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welcomes careful readers!

"monthly"

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL JUMBLE SALE, BUT COME ON OWN UP

WHO SOLD PETER TAIT FOR 50p?

WHILST I thoroughly commend the supersalesmanship of the person who got the highly commendable, nay daylight robbery sum of 50p for Peter Tait (I hope BHC's Consumer unit don't get to hear about it!) and I know it was Peter's own fault for standing still for so long BUT I do think you should have told Mrs. Tait that you had sold her husband...as she wanted the car keys from him before he disappeared! Fortunately the situation was remedied when the purchaser brought Peter back saying he was a little too tall for a garden gnome after all and could she have her money back. As the number of times the Arkley treasury has refunded money can be counted on the fingers of one ear I (as treasurer) quickly offered her Arthur Brown and Arthur Johnson and a cash adjustment of 38p but she said she wasn't interested in antiques! (I know who I'm not going to get birthday cards from this year or ever now come to that Ed.) Paul Townsend then smoothed matters over by ensuring the woman that as we kept her 50p she could have first refusal on Norman 'the original funky' Gibbon(s) or Dewi 'Geronimo' Williams next year if available. Paul had the sense not to show her a photograph of these 'Unlikely Lads' thus stalling further trouble until next years Jumble Sale.

WITH APOLOGIES.

AND NOW THE TRUTH.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT!

FINAL TOTAL

BREAKDOWN OF FIGURES

£64.73

Receipts	£ - p
Float	75-43
Hire of Hall	3-00
Adverts in Local Press	5-00
TOTAL	2-70
	<u>£64-73</u>

Although the above total is a very nice boost to the club finances I do feel that my estimate of £100 in the last bulletin is quite reachable if everybody were to pull their weight. We are indebted to many 'non-players' for achieving the total we did and it seems unfair that these people won't benefit from the money raised whereas some of those who will were not involved. So next year let's have everybody helping out, not just for the financial side but also the social side as although there is a lot of work involved it can be fun and it is nice to see all those familiar summer faces and their families gathered together in the middle of winter.

A clear example of where we could have made more money had there been more people helping was when Arthur Johnson had to leave his job of taking the admission to help out on a busy stall (Ladies Underwear actually!) and thus many people came in uncharged.

P.T.O.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF IT SO FAR - RUBBISH!

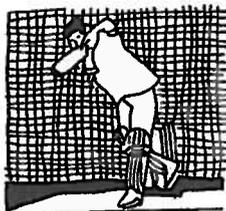
THANKS

FOR YOUR HELP.

THANKS for help at the Jumble Sale must go to; Mrs. Johnson and daughter Karen, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Tait, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Bass (a friend of Mrs. Davies), Mrs. Andrews and daughter Wendy, Mrs. Ludgate (my nan), Ron Townsend, Mrs. Ingram and all the playing members who helped throughout the preceding week and on the Saturday.

Special mentions to Ron Townsend who again did so much, so willingly and always with a smile; to Mrs. Brown whose enterprise got us £2 for a book we would probably have sold for 10p or less when she took it to a local antique shop and to Peter & Colin Brown, Paul & Clive Townsend who did most to make the venture a success.

NETS



1974 1975

at
HERTFORDSHIRE
INDOOR CRICKET
SCHOOL

Indoor Net Appearances up to and including 20th March 1975 are as follows with cumulative totals since the 1971 season in parentheses. Maximum possible totals to date are 22 (89), these figures taking into account the fact that nobody was able to go to the nets on 20th March due to a lack of transport!

R.N.Ingram	21 (86)	B.J.Andrews	8* (36)
J.E.Griffiths	19 (79)	C.J.Brown	6 (13)
P.A.Brown	15 (79)	P.C.Tait	3 (54)
C.Townsend	14 (62)	A.T.Booth	1 (4)
P.Townsend	12 (43)	D.C.Spiegel	1 (1)
N.J.Gibbons	12 (36)	R.A.Jones	1 (1)
P.K.Sharma	9 (48)	A.G.Brown	(1)(21(1))

*=Plus 6 appearances with Old Fincunians C.C.
M.T.Cripps has made 1 net appearance at University.

On March 13th Bob Ingram took his newly acquired cine camera to the nets. The resultant film has been granted a 'U' certificate by the censorsboard but parents are warned that parts of the film might be frightening for children (i.e. John Griffiths is in it!).

£-p TREASURY £-p

INCOME

	£ - p
Balance from 1974	85-50
Annual Subs.	11-00
Indoor Nets*	30-50
Donations	3-42
Interest on Deposit Account	7-45
Jumble Sale Receipts	72-43
TOTAL	210-30

*£29-00 paid during last summer for hire of nets.

EXPENDITURE

	£ - p
Admin. Expenses	8-60
Hire of Pitch	23-25
C.C.C.	
1974 Emergency Fixture Bureau	1-10
1975 Membership	3-05
Jumble Sale Expenses	7-70
Insurance	4-50
TOTAL	48-20
BALANCE	£162-10

Annual Subs paid by; P.C.Tait, A.F.Johnson, R.N.Ingram, B.J.Andrews, A.T.Booth and C.J.Brown.

