd in 'E' Division*)

Sgt. Watson

Cpl. Neil

Ldg. Cdt. R. Smith

Cdt. R. Clark

Cdt. G. Balfour

THE teams took a long time to settle down to those listed above. At the beginning of the competition, each team entering shot a preliminary set of cards. The top eight scores in the country constituted the "A" Division, the next eight the "B" Division, etc.

During the season each person shot eight cards. The teams were constantly changing due to lack of effort or concentration from a few potentially good shots. However, A and B teams won their respective divisions. Squadron Leader Bold presented the cups and individual medals to those two teams at parade one Friday early in the Summer Term.

In the Assegai, the six best shots in a team were placed eighth.

With more efficiency and effort, we hope to win four cups next season.

J.T.S.

R.A.F. Germany, 1966

ON Wednesday April 6th, a party of cadets from various parts of the British Isles, gathered at the Air Terminal, Victoria. We continued by train to Gatwick Airport and after some delay boarded a Viscount of British United.

We landed at Wildenrath an hour and twenty minutes later and were separated into various groups averaging 30 in each. Our party of 29 boarded a bus and set off for R.A.F. Geilenkirchen which we reached half an hour later.

On arrival we were greeted by the Station Commander, who gave us a short introduction to Germany; he was followed by the chief of R.A.F. Police, who gave us a severe lecture on security, as the station had nuclear weapons at hand.

In the afternoon, after a four-course lunch, we started on a tour of the Station visiting No. 3 Fighter Squadron, equipped with Lightnings. We saw a great deal of complex machinery including radar installations.

The next day we continued our tour of the Station, seeing the Police dogs in action, the Fire equipment section and the Armoury, where a 30 mm. Aden canon was demonstrated to us, as also was a bomb release mechanism for nuclear weapons, we never actually saw the weapons themselves. In the afternoon we shot .303's on the station's 250 yard range.

On Good Friday some of us went to church, other played basketball in the gym. In the afternoon we changed into civilian clothes and went to Volkenburg on a shopping and sightseeing expedition, we passed through Maastricht and Aachen on the way back.

On Saturday we went to Cologne for the day and saw the Cathedral and the City itself. The city still bears scars of the bombing in the last war; many buildings were chipped and damaged and bomb sites frequent, though much has been rebuilt. Some members of the party went for a trip up the Rhine on a pleasure boat to find it full of English Students.

On Easter Sunday the party attended Church Parade in the morning and had lunch at the Station. In the afternoon we set off for Mönchen where we spent a few hours exploring the small town sited on a steep gorge. A river ran through the town which had cobbled streets and wooden buildings.

On Easter Monday we made our way to Overloon in Holland. After losing our way several times we arrived to find an open-air museum containing vehicles and arms of the second world war; much in evidence were the Nazi Concentration camps and photographs of their inmates, as well as samples of their equipment. The majority of people left the museum somewhat shocked at this latter display.

On the Tuesday we remained at the station doing an instruction exercise in the morning and looking round the rest of the Station in the afternoon, this consisted of No. 6 Canberra Squdron, the MT section and the general maintenance branch.

The party left the following morning for Wildenrath and found the airport fogbound. After a long wait we departed

for Düsseldorf where we boarded a BAC III for Gatwick, where everybody went their different ways.

This was a thoroughly good camp which everybody enjoyed.

P.C.C.

R.N.A.S. Condor

THE R.A.F. gliding camp was held at R.N.A.S. Condor near Arbroath between 13th April and 17th April. The four Strathallan cadets there, were Flight Sergeant Anderson, Sergeant Lang, Corporal Brash, and Leading Cadet Wilson. The fact that Strathallan filled four out of the twelve places, while the other four schools only had two places each, was very much envied.

Most of us went to the camp with the attitude that we were going to get our gliding A. and B. certificates and also have a good time. Both these points were realised, although the weather did its best to interfere. Although 13th April was a beautiful sunny day, the 14th and 15th were very cold and on the 15th there was snow on the ground when the senior N.C.O. was given a shake at 5.45 a.m. After an early breakfast we were told there was to be no gliding, so we went shooting. A kitty was shot for—Strathallan failed to win. Flight Lieutenant White said that if the weather did not improve we were going to be sent home. Most of us at the time would not have objected because it was distinctly unpleasant to fly gliders through snow squalls.. Strathallan's first success was Leading Cadet Wilson, who got his A. and B. certificate—he had started gliding before some of us had even arrived. Sergeant Lang landed about twenty yards from a building on his third solo flight much to the relief of those who were watching from the ground—and presumably himself. On the final day, Flight Sergeant Anderson and Corporal Brash went solo—the weather was glorious, a fitting climax to an eventful four days gliding.

J.W.B.A.

R.A.F. Syerston

THE after term ended, the majority of the station found their way to R.A.F. Syerston, a few miles west of Newark.

Syerston is a Basic Flying Training School, equipped with Jet Provosts. These are dual-seat trainer jets, and the hopes of many cadets to fly in these aircraft were realised by the end of camp.

The programme was very full and because of this several parties turned up late for various appointments.

The flying programme was principally connected with Jet Provosts but there were to have been flights in a Valetta. The latter was cancelled and the former seriously curtailed because of the weather.

The Hills Exercise was the most ambitious venture at camp and there were several mishaps as some cadets thought they knew how to conduct the expedition better than their superiors, but eventually all the cadets returned through thigh-deep snow, fog and rain.

A strenuous Sunday was spent in a vast hangar, equipped as a gymnasium, playing forms of volleyball and basketball and also five-a-side football with about six players on each side! There was also canoeing on the nearby River Trent. Some excitement arose when a canal barge was noticed coming up river, but this excitement soon fell when two cadets capsized their craft and nearly broke their canoe in two.

Full use—sometimes too full use—was made of the camp's social club which was well frequented. Trips were made to Newark and Nottingham (Direct!) and almost all cadets arrived back at Syerston by the stipulated time by some means.

The usual camp photographs were taken with everyone trying, sometimes unsuccessfully, to look happy so that memories could be recalled of a camp spent at R.A.F Syerston.

A.D.F.M.

Pre-Service

THIS year Mr. Macleod succeeded Mr. Thomson as master in charge of the section. Pre-service activities became more practical. Although the usual curriculum was adhered to, several innovations proved popular with the boys. The building of a tree hut from odd bits and pieces made full use of the boys' initiative. This tree hut eventually formed a basis for an aerial ropeway which was a considerable source of interest. A large raft was constructed using empty oil drums and planks lashed with rope. This successful launching of this "Kon-Tiki" was a notable event in the Pre-service calendar. Public service took the form of weeding the pond, tidying roads, and other jobs to assist with School maintenance.

The Civil Defence again gave great assistance by providing qualified instructors and equipment. The Field Cable section run by the Civil Defence and P. G. McCallum came to a successful conclusion with a Field Wireless demonstration.

A series of First Aid Classes was conducted by Dr. Stewart and resultant First Aid Certificates were obtained. Other activities were as last year organised on a house basis and items contributing to the Pre-service Cup were the Drill, Outdoor Reliance and Aerial Ropeway competitions. The Drill competition was adjudicated by Mr. Grigsby. The Pre-Service Cup was won by Freeland by a comfortable margin.

Drill, Map-Reading, Compass Exercises, Miniature Range Shooting, First-Aid, Rescue, and the Internal Combustion Engine continue to form the main curriculum while an interest in camping etc., has been furthered by a closer link up with the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, over 50 boys from Pre-Service working for their Bronze Award.

Reliance Teas have proved of great popularity, the principal venue being Drumfinn.

The Field Day exercise was a rather ambitious Treasure Trail which owing to the disastrous weather proved more of a survival test. An enjoyable picnic lunch was obtained at pre-arranged points en route. Unfortunately the Cooking range had fallen into considerable disrepair necessitating a probable re-building next session.

On General Inspection Day, the Pre-Service Section provided an interesting rescue demonstration from the roof of a Nicol dormitory. R. M. Turner and R. D. Anderson trained an excellent section and the subsequent rescue was highly commended by the Inspecting Officer.

Further visits were made to Wards 1 and 2 of Bridge of Earn Hospital. These visits are greatly appreciated by both patients and Hospital Staff and the Matron sent a letter of appreciation to the Headmaster. As usual thanks are due to the many masters who so kindly gave their time to take boys to the Hospital, also to Mr. Grigsby who assisted in running the section during the Winter Term.

Pre-Service again undertook the Collection in Forgandenny Parish for the Earl Haig Fund.

The following were instructors during the year:—

G. R. Eadie, R. J. Elder, R. D. Anderson, R. M. Turner, P. G. McCallum, P. A. K. Laband (Navy), A. D. Turner (Navy), P. C. Cartledge (R.A.F.), G. W. Balfour, R. F. L. Clark, T. W. Burt, A. G. Beaton.

T.J.M.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme



The Duke of Edinburgh in Perth

THIS year has seen a large increase in the number of boys attracted to the scheme. Possibly the visit of the Duke of Edinburgh to Perth in October provided the necessary impetus. By integrating to a certain extent with the Pre-Service section it is possible to marry the training given there, to the actual qualifications necessary in taking part in the scheme.

A record number of 55 boys are at present working for the Bronze, 5 for the Silver and 5 for the Gold Awards. The Hobbies section is catered for by activities and we are grateful to all masters who have kindly examined these pursuits. Swimming and Athletic standards also come into this category. R. A. Lamb proved of invaluable assistance to the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme during the Winter Term.

In October the Duke of Edinburgh visited Goodlyburn School, Perth, and Strathallan provided the highlight of his

visit by staging a dramatic rescue demonstration from the roof of the school.

The Duke spoke to many of the boys and expressed considerable interest in the school. An interesting feature of the demonstration was the use of a stretcher designed by Dr. Mackenzie which aroused the Duke's keen interest.

Sir John Hunt expressed the hope that he will be able to visit the school shortly and see for himself the extent of the Award Scheme.

During the Summer Term several expeditions for Bronze and Silver Awards took place. In all cases save one, boys acquitted themselves extremely well and proved that their camping and map-reading training had served their purpose.

At the end of Term the following awards were presented by the Headmaster:—

Bronze: D. H. Muir, I. D. R. Prain, J. L. Pringle,
J. A. G. Gray.

Silver: A. G. MacMillan, M. C. Ness.

T.J.M.

HOUSE NOTES 1965-66

FREELAND

THE House Captain from September 1965 to July 1966, was J. S. Hunter (appointed a School Prefect, June 1965).

School Offices were held by the following: Vice-Captain of School—J. S. Hunter; School Prefect, School Librarian, Editor of *Strathallian* and of *Wing Forward*—M. G. Clark (left Dec. '65); Captain of Rugby—G. L. H. Mure; Captain of Hockey—J. S. Hunter; Captain of Shooting (December Term) Captain of Fencing, W.O. i/c R.A.F. Section—B. C. Young (awarded Flying Scholarship 1966); Country Dancing Captain—G. L. H. Mure; Ski-ing Captain and Chairman of Science Society—G. D. Watson; Armourer—J. A. Dunbar; School Librarian—C. P. Cartledge.

Six past members of the House started University in October 1965, and five more past members have firm places for October 1966. This includes J. F. Davidson who has a place at Magdalene College, Cambridge, to read Natural Sciences and was awarded a Bristol Siddely Scholarship.

On Speech Day J. S. Hunter was awarded the Houston Prize for General Merit, J. A. Fisher the Physics Prize, J. B. S. Chapman and P. M. Wilson the Chemistry Research Prize,

R. I. M. Murray the Classics Essay Prize and R. D. Paul the Art Essay Prize.

First XV Colours were held by G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Gemmell and R. J. Elder and half-colours by J. S. Hunter. Freeland won the Junior Rugger and shared the Boxing Cup. J. S. Hunter, R. J. Elder, G. L. H. Mure and P. G. McCallum, all Hockey Colours, took part in the Oxford Hockey Festival, and J. S. Hunter was a Scottish Schoolboy Hockey International and R. J. Elder a Final Trialist. G. L. H. Mure and R. J. Elder played for the Cricket XI, and the House was second both in the Senior and Junior House Competition. The House also won the Ski-ing, Shooting and Pre-Service Cup; and individual awards were won by B. C. Young for Shooting and Fencing, R. F. L. Clark for Sailing, W. C. Stewart for Piping, and R. D. Paul and A. D. G. Duncan for Art. D. H. Mure broke the Middle High Jump record.

During the year House Colours were awarded to G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder and D. D. C. Biggart.

House Prefects:

B. C. YOUNG (Appointed January '65); G. L. H. MURE (Appointed July '65); J. F. DAVIDSON, G. P. GRANDISON and I. J. RENNIE (Appointed September '65 left December '66); R. J. ELDER (Appointed September '65); P. G. McCALLUM and G. D. WATSON (Appointed February '65); R. I. M. MURRAY (Appointed May '65); D. D. C. BIGGART (Appointed July '65).

House Captains of Sport:

Rugger: G. L. H. MURE

Hockey and Athletics:

J. S. HUNTER

Cricket and Swimming:

R. J. ELDER

Boxing: R. J. GEMMELL

Cross Country and Music:

A. W. S. FEA

Shooting: B. C. YOUNG

Sailing: R. F. L. CLARK

Ski-ing: G. D. WATSON

Tennis: C. H. G. BUCHANAN

NICOL

THE House is flourishing and this has been a successful year, with 77 boys in the House, of whom about a third come from outwith Scotland. For the Easter Term we welcomed Jürgen Boss from Ebingen, Germany, who enjoyed his time with us even though we contrived to give him chickenpox!

We have made a very large contribution to the School. W. B. Melville has been School Captain, and we believe that this is the first time that the son of an ex-Nicol Old Boy has achieved this position. R. C. Paton and T. N. W. Trusdale have been School Prefects. R. M. Slater was Dux of the School for 1965. We congratulate him on gaining entrance to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, J. C. S. Smith to Magdalene College, Cambridge, and P. J. Bunting to Churchill College, Cambridge. The first boys to get to Oxbridge from the House since R. C.

Dow in 1963, who has just taken his B.A. It is a pity they did not quite overlap. We provided five members of the XI, four of the XV and four of the Hockey XI, and others played on occasions in all three sports. MacFarlane D.S. was Captain of Sailing, Fairbairn of Golf, and Stuart of rather limited Cross-Country. G. G. Wallace has been Pipe Major. We had a lot of representatives in the 'The Gondoliers' including four of the principals in R. D. Anderson, Paton, Smith and Trusdale, and also in the Choir and Orchestra. Many other boys have made very worthwhile contributions both in work, games and other School activities. Among them, R. M. M. Lang got a hat-trick against Merchiston. D. J. C. Sharpe was Captain of the under 14s XV, Hockey XI and XI. G. M. J. Ross and R. J. Roger beat previous School records in Athletics. R. M. Slater and Paton were in the Debating Team. Governors' prizes were won by Lang, Houston, Wallace and Turner.

In House Competitions the crowning success has been our winning the Senior and Junior Cricket cups, so Melville's ambition to put the Melville Cup on our shelf under his captaincy has been reached. The Juniors won their three matches outright, including a century from J. A. G. Gray in the first, after which he disappeared into the XI, and the Seniors won the first two but only managed a draw against Freeland with the score reading: Freeland 124 all out, Nicol 124 for 3. One of the most sporting of any House Matches played for a long time was our Senior match v. Ruthven which provided good fun, good cricket and for us a good result. This is the spirit of the best type of House Match. We won the sailing with a strong team, and shared the Hockey, Junior Rugger and Goal Kicking. We had almost the whole of the 2nd XV in our Senior Rugger bout. They did not click and even with a potentially strong team we came bottom. We came second in Athletics after a very good season. Obviously we did not blossom till the summer! Ross was junior Victor Ludorum, Wallace won the Senior Piping and Grant the Drumming.