Honorary Member Subscription Donation by E.H.Andrews.

Some new club gear is to be bought in the very near future.
REMEMBER TO KEEP A SAFE BREAKING DISTANCE BETWEEN YOU AND THE NEXT JOKE.
(ATTEMPT AT A JOKE THEN!)

NEWS IN BRIEF

FIXTURE NEWS

With the start of the season just a month away, although as I type this snow is falling outside! (well it wouldn't fall inside would it.) here is a list of our opening eight fixtures in advance of the fixture cards.

Sat April 26th v. Bentley Heath II (A) (Wrotham Park) 2.30
Sat May 3rd F.A. Cup Final
Sun May 4th v. Sahibs (A) (Whitewebbs Park) 2.00
Sat May 10th v. Orange Hill Old Boys (H) (Barnet Playing Fields) 2.30
Sat May 17th v. Northmet (A) (Woodcroft) 2.30
Sat May 24th v. Manor Drive Methodists (A) (Oakhill Park) 2.30
Wed May 28th v. Northmet (H) (Barnet Playing Fields) 6.00
Sat May 31st v. Potters Bar Crusaders (A) (King George \bar{V} P.F.) 2.30
Sun June 1st v. Waltham Abbey Royal British Legion (A) (Upshire Hall) 2.3

FORTHCOMING BIRTHDAYS

Colin Brown, 31st March: Mark Cripps, 2nd April: Happy Birthday to both.

LETRASET

Letraset has now gone up to £1-13 a sheet, this months title typeface is 48point American Unical, next month 42point Prisma.

ERRATA

Among the many spelling and typing mistakes in last months bulletin I spelt Helen Ingram's maiden name as Spilstead. This should of course have been Spilsted. Sorry Helen.

LETTER FROM GORDON TREBILCOCK

In a recent letter from Gordon he says that he thinks it unlikely that his mother would be able to put us up at 'Bro Tref' for the Cornwall Tour this year after the sad death of Mr. Trebilcock in January. He reasons that the house is far too large for her to manage alone and it may be necessary for her to move from St. Mawgan. Gordon has promised that he will let us know if the position becomes clearer.

Other news from Gordon is that he has been promoted to treasurer of Mere C.C. and that the club will be entering the Dorset League as well as the Haig Cup and the Senior and Junior Wiltshire Knockout Competitions this year. If anybody wants to read the letter in full ~~hard luck~~ let me know. Finally Gordon offers some information on the actual age of Arthur Brown, he wrote, 'By the way I notice you were not sure of Arthur Brown's age, but Jack Graham remembers Arthur being present at his christening. However I do not know how reliable this information is because Jack continued to say that Arthur was holding Arthur Johnson's hand at the time. However there used to be a record of this event under the foundations of the 'Black Bull'. I think that if you ask Peter Tait he will tell you the complete story, because actually Peter told Sharma, and Sharma told me. I would not want to cause any trouble!

INSURANCE

E.J.Welton the firm who have insured us for the past three years are unable to continue the policy this year. We will however be covered by a new insurance scheme recommended by the National Cricket Association.

HOLIDAY TIME!

Peter Brown and Jon Davies will be holidaying in the Greek island of Rhodes for a fortnight starting on 3rd April.

CAUTION. Boring Statistics ahead. By pass to page 5 to open very soon.

Many people have asked me well several people have asked me well somebody asked me once nobody has ever asked me but here nonetheless are the eclectic record partnerships for each wicket since the beginning of the 1967 season.

- 1st Wicket 88 P.Sharma (78n.o.) and C.Townsend (58)
v. Sahibs (H) on 1st September 1973
- 2nd Wicket 103 P.Sharma (67) and B.Andrews (40)
v. M.A.A.F. Nomads on 9th September 1973
- 3rd Wicket 81 M.Cripps (80) and B.Andrews (26)
v. Little Gaddesden (H) on 30th June 1974
- 4th Wicket 92 M.Cripps (55) and B.Andrews (51n.o.)
v. Roving Reporters (H) on 28th July 1973
- 5th Wicket 118 J.Holland (64) and D.Parkin (62)
v. Manor Drive Methodists (A) on 1st July 1967
- 6th Wicket 64 A.Brown (43) and G.Trebilcock (32)
v. Northmet (H) on 22nd July 1969
- 7th Wicket 38 G.Coppola (21) and J.Griffiths (17)
v. Barnet Youth Club (H) on 24th July 1968
- 8th Wicket 45 C.Townsend (99) and A.Brown (8n.o.)
v. Northmet (A) on 18th May 1974
- 9th Wicket 34* R.Ingram (19n.o.) and E.Lloyd (14n.o.)
v. Northmet (A) on 20th May 1972
- 10th Wicket 31 J.Griffiths (13) and T.Owen (8n.o.)
v. Bugle (A) on 11th July 1970
- 11th Wicket 24 E.Lloyd (28) and T.Owen (6n.o.)
v. Northmet (H) on 5th August 1967
- 12th Wicket! 0 E.Lloyd (0n.o.) and C.Brown (0)
v. Northmet (at Upshire Hall) on 19th September 1971

* = Unbroken

Embassy Cup

Secretary PETER BROWN has found out that for the first two rounds of the Embassy Cup a team has to enter either the Saturday or Sunday draw and the dates for these rounds are stipulated by the organisers. Thus this would prove difficult if we already had games on those dates. It will be remembered of course that Peter was asked to look into the possibilities of us entering the Embassy Cup this year instead of the Red Cross Cup. After the first two rounds the competition switches to midweek and as the matches^{are} of 45 overs per side it would take a whole afternoon to get a match completed thus causing more difficulties. More details in next month's bulletin however.

FOOTNOTE

As I type this it is three years to the day since I broke my ankle. Footnote...Ankle...Oh suit yourselves!

BEWARE! Uncensored page ahead, stray jokes on the loose!

PERSONAL FILE

No. 3 PAUL TOWNSEND

- DATE OF BIRTH; 8th August, 1952 (or eight minutes to eight).
- PLACE OF BIRTH; Don't know, I wasn't there. (I didn't arrive until later.)
- PARENTS; Yes.
- PARENTS OCCUPATIONS; They're in the Iron & Steel Industry, my mother irons and my father steals.
- HEIGHT; 6 feet - in my high heels, oh what a give away.
- WEIGHT; You'll probably have to, for a long time.
- HAIR; Hang on I'll just remove the wig and see ah one..two..three..fo
- EYES; Azure blue I's azure you they're blue.
- FEET; Three, one yard.
- DISTINGUISHING MARKS; Parrot on shoulder, Arrh.
- I.Q. for hours to catch a 134 bus.
- MARRIED; Yes, husband of C.Townsend.
- CHILDREN; Yes, three (One of each)
(By the way did you know children are hereditary; the chances are that if your parents didn't have any, you won't either.)
- WORK; Only if I have to.
- PLACE OF WORK; Near to the local employment exchange (It saves all that extra walking). I went along to the employment exchange the other day with an Irish friend. The chap behind the desk said that he had just the job for us and took out a card from his file. It said 'Tree Fellers wanted'; that's no good said my Irish mate Paddy, there's only two of us!!
- I'm sorry I got carried away there; I know you're saying the sooner the better.
- FAVOURITE FOOD; Alcohol. Do you know the other day I had grouse for breakfast, chicken for dinner and turkey for supper, it was a foul day.
- DRINK; Thank you, Ed., I'll have a vodka and tonic, hic!
- FAVOURITE ENTERTAINER; Me.
- FAVOURITE ACTOR; Me. (Oh, I love myself, I have to, nobody else does.)
- FAVOURITE ACTRESS; Larry Grayson.
- FAVOURITE FOOTBALL TEAM; Supports Bristol's City.
- INTERESTS; Wine, women and *song*.
- PERIODICALS; Once a month the Arkley Herald, Daily Male, Hello Sailor.
- BIGGEST THRILL; Not often.
- BIGGEST DRAG; Danny La Rue (and reading this ruggish)

DON'T CALL US PAUL, WE'LL CALL YOU. NEXT MONTH; TONY (the beard) BOOTH.
HOW ABOUT YOU FOR THE MONTH AFTER THAT? IF YOU CAN'T WRITE, DRAW PICTURES!

END OF BULLETIN THREE PAGES TURN OFF NOW FOR SANITY OR CONTINUE AT
YOUR PERIL! SPEED LIMIT 70 WORDS PER MINUTE! GIVE WAY TO LITTLE YELLOW VANS!

"Please sir, can I go backstop?"

PART ONE

YOUR EDITOR REPORTS ON SCHOOL CRICKET, IN PARTICULAR A JUNIOR SCHOOL CRICKET LESSON HE HAD THE PRIVILEGE(?) TO WATCH LAST SUMMER.

ONE OF the theories suggested for the decline of British cricket after 'our' recent 1-4 Test defeat in Australia is that the sport is not getting enough attention in the schools. I myself saw a decline in cricket coaching at my senior school during the seven years I was there. In my first year there (1965) cricket was the summer sport for boys, although until sports day in May a certain amount of athletics had to be done alongside but in later years athletics took precedence before sports day and after that event those who wanted to play cricket in games lessons could do so while the sports master went off with those who wanted to continue with athletics or started games of volleyball, head tennis etc. for those who said cricket was boring (shame on them) and that they wanted some action! Those who plumped for cricket were usually those who liked cricket (gerraway!) plus quite a few who saw cricket as the 'soft' option, preferring a quiet afternoon in the field to a strenuous game of volleyball or running round the track, although these characters usually found it fun to play the fool when it was their turn to demonstrate their (lack of) batting skills. Thus cricket 'lessons' were a bit of a mockery to those with any skill at the game. It was noticeable too that new P.E. masters knew little of the game and preferred to teach other sports and games in the summer as they were easier to organise than cricket. Although to be fair we did have one P.E. master who was (and still is) a very fine cricketer with a great knowledge of the game and who gave much advice and encouragement to the 'Manorhill Mob' (and who incidentally was the person who decided that an ambulance should be sent for when your editor broke his fetlock - you've gone off him now haven't you!). However the main point of this article is to tell you about a junior school cricket lesson I watched last summer which further backs the view that cricket in schools is dying.