During the Easter Term at one time we lost the Upper San, Ib and Senior dormitories to the flu epidemic, so that many boys spent a few nights in one of the other Houses. It was a credit to all concerned that R. D. Anderson managed to find a bed for everyone with the minimum of fuss, though some really had to take up their beds and walk. Our thanks are due to the other Houses who gave us hospitality and to whom we, sadly, gave only germs.

We should like to thank Mr. Melville for giving us a very handsome mirror for the Strip Rooms, and P. J. Bunting for one of his paintings.

We are very sad to say good-bye to Mr. D. S. Rymer who has been House Tutor for five years, a boy's complete life-span at School. He has worked tirelessly for the House and at all times has had its interest and welfare at heart. It is a very inadequate measure of our gratitude merely to say thank you. We wish him every success and happiness in the future.

The spirit of the House has been high under an excellent team of Prefects. Unhappily we are losing some 20 or so members of the House this time, most of whom are hoping to go to a University. The number inevitably includes some of our most colourful personalities, who have contributed so much in the past. Their successes are a challenge to the rest of us for the future.

T.C.G.F.

House Captain:
W. B. MELVILLE

School Prefects:
R. C. PATON, T. N. W. TRUSDALE

House Prefects:
R. M. M. LANG, R. D. ANDERSON, M. M. STUART,
G. G. WALLACE, I. A. HOUSTON and J. MUIR
W. A. T. BRUNTON (left Dec.), R. M. SLATER (left Dec.)

House Captains of Sport:

Rugby: R. M. SLATER
M. M. STUART

Boxing: T. N. W. TRUSDALE
Seconds—S. S. BEATTIE and
J. MUIR

Goal-kicking:
T. N. W. TRUSDALE

Cross-country: M. M. STUART

Hockey: W. B. MELVILLE

Shooting: R. K. M. TAYLOR

Cricket: W. B. MELVILLE

Sailing: D. S. MACFARLANE

Athletics:

Track—R. C. PATON

Field—R. D. ANDERSON

Swimming: D. S. MACFARLANE

Tennis: M. M. STUART

The following gained their House Colours:

R. D. Anderson, D. M. Fairbairn, R. M. M. Lang, R. C. Paton,
A. R. Sharpe, A. F. Spence, M. M. Stuart, G. G. Wallace

RUTHVEN

THE burden of running the House and of representing it in so many sports has fallen heavily on our few seniors, but led by an excellent team of prefects, the spirit has been good, and only the juniors have failed to pull their weight.

Work has gone well, with only one A Level failed in the Upper Sixth, and no less than four candidates for the next Cambridge College exams. Our 18 O Level candidates averaged eight passes, and as a result there will be over 40 sixthformers

in Ruthven, a number never previously approached by any House. The music side has been strong, with a good representation in the Orchestra, and the Music Cup finally came our way.

In sport we had more than our share in most School teams, with Black giving an outstanding lead. Our light Senior XV, though undefeated, were unable to win the cup, however, and we had to share the goal-kicking and Junior rugby cups. Good training and a magnificent team effort won the cross-country cup, and our boxers won a share of their trophy, though there could have been more determination among the juniors—as, unfortunately, in all sports. Despite having players in all School XI's our standard of cricket was very weak, and greater enthusiasm and harder practice will be necessary next summer. Though we were only second in the ski-ing competition, the entire team is returning and the outlook is promising. The swimming cup was lost only in the final relay, and there were many fine performances, with the Thom twins prominent, C.M. winning the middle section.

Tennis and athletics showed us at our strongest. The School team being largely composed of Ruthven members, it was not surprising that we won the tennis cup easily, but the noteworthy feat came in the Singles competition, where all the semi-finalists came from Ruthven: here Burt finally—and rightfully—gained the title in his third final. Our final glory came on Sports Day, with a first-class effort from many individuals who between them won 80 senior and 9 middle medals plus both relays to give us a very clear lead. Black capped his career with three records and 6 medals (in itself a record) in winning the Senior Victor Ludorum, and Sutherland won the Middle title, with J. S. Houston runner-up.

R. G. Lawson is to be congratulated on his university scholarship from the Institute of Civil Engineers, as also are A. G. Balfour on his appointment (at the age of 14) as organist in Forgandenny Church, W. M. Thompson on his Scottish Fencing title, and R. J. Lawson on reaching the quarter finals of the Scottish under-15 tennis singles competition. The prominent part played in School affairs by C. A. Willson-White must also be mentioned, as Under Officer, Librarian, Editor of the School Magazine and Secretary of the Shakespeare Society.

Ending on a sad note, we are especially sorry to lose Mr. Searle as Tutor; his advice in both work and sport, his encouragement and enthusiasm for everything worthwhile have all contributed greatly to the life of the House, but we are fortunate to have Mr. McNamara to replace him. Our good wishes go with Mr. Searle, and with our only four leavers, who are all going up to university—J. H. S. Black, T. W. Burt, R. G. Lawson and C. A. Willson-White.

Head of House: J. H. S. BLACK

School Prefects:

R. G. LAWSON, C. A. WILLSON-WHITE, T. W. BURT

House Prefects:

J. N. COCHRAN, P. A. K. LABAND, A. D. LYBURN,
S. C. M. McLEAN

House Captains of Sport:

Rugby: J. H. S. BLACK	Music: A. J. BURNETT
Cricket: C. J. W. MAUCHLINE	Sailing: T. H. GILMORE
Hockey: J. H. S. BLACK	Shooting: R. G. R. GALBRAITH
Athletics: J. H. S. BLACK	Ski-ing: W. P. M. SAMPLES
Boxing: J. H. S. BLACK	Swimming: R. G. LAWSON
Cross-country: C. A. WILLSON-WHITE	Tennis: T. W. BURT

House Colours are held by:

J. H. S. Black, R. G. Lawson, J. N. Cochran, T. W. Burt,
C. J. W. Mauchline, C. J. R. Townson, C. A. Willson-White,
P. A. K. Laband, A. D. Mills, J. R. Sutherland,
W. M. Thompson.

SIMPSON

D. M. R. BELL, brother of F. R., has been our house captain this year with J. W. B. Anderson, vice-captain. D. I. Jeffrey, A. G. Beatton, R. I. Kirkby, S. R. McGill and A. R. Brash were house-prefects. Brash won the Governors' Prizes in Chemistry and Physics, Beatton the prize for Biology Field-work. Brash is also our next house captain.

Jeffrey and A. N. H. Guthrie were School captains of Boxing and Shooting respectively, and Jeffrey put a lot into the house athletics coaching. We won the Senior Rugger, now the Armstrong Cup, presented in memory of the late Robert Armstrong, a former member of the house. We shared the Hockey Cup and, after an exciting finish, we just missed the Music Cup. S. F. H. Greig skied for the Scottish Schoolboys but we did not do so well in the House Ski-ing Cup as two of our team have yet to finish the course.

Our strongest sport has been swimming. We won the cup and provided two of the three individual champions, the brothers K. L. and J. G. B. Robertson. Surprisingly we also provided in D. M. R. Bell the School non-swimming swimming captain. Don't-do-as-I-do-do-as-I-say sometimes works after all.

D.E.Y.

GAMES SECTION

Rugby Report, 1965-66

THIS has been a disappointing season. There were eleven school matches played, of which five were won and one drawn. Four matches were cancelled due to bad weather.

Although prospects at the start of the season were poor, with only two old colours still at school, the earlier games showed considerable promise. This was particularly evident in the Glenalmond match. However, this promise was never fulfilled and too many matches were lost which could have been won. It is difficult to say exactly why this should have been so, as individually most players were quite sound, but they did lack experience, which often led to unnecessary mistakes which decided the result of the match. This coupled with a lack of real scoring potential, was probably the reason for what can only be called an average season.

On the whole the forwards played well, although height and weight were lacking. The front row of R. D. Anderson, Townson and Elder played particularly well. Bell was the outstanding player of the season and was selected to play for the Scottish Schoolboys; he was well supported in the back row by J. W. B. Anderson and Gemmell. The worst aspect of forward play was the line-out, and the loose play sometimes lacked a sense of purpose.

Of the backs stand-off was the weakest position and although Mauchline and Trusdale both had their good points neither was a complete stand-off. Black and Cochran were potentially dangerous centres but the ball rarely moved quickly to them from the set-pieces. Black, particularly, produced some very good breaks but they were all too few. At full back Melville was very cool and steady and developed into a sound player. At scrum-half Mure sometimes played very well indeed, but he did not exploit his break sufficiently. He was an enthusiastic captain.

The prospects for next season are brighter, six players with 1st XV experience are returning and there is good material from this year's 2nd XV. Cochran will captain the team.

The 2nd XV have had a much better season this year and have played some good rugby. However they also have lost important matches unnecessarily.

The Under 15½ XV had a poor season, and failed to win any of their matches. There were no really outstanding

players, and some definite weaknesses in key positions. There was also a certain lack of enthusiasm at times which was responsible for much of the poor play.

On paper the Under 14½ XV also appear to have had a poor season. But they improved greatly during the season and had a good win over Loretto. They still have much to learn but they are potentially a good team. It is hoped that with strict training and hard work that they will produce good results in the future.

F.S.M.

October 2nd—v. Old Boys—Home—Lost 6-14 (3-5)

The Old Boys' team this year was one of the strongest yet formed, for several of the players were regular members of first class teams.

The match was played on Little Acre, heavy rain making Big Acre impossible, and the School kicked off with the hope of gaining an early lead over the scratch side. For the first twenty minutes play was tight, with defence on both sides very keen. The School's light forwards managed to hold their own in both loose and set scrums, but in the line out were unable to hold ball. The Old Boys scored first when Burns, playing on the wing because of an injury, scored in the corner, and Currie converted; two minutes later, Bell narrowly missed a penalty from 25 yards out, but soon afterwards scored from a penalty in a similar position.

Halfway through the second half, after tight play from both sides, Melville narrowly missed a penalty when the ball hit the top of the post. Soon afterwards, however, a break by Hunter led to a try by Black and although unconverted, this put the School back into the game. However, taking advantage of careless mistakes by the School, the Old Boys managed to score three more times before the end, to bring the final score to 6-14.

Throughout the game both sides played very well but the School were unable to get the ball along the line due to the speed of the Old Boys' back row. However, a lot of promise was shown both in the ability of the pack and penetration of the backs, and together with a good team spirit, this gives promise of a successful season.

Team: W. B. Melville, R. G. Lawson, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, N. D. Riach, J. S. Hunter, G. L. H. Mure, R. D. Anderson, C. J. R. Townson, R. J. Elder, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 5th—v. Keil School—Home—Drawn 6-6 (3-3)

The School kicked off, again on Little Acre, and the game began with a monopoly of possession for Strathallan but lack of penetration by the backs. For the first fifteen minutes, the School pressed hard in the opposition twenty-five, but then the situation changed and a break from a set scrum on the Strath's twenty-five opened the scoring for Keil. For the remainder of the first half the School continued to monopolise possession, and were rewarded shortly before half-time when Mure broke from a scrum and scored. Both tries being unconverted, the score was 3-3 at half-time.

In the second half, things looked more promising as there was more determination in our play and it was only because of sound defence

by Keil that we were kept out. However, reward came when Bell scored in the corner after a lot of loose play. From then on, the determination vanished, and the School seemed content with their narrow lead. On a few occasions Keil were unlucky not to score, in particular when their wing, luckily for the School, knocked the ball on over the try-line after intercepting and dribbling the whole length of the field. It was hard play by Keil up until five minutes from the end that finally led to a good penalty from 30 yards out. Had Strathallan made use of getting the ball 22 times from 25 scrums, we would undoubtedly have won by a large margin, but lack of determination on our part and courageous defence by Keil prevented this.

Team: W. B. Melville, R. G. Lawson, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, N. D. Riach, J. S. Hunter, G. L. H. Mure, R. D. Anderson, C. J. R. Townson, R. J. Elder, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 9th—v. Panmure—Home—Lost 0-18 (0-5)

Panmure brought up a slightly weakened team, but even so proved too strong for the School. In the first half play was fairly even and the School managed to hold their own against heavy forwards and fast backs. Our pack played very hard and the backs, although with less than their fair share of the ball, played wisely by working up the touch line before attacking. However, the School were unable to hold Panmure completely and the first score resulted from a forwards' passing movement just before half-time, after several such attacks had been successfully stopped.

In the second half, the School forwards tried visibly and there was a lack of covering support for the three-quarters who seemed unable to tackle their opposite numbers. Quick heeling and swift passing movements brought Panmure three more goals and one try. Their backs always seemed to have an extra man in the line due to their stand-off running across the field and compelling our inside centre to tackle him, thus drawing all our three-quarters in. Panmure's skill at the basic essentials of drawing the man, fast running and sound tackling and touch-kicking proved too much for the relatively inexperienced and much lighter School team.

Team: W. B. Melville, N. D. Riach, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, R. G. Lawson, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, J. W. B. Anderson, J. S. Hunter, D. M. R. Bell.

October 12th—v. Perth Academy—Away—Won 8-6 (0-6)

Strathallan kicked off against a stiff breeze, on a day when ground conditions were ideal for open rugby. For the first part of the game play was tight with both sides using the touch-line, with Perth coming out the better due to the wind. After about ten minutes Perth opened the scoring with a penalty. Play stayed between the twenty-fives with Strathallan rarely looking dangerous. Before half-time Perth went over for an unconverted try following a forward rush.

Strathallan woke up in the second half with the backs making good ground through well placed kicking. The forwards also produced some fine rushes and the game livened up. Strathallan almost scored when Bell hit the post with a long penalty. With about fifteen minutes to go Riach scored an opportunist try following a mistake by the Perth backs. Melville converted from near in. Thus inspired, the team

worked harder and was rewarded by a try from Bell following a forward rush after a kick ahead minutes from the end.

Team: W. B. Melville, N. D. Riach, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, J. S. Hunter, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 16th—v. Edinburgh Academy—Home—Lost 3-14 (0-6)

This match was played on a beautifully sunny day and was the first dry school pitch of the season. The School started with terrific fire and were awarded a penalty after one minute, which fell short. One minute later, another was awarded in front of the posts and this was sliced. However, morale was not dampened very much and the tight play continued. The Academy opened the scoring with a try near the posts and then scored again in the wing just before half-time. Both tries were unconverted.

The School started the second half with great determination and this was renewed when Bell scored a penalty. For a time it looked as if the School would get the vital points to put them back in the game and there were numerous forward rushes. However, the pressure was relaxed too early, and the Academy forced themselves on to our line to score a push-over try, which was converted. They continued to attack till the end, with plenty of fast open play, with many breaks on the blind side. They scored again, near the corner, to bring the final score to 3-14.

The Academy were obviously stronger than Strathallan but the score was no reflection of the play. Our forwards played extremely well, led admirably by Gemmell, and were quick on to the loose ball. The backs tackled well but never got going in attack. The only bad feature of a hard game was the place-kicking—both sides missed two penalties and the Academy converted only one of their tries, none of which was very far out.