AS I entered the park my heart cheered to the sight of a cricketer, well a person dressed in cricket gear, knocking stumps into the ground. At the prospect of watching a cricket match in midweek I sat down on a nearby bench to watch and soon after saw a gaggle of school-boys running, shouting and fighting! across the greensward. 'Please sir, can I be batter' said one, 'I'll be bowler' said another, 'Bags I'm batter' said a third and then came that awful but oft used misnomer 'Please Sir, can I go backstop?' said by a lad who was so short that if he had gone wicketkeeper would not have been able to see over the top of the stumps even when standing up! All these questions and statements were directed at our flanneled friend who was still knocking the stumps in and so I looked to him to exert his authority and establish some order amongst the rabble but he just said yes to all the requests. This led to the unlikely situation of there being seven batsmen, five bowlers, four wicketkeepers, no fielders and twenty one scorers! Not surprisingly several fights broke out amongst the boys as the master continued knocking the stumps in, I'm sure he saw them as a work of art. It was now for the first time that I noticed how immaculate the master's kit was; spotless boots and flannels, impressive green colouring on his pullover and finished off with a green cap with a crest and inscription on it. Probably a keen club cricketer you may think, but let me tell you he must have been the most unlikely looking sportsmaster imaginable, he was rather overweight, wearing thick framed glasses and had a rather jerky awkward walking step. When one of the boys through him a dolly catch with a tennis ball from a couple of yards he managed to drop that!! No, I think it more likely that he was no more than 12th man for the Old Beans Extra 7'ths on a couple of occasions in the dim distant past.

END OF PART ONE. MORE OF THIS RUBBISH NEXT MONTH IN PART TWO 'THE YANK AT FINCHLEY'. IF ANYONE DISAGREES WITH MY THEORY THAT SCHOOL CRICKET IS DYING I WOULD GLADLY PRINT ANY CORRESPONDENCE ON THE SUBJECT.

NOW TEST YOUR BRAKES.

SCORECARDS OF THE PAST

NUMBER ONE
IN A NEW SERIES.
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Last year for the first time since the 1967 season our ace opener P.K.Sharma failed to score a fifty. As it was I who ~~brilliantly~~ luckily stumped Sharma whilst playing for Mere in the last game of the season when he looked well set for a fifty, I print below Sharma's first recorded fifty for the club on 29th June 1968. This was also a good team performance in which we beat M.D.M. by 132 runs.

ARKLEY v. MANOR DRIVE METHODISTS

played at Barnet Playing Fields on Saturday 29th June 1968

Innings of Arkley

1. A.G.Brown	b Gerrard	12	1 four
2. P.K.Sharma	run out	52	4 fours
3. A.F.Johnson	b Hawkins	14	1 four, 1 six
4. S.Holland	run out	26	1 four
5. D.Parkin	run out	15	
6. J.Graham	not out	10	
7. G.D.Trebilcock	not out	23	2 fours
8. E.C.Lloyd			
9. A.Crook)		
10. T.Owen	did not bat		
11. J.E.Griffiths			
Extras (b 6, lb 1, w 1)		<u>8</u>	
Total (for 5 wickets)		<u>160</u>	

Fall. 26, 44, 100, 118, 127

Bowling. Gerrard 11-2-29-1. Morgan 5-0-19-0. Hawkins 6-0-28-1.
Dickinson 11-0-49-0. Goudie A. 4-0-27-0.

Innings of Manor Drive Methodists

1. D.Dickinson	run out	5
2. Morgan	b Trebilcock	6
3. Gerrard	b Parkin	0
4. B.Goudie	b Parkin	0
5. B.Hawkins	b Parkin	0
6. A.Goudie	b Sharma	11
7. I.Goudie	st Brown A. b Sharma	0
8. Goodship	run out	0
9. Shoobridge	c & b Sharma	0
10. P.A.Brown	c Trebilcock b Owen	2
11. A.N.Other	not out	0
Extras (b 4)		<u>4</u>
Total (all out)		<u>28</u>

Fall. 12, 12, 12, 12, 12, 22, 23, 23, 28, 28.

Bowling. G.Trebilcock 7-3-7-1. D.Parkin 6-2-7-3. P.Sharma 5-1-7-3.
J.Graham 4-2-3-0. T.Owen 0.4-0-0-1.

POINTS TO NOTE.

Arthur Johnson's six and four were off consecutive balls but he was bowled by the same bowler in his next over.*****The first five Manor Drive Methodist wickets fell at 12.*****Our own ('cos nobody else will have him) Peter Brown batted number 10 for Manor Drive Methodists but didn't contribute to their duck club.*****The catch by Trebilcock was pencilled in in his own writing as was a suggestion that he affected the first run out, we'll take his word for it!*****After the game Tudor Owen asked if he could be excused from bowling for the rest of the season so that he could come top of the bowling averages!

CAUTION. You are fast approaching a very silly page indeed!

REQUESTS

Let me know if there is an old scorecard that you would like reprinted - and I will probably tell you that I haven't got that game in the records, but it is worth a try!

THE SILLY PAGE!

STARTING WITH A WARNING
FOR ALL VEHICLES TRAVELLING
NORTH ALONG THE M1...ON THE
SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY!

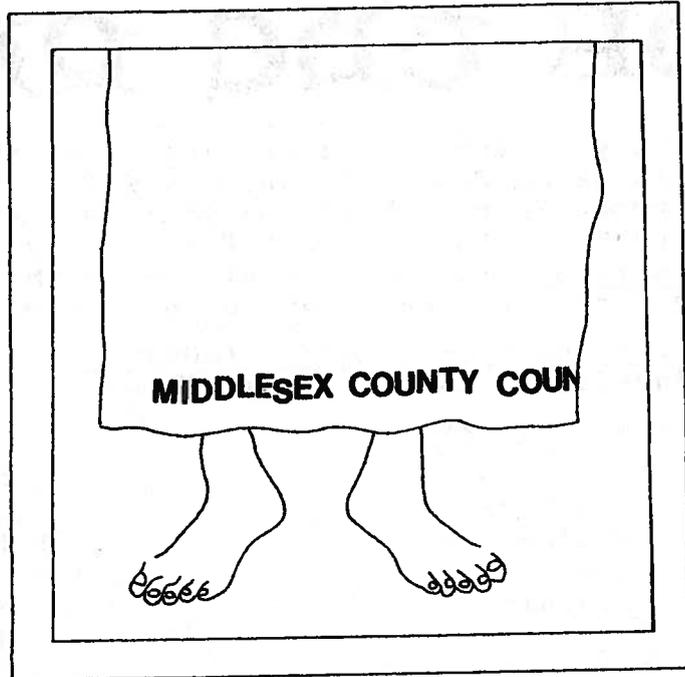
Mark Cripps in the shower
at Fowey last year.▶

Oh come on Mark,
It's not that bad!

IS IT TRUE that M.H.Denness
stands for Mike Houdini Denness?

IS IT TRUE that Messrs. Brown
& Johnson (Senior) are to
appear together in a new BBC
comedy series called 'The Two
Arthurs'? As a trade mark Arthur
Johnson would wear a pair of
square framed glasses!

Just to keep you informed on the
subject, Colin Brown has not
had a haircut this month.



O.K. so I can't draw feet! Ed. It might have helped if
I had got them the other
way round!

Many (two) people have asked me how I write the articles 'what' appear in these pages.(many people have asked why come to that!) Well it's quite simple really with pen and ink on paper then I type it up Oh, I see what they mean! Well once I have got the basic idea, usually from a casual observation, I play around with the possibilities (they can't touch you for it) and then formulate an acceptable article in my head while I'm legging my way through the streets of North London (447 miles this year). By the time I get home the article is usually word perfect (the spelling mistakes come later) but after making (and ruining at the same time) a cup of tea or reading the paper (well looking at the pictures then) I forget every word stored in my pea sized brain so I write the first thing that comes into my head whether it makes sense or not, as you've probably noticed! This load of crá codswollop incidentally was 'writ' between Golders Green (already) and the 'Queens Head', Finchley. (I was meeting somebody outside!) Why don't YOU try the Androoz formula and write han harticle for the Harkley Erald.

CAUTION: END OF BULLETIN FOUR INCHES REDUCE SPEED NOW !

STARTLING REVELATION! For years now you have known this typewriter has not got a question mark on the keyboard but in a rash moment during last week I let the cat out of the bag that it hasn't got an exclamation mark either in a letter to Tony Booth! What you in fact see when you think you see a ! is a . with a ' on top. Although it is annoying to have to back-space to get this affect it does mean you can Have multi-colour exclamation marks like this !. For those of you with black and white bulletins that exclamation mark was in black and red. (Top,black;Bottom,red) You can in fact notice that all my exclamation marks are slightly offset!

BOB INGRAM'S tip for flushing Arkley Heralds down the loo. First remove the staple then flush each page away seperately, this cuts down the possibility of the 'Herald' coming back at some future time and if there is anything worse than an Arkley Herald, it is a wet soggy Arkley Herald!

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Lunacy straight on. Sanity about 8 páges back the other way!!!

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Embassy Cup

We have been drawn against New Southgate Social in the first round of the 'Embassy Cup', the match to be played on Sunday 8th June. Although we were drawn at home we have conceded home advantage due to the state of the wicket at Barnet Playing Fields and the match will thus now be played at Bethune Park. Should we be successful in this match the next round of this 45 over competition will be on Sunday 29th June.

Congratulations

TO Peter and Connie Tait who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on Tuesday 29th April.

TO Colin Johnson who recently passed his driving test.

TO Mark Cripps who scored 57n.o. for Liverpool University against Liverpool Polytechnic recently. However as the University had dismissed the Polytechnic for 39 (M.Cripps 9-3-10-2) only the first 12 of Mark's runs counted in the averages as that was his score when the University reached 40-1. Mark opened the innings in this match as he hadn't had a bat in the previous three matches. His bowling figures in those matches were however, 11-4-10-0; 13-3-19-2; 9-4-19-3. As we said CONGRATULATIONS Mark and roll on July when Mark will be performing for Arkley again.