Team: W. B. Melville, N. D. Riach, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, J. S. Hunter, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. D. Anderson, C. J. R. Townson, R. J. Elder, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 19th—v. Glenalmond—Home—Won 14-9 (11-9)

There were perfect condition for this important match, and both teams started with tremendous determination. Tight play from the forwards and tactical kicking from the backs formed the general pattern for the first few minutes. Soon, however, Glenalmond scored a penalty as a result of an off-side near the School line, and from then on the first half developed into a battle of one-upmanship. Strathallan were roused by this score—as usual, it took a score against us to wake us up—and were soon in Glenalmond's twenty-five, where a penalty was awarded and converted. Glenalmond struck back with a try on the right wing and the School retaliated with a goal—the try being scored by Robertson as a result of a loose scrum push-over Glenalmond then scored another penalty, and Strathallan did likewise, to bring the half-time score to 11-9.

The feature of the first half had been very evenly-matched play, with both packs driving to their limits and any attempt at open play being quickly stopped by the backs. There were however, several forwards' rushes which made the game fully entertaining for the spectators.

The second half proved to be far more open, with Glenalmond doing most of the attacking, but most of it in vain, due to excellent tackling by the Strathallan backs. Play was fast and open, with the score very much in the balance, until half-way through the half when Melville increased the School lead with a well-taken drop goal, after Strathallan had been pressing for some time, and a similar attempt from Mauchline had failed narrowly. From then on, Glenalmond opened the ball in any position on the field as a desperate attempt to catch up, but the keen tackling by the backs and excellent backing by the forwards prevented this.

Altogether, it was a very good game, with plenty of open play, good tackling and all reasonable chances at goal kicking being taken.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. H. S. Black, J. N. Cochran, M. M. Stuart, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 23rd—v. Edinburgh Wanderers Colts—Home—Lost 9-11 (9-5)

The Wanderers' team was obviously very experienced, and although the final score was close, they deserved to win. The School started well, able to contain the much heavier Colts' forwards. A forward rush brought us near the opposition line, and Mauchline opened the scoring for the School with a drop goal. The Edinburgh team then began to open the ball much more, and although Strathallan defended well, a score under the posts resulted from a close-passing movement. This was safely converted. The School fought back hard, however, and scored two penalties before half-time to bring the score to 9-5.

In the second half, Strathallan continued to play well, holding the Edinburgh side, until the opposing stand-off ran through most of our team's half-hearted attempts to tackle him, to score on the right flank. From then on, the School never settled down again, probably exhausted from the effort put into the first half, and were kept in their own half for most of the rest of the game. The additional score came when a kick from our own line went straight into the hands of an oncoming forward, for him to do no more than merely fall over the line for a try.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. H. S. Black, J. N. Cochran, M. M. Stuart, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

October 27th—v. Dollar Academy—Home—Won 8-0 (3-0)

Dollar kicked off with a strong wind at their backs and the first fifteen minutes were indecisive except that the School gained a lot of possession in the tight scrums. A forward rush brought Strathallan to the Dollar twenty-five and a passing movement from a loose scrum resulted in Stuart scoring in the left corner. For the rest of the first half play remained fairly even with Dollar pressing hard on a few occasions but failing to penetrate.

In the second half, play livened up and the backs showed good open rugby. The forwards continued to play hard, and altogether, the team combined as well as it had done all season. Scoring chances were few, however, and the score that came was the result of a quick throw in on the Dollar twenty-five, from which Cochran scored under the posts, for Melville to convert. Dollar were outplayed in all departments of

the game in this half, and were lucky not to have been losing by more at the end.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. H. S. Black, J. N. Cochran, M. M. Stuart, C. J. W. Mauchline, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, R. I. Kirkby, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

November 2nd—v. Morrison's Academy—Home—Lost 0-5 (0-5)

Strathallan kicked off and at the start it looked as if we were in trouble. More than our fair share of possession was gained from both set and loose scrums, and lineouts, but there was a lack of attack and decisive penetration about the play. This was because of a new combination and lack of experience at half-back, magnified because of a fast Morrison's back row. The School backs therefore lacked chances to break, and this was a pity in that the Morrison's three-quarters did not appear very strong in defence.

After fifteen minutes of play Morrison's scored as the result of loose play near our line; this try was converted. For the remainder of the first half, play was fairly even, with Strathallan continuing to get a good deal of possession.

In the second half the School outplayed Morrison's in every department of the game. Townson outhooked the Morrison's hooker with strikes against the head; Elder and Robertson outjumped their opposite numbers in the lines-out; the whole pack was on to every loose ball and the backs ran and tackled hard, showing fast, open rugby. Despite all this, however, we could not score, although we were very near to doing so on several occasions. In fact in the last fifteen minutes Morrison's were never out of their own twenty-five and were under constant attacking pressure.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, R. I. Kirkby, M. M. Stuart, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, D. M. R. Bell, R. J. Gemmell, J. W. B. Anderson.

November 6th—v. Merchiston Castle School—Away—Lost 0-8 (0-0)

Strathallan got off to a good start in this all-important match and in the first half, almost the only time Merchiston were in our half was when they kicked off. The School pushed hard for an early score and although they had command of the game, they could not finish movements successfully. A few chances were missed by the backs, but in fact the most successful form of attack was the high kick ahead. Despite Merchiston's heavy pack Strathallan managed to hold their own in the loose, and the jumping in the lines-out was good.

In the second half, the tide turned, and although the School kept fighting, Merchiston's superiority was evident. For the first twenty minutes we managed to hold them, but soon the School's forwards began to tire. Merchiston made several good breaks, coming close to scoring once or twice, and eventually were rewarded with a neat drop-goal. This was quickly followed by a try, which was converted, to bring the final score to 8-0.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, M. M. Stuart, T. N. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. M. M. Lang, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, D. M. R. Bell, R. J. Gemmell, J. W. B. Anderson.

November 13th—v. West of Scotland Colts—Home—Won 11-3 (3-3)

This match was originally cancelled due to bad weather, but the opposition put in an appearance and so the decision was altered and the match played on Little Acre, bordered by patches of snow from the previous night.

As usual it took a scare to waken the School up — a break by the opposition's stand-off led to an overlap and a try in the left corner, a few minutes after play started. Strathallan then put more spirit into their play, and despite the slippery ball open rugby resulted. Our forwards fought hard to contain the opposition's heavier pack, and a penalty kick by Melville brought the score level—from the play, a fair score.

In the second half Strathallan really got going and pressed hard for some time but without a score. Soon, however, Trusdale scored as the result of a dribbling movement, and after more attacking by the School, Black scored a superb try which was converted by Bell. West of Scotland Colts opened the ball more after this but did not manage to get through a strong defence; our forwards continued to play hard and easily got more than their share of possession.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. H. S. Black, J. M. Cochran, M. M. Stuart, T. N. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

November 20th—v. Gordonstoun—Away—Lost 6-10 (3-0)

The pitch was firm despite previous heavy rain and so there were hopes of open rugby when a rather tired Strathallan team took up their positions ready to kick off. At first play was in Gordonstoun's half, with Strathallan making frequent attacks. In one such movement all three of the back row handled the ball and Gemmell went over for a try. After this, play evened out a little, and soon after the second half began, Gordonstoun were pressing hard. Good tackling kept them at bay for some time, but then a pass from the base of a five-yard scrum was fumbled and the Gordonstoun wing-forwards were quickly on to the loose ball to touch down for a score. Soon afterwards exactly the same thing happened, in exactly the same spot, and a good conversion brought the score to (10-3) for Gordonstoun. Strathallan were naturally roused into playing really hard and frequent attacks subjected the opposition to constant pressure. Our backs ran decisively but failed to score more than once—Cochran put Stuart over for an unconverted try. Right up to the end play continued to be one-sided in our favour and so it was a rather dejected team which left the field to face the long run back, comforted but a little by our Colt's win.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, M. M. Stuart, T. N. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, R. D. Anderson, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, J. W. B. Anderson, R. J. Gemmell, D. M. R. Bell.

January 29th—Daniel Stewart's College—Away—Won 8-6 (8-3)

Despite heavy rain overnight the pitch at Inverleith was very dry, and Strathallan chose to play with the wind at their backs for the first half. This wind was quite strong and was obviously going to prove the main tactical weapon of both sides. It was from a high kick ahead in the first few minutes that Strathallan were awarded a penalty, and Melville converted safely. Soon, however, Stewart's struck

back when a poor throw-in at a line out on our twenty-five resulted in the nearside winger gathering and scoring in the corner. Play was hard and open, our weak point being in defence of the loose ball—foot rushes proved quite successful for Stewart's. Townson hooked well against the head, and with most of the possession Strathallan kicked ahead to try and penetrate. A disallowed try by Hunter was followed soon afterwards by a penalty try under the posts — Cochran was obstructed near the try line on the left touch-line, having dribbled for 40 yards. Melville made no mistake with the conversion.

In the second half, the School continued to monopolise possession but used it poorly, kicking instead of running with the ball. On one of the few occasions that it was passed along the line, Black broke and all but scored. Tough forward play by Stewart's relieved the pressure of Strathallan's attacks and one such move resulted in a try—again from the front of the line-out. Towards the end Strathallan were under pressure, but not dangerously so, having had a distinct territorial advantage in the second half, but failing to finish off their efforts convincingly.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. H. S. Black, J. N. Cochran, M. M. Stuart, T. N. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. D. Anderson, C. J. R. Townson, R. J. Elder, D. I. Jeffrey, K. L. Robertson, R. I. Kirkby, J. W. B. Anderson, D. M. R. Bell.

February 26th—v. George Watson's College—Home—Lost 3-5 (0-5)

Having had little practice because of bad weather conditions Strathallan found it hard to adapt themselves to match conditions once again. Play was in fact fairly even, but the backs lacked decisive penetration and so the forwards' good work both in scrums and line-outs was not fruitful. Watson's score came about half way through the first half when their stand-off drew two men in the centre and caused an overlap on the left wing. The winger crossed easily and was not challenged over the try line and so touched down near the posts to give an easy conversion, and to bring the score to 0-5 at half-time.

Play had been hard, albeit relatively uneventful, in the first half but in the second half it was really uninteresting. Both teams fought hard, but the ball seldom emerged from the loose, and when it did it was promptly banged into touch. Both teams had their fair share of attack—Strathallan pressed first and scored when Mure put Hunter over on the blind side and the ball was grounded just on the line. Although this roused spirit in the team nothing constructive was achieved.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, H. A. R. Cromarty, T. N. W. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, P. A. K. Laband, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, R. I. Kirkby, J. W. B. Anderson, D. M. R. Bell.

March 2nd—St. Bees—Home—Won 6-0 (3 0)

St. Bees arrived at school on the Tuesday evening having lost convincingly to Glenalmond that afternoon, and also having suffered two injuries. We therefore faced a weakened team as St. Bees kicked off on a well-rolled but extremely heavy Big Acre, against the sun and the wind. Play proved to be fast and open with Strathallan having the monopoly of three-quarter movements; although St. Bees got their fair share of the ball from scrums, their backs failed to link up successfully. Our scoring chances were therefore many but we could not finish off our movements by scoring. Kickable penalties were missed by Melville

and Black, but Bell succeeded with one to bring the score to 3-0 at half-time.

St. Bees had hardly been in our half with possession in the whole of the first half, and for the first few minutes of the second half this was repeated, but then the situation was reversed. St. Bees remained in our half for some time but the School's kicking was good and only once did St. Bees come really close to scoring. Play was very hard, open and keen at this point but unfortunately one of the St. Bees centres broke a leg badly and this rather depressed both teams' spirits. Play resumed with Strathallan on St. Bees' twenty-five and from here we pressed for fully ten minutes but could not penetrate. The ball was passed swiftly from one side of the pitch to the other time after time, but the final scoring ability was missing. However, a neatly-taken drop-goal by Trusdale brought a welcome and long overdue score. In the remaining minutes, although Strathallan confined to attack, St. Bees had one or two breaks and while in our half, were awarded two penalties but failed to convert them.

Team: W. B. Melville, J. S. Hunter, J. N. Cochran, J. H. S. Black, H. A. R. Cromarty, T. N. W. Trusdale, G. L. H. Mure, R. J. Elder, C. J. R. Townson, P. A. K. Laband, K. L. Robertson, D. I. Jeffrey, R. I. Kirkby, J. W. B. Anderson, D. M. R. Bell.

Strathallan 2nd XV—Played 7, Won 4, Lost 3—For 73: Against 27.

Strathallan 3rd XV—Played 5, Lost 5—For 19: Against 121.

Strathallan 4th XV—Played 2, Lost 2.

Strathallan 5th XV and 6th XV matches were all cancelled.

Strathallan Under-15½ XV—Played 5, Won 0, Lost 4, Drawn 1—
For 9: Against 50.

Strathallan Under-14½ XV—Played 5, Won 1, Lost 3, Drawn 1—
For 20: Against 85.

Strathallan Under-13½ XV—Played 4, Won 3, Lost 1—
For 46: Against 42.

Senior House Matches—Winners: Simpson

Junior House Matches—Winners: Simpson

Minor House Matches—Winners: Freeland

Hockey Report, 1966

DESPITE late snow more hockey was played by more boys in the Spring Term than ever before at Strathallan. The First XI did not have a very successful season, and it was only in the final match of the Oxford Hockey Festival, that the forwards became a really effective striking force. J. S. Hunter, W. B. Melville, and R. J. Elder played in the Final Trial for the Scottish Schoolboys' Hockey XI, and J. S. Hunter was selected and played against England, Ireland and Wales.

P.R.S.

FIRST XI MATCHES, 1966**March 8th—v. Perth Academy—Home—Won 2-1**

The School started confidently and Trusdale soon scored. However, the attack was not pressed home and the School was on the defensive for much of the first half. After Perth Academy's goal, some hard square passing by the School dominated the play and Elder scored the winning goal just before time. There were a number of promising movements, but passing was slow, and stopping rather uncertain.

March 12th—v. Aberdeen Grammar School—Away—Lost 3-4

Aberdeen Grammar School had practised and skilful inside forwards and within fifteen minutes the School was three goals down. Shortly afterwards the School was awarded two penalty corners, from the first of which Cochran scored. Further Strathallan pressure was rewarded just before half-time when Melville scored.

The second half began with Strathallan playing constructive hockey, but not quite succeeding in finishing movements successfully. Then Aberdeen scored again. However, the game was not over and tremendous energy was displayed by the Strathallan defence, which not only contained the opposition but went into the offensive. Another Strathallan goal seemed inevitable and it was Cochran who scored. With only ten minutes left for play, Aberdeen resumed the offensive and had rather the better of the final phase of the game.

March 15th—v. Fettes—Home—Drawn 1-1

This was perhaps the strongest Fettes XI we have yet encountered, but Strathallan opened play confidently and soon took the lead with a goal from Spence. For the rest of the first half, play was mostly in midfield with the halves containing the opposing forwards. In the second half the Fettes attack improved, and looked dangerous, though Fettes by no means monopolised the play. A Fettes goal 15 minutes from the end gave the opposition fresh heart, and the Strathallan goal was under constant pressure for the rest of the match. The defence held firm, but Fettes certainly dominated the final stages of the game, and the School was lucky to draw.