Wet Start

Our opening fixture of the season, away to Bentley Heath II, had to be cancelled due to a waterlogged pitch. On that day Peter Brown, John Griffiths and Brian Andrews guested for Manor Drive Methodists v. East Barnet Co-op. Manor Drive Methodists dismissed the opposition for 77 (Peter Brown one catch) and replied with 78-8, J.Griffiths 19, P.Brown 3 (run out) and B.Andrews didn't trouble the scorer (well he seemed such a nice chap!). The latter two opened the innings! Rain also prevented our own Mark Cripps from playing for Liverpool University v. Old Trafford Ground and Staff at Old Trafford. 1-2-3 Ah!

Miscellany

Dewi Williams will be in charge of Trent Park College cricket this year. Mark Cripps has recently moved, his new address is; 36 Hanover Gate Mansions, Park Road, LONDON, N.W.1 4SL, No phone as yet. His new home is just 5 minutes walk from Lord's. Mart Symonds has recently got married! He's probably living in a pink house in a green field! Dewi Williams is now on the phone, his number is 440-1716. New Kit bought this year includes, 1 pair pads, 2 bats, 2 pairs batting gloves, 1 pair wicket keepers inners, 1 set of stumps, 1 kit bag.

PERSONAL FILE

No. 4 TONY BOOTH

DATE OF BIRTH; 22nd October 1953 (I should have warned the world what was to come five days later - no offence, Mr. Ed.)

PLACE OF BIRTH; Lambeth Hospital, S.E.1. (I was then hastily smuggled to the Emerald Isle)

WAS BOB INGRAM THERE AT THE TIME; I deny that allegation, officer.

HEIGHT; 6 feet, 3 inches.

WEIGHT; 14 stone, 8lb, last time out. (Watch this number, it will increase as long as the price of Guinness at 'The Alexandra' is 22p per pint)

HAIR; Receding, what's left is dark brown.

EYES; Blue, of poorish quality + transparent contact lenses (the rose-tinted ones come next year).

INSIDE LEG; R 34½" L 35" (Hm!)

NICKNAMES; Square Leg, Big T, the Bear.

FAVOURITE FOOD; Paté, Sis kebab (correct Turkish spelling) and pitta, Profiteroles.

TV PROGRAMMES REGULARLY WATCHED; Old Grey Whistle Test, Startrek, M*A*S*H, any football/cricket, Horizon, The World About Us.

FAVOURITE RADIO PROGRAMMES; Sounds Interesting, Jazz Today, Test Match Special, Johnny Morris Jaunts.

MUSICAL TASTES; Steeleye Span, Status Quo, Colin Blunstone, Cat Stevens, Stevie Wonder, The Beatles, The Doobie Brothers, 10 c.c., Elton John, Peter Skellern, The Rolling Stones, Strawbs, Carly Simon, Hawkwind, + concerts, classics, etc. 50
The above is a list of my albums.
I have numerous single-size records, ranging from the sublime (Everly Bros. E.P. 1958) to the ridiculous (DD, D, B, M + T 1966). 25

MUSICAL DISLIKES; Guff such as Queen, the Osmonds.

FAVOURITE ACTORS; Dustin Hoffman, Sean Connery.

FAVOURITE ACTRESSES; Morag Hood, Anne Bancroft, Kevin Keegan, Liv Ullman.

FAVOURITE CRICKETERS; J.T. Murray, Fred Titmus, Brian Close.

FAVOURITE COUNTY TEAM; Middlesex (member).

FAVOURITE FOOTBALLERS; Mick McCaffrey, Derek Townshend, Dave Thomas.

FAVOURITE TEAMS; Harrow Borough, Queens Park Rangers, Glasgow Celtic.

PRESENT WORKPLACE; Polytechnic of North London, Kentish Town.
(3rd Year B.A. Geography).

PRESENT POSITION HELD; Press Officer, Harrow Borough F.C.. (Read all about it', twice a week in the Harrow Observer).

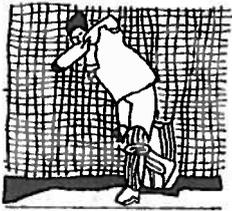
OTHER INTERESTS OUTSIDE SPORT; Drinking, Women, Music and only then studying.

PERSONS YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET; Maddy Prior, no man holds, for me, such importance.

PERIODICALS TAKEN; The Guardian, The Sunday Times, The Geographical Magazine, National Geographic.

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NETS



1974 1975

at
HERTFORDSHIRE
INDOOR CRICKET
SCHOOL

Hatfield Poly.

Here are the final appearance figures for the Indoor Nets this close season.

Maximum possible figures are 28 (95)

The figures in parentheses are cumulative totals since the 1971 season.