March 19th—v. Loretto—Away—Lost 1-3—(Umpires: H. J. Rothwell and H. J. MacMinn)

This was a disappointing match from the Strathallan point of view. After a few Strathallan attacks up the wing had fizzled out, Loretto, who were playing in an unorthodox formation began to dictate the pattern of play, and the Strathallan forwards seemed unable to combine. Despite some good play by the Strathallan half back line Loretto were two goals up by half-time. In the second half Loretto increased their lead to three goals, and the only Strathallan goal was scored near the end of the match by Mure at centre forward. Strathallan tried hard, but lack of cohesion and speed was the cause of this defeat.

March 22nd—v. Picts—Away—Lost 1-5

The Picts fielded a strong side and it was with some incredulity that Strathallan took the lead in the first minute of play through a goal scored by Bell at inside left, the approach having been made by Black at inside right. Thereafter the School was made to look rather slow, particularly in hitting and passing the ball, but the defence played quite well and the inside forwards looked much improved. The Picts scored three goals in the first half and two in the second, their most spectacular goal being scored at full speed from a narrow angle by the right wing. The Picts played very attractive hockey throughout, and there is no doubt that the XI learnt a good deal from this game.

March 26th—v. Gordonstoun—Home—Lost 0-1

Little Acre was well rolled but very wet for this very exciting game. Strathallan went into the attack immediately, short passes between the insides baffling Gordonstoun's defence. Black and Mure excelled at this stage, but several chances of scoring were missed, though full credit must go to the Gordonstoun goalkeeper and one of the backs. At first Gordonstoun had no means of counter attacking, and the Strathallan defence distributed the ball quickly and well. The play, however, gradually evened out, and both sides continued to play very well. In the second half both defences looked too good for the opposing forwards, though possible chances were missed by both sides. Near the end Gordonstoun scored from a good movement. This movement should have been stopped and the goal was the result of a defensive blunder. Despite tremendous efforts in the few remaining minutes, Strathallan were unable to equalise.

Team: Goalkeeper—C. J. R. Townson; Full backs—D. M. R. Bell, D. M. Fairbairn, H. A. R. Cromarty; Wing Halves—J. S. Hunter (Captain), P. G. McCallum; Centre Halves—G. L. H. Mure then W. B. Melville; Forwards—I. B. Mackenzie, J. H. S. Black, G. L. H. Mure, A. F. Spence, R. J. Elder (D. M. R. Bell, W. B. Melville and J. N. Cochran also played as forwards).

Colours: Re-awarded: W. B. Melville, R. J. Elder, D. M. R. Bell, G. L. H. Mure.

Awarded: J. H. S. Black, P. G. McCallum, D. M. Fairbairn, C. J. R. Townson, H. A. R. Cromarty.

Second XI Results

March 5—v. Loretto Second XI—Won 3-0

March 8—v. Perth Academy Second XI—Won 2-0

March 12—v. Aberdeen Grammar School Second XI—Won 3-1

Colts XI Results

March 5—v. Loretto—Drew 2-2

March 15—v. Fettes—Won 1-0

March 26—v. Gordonstoun—Won 5-0

Under 14 XI Results

March 5—v. Loretto—Won 3-1

March 15—v. Fettes—Won 1-0

Hockey House Matches

First Round (March 1st):

Nicol drew with Simpson 2-2; Freeland drew with Ruthven 1-1

Second Round (March 16th):

Nicol drew with Ruthven 1-1; Freeland lost to Simpson 0-1

Third Round (March 23rd):

Nicol beat Freeland 1-0; Ruthven drew with Simpson 1-1

Nicol and Simpson shared the Cup.

OXFORD HOCKEY FESTIVAL, 1966

We took down what promised to be a strong team to this year's festival, including in it Paton and Mackenzie to give them experience playing English sides.

The first match, against Wrekin, was an even game but one which we ought to have won. However, a goal-less draw was not an unfair result.

Bromsgrove were a faster and fitter team and deserved their win. Strictness with the sticks rule dampened our spirits in the first half, but towards the end the forwards were combining well and weaving fast up-field.

Against Uppingham we had the upper-hand twice but failed to hold our lead. Both Uppingham goals came from short corners. Hard, determined play completely forced the opposition and the whole team showed decisive swiftness on to the loose ball and the tackle.

The Stowe match was disappointing: Stowe's first goal came early, and made us feel a little despondent. By the time we realised that we were every bit as good as they, we were two down and although, in the second half, we outplayed the opposition in all departments, we were able only to pull back one goal.

The last match was the highlight of the tour, for St. Lawrence were one of the strongest teams at the festival. Determination from the beginning, on a humpy pitch more suited to us than the Englishmen, gained us the upper hand and this time we made sure we did not lose it. The forwards moved swiftly and combined well; the halves linked well—especially McCallum on the left—and the backs were at all times fully reliable, this was the only match when the team really achieved its potential.

Generally the tour was a great success. We learnt a lot on the hockey-field and trust that next year's forwards will learn the lesson of swift passing, of running up in a line and using both square and through-passes. Trinity College, where we stayed, was most comfortable and the food excellent. Everyone enjoyed the tour and I hope it will not be too long before it is again Strathallan's turn to be present at the Festival.

Tour Party: Messrs. P. R. Spurgin, A. J. Stewart, G. W. Searle, J. S. Hunter (Captain), W. B. Melville, R. J. Elder, G. L. H. Mure, P. G. McCallum, J. H. S. Black, D. M. R. Bell, D. M. Fairbairn, A. C. Paton, I. B. Mackenzie, H. A. R. Cromarty, C. J. Townson.

Matches:—v. Wrekin—0-0

v. Bromsgrove—0-3

v. Uppingham—2-2

v. Stowe—1-2

v. St. Lawrence—4-0

SUMMER HOCKEY

Summer XI Results

May 7—v. Ruthrieston Ramblers—Won 5-1

May 14—v. Dunfermline Carnegie—Lost 2-1

June 4—v. Strathallan Club—Won 5-1

June 11—v. Grove F.P.—Lost 5-1

June 21—v. Glenalmond—Match abandoned due to a downpour with score 5-1 in favour of Strathallan.

June 25—v. Edinburgh Academy—Lost 1-2

2nd Summer XI v. Edinburgh Academy—Won 9-1

The match against Grove F.P. had to be cancelled because of heavy rain, and it proved impossible to arrange fixtures with Whitecraigs or with Blairgowrie F.P.

Summer Hockey Colours were awarded to: D. C. Taylor, A. D. F. Mills, I. B. Mackenzie. Re-awarded: P. G. McCallum, D. M. R. Bell, D. M. Fairbairn.

Among those who played for the Summer XI were:

Goalkeepers—C. J. R. Townson and Mutch.

Backs—D. M. R. Bell, D. M. Fairbairn and D. C. Taylor.

Halves—J. S. Hunter (Captain), P. G. McCallum and A. D. F. Mills.

Forwards—I. B. Mackenzie, D. M. Fairbairn, A. C. Paton, A. D. Ross, G. W. T. Smith and D. M. R. Bell.

J.S.H.

CRICKET 1966

Retrospect

It would be easy to dismiss this season in a word, disappointing, and so it has been, particularly at 1st XI level, and yet there have been some redeeming features lower down, which gives cause for satisfaction and hope for the future. The Colts, for instance, are the best we have had for some years and, although they did not fulfil completely their promise this year, the cricketing ability is there. The 2nd and U. 14½ XI's also, though not distinguishing themselves, have, nevertheless, emerged with quite respectable records.

It is not easy to explain the failure of the potentially good 1st XI, who won only two School matches. Obviously it is not one single factor that is responsible, but a combination of several. Every team needs a certain amount of luck and, with a bit of it, two matches which were lost could have been won. They say that a team gets the luck it deserves, and we might assume that we did not qualify for this assistance. We certainly had lapses in the field, when crucial catches were dropped, and in the five School matches which were lost, in each of which we batted first, it is significant that in only one did we total more than 100 runs. It is undoubtedly true that many more runs were there for the taking, but lapses of concentration and inept batting kept the totals low. Naturally our inability to get each innings off to a

good start increased the pressure on the middle order batsmen. It was then up to our bowlers to win these matches, and with so few runs to play with this demanded a great deal of them, and it is not easy to bowl one's best in such circumstances.

These remarks, perhaps, pinpoint our general failing this year, which was to recover and win through when the chips were down. This is not easy, and requires grim determination, common-sense and an awareness of how best to tackle the situation, whether batting, bowling or fielding. This does not mean that the game is thereby reduced to something which cannot be enjoyed; on the contrary, there is a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction to be had in succeeding when the odds are against one.

A lean season, such as the 1st XI have had, is inevitable once in a while, and it is always the more depressing when it follows a good run of several years. However, what we must do now is to learn from our mistakes, and remedy them. There is no easy road to success and this is as it should be. Only three of this year's XI are returning, but there will be talent enough available, and it will be a question of building up not only a team with good batting and bowling techniques, but one which is alive and aggressive and with a will to win.

Unhappily we say goodbye to Mr. Stewart and Mr. Searle this term. Both of them have contributed enormously to Strathallan cricket during their time here, by way of their excellent coaching, limitless enthusiasm for the game, and example. We wish them many happy cricketing days in the future.

H.C.A.

AVERAGES 1966

Batting	Inns.	N.O.	High.	Total	Aver.	Mat.	Cat.
T. N. W. Trusdale	12	2	57	295	29.50	14	4
A. D. Turner	8	6	22*	47	23.50	15	6
W. B. Melville	14	2	76*	266	22.16	15	7
C. J. W. Mauchline	12	0	57	241	20.08	14	1
G. L. H. Mure	8	0	33	97	13.85	10	1
A. F. Spence	13	0	39	159	12.23	15	3
R. M. Wallace	7	1	24	58	9.66	9	1
J. A. G. Gray	10	1	16	82	9.11	12	4
R. J. Elder	10	3	9*	50	7.14	13	0
J. W. B. Anderson	4	0	22	27	6.75	4	0
W. M. Thompson	8	0	14	40	5.00	10	4
R. M. M. Lang	8	2	6*	21	3.50	13	1
S. S. Eriksen	6	0	7	19	3.16	7	1

Also batted: H. A. R. Cromarty 10.0; G. W. Balfour 6.1.0;

T. C. Ashton 2.2*; A. R. Sharpe 13; I. A. G. Moodie 15;

N. D. McKenzie 1.

* not out.

Bowling	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Averages
R. M. M. Lang	77.1	17	198	14	14.14
R. J. Elder	115.2	25	304	20	15.20
A. D. Turner	167	40	426	27	15.77
W. B. Melville	100.2	21	262	14	18.71
T. N. W. Trusdale	6	1	19	1	19.00
A. F. Spence	37.1	9	140	7	20.00
S. S. Eriksen	13	2	39	1	39.00
R. J. H. Neil	9	1	26	0	—
T. C. Ashton	3	0	14	0	—

1st XI MATCH REPORTS

Saturday, May 7th—School v. Crieff—Home

Melville won the toss and elected to bat. Anderson was caught off the second ball of the match. Spence and Melville batted slowly and both were out by the time the score had reached 26. At this time the School had been batting for an hour. Then Mauchline and Trusdale added 106 runs in only 80 minutes. With the score at 132 Mauchline was run out for 57. Wallace came in and flung bat at ball for two overs then Melville declared with 145 runs on the board.

Crieff got off to a grand start with Brander taking seven runs off Elder's first over. He was soon out, but this didn't slow up the scoring. Nevertheless when the fifth wicket fell, 66 runs were needed in 45 minutes. Then Watters and Murphy hit out so well that when the last over began 12 runs were needed. Watters hit six off the first three balls but was out to the fourth and the match was left as a draw.

Strathallan

J. W. B. Anderson, c Montgomery, b Murphy	0
A. F. Spence, lbw Harper	12
W. B. Melville, lbw Murphy	12
T. N. W. Trusdale, not out	52
C. J. W. Mauchline, run out	57
R. M. Wallace, not out	10
Extras	2

Total for 4 wks. (dec.) 145

Crieff

Sir D. Montgomery, b Melville	32
P. Brander, lbw b Elder	8
J. Dewhurst, c Neil, b Turner	29
P. Hamilton, run out	0
I. Oates, c and b Melville	0
N. Watters, lbw Spence	30
C. Murphy, not out	27
W. Harper, not out	0
Extras	14

Total for 6 wks. 140

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Murphy	15	3	43	2
Hamilton	5	0	12	0
Harper	12	2	31	1
Oates	12	0	49	0
Dewhurst	1	0	8	0

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Elder	7	2	18	1
Neil	4	0	19	0
Turner	10	0	34	1
Melville	12	0	49	2
Spence	1	0	6	1

Match drawn.

Tuesday, May 17th—School v. Perth Academy—Away

Again Melville won the toss and elected to bat, on a slow wicket. And yet again we lost the first wicket cheaply, McLean being bowled in Royce's first over. But the rest of our batsmen played sensibly, if a little sluggishly and Melville was able to declare at 139 for 8. The spin bowling of Melville and Turner was too much for the Perth

batsmen, except Walker and Royce who patiently added 37 for the 3rd wicket. Melville bowling steadily finished with 6-17. Of these, five came in his last four overs for no runs.

Strathallan		Perth Academy	
S. C. M. McLean, b Royce	0	Rawlinson, c Mure, b Turner	1
A. F. Spence, b Coward	37	Gordon, c Lang, b Turner	3
W. B. Melville, b Gordon	22	Walker, c Thompson b Melville	20
T. N. W. Trusdale, b Gordon	22	Royce, c Cromarty, b Melville	18
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Gordon b Royce	27	Smith, c Mauchline, b Melville	6
G. L. H. Mure, c Walker b Royce	11	Smeaton, b Turner	0
W. M. Thompson, run out	0	Grant, c Spence, b Turner	2
H. A. R. Cromarty, c and b Gordon	6	Sinclair, c and b Melville	0
R. M. M. Lang, not out	6	Thomas, not out	0
R. J. Elder, not out	8	Coward, lbw Melville	0
Extras	6	Robertson, lbw Melville	0
		Extras	4
		Total	54

Total for 8 wks. (dec.) 139

A. D. Turner did not bat.

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Royce	18.4	4	51	3	Elder	6	1	11	0
Gordon	19	8	44	3	Turner	14	5	15	4
Rawlinson	10	1	22	0	Melville	11	5	17	6
Sinclair	1	0	8	0	Spence	3	1	7	0
Coward	2	0	8	1					

Won by 85 runs.

Saturday, May 14th—School v. Edinburgh Academy—Home

Melville won the toss again and chose to bat on a firm wicket. After losing Anderson cheaply, Melville and Spence laid the foundations for a good total by adding 54 runs in just over an hour. Then Allison broke the partnership by bowling Melville for 27. This was the start of a disastrous collapse in which 5 wickets fell for the addition of 29 runs in just under an hour. At lunch Strathallan were 89-8, soon after lunch the innings closed. Allison finished with 7-24.

The Academy start was delayed for twenty minutes, but when it got going, Crerar and Paton looked very safe against Elder and Turner and put on 36 for the 1st wicket. By tea they had reached 55 for 1. After they quickly lost Paton, well-caught off Elder by Turner, but this was the School's last moment of success. Playing very soundly, Black and Willis hit off the necessary runs. Black remained unbeaten at the end with 34.