R.N.Ingram	25 (90)	P.C.Tait	4 (55)
J.E.Griffiths	23 (83)	M.T.Cripps	3 (4)
C.Townsend	20 (78)	A.T.Booth	2 (5)
P.A.Brown	17 (81)	D.C.Spiegel	1 (1)
P.Townsend	16 (47)	R.A.Jones	1 (1)
N.J.Gibbons	14 (29)	M.Cook	1 (1)
B.J.Andrews	11* (39)	E.H.Andrews	1 (3)
P.K.Sharma	10 (49)	A.G.Brown	0(1)(21(1))
C.J.Brown	9 (16)		

*=Plus 6 appearances with Old Fincunians C.C.

'=Plus 1 appearance with Liverpool University C.C.

M.Cook is a friend of Tony Booth who is interested in playing for Arkley this year. We also hear that Bill Lakey and Dai Watkins are interested in playing for us again this year.

Two more 'Bob Ingram' films have been made at the nets since the last bulletin.

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NETS APPEARANCES SINCE 1971

	71/72	72/73	73/74	74/75	TOTAL
R.N.Ingram	9	29	27	25	90
J.E.Griffiths	19	19	22	23	83
P.A.Brown	23	24	17	17	81
C.Townsend	13	17	18	20	78
P.C.Tait	22	18	11	4	55
P.K.Sharma	13	18	8	10	49
P.Townsend	0	11	20	16	47
B.J.Andrews	11	7	10	11	39
N.J.Gibbons	0	14	1	14	29
A.G.Brown	16	4	1	0	21
C.J.Brown	0	0	7	9	16
J.Davies	5	2	1	0	8
A.T.Booth	0	0	3	2	5
C.G.Trebilcock	5	0	0	0	5
M.T.Cripps	0	0	1	3	4
G.D.Trebilcock	4	0	0	0	4
E.H.Andrews	1	0	1	1	3
E.C.Lloyd	2	0	0	0	2
M.R.Symonds	0	0	1	0	1
D.C.Spiegel	0	0	0	1	1
R.A.Jones	0	0	0	1	1
M.Cook	0	0	0	1	1

PERSONAL FILE Tony Booth (Continued)

HAPPIEST MOMENTS PLAYING CRICKET FOR ARKLEY;

Scoring the winning 4 to record a one-wicket victory over Sahibs; & on a less competitive note, reaching the second round of the 1973 Single-Wicket Competition by beating Eagle Eye Ernie and then nearly Bobbet.

UNHAPPIEST MOMENT PLAYING CRICKET;

Breaking my left index finger on the latter occasion.

FAVOURITE COUNTRIES VISITED; Switzerland, Turkey.

COUNTRIES YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VISIT; Bolivia, Argentina.

AMBITIONS; To be a success in my chosen profession. To visit South America for 6 months. To retire to the west coast of Eire.

Please Sir, can I go backstop? PART 2, 'THE YANK AT FINCHLEY'.

Let me sit on this SETTEE and tell you the story SO FAR!
On second thoughts it's probably not worth it!

THE boys being taught in this lesson were a motley crew and nowhere near as immaculately dressed as their master. A few were wearing whites of a sort, others wore white tee shirt and shorts but most wore their school uniform and plimsolls. The one exception to this being a fair haired boy in tartan trousers, red pullover and a cap that might just have passed for a cricket cap if it too hadn't been tartan and hadn't had a bobble on top! All in all I thought this athletic looking boy would have looked more at home on a golf course and so I wasn't at all surprised when I heard him speak with an american accent.

After the master had finished knocking the stumps in and breaking up a fight a square leg play began. The bowler, a small, frail looking individual, came in at a terrific pace but as he drew level with the wicket he slowed down turned sideways to the wicket and now standing still he bowled with a very jerky action a ball that went straight to second slip without bouncing. Second slip tried to trap the ball with his foot but succeeded only in falling over as the ball sped past him (like Spurs players do!) on its way to the boundary. I then noticed that the master was meticulously signalling four wides although none of those who were appointed scorer (i.e. all those who had presented the master with 'excuse notes' from their mums before the lesson) took any notice of him and I doubt whether any of those playing realised runs could be scored without the batsman hitting the ball. The master then had his charges gather round him while he demonstrated how to signal four wides, which you must agree is one of the fundamentals of the game! Half a dozen similar balls followed punctuated by cries of "Bowl it straight Tiggy" or "Let me bowl now sir" and a complaint by the wicketkeeper that the slips kept stopping the ball before it reached him, this wasn't surprising as he was standing about 20 yards back and anyway couldn't bend down as the pads he was wearing came up above his waist!

The next bowler, a fat boy with below knee length shorts, believed in an economy of effort and bowled without a run up at all, he just stood at the wicket and lobbed the ball towards the stumps. His first ball baffled the batsman as it was straight! The ball beat a tentative forward prod and shattered the wicket causing all the fielders to shout "owzhat" and then make a mad dash to grab the bat to be next man in. First Slip being the closest to the batsman won the race to cries of "Oh sir that's not fair", but the master was deep in conversation with the fat boy, probably telling him about his 12th Man appearance for the Old Beans Extra Sevenths. The fielders reluctantly returned to their positions and the master called "Play". The fat boy lobbed the next ball towards the stumps, the batsman swung wildly, connected, and sent the ball high into the air. Nobody (including the batsmen) moved for a while but then the american boy sprinted from cover point to mid wicket to make a spectacular running catch. "That's not fair, I wasn't ready" said the batsman after a brief pause. "Out" said the umpire, "Next batsman", another mad rush.