Strathallan		Edinburgh Academy	
J. W. B. Anderson, b Dundas	1	J. A. Crerar, lbw b Elder	23
A. F. Spence, c Stevenson b Allison	39	K. M. F. Paton, c Turner, b Elder	24
W. B. Melville, b Allison	27	B. W. Black, not out	34
T. N. W. Trusdale, lbw Allison	4	R. W. Willis, not out	15
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Jackson b Allison	0	Extras	2
R. M. Wallace, c Burt b Allison	2		
W. M. Thompson, c Jackson b Allison	4	Total for 2 wks.	98

H. A. R. Cromarty, c Burt b	
Dundas	10
R. M. M. Lang, c Jackson b	
Allison	1
R. J. Elder, hit wkt. b Dundas	1
A. D. Turner, not out	1
Extras	7
Total	97

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Donald	5	1	8	0	Elder	13	2	46	2
Dundas	19	9	31	3	Turner	8	0	31	0
Burt	5	1	13	0	Lang	7	1	14	0
Allison	21.2	7	24	7	Melville	2	0	5	0
Black	7	0	14	0					

Lost by 8 wickets.

Wednesday, May 25th—School v. Merchiston Castle—Away

For the fourth time in a row Melville won the toss and elected to bat on a slow wicket. Spence and Ediksen gave the School their best start of the season putting on 14 together. But this was the only bright note in their innings. In the face of a very good piece of sustained pace bowling by Buck, only Trusdale and Mure reached double figures.

Merchiston facing an apparently easy task started off slowly and, by tea were 17 without loss. Swan and Yellowlees resumed in the same vein and took the score to 31 before Swan was l.b.w. to Turner for 13. Then off the next over Yellowlees and Ingham were out to the last balls. Turner took two more wickets in his next over and Lang completed his hat-trick in his next. Thus in the space of 16 balls Merchiston lost 6 wickets for only four runs, and the odds were very much in Strathallan's favour. The collapse continued and at 51-9 Merchiston seemed doomed to defeat. But Buck struck some lusty blows, including a six off Lang and Melville, and he and Manners added 25 for the last wicket, thus winning the match for Merchiston in brilliant fashion.

Strathallan

S. S. Eriksen, c Yellowlees, b	
Buck	7
A. F. Spence, b Buck	5
J. A. G. Gray, b Manners	9
W. B. Melville, c Robertson b	
Buck	1
T. N. W. Trusdale, c Drum-	
mond b Buck	15
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Allan b	
Manners	3
G. L. H. Mure, c Buck b	
Moffat	13
W. M. Thompson, c Manners b	
Buck	4
R. M. M. Lang, lbw b Buck	1
R. J. Elder, not out	9
A. D. Turner, lbw b Manners	0

Merchiston

Swan, lbw b Turner	13
Yellowlees, c Turner b Lang ..	18
Allan, lbw b Turner	0
Ingham, b Lang	0
Morrison, b Lang	0
Moffat, b Turner	0
Storey, b Turner	1
Buck, not out	26
Drummond, lbw b Turner	3
Robertson, b Turner	3
Manners, not out	5
Extras	7

Total for 9 wickets 76

Extras	8								
Total.....	75								
	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Buck	24	8	27	6	Elder	6	2	11	0
Moffat	12	5	11	1	Turner	17	7	25	3
Manners	15.4	4	30	3	Lang	9	2	25	3
					Melville	2.1	1	11	0

Lost by 1 wicket.

Saturday, May 28th—School v. Daniel Stewart's College—Home

Stewart's batting first, offered little resistance to Elder and Turner. The innings lasted 62 minutes, Turner taking five wickets in twelve balls. The School took 59 minutes to score the runs necessary to win, Melville finishing the match off with a six.

Daniel Stewart's College

F. Dakers, lbw b Elder	0
N. Lothian, b Elder	11
D. F. McLean, c and b Turner	9
R. Barclay, b Turner	8
D. Sparen, c Trusdale b Turner	3
D. J. MacLean, c Spence b Turner	7
T. Skinner, c Melville b Lang	1
A. Skinner, b Turner	0
H. West, b Turner	0
A. Currie, b Turner	0
D. Rees, not out	0
Extras	2

Total..... 41

Strathallan

J. A. G. Gray, not out	8
A. F. Spence, b Skinner	22
W. B. Melville, not out	11
Extras	2

Total for 1 wkt. 43

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Elder	6	1	17	2
Turner	9	2	19	7
Lang	3.1	2	3	1

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Barclay	9	3	18	0
Lothian	11.2	7	12	0
T. Skinner,	3	1	11	1

Won by 9 wickets.

Tuesday, May 31st—School v. Fettes—Away

Melville won another toss and elected to bat. Against accurate bowling by Foot the School lost four wickets but Mauchline led a recovery and the total was boosted to 100. Fettes were thus left with over two and a half hours to make the necessary runs. The School bowling was tight but not penetrating and Fettes lost only four wickets, two of these in one over from Spence. Smith batted sensibly for 70 minutes, making the top score of 34 not out.

Strathallan

S. S. Eriksen, c Todd, b Foot	0
A. F. Spence, b Foot	7
W. B. Melville, c Foot b Macintyre	2
T. N. W. Trusdale, run out	19
J. A. G. Gray, b Foot	8

Fettes

Westwood, lbw b Elder	9
McGlashan, b Elder	26
Smith, not out	34
Mardie, c Thompson, b Spence	18
Todd, b Spence	0
Graham, not out	0

C. J. W. Mauchline, b Foot ...	22	Extras	17
G. L. H. Mure, b Smith	14		
R. J. Elder, c McGlashan b Foot ...	9	Total for 4 wks.	104
W. M. Thompson, b Stewart ...	6		
R. M. M. Lang, c McGlashan b		Pickles, Temple, Foot, Stewart,	
Smith	2	MacIntyre did not bat.	
A. D. Turner, not out	4		
Extras	7		
	100		

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Foot	21	9	27	5	Elder	16	7	33	2
Macintyre	15	4	32	1	Turner	8	1	30	0
Stewart	11	5	16	1	Melville	6	2	10	0
Todd	4	2	7	0	Spence	2.1	0	14	2
Smith	7.1	3	11	2					

Lost by 6 wickets.

Thursday, June 2nd—School v. C.B.E. Somerville's XI—Home

Melville won yet another toss and chose to bat on a dry wicket. Gray and Spence opened, but despite losing Spence quickly Gray batted sensibly for three-quarters of an hour for his top score of the season. Mauchline and Wallace played fine attacking innings, and in the end the later batsmen sacrificed wickets for runs. Melville declared with 9 wickets down leaving Somerville's XI less than two hours to win. Thanks to a very fine partnership of 76 between Ayres and Giavarini made in 45 minutes, they were soon well ahead of the clock, and with Duncanson scoring quickly as well, they won with quarter of an hour to spare.

Strathallan

J. A. G. Gray, b Robertson	16
A. F. Spence, c Little b Underwood	4
T. N. W. Trusdale b Robertson	16
W. B. Melville, run out	21
C. J. W. Mauchline, b Scott	32
S. S. Eriksen, c and b Duncanson	7
R. M. Wallace b Duncanson. ...	24
R. J. Elder, b Duncanson	1
G. L. H. Mure, b Scott	0
R. M. M. Lang, not out	1
Extras	6

Total..... 128

A. D. Turner, did not bat.

C.B.E. Somerville's XI

G. W. Dawson, c Gray, b Elder	2
I. Giavarini, lbw, b Elder	43
A. E. C. Little, b Elder	0
S. J. Ayres, c Trusdale, b Elder	39
T. B. Robertson, b Lang	2
C. B. E. Somerville, not out ...	17
J. A. Duncanson, not out	23
Extras	3

Total for 5 wks. 129

R. L. G. Armour, A. Scott, K. Underwood, A. B. Wren, did not bat

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Underwood	6	3	7	1
Scott	12	2	42	2
Robertson	11	1	33	2
Armour ...	9	3	19	0
Duncanson	4.5	0	21	3

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Elder	12.1	0	67	4
Turner ...	5	2	25	0
Lang	6	0	24	1
Spence ...	1	0	10	0

Lost by 5 wickets.

Saturday, June 4th—School v. Strathallan Club—Home

Melville won the toss and elected to bat first on a slow wicket against a makeshift Strathallan XI. The first fifty runs came slowly and cost 3 wickets. Then Trusdale and Mauchline took part in a stand of 98 for the fourth wicket in 64 minutes. Mauchline attacked from the start in making his second fifty of the season. Trusdale was a lot slower, but he too reached fifty. Then wickets fell quickly as the School tried to go for runs. Melville eventually declared with 180 runs on the board for the loss of 7 wickets.

The Strathallan XI got off to a bad start against Elder and Eriksen, losing three wickets for 16 runs. Then Pate and Johnson took part in a fine partnership for the fourth wicket, adding 103 runs in 71 minutes and the Strathallians seemed to be coasting home. But after Johnson's dismissal, Elder snatched three quick wickets and together with Lang took the last six wickets for a further 22 runs.

Strathallan**Strathallan Club**

J. A. G. Gray, c Ashton, b Taylor	6
A. F. Spence, b Taylor	4
W. B. Melville, c Wearmouth	
b Pate	23
T. N. W. Trusdale, c Johnson, b Ashton	67
C. J. W. Mauchline, b Ashton	50
S. S. Eriksen, b Anderson	0
R. M. Wallace, lbw b Ashton	5
R. J. Elder, not out	7
G. L. H. Mure, not out	10
Extras	8

A. Cook, c Mellville, b Eriksen	5
W. S. Pate, b Lang	66
H. Galt, lbw b Elder	4
T. R. Taylor, lbw b Elder	0
A. G. Johnson, b Lang	54
D. R. Anderson, b Lang	0
J. W. B. Anderson, c Turner b Elder	1
J. P. Galbraith, b Elder	2
C. C. Weamouth, b Elder	0
T. C. Ashton, b Lang	0
G. Gordon, not out	6
Extras	9

Total for 6 wks. (dec.) 180

R. M. M. Lang, and A. D. Turner did not bat.

Total 141

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Taylor	23	3	77	2
Anderson	2	0	10	1
Cook	2	0	15	0
Pate	16	1	50	1
Ashton	6	2	20	3

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Elder	13.2	1	30	5
Eriksen	4	2	6	1
Turner	11	1	41	0
Melville	3	0	16	0
Lang	10	3	39	4

Won by 39 runs.

Thursday, June 9th—School v. Loretto—Home

Melville won the toss and chose to bat first on a slow wicket. We got off to a poor start losing 4 wickets for 29 runs in the first 50 minutes. But Trusdale, content to keep quiet and wait for the bad ball slowly led a recovery. With the aid of Wallace he added 37 for the 7th wicket and when he was out at 92, having batted 100 minutes he had steered the innings out of danger. Then Mure took complete charge of the bowling hitting 6 fours and we were all out for a very respectable 134.

Loretto got off to a good start, before Lawson was run out with the score at 22. Then Watt and Waters added 49 and at 71-2 Loretto seemed to be coasting home. But four more wickets fell by the time the score reached 110 at which point we seemed to have the upper hand. But no-one could break a seventh wicket partnership between Wilson and Cessford which saw Loretto home by four wickets.

Strathallan

W. M. Thompson, s Wilson, b	
Sconce	1
R. M. M. Lang, run out	4
J. A. G. Gray, b Francis	5
W. B. Melville, c Cessford, b	
Sconce	1
T. N. W. Trusdale, b Sconce	48
C. J. W. Mauchline, b Francis	10
A. F. Spence, c Wilson, b King	9
R. M. Wallace, lbw, b Sconce	9
G. L. H. Mure, c Francis b King	33
R. J. Elder, c Wilson, b Francis	4
A. D. Turner, not out	0
Etras	10

Total 134

Overs Mdns Runs Wkts.

Francis	22	4	54	3
Sconce	18	6	39	4
King	7	0	27	2
McLean	2	0	4	0

Loretto

A. J. Lawson, run out	15
W. J. Watt, run out	50
G. M. Waters c Trusdale, b	
Lang	20
R. W. K. McLean, c Turner, b	
Mellville	0
K. D. Brodie, c Turner, b Lang	1
I. McDonald, c Gray, b Lang	8
K. D. M. Wilson, not out	16
D. T. Cessford, not out	9
Extras	19

Total for 6 wkts. 138

A. M. Francis, M. R. King,

J. C. A. Sconce did not bat.

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Elder	6	0	18	0
Spence	3	1	9	0
Turner	7	0	20	0
Lang	20	4	42	3
Melville	15.3	6	30	1

Lost by 4 wickets.

Tuesday, June 21st—School v. K. Frost's XI—Home

Only two overs could be bowled because of a downpour, and the match was abandoned.

K. Frost's XI

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Barr, lbw Spence	3
Brownlee, not out	0
Collins, not out	2
Extras	5

Elder	1	0	3	0
Spence	1	0	2	1

Total for 1 wkt. 10

Match abandoned.

Wednesday, June 22nd—School v. Perthshire—Home

Melville won yet another toss and chose to bat in bright sunshine. Thompson and Gray put 26 on the board for the first wicket. Thereafter the varied attack of Perthshire was too much for the School's batsmen, and 8 wickets fell for 34 more runs. Then Turner and Sharpe added 19 valuable runs for the last wicket. Perthshire got off to a steady start, and when the first wicket partnership put up the 50, the School seemed doomed to a heavy defeat. But they managed to snatch three quick wickets before their opponents eventually snatched a win on the stroke of time.

Strathallan

Perthshire

W. M. Thompson, b Preen	14
J. A. G. Gray, b McClelland	15
W. B. Melville, b Jameson	6
T. N. W. Trusdale, b Jameson	7
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Preen, b	
Jameson	7

S. I. McGregor, c Thompson, b	
Melville	44
A. J. S. Stewart, b Turner	18
G. W. Searle, run out	7
A. R. D. Bowman, lbw b	
Turner	0

A. F. Spence, b McClelland	0	J. W. B. Anderson, not out	0
G. L. H. Mure, c and b Jameson	0	P. Reid, not out	1
R. M. Wallace, b Jameson	4	Extras	10
A. R. Sharpe, c McClelland, b Preen	13	Total for 4 wks.	80
R. J. Elder, c Gow, b Preen	1		
A. D. Turner, not out	8		
Extras	4		
Total	79		

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Reid	5	2	7	0	Elder	7	0	16	0
Preen	10.4	2	29	3	Spence	2	0	6	0
Jameson	11	5	17	5	Turner	12	2	29	2
McClelland	11	7	8	2	Melville	72	0	19	1
Bowman	5	3	14	0					

Lost by 6 wickets.

Wednesday, June 29th—School v. Forfarshire—Home

Forfar won the toss and chose to bat. Their first six batsmen all contributed solidly, and runs came at a very fast rate, 87 of them came in the first hour off the bats of Robertson and I. C. Reoch. Murray delayed his declaration and the School were left 174 to win in two hours. With no hope of victory the School tried to concentrate on defence, but failed to hold out against accurate bowling. Turner made top score with an unbeaten 22.

Forfarshire

D. G. Robertson, run out	42
I. C. A. Reoch, c Eriksen, b Spence	31
E. C. Reoch, b Spence	15
G. D. S. Hermiston, b Elder	19
T. M. Smith, b Elder	27
A. W. Murray, not out	14
Extras	25

Total for 5 wks. (dec.) 173

P. A. Rhind, R. S. Money, R. Flockhart, G. M. Smith, A. K. Harrow did not bat.

Strathallan

J. A. G. Gray, c T. Smith, b Harrow	8
A. F. Spence, s Hermiston, b Harrow	0
W. B. Melville, c Money, b E. Reoch	13
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Hermiston, b E. Reoch	0
S. S. Eriksen, b Harrow	3
I. A. G. Moodie, c and b E. Reoch	15
N. D. McKenzie, c Murray, b E. Reoch	1
R. J. Elder, lbw b Money	6
A. D. Turner, not out	22
G. W. Balfour, s Hermiston, b Money	6
T. C. Ashton, lbw b E. Reoch	2
Extras	6

Total

82

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Elder	11.5	5	23	2	Rhind	4	2	8	0
Spence	9	1	28	2	Harrow	14	4	22	3
Turner	11	2	44	0	E. Reoch	11.2	3	33	5
Melville	5	0	35	0	Money	8	4	13	2
Eriksen	3	0	18	0					

Lost by 91 runs.

Wednesday, July 15th—School v. Glasgow Academy—Away

The Academy won the toss and chose to bat. The possibility of the match being finished appeared doubtful at the start, as the sky was overcast. But play started as soon as we arrived. Neil and Spence opened the bowling, but failed to make any impression, and Cordiner and Neilson took the score to 19. Then Turner took three quick wickets at no personal cost. The Academy recovered thanks to Neilson and Elder, but when they were out, only Stewart stood between a total collapse and our spinners. The Academy had scored at a very slow rate, and we were left only 85 minutes to get the runs. Despite the highest score of the season, 76 not out by Melville, we fell six short of the target.

Glasgow Academy

R. W. Cordiner, b Turner	8
I. M. B. Neilson, c Wallace, b Lang	33
J. H. Winning, lbw b Turner	0
R. A. S. Jones, c Trusdale, b Turner	0
E. M. Elder, c Gray, b Turner	26
L. L. Monaghan, lbw b Turner	2
K. I. Miles, c and b Melville	12
A. J. Stewart, b Turner	20
P. R. N. Farrally, b Turner	5
D. F. Reid, c Gray, b Melville	2
T. I. McFarlane, not out	3
Extras	6
Total	117

Strathallan

W. M. Thompson, b Elder	0
G. L. H. Mure, c Reid, b Farrally	16
W. B. Melville, not out	76
T. N. W. Trusdale not out	11
G. J. W. Mauchline, b Farrally	8
Extras	1
Total for 3 wks.	112

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Spence	6	3	10	0
Neil	5	1	7	0
Turner	29	10	50	6
Melville	20	5	31	2
Lang	7	2	13	2

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Elder	8	2	30	1
McFarlane	6	2	22	0
Farrally	8	1	31	2
Jones	1	0	9	0
Neilson	3	0	19	0

Match drawn.

Thursday, July 14th—School v. Cupar—Home

Cupar won the toss and chose to bat on a hard wicket. Cupar lost Bell with only 16 on the board, but in the next 90 minutes bat so dominated ball that 146 runs came in that time, 95 of them including four sixes and eleven fours to McLaren. Mr. Stewart played the role of sheet-anchor extremely well, batting for 150 minutes. The School made some attempt to go for runs but fell 50 short with 20 minutes left. Melville played some good shots and made top score with 44.

Cupar

A. J. Stewart, not out	59
W. Y. Bell, c Thompson, b Spence	7
A. McLaren, c and b Melville	95
A. Braid, b Turner	3
W. Harper, b Trusdale	2
R. Scanlan, not out	3

Strathallan

R. M. M. Lang, c and b Mackenzie	5
A. F. Spence, lbw b Mackenzie	10
W. B. Melville, c Mackenzie, b Hardie	44
T. N. W. Trusdale, c Hardie, b Addison	22

Extras	12	J. A. G. Gray, c Scanlan, b Mackenzie	5
Total for 4 wks. (dec.)	181	A. D. Turner, b Hardie	0
		W. M. Thompson, b Hardie	11
		S. S. Eriksen, b Hardie	2
		J. W. B. Anderson, b McLaren	22
		G. W. Balfour, c and b McLaren	1
		T. C. Ashton, not out	2
		Extras	7
		Total	131

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.		Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Eriksen	6	0	15	0	Mackenzie	15	6	27	3
Spence	8	2	48	1	Bell	3	1	9	0
Ashton	3	0	14	0	Hardie	25	6	57	4
Lang	4	1	21	0	Addison	6	2	21	1
Turner	15	3	46	1	McLaren	3	0	10	2
Melville	7	0	20	1					
Trusdale	3	1	5	1					

Lost by 50 runs.

Saturday, July 16th—School v. Glenalmond—Away

Melville won the toss and chose to bat. Runs came very slowly from a very tight and varied Glenalmond attack. Bentley was the most successful bowler and finished with 4-15. For Strathallan, Mauchline alone batted with any confidence, and he stayed for over an hour for his runs. For Glenalmond, when they batted, Wilson played a very sound innings and he steered Glenalmond to their first victory over the School for ten years.

Strathallan

A. F. Spence, c Elmslie, b Hannah	10
J. A. G. Gray, c Begg, b Gordon	2
W. B. Melville, run out	7
T. N. W. Trusdale, b Gordon	12
C. J. W. Mauchline, b Bentley	25
R. M. Wallace, b Bentley	4
R. M. M. Lang, c Emslie, b Bentley	1
J. W. B. Anderson, b Bentley	4
R. J. Elder, b MacMillan	4
A. D. Turner, not out	11
G. W. Balfour, b Edgar	0
Extras	11

Total

91

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Bentley	13	7	15	4
Gordon	10	3	17	2
Hannah	5	2	18	1
Grégoire	6	1	12	0
MacMillan	14	8	17	1
Edgar	3.1	2	1	1

Glenalmond

D. R. A. Emslie, c and b Melville	20
G. A. M. Begg, b Elder	15
P. Heap, c Spence, b Elder	1
C. M. N. Wilson, not out	39
D. S. Gordon, not out	6
Extras	4

Total for 3 wks. 92

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Elder	10	4	11	2
Melville	9.2	2	19	1
Turner	11	5	20	0
Lang	11	2	17	0
Trusdale	3	0	14	0
Spence	1	1	0	0

Lost by 7 wickets.

**Tuesday, July 19th—School/Glenalmond XI v. Oxford U. Authentics—
at Glenalmond**

A strong Authentics XI beat the Combined XI by 9 wickets by 3.45, but both sides agreed to play on till close of play.

Strathallan/Glenalmond

D. R. A. Emslie, c Williams, b Scott	0
A. F. Spence, c Wright, b Scott	25
W. B. Melville, lbw b Allerton	1
D. S. Gordon, b Allerton	0
G. A. M. Begg, b Scott	37
C. M. N. Wilson, c Williams b Scott	4
C. J. W. Mauchline, c Williams, b Scott	0
T. N. W. Trusdale, s Williams, b Saunders	2
C. B. MacMillan, b Allerton	12
J. W. S. Bentley, c Williams, b Scott	7
A. D. Turner, not out	0
Extras	12
Total	100

Authentics

J. F. Stephens, s Emslie, b Melville	43
J. Q. Greenstock, lbw b MacMillan	39
P. J. R. Scott, c Begg, b MacMillan	28
J. Allerton, b Melville	10
R. Morgan, b MacMillan	12
R. Thompson, run out	18
N. Goodeve-Docker, b MacMillan	13
M. Wright, not out	19
J. G. Saunders, c MacMillan, b Melville	0
R. M. Williams, c Emslie, b Melville	0
N. C. Winstanley, not out	12
Extras	12

Total for 9 wkts. (dec.) 206

D. R. A. Emslie, c Morgan, b Allerton	0
A. F. Spence, not out	35
W. B. Melville, lbw Allerton	0
D. S. Gordon, not out	2
C. M. N. Wilson, c and b Wright	41
Extras	5
Total for 3 wkts.	83

G. A. M. Begg, C. J. W. Mauchline, T. N. W. Trusdale, C. B. MacMillan, J. W. S. Bentley, A. D. Turner, did not bat.

Overs Mdns. Runs Wkts.

Scott	16	6	39	6
Allerton	5.5	1	18	3
Winstanley	9	3	16	0
Stephen	7	4	9	0
Saunders	5	2	6	1
Scott	4	2	4	0
Allerton	8	5	6	2
Saunders	6	0	22	0
Thompson	3	1	12	0
Greenstock	10	2	26	0
Goodeve-Docker	1	0	6	0
Wright	1	0	2	1

SECOND XI RESULTS

- v. **St. Salvator's College**—Won by 60 runs. Strathallan 104 for 5 declared; St. Salvator's 44 (Keown 5 for 16).
- v. **Edinburgh Academy**—Drawn. Strathallan 109 for 8 declared (Mure 49); Edinburgh 82 for 7.
- v. **Perth Academy**—Won by 5 wickets. Perth 86 (Neil 5 for 27, Keown 4 for 7); Strathallan 89 for 5.
- v. **Daniel Stewart's College**—Won by 8 wickets. Stewart's 106 (Ogilvie 4 for 20); Strathallan 108 for 2 (Wallace 43, Mclean 40 not out).
- v. **Fettes**—Lost by 91 runs. Fettes 138 for 9 declared; Strathallan 47.
- v. **Glasgow Academy**—Won by 118 runs. Strathallan 154 for 6 declared. (Sharpe 61, Anderson 30); Glasgow 36 (Keown 8 for 16).

- v. **Falkland**—Lost by 9 runs. Falkland 144 (Keown 5 for 42, Eriksen 4 for 40); Strathallan 135 (Moodie 32 not out).
- v. **Glenalmond**—Drawn. Glenalmond 184 for 8 declared. (Ashton 4 for 41); Strathallan 132 for 6 (Neil 37 not out).

SENIOR COLTS RESULTS

- v. **Queen Victoria School**—Won by 32 runs. Strathallan 48; Queen Victoria 16 (Ross 5 for 10, Wearmouth 4 for 4).
- v. **Perth Academy**—Won by 145 runs. Strathallan 165 for 3 dec. (Jenkins 66, Gray 53); Perth 20 (McKenzie 4 for 2).
- v. **Merchiston Castle School**—Drawn. Merchiston 103 for 7 dec. (McKenzie 4 for 25); Strathallan 102 for 7. (Moodie 47).
- v. **Fettes**—Drawn. Strathallan 123 for 7 dec. (Moodie 29); Fettes 100 for 8 (Wearmouth 4 for 27).
- v. **Glasgow Academy**—Won by 102 runs. Strathallan 125 (Hill 29, Ross 27); Glasgow 23 (McKenzie 5 for 6, Wearmouth 5 for 8).
- v. **Glenalmond**—Lost by 7 wickets. Strathallan 99 (McKenzie 33); Glenalmond 101 for 3.

The following played:—G. C. H. Archibald, J. A. G. Gray, M. G. Harrington, J. F. Hill, D. G. Jenkins, D. W. McArthur, N. D. McKenzie, I. A. G. Moodie (Captain), J. D. N. Ovenstone, A. M. Paul, J. L. Pringle, G. M. J. Ross, W. I. Smith, J. D. Taylor, A. L. Wearmouth, A. L. Williamson.

JUNIOR COLTS RESULTS

Played 7, Won 4, Drawn 1, Lost 2.

- v. **Queen Victoria School**—(Home) School 81 for 6 dec. (Pringle 37 not out); Queen Victoria 23 (Sharpe 6 for 7). Won by 58 runs.
- v. **Perth Academy**—(Home) School 117 for 5 dec. (Perry 67 not out, Warburton 26); Perth 29 (Walker 4 for 8). Won by 88 runs.
- v. **Merchiston Castle**—Merchiston 125 for 7 dec.; School 77 for 7. Drawn.
- v. **Fettes**—School 23; Fettes 26 for 0. Lost by 10 wickets.
- v. **Glasgow Academy**—Glasgow 29 (Sharpe 6 for 13). School 30 for 7. Won by 3 wickets.
- v. **Rannoch**—School 99 for 8 dec. (Pringle 44 not out); Rannoch 32 (Sharpe 7 for 6). Won by 67 runs.
- v. **Glenalmond**—Glenalmond 104 (Walker 6 for 38); School 47. Lost by 57 runs.

UNDER 13; XI RESULTS

Played 8, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 0.

- May 28th**—v. **Lathallan**—Home—Lost by 18 runs. Strathallan 79; Lathallan 97.
- June 7th**—v. **Ardvreck**—Away—Won by 29 runs. Strathallan 55; Ardvreck 26.
- June 11th**—v. **Belmont House**—Away—Lost by 3 wickets. Strathallan 95 for 6; Belmont House 99 for 7.
- June 15th**—v. **Croftinloan**—Home—Won by 29 runs. Strathallan 62; Croftinloan 33.
- June 25th**—v. **Ardvreck**—Home—Lost by 3 wickets. Strathallan 51; Ardvreck 57 for 7.

Term. It was hoped that the general standard of boxing would improve and some style and technique would be displayed. However, in most of the bouts it was the usual tough fight, with plenty of spirit and courage but sadly lacking in technique. There were a few exceptions to this: the bout between R. J. Lawson and J. C. Bell was one of the best-fought contests seen at Strathallan.

Mr. Henderson organised the boxing, and acted as referee and judge in the preliminary bouts.

The finals were held on the 26th February. There were one or two very close hard fought contests, Evans and Lawson providing an exciting Light-weight contest. The climax of the evening was the fight between Low and J. L. Pringle. The winner of this tough bout was Pringle (Freeland). This result meant that Freeland tied with Ruthven for the Boxing Cup.

The Headmaster, who presented the prizes, Mr. Wormald and Mr. MacLellan were the judges. Mr. Henderson acted as referee. D. I. Jeffrey was Master of Ceremonies.

The results were as follows:

<i>Weight</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Runner-up</i>
Fly-weight:	Waterson (R)	Williamson (R)
Bantam-weight:	Mitchell (F)	Paul (F)
Feather-weight:	McDonald (R)	Findlay (F)
Light-weight:	Lawson (R)	Evans (R)
Light-welter:	Roger (N)	Fraser (R)
Welter-weight:	Sharpe (N)	Wearmouth (F)
Light-middle:	McArthur (S)	Gray (N)
Middle-weight:	Pringle (F)	Low (N)
Light-heavy:	Crowe (S)	Bailey (S)
Heavy 'A':	Broadwood (N)	Ross (N)
Heavy 'B':	Perry (F)	Fawcett (N)

The winners of the Inter-House Competition were: Freeland and Ruthven.

D.I.J.

Cross-Country

OWING to a lack of enthusiasm, there was no official School cross-country this year.

The Inter-House Competition was held at the end of the Spring Term as usual, and the individual winners were: Junior—D. Sharpe; Middle—J. Sutherland; Senior—A. Fea and J. Bosshardt. The Howe Cup was won by Ruthven.

It is hoped that more enthusiasm will be shown in years to come, and that cross-country will once again be one of the School's most important sports.

M.M.S.

Fencing

THIS year the club regrets the departure of Maître Fethers who has emigrated to Australia as Australia's National Fencing Coach. For some years he has been our visiting coach and has always given valuable instruction to both the experienced fencers as well as the beginners. We wish him every success in his new post.

Although fewer schools entered this year, the Thistle Shield Competition took a long time to get underway with matches being fought as late as the Summer Term. The result was that the general standard of match play was higher than in



B. C. Young and W. M. Thompson

previous years. The first match was against St. Joseph's College which we won by 9-7. This win could have been greatly strengthened had we not lost five bouts on a "la belle." The second match, against Merchiston Castle School, we lost by 11-5. Although the standard of fencing on both sides was high the result was conclusive. W. M. Thompson, however, surpassed

all expectations by winning all of his four fights, three of them from a "la belle." The final match against Dollar Academy was as close as any match could be. The score was a draw on bouts but on hits we narrowly won by 40 hits to 39. Overall we came 2nd in the Thistle Shield Competition—yet another step nearer to winning it. For all three matches the team comprised W. M. Thompson, G. L. H. Mure, A. J. Ainslie and B. C. Young.

W. M. Thompson, A. J. Ainslie, D. A. Richards and B. C. Young entered for the Scottish Schoolboys' Foil Championships this year. W. M. Thompson won the silver award and B. C. Young won the bronze award. Both had to fight a barrage in the finals of their respective events. Ainslie also qualified for the finals of the bronze class.

In the School Competitions W. M. Thompson won the Senior Foil and N. M. D. Townson won the Junior Foil.

The match results were as follows:—

6th March—*School v. St. Joseph's College*

Foil (max. 4 wins): Thompson 3; Mure 4; Ainslie 0; Young 2.

12th May—*School v. Merchiston Castle School*

Foil (max. 4 wins): Thompson 4; Mure 0; Ainslie 0; Young 1.

26th May—*School v. Dollar Academy*

Foil (max. 4 wins): Thompson 4; Mure 2; Ainslie 0; Young 2.

B.C.Y.

Golf Club

THE popularity of the sport can be seen in the Club Membership now totalling 140 boys. Enthusiasm for the tedious work of keeping the course in trim was noticeable, with members ensuring regular cutting of the greens. The condition of the course has improved with the addition of a bunker at the first hole and with the use of weed-killer and fertilisers on the greens. Despite a general improvement in the standard of golf, the school once again failed to beat Glenalmond on their home course.

Foursomes:

C. I. C. Munro and G. A. M. Begg (Glenalmond) beat D. M. Fairbairn and J. D. C. McKay 1 hole.

A. G. Scott and D. B. Norman (Glenalmond) beat J. T. Moffat and S. S. Eriksen 2 and 1.

J. Muir and A. R. Brash (Strathallan) beat A. J. Foster and D. Weir 4 and 2.

A. J. Stuart and A. Young (Strathallan) halved with R. M. Burton and R. Foster.

C. I. C. Munro (Glenalmond) beat D. M. F. Fairbairn 2 and 1.

G. A. M. Begg (Glenalmond) beat J. D. C. MacKay 3 and 1.

A. G. Scott (Glenalmond) beat J. T. Moffat 2 and 1.
S. S. Eriksen (Strathallan) beat D. B. Norman 2 and 1.
J. Muir (Strathallan) beat A. J. Lowden 1 hole.
D. Weir (Glenalmond) beat A. R. Brash 1 hole.
R. Burton (Glenalmond) beat A. J. Stuart 4 and 2.
A. Young (Strathallan) halved with R. Foster.

D.M.F.

Sailing

DURING the Winter and Spring Terms the maintenance of the School's five Enterprises and two Cadets was carried out very well under the supervision of R. F. L. Clark. Our schedule received a slight setback during the latter half of the Spring Term when the Sailing hut roof began to leak. However, the remaining painting which had to be completed was done in record time and all the boats were ready for the water by the end of the Spring Term.

At last we got rid of our old heavy leaky rescue boat which we graciously donated to the school fishing club. In its place we acquired a small fibreglass dinghy which proved to be a great improvement. A new mast, boom and centre-plate were also bought, due to breakages occurring at the end of last season.

Our first event was the Perth Sailing Club's Young Helmsman's Race on May 14th. Again we entered six crews, and conditions were good, the wind remaining steady force 4 for the whole race, right from the start Clark took the lead and increased it throughout the race to finish two minutes clear of his nearest rival. So for the first time ever, the trophy came to Strathallan. Other positions included a sixth from Beattie and a 7th from Inch.

This year the Perth Sailing Club's Team Racing week-end was run on a league basis, with each team providing its own boats. Light conditions prevailed on both days and on some occasions the boats began to drift backwards which in no way helped our team as we did not carry anchors! However, we managed to beat Corinthian B.C. and were narrowly defeated by Torfor S.C. by only 1½ points. Unfortunately Corinthian managed to squeeze us into last place overall by ¾ of a point.

The first School fixture was sailed at Granton against Fettes on May 31st. We sailed in an assortment of boats, Redwings, Gunther R.N.S.A.'s and Bermuda R.N.S.A.'s. In the light conditions MacFarlane romped home 1st both times, finishing ten minutes ahead of the second boat in the final race. The result was a convincing win for the School.

On June 5th we sailed against Glenalmond at Loch Freuchie. This fixture turned out to be very exciting as it was sailed in a force 5-6 which compensated for the International Cadets lack of speed.

MacFarlane and Clark were lying 1st and 2nd respectively but due to lack of local knowledge chose the wrong track after rounding the bottom mark and Glenalmond slipped to come 1st, 2nd and 4th. In the second race, the mistake was not repeated and we won the race with a 2nd, 3rd 4th after a brilliant tactical movement by Clark who sailed the second Glenalmond boat from 2nd into last place. However, this was not enough to make the deficit and we lost by $3\frac{1}{2}$ points.

In the Midland School's Races on Loch Earn, competing for the Brown Cup, we were represented by D. S. MacFarlane and R. F. L. Clark. We came 4th, repeating last year's result.

Our only home fixture was with Edinburgh Academy. Unfortunately MacFarlane and Prain were unavailable for the fixture, even so we were beaten by only $2\frac{1}{2}$ points.

On July 2nd we sailed against Loretto at Musselburgh in their G.P. 14's. Conditions were excellent, a force 4-5 wind prevailing. Racing was close but we managed to win by $30-27\frac{1}{2}$.

The House sailing competition was held later in the term, a gusty 4-5 prevailing. With all Nicol's four members in the school team they proved too superior for the other houses and made off with the cup with three 1st and a 2nd. Ruthven and Freeland tied for 2nd place with Simpson 4th.

Our last fixture was against the Cadets of Royal Tay Y.C. Conditions were ideal, but unfortunately the team were unable to master these conditions and were well and truly beaten.

The School will be represented in the School's Races at Clynder this year by R. F. L. Clark, P. M. Wilson and D. S. MacFarlane.

We hope to do as well as last year's team who came 9th out of 42.

R. F. L. Clark and J. D. R. Prain were awarded their colours for the 1966 season.

D.S.M., S.S.B.

Shooting

AFTER a poor winter season the standard of shooting has improved recently and prospects for next year are good. There was a shortage of top class shots for the first teams, many of last year's team having left, and consequently there was no

pressure from the reserves to keep team members up to the mark. This led to a slackening off of enthusiasm, which, added to the depredations of 'flu, caused us to withdraw our teams from the Perthshire League before the programme was completed.

Both Martini "International" rifles required repairs during the course of the season, but the other rifles were free from defects. A new B.S.A. Martini was bought primarily for the left-handers.

Our first major event of the season was the Staniforth Trophy, in which the "A" team was placed 54th out of 152 entrants and the "B" team 102nd. This was followed quickly by the Junior Winter Competition, in which the "A" team was placed 26th out of 63 entrants with a score of 750 and the "B" team were placed 39th with 739.

The Perthshire League reserve team shot a competition series against Queen Victoria School, winning 2 matches out of 4, thus drawing the series. The 1st VIII shot against Edinburgh Academy and were beaten 746 to 721, the team being: A. N. H. Guthrie, B. C. Young, K. W. Gillanders, N. F. Wallace, J. A. Dunbar, R. G. R. Galbraith and J. M. Thompson.

The R.A.F. section again took part in several competitions. The "A" team won the Wyllie Cup, the "B" team won the Tomintoul Cup and the section was placed 8th in the Assegai Trophy.

Eleven boys once more went to represent the School at the Perthshire Small Bore Rifle Association's Confined Prize Meeting on June 5th. Although several boys did not do as well as expected, third and fourth places in all sections entered were taken by Strathallan boys. This low placing was mainly due to intensified local competition, the standard of shooting required being much higher than last year.

In the Easter Term, Freeland regained the House Shooting Cup from Nicol by a narrow margin, the Freeland team being: B. C. Young (captain), K. W. Gillanders, N. F. Wallace and J. A. Dunbar.

Shooting colours were awarded this season to A. N. H. Guthrie, B. C. Young, K. W. Gillanders, N. F. Wallace, J. A. Dunbar, R. G. R. Galbraith and R. K. M. Taylor.

In the Easter Term, Young resigned the shooting captaincy to Guthrie.

The Individual Shooting Cup was won by Young.

A.N.H.G.

as against 32nd last year, and our time had greatly improved. B. H. Robertson travelled as reserve.

In a home match against Loretto we were narrowly beaten. The Juniors won 27 points to 24, the Seniors lost 20 to 31., giving Strathallan 47 and Loretto 55. The teams were as follows:

Seniors:

100 yards Freestyle—C. H. Thom 1st (62.5), R. D. Thom 2nd.
100 yards Breaststroke—A. R. A. Keown 3rd, B. H. Robertson 4th
100 yards Backstroke—R. D. Paul 3rd, C. H. Thom 4th.
3 x 50 yards Medley Relay—R. D. Paul, A. R. A. Keown, C. H. Thom.
4 x 50 yards Relay—B. H. Robertson, A. N. H. Guthrie, R. D. Thom, C. H. Thom.

Junior:

50 yards Freestyle—D. A. J. Smith 3rd, P. F. P. Cranston 1st (27.7).
50 yards Breaststroke—A. G. Chalmers 3rd, J. G. B. Robertson 2nd.
50 yards Backstroke—D. A. Richards 4th, A. D. Drysdale 1st (36.5).
3 x 50 yards Medley Relay—A. D. Drysdale, B. H. Robertson, P. F. P. Cranston.
4 x 50 yards Relay—D. A. J. Smith, A. L. Wearmouth, B. D. Mitchell, P. F. P. Cranston.

The House swimming competitions were extremely close and once again it was the middles who were outstanding.

The results of the sports were:

Junior

100 yards Long Distance—1st Robertson (S); 2nd Edwards (N)
50 yards Breaststroke—1st Robertson (S), 2nd McLeod (R)
50 yards Backstroke—1st Sharpe (S); 2nd Chalmers (F)
50 yards Freestyle—1st Mitchell (F); 2nd Robertson (S)

Middle

200 yards Long Distance—1st R. D. Thom (R); 2nd C. Thom (R)
75 yards Breaststroke—1st Keown (S); 2nd Chalmers (F)
75 yards Backstroke—1st Paul (F); 2nd C. Thom (R)
75 yards Freestyle—1st R. D. Thom (R); 2nd C. Thom (R)

Seniors

400 yards Long Distance—1st Robertson (S); 2nd Samples (R)
100 yards Breaststroke—1st Mure (F); 2nd Smith (N)
100 yards Backstroke—1st Shanks (R); 2nd Robertson (S).
100 yards Freestyle—1st Robertson (S); 2nd Elder (F)

Relays

Junior—3 x 50 yards Medley Relay—Nicol
Middle—3 x 75 yards Medley Relay—Simpson
Senior—3 x 100 yards Medley Relay—Ruthven
Open 6 x 50 yards Freestyle Relay—Simpson

Junior Champion—J. G. B. Robertson

Middle Champion—R. D. Thom

Senior Champion—K. L. Robertson

Swimming Cup

Simpson 1st, 86 points; Ruthven 2nd, 83; Freeland 3rd 70; and Nicol 4th, 56.

Our thanks go to Mr. Henderson for once again organising the Life Saving Classes.

Also to Mr. McNamara who has coached and trained the team and spent many afternoons taking swimming, and also coaching the non-swimmers.

Swimming colours this year were awarded to C. M. Thom, R. D. Thom and P. F. P. Cranston. Half colours were awarded to D. A. J. Smith.

D.M.R.B.

Tennis

THE season has shown a vast improvement in tennis throughout the School. This year we had a well balanced team, with the first and second strings playing above themselves on several occasions.

March results were:

- v. **Gordonstoun**—Lost 3-6
- v. **Glasgow Academy**—Lost 3-6
- v. **Fettes**—Lost 4-5
- v. **Daniel Stewart's**—Won 5-4
- v. **Glenalmond**—Won 7-1
- v. **Morrison's Academy**—Won 6-3
- v. **Merchiston**—Won 6-3

In the Inter-House competitions, Ruthven, with four of the School team, was by far the strongest side and duly won the cup.

The Singles competition was also of a higher standard in recent years. In the semi-finals R. J. Lawson, in his first year in the School, beat Cochran and Burt defeated Laband. In the final Burt beat Lawson 6-1, 6-4.

T.W.B.

STRATHALLIAN CLUB

1966

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Our President

BILL McKENNA was at Strathallan from 1929-1934 and during these years, took an increasingly prominent part in the school activities, being in his last year Vice-Captain of Rugby and Cricket and Captain of Nicol.

In 1934, he went to Glasgow University, qualifying M.B., Ch.B. in 1939 and while there, played rugby for the University, being Captain in the season 1937-38.

The War saw him in the Middle East, Italy and Greece as a Major and later as a Lieutenant Colonel. He was wounded and mentioned in dispatches in 1942.



The President, 1965-1966

On returning to civilian life, he specialised in Dermatology in the Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

He took his M.D., in 1946, his M.R.C.P. (Glasgow) in 1966 and is now Consultant Dermatologist to the Western Infirmary and the Southern General Hospital and Lecturer in Dermatology at the University of Glasgow.

Bill, apparently not satisfied with his service to the community, found time to be Secretary of Glasgow University Rugby Football Club 1946-1962 and is now a Junior Vice-President of the Rotary Club of Glasgow.

In spite of these activities, he still finds time to devote to his wife and four daughters.

A.G.M. and Annual Dinner

THE Thirty-second Annual General Meeting of the Club was held in the Station Hotel, Perth, on Saturday, 4th December, 1965, when the President, Mr. Gordon S. Lowden occupied the chair. The formal business of the meeting was dealt with expeditiously and the meeting approved the election of 74 new Life members and 3 new Ordinary members. The Council's Report and the annual Accounts, both of which had been circulated, were both approved. Office-Bearers were elected in accordance with the list printed at the start of the Old Strathallian Section of the Magazine.

Following the meeting, the annual Dinner was held in the Hotel Banqueting Hall and was well supported by members and their guests. An excellent Dinner was enjoyed by the assembled company.

Following Dinner, the President presented the Golf and Angling trophies which had been won during the season.

Principal guest of the evening was Mr. John H. Orr, Chief Constable of Dundee, a former Rugby International and a keen golfer. He played in all six Victoria Internationals after the War. Mr. Orr proposed the toast of the Club and the School and emphasised the tremendous part played by boarding schools and the importance of the extra curricula activities which they provided. He felt also that the importance of the Old Strathallian Club could not be over-emphasised. His speech which was obviously well prepared was received with enthusiasm.

The President replied on behalf of the Club and gave a resumé of the activities during the year. He was pleased that the touring team had done so well by defeating Charlton Park 12-3 and hoped that this would become a regular feature.

The Headmaster replied for the School and received the enthusiastic welcome which he always receives at Old Strathallan Dinners. His speech pinpointed the principal achievements of the pupils during the year. He has a most delightful manner of speaking which commands the undivided attention of his audience.

The toast of the Guests was proposed by W. A. S. Dryden who is Vice-President of Dundee Junior Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Dryden family business in Dundee. He delivered an amusing speech, making brief reference to each of the principal guests. The toast was replied to by Mr. A. Grant Lawson, the School Bursar, who spoke of his experiences at Strathallan in an entertaining speech.

Dance Report

THE Club's Annual Dance was held in the Banqueting Hall of the Central Hotel, on Friday, 21st January, 1966, when over 300 members and their friends were present. The guests were received by the President and his wife who entertained the principal guests, the Headmaster and Mrs. Hoare. Charles Harkin's Orchestra was in good form and the evening was, without doubt, an unqualified success. The 1967 Dance will be held in the Central Hotel, on the 20th January.

Angling Section Report

Captain: J. P. W. Park

Vice-Captain: Dr. J. L. Steven

Hon. Secretary: I. A. Headrick

THE rewards of the season's Competitions were again disappointing but the enthusiasm of the members of the Section has not been damped. All the Competitions arranged during the season have been well supported including a new venture to Coldingham Loch which was ruined by a cold wet night and latterly by an East Coast haar. The season is drawing to a close but the Phoenix Angling Club has been kind enough to invite some representatives to try their luck on Loch Lomond. Perhaps a sea trout or even a salmon may be caught yet.

London Branch Notes

CLUB activity has once again been restricted to the Annual Dinner held this year at The Berners Hotel, Oxford Street. Before the Dinner the Annual General Meeting was held and apart from the normal business it was unanimously agreed that the constitution should be slightly altered allowing the Committee

Members to continue for more than two years at a time. It was found necessary to do this in order to create more continuity than before by allowing permanent Londoners to do the 'work' and get to know more Strathallians, whereas before, Committee Members kept vanishing abroad.

Turn out was not very large but those who did attend enjoyed a good Dinner and the very excellent and lively company of the Headmaster whom we were extremely pleased to see, and who gave us an extremely good talk on the School with all the up-to-date news.

We hope to entertain a Rugger Team from North of the Border next year and look forward to a large attendance.

Office-bearers were re-elected as follows, and it is hoped that any Strathallians in London or the Home Counties will contact one of us so that their names can be added to our mailing list.

President: M. Dawson, The Crane Works, Hillingdon, Middlesex
Telephone: Uxbridge 37271

Secretary: D. M. Anderson, Farm Cottage, Wakes Colne, Essex
Home: Fordham 459 Office: Mincing Lane 9491

Treasure: Dr. K. Hunter, 41, St. John's Avenue, Putney, S.W.15
Telephone: Putney 5579

News of Old Strathallians

John Anderson (1941-46) is now a Consultant Surgeon at Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

John C. Atherton (1960-64) is commencing his third year of a B.Sc. Course at Glasgow University and is Captain of the University Ski Club.

Kenneth Ballantyne (1954-58) has been appointed Accident Insurance Inspector (Claims). In 1966, representing his country in 4 Athletic Internationals, he captained the team against Iceland and in July 1966, gained the record for the 1 mile (4 mins. 1 sec.).

Robin F. Baxter (1955-59) has been appointed Southern Area Sales Manager, Lightning Fasteners. He would be interested in contacting other Strathallians of similar vintage and can be reached at Central Agency Ltd., Harlequin Avenue, Brentford, Middlesex.

Iain P. G. Bell (1959-61) joined Shell Tankers (U.K.) Ltd., as 5th Engineer in January 1966 and has been sailing in the Far East since joining the Company.

Ian C. Borland (1958-62) has been awarded the Commerce Graduates' Association Prize.

A. J. G. Brown (1930-35) is now Secretary to the Faculty of Medicine, Queen's College, Dundee, and is married with 2 children.

W. A. T. Brunton (1962-66) is in his 1st year of Medicine at Edinburgh University.

A. D. K. Campbell (1955-59) was promoted to Flight Lieut. on 18th June, 1965 and is now serving on 139 (Jamaica) Squadron, R.A.F., W. Hering, near Peterborough. He is married with one son.

Bruce G. Clark (1956-64) is in his 2nd year of Dentistry at St. Andrews University and goes to Dundee University in 1967.

Ewan A. Davidson (1950-56) M.A., C.A., is now on a 3 year contract with an international firm of Accountants in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

D. C. Duncan (1954-59) has recently bought a farm, Sheilla-hill Farm, Gelston, Casle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire.

J. K. Dunlop (1936-40) is leaving Nigeria in September and will be residing in Majorca thereafter, having taken a partnership in "Freddies", Calvo Sotelo, Cala Mayor. He will be glad to meet any old Strathallians visiting Palma.

Michael A. Findlay (1955-60) is in his final year at Glasgow University Veterinary College and hopes to Graduate Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery.

Alan J. Fitzpatrick (1949-54) is now a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents.

William R. Galloway (1958-60) is in his 2nd year of a Mathematics B.Sc. Course at Witwatersrand and is a Science Student's Council Member for term of office 1966.

Ian J. Garvie (1956-62). After serving $3\frac{1}{2}$ years in the British Linen Bank, Perth, he received an appointment with the Bank of Montreal in Ontario Province. He is at present 'stationed' in the town of Kitchenar.

T. R. Gillies (1953-59) graduated in 1964 B.Sc., Civil Engineering Glasgow. He went to Canada in 1964 and is now working with Canada Iron Foundries Ltd., in Toronto. He was married in 1964.

Peter M. Grant (1955-62) is at the end of his final year in Electrical Engineering at Heriot Watt University and has been awarded a B.Sc. Honours Degree. He is taking up an appointment of Assistant Engineer in Radio Systems Division of Electronics Group of Plessey Company in Havant on 1st September.

C. Alan H. Greig (1959-65) is in his 2nd year of Civil Engineering at Queen's College, Dundee University of St. Andrews. He has been awarded the St. Andrews University Blue for Ski-ing and is Captain of Dundee Ski Team for 1967.

T. A. F. Jenkins (1957-63) is in his 2nd year of an Arts Course leading to B.A. Degree at Waikato University, New Zealand.

A. G. Johnston (1955-62) has graduated from Edinburgh University LL.B., and embarks on a degree of B.A. in law at University College, Oxford, next academic year.

Peter G. Lawson (1954-61) B.A., Hons. is at the end of his 2nd year of D.Phil. at Oxford University. He is spending 2 months this summer in Canada doing research at Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories.

Robert G. Logan (1960-64) is commencing an LL.B. course at Birmingham University in October 1966. During the General Election Campaign, he was aide to S.N.P. Candidate in Lanark.

Dale M. McIlveen (1945-50) is now working as a Representative for Shell.

J. M. Macharg (1939-44) M.A., F.F.A., was appointed Actuary of The Scottish Provident Institution in June 1965.

M. R. McLellan (1954-59). Having spent 5 years with V Field Regiment R.A. decided to go on secondment to 'The Trucial Oman Scouts'. Initially, he spent 3 months in Aden on an Arabia Language Course, then joined the T.O.S. in November 1965. Being promoted to Captain (Temporary Rank) he was posted to the Training Squadron.

Keith Manson (1958-64) is in his 1st year of a Modern Languages Course at St. Andrews University.

David A. S. Martin (1924-28), who is a Consultant Dental Surgeon, Perthshire General Hospitals was appointed a member of the Board of Management of the Perthshire General Hospitals.

Kerr Matthew (1957-64) is now 2nd Lieut. of the 4 Royal Tank Regiment in Borneo.

Hugh G. Morton (1957-61) is starting his final year of Medicine at Queen's College, Dundee.

John L. W. Parker (1956-61) is in his final year of an M.B., Ch.B. Course at Glasgow University and plays rugby and cricket for Kelvinside Academicals.

N. D. L. Paterson (1955-61) worked for 2 months in Union-Castle Office, Southampton and has just completed 4 voyages on "Windsor Castle" to South Africa (55,000 miles). He was

promoted to 3rd Catering Officer on "Capetown Castle" w.e.f. on 1st July and would recommend this life to anyone who does not mind long hours and who wants a good salary.

C. Perry Roselle (1954-59) who is a Lieut. in the U.S. Army has received orders for Vietnam.

Stuart R. Roselle (1954-60) holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and is working for New England Telephone & Telegraph in New Hampshire.

M. D. Rossie (1950-56) is a Flight Lieut. serving on a Vulcan Mk. 2 Sqdn., at R.A.F. Cottesmore, Rutland.

Michael W. Shaw (1953-61). On leaving School he took a B.Sc. Course in Agriculture at the University of Reading where he graduated in July 1965. He is now living near Nairobi, Kenya, and works as a Technical Representative for Murphy Chemicals (East Africa) Limited. He would like to hear from any Strathallians living in Kenya or in East Africa, as he travels the three countries regularly.

W. D. S. Simpson (1942-47), B.Sc., A.F.R. Ae.s., was promoted to Squadron Leader of O.C. Ground Engineering Squadron at R.A.F. Wittering in May 1965. He was married in 1960 and has one boy and two girls.

Wm. O. G. Taylor (1926-29) was elected F.R.C.P. (Glasgow) in 1965. He was awarded the Mary Harkness Prize in Medical Ophthalmology by Glasgow University in 1964.

Lawrence Urquhart (1950-54) L.L.B., C.A., A.M.I.M.C., is working as a Management Consultant in Harpenden, Herts. He is married with two sons.

John C. Walker (1951-56) is now in the Pacific Coast of Canada and Mexico and is part owner of Sea Mist Seafood Products Limited. He is their Marketing Manager.

Gavin Watson (1956-61) is in his final year of an M.B., Ch.B., Course.

Robert M. Weir (1952-54) is now in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, in a bakery business (trainee management) but is learning the art of Computer Programming.

David J. Whitton (1937-41) has added a Diploma in Education to his qualifications. He has changed his profession from a Royal Air Force Officer to a Teacher of Modern Languages. His current appointments are Teacher of Modern Languages at the Geelong College, Victoria and Tutor in Arabic at the University in Melbourne.

ENGAGEMENTS

- BENSON—Bruce (1954-59), Kent Cottage, 113 West Argyle Street, Helensburgh, to Miss Sarah-Jane Gardner, 'Rowanmore', Helensburgh.
- JENKINS—T. A. F. (1957-63), Ardmhor, Bridge of Allan, to Miss Kathleen Marjorie Ash, Dolphinton, Prestwood, Bucks.
- NAIRN—Andrew (1958-62), 5 Douglas Court, Newton Mearns, Renfrewshire, to Miss Irenè Smith, 134 The Oval, Clarkston, Glasgow.

MARRIAGES

- DAVIDSON—Ewan A. (1950-56), P.O. Box 220, Montego Bay, Jamaica, West Indies, to Miss Margaret W. Stannard, West Bridgford, Nottingham, on 16th October, 1965.
- DAVIDSON—John J. W. (1957-62), 6 Atholl Place, Perth, to Miss Sheana Mary Stephen, on 17th August, 1966, at Brechin Cathedral.
- DAVIDSON—Peter (1948-54), 90 Saughtonhall Drive, Edinburgh, 12, to Miss Freda Collinge, on 11th September, 1965, at Corstorphine.
- KERR—R. I. M. (1951-58), 74 Bourton Avenue, Patchway, Bristol, on 27th November, 1965.

BIRTHS

- BIRSS—Dr. I. R. (1946-49), on 27th April, 1966, to Dr. and Mrs. I. R. Birss, 17 Dunbar Terrace, Thurso, a son, Stephen William.
- EASON—Roger S. (1950-54), on 16th December, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Eason, 6 Rysland Avenue, Newton Mearns, a daughter, Jane Stuart.
- FITZPATRICK—Alan James (1949-54), on 14th March, 1966, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fitzpatrick, 5 Park Gardens, Glasgow, C.3, a daughter, Dawn Brunton.
- GILCHRIST—J. Russell (1945-49), on 17th November, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gilchrist, a son, David William Robert.
- MACHARG—J. M. (1939-44), on 9th December, 1965, to Madeline and Maitland Macharg, 6 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, a daughter, Mary Anne Urela, a sister for Walter and Richard.
- MILLAR—A. C. (1949-54) (Adoption) by Captain and Mrs. A. C. Millar, R.A. Range Hebrides, Benbecula, a daughter, Anna Caroline Maryon, born 31st December, 1965, a sister for Colin.
- RITCHIE—Alexander D. (1951-54), on 9th January, 1966, to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ritchie, Strathpark, 2 Cavendish Drive, Newton Mearns, a son, Andrew.
- ROSSIE—M. D. (1950-56), on 29th December, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Rossie, 39 Lonsdale Road Stamford, Lincs., a daughter, Marianne Martens.
- STUART—A. A. (1944-49), on 17th November, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Stuart, 2 Kirkle Drive, Newton Mearns, a son, Alasdair Ian.
- URQUHART—Lawrence (1950-54), on 29th September, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Urquhart, 15 Wells Close, Harpenden, Herts., a son, Ross.

Obituary

JOHN B. BALFOUR

JOHN B. BALFOUR who attended Strathallan from 1928 to 1934 died suddenly in Buenos Aires on 13th November, 1965, the day before his 47th birthday.

On leaving school, John was a "Mud Student" to his uncle for about 12 months before returning to the Argentine to take up estancia work. He did very well in this line and at the time of his death was building up pedigree herds of Aberdeen Angus and Short Horn cattle.

He always retained a live interest in Strath and was largely instrumental in keeping together the many Old Boys in the Argentine, acting as Secretary of an unofficial Strathallian Club in Buenos Aires. In 1958, he brought home and presented to the School, a trophy, on behalf of the Old Boys in the Argentine, which trophy is competed for by the Junior House Rugby teams.

He also coached Rugby at St. John's School, Buenos Aires, owned and run by Mr. Segge, one time Ruthven Housemaster at Strath.

John leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters.

Strathallan Occasionals C.C.

THREE seasons ago the Occasionals came into being. The club grew from a group, mainly masters and Old Boys, who wanted the opportunity to play good, entertaining cricket.

We play on about eight Sundays during the Summer Term at the School, by kind permission of the Headmaster, and this year a ten day tour in the West of England was added to the fixture list.

So far we are unbeaten, and as our opponents include Perthshire, West Lothian, Grange, and other leading clubs, I can safely say that we have succeeded in providing cricket of a good standard. Entertaining cricket? All our visitors have expressed their wish to continue the fixture, and so presumably they enjoy their day at Strathallan.

If any Old Boy would like to play, or to know more about the club, please write to me at the School. There is no entrance fee, no subscription, merely a match fee (at present 3/-) to cover the cost of tea and printing. Generally speaking, the side comprises the first eleven who ask to play.

D. A. R. Williams

Our Contemporaries

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following magazines :

The Aberdeen Grammar School Magazine; Cambusdoon Magazine; The Crawfordtonian; Edinburgh Academy Chronicle; The Fettesian; Allan Glen's School Magazine; Glasgow Academy Chronicle; Glenalmond Chronicle; Gordonstoun Record; The Heriotes; The High School of Glasgow Magazine; Hillhead High School Magazine; King Edward VI G.S., Morpeth Magazine, The Merchistonian, The Morrisonian; The Royal Air Force College Journal; The Rannoch Record; Schola Regia; Stewart's College Magazine; The Thunderer (R.N.E.C. Manadon, Plymouth); The Torch Bearer (Sydney Church of England Grammar School); The Victorian; The Watsonian.