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH. PART 3; ANOTHER FIGHT AT SQUARE LEG!

MORE NEWS

We have insurance cover this season from a scheme promoted by the N.C.A. ERRATA! In Bulletin 22 Series 3 I said that Mark Cripps has never scored against Northmet, but Mark reminds me he scored 7 against them on 6th June 1973. SORRY!

Bob Ingram needs just one run for his 300th for Arkley.

Jon Davies is no longer an Arkley-Barclayite!

I have a copy of the 1975 Wisden if anybody wishes to read it. There's not many pictures in it's 1143 pages though!

Still no news from the 'Hendon Times' about Mark Cripps' award.

SCORECARDS OF THE PAST

NUMBER TWO
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This months 'SCORECARD OF THE PAST' features our two 'senior professional' Arthur Brown and Arthur Johnson, mainly because I have got a lot to do to make up to them what I said about them on the front page of the last bulletin. Another reason for printing this scorecard is because it is the earliest match we have on record.

CLARE HALL HOSPITAL v. ARKLEY

played at Clare Hall on 17th August 1963.

Innings of Arkley

1. A.G. Brown	c West	b Lewis	58	7 fours
2. A.F. Johnson		b Llewellyn	33	5 fours 1 six
3. J. Bilby	c Walker	b Taylor	5	1 four
4. J. Harding		b Lewis	21	2 fours
5. B. Aldridge	not out		17	2 fours
6. J. Graham		b Lorent	8	1 four
7. G. Bilby		b Lewis	1	
Extras (b 1, w 2)			<u>3</u>	
Total (for 6 wickets)			<u>146</u>	(37.4 overs)

Fall 67,85,106,119,144,146.
O.B. 2 3 1 4 6 7

Bowling; Lewis 3-43, Taylor 1-20,
Lorent 1-21, Llewellyn 1-41, Hill 0-18.

Innings of Clare Hall Hospital

1. Walker	c Brown	b Aldridge	27	3 fours
2. Llewellyn	c Johnson	b Aldridge	45	3 fours 1 six
3. Lewis		b Bilby G.	20	4 fours
4. Lorent		b Bilby G.	16	3 fours
5. Dr. Pillay	Not Out		20	2 fours
6. Hill	Not Out		4	
7. Solly	Did Not Bat			
Extras (b 10, lb 6, w 1)			<u>17</u>	
Total (for 4 wickets)			<u>149</u>	(28.4 overs)

Fall 79,85,113,122.
O.B. 2 1 3 4

O.B. = Outgoing Batsman

Bowling	O	M	R	W	
Aldridge	14.4	1	61	2	The wide was conceded by Arthur Johnson; the six was conceded by Bob Aldridge. Presumably Arthur Brown kept wicket.
Bilby G.	9	1	44	2	
Harding	2	0	11	0	
Johnson	3	0	16	0	

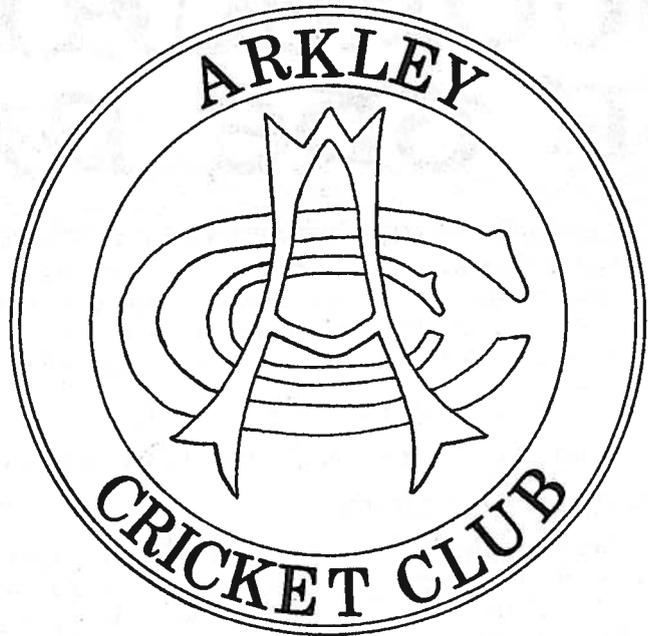
This could well have been a 7-a-side match as only seven players are listed for each side! Or were they too lazy to put the full team down.

Next Month's ARKLEY HERALD will contain full scorecards for all games played in May and any press cuttings from these games.

As yet I have no 'Personal File' to print in the next edition (will this be the end of the series?) The only request for a 'Scorecard of the Past' comes from Bobbett Ingram who asked for the game in which he played for Roving Reporters against Arkley and took 9-9, but as that is embarrassing for Arkley C.C. and ego boosting for Bob I have referred him to Bulletin No. 10 Series 2.

The ARKLEY HERALD, the bulletin that gets to the bottom of things.

Cut here for toilet paper!



Another idea for a club badge. Let me know what you think of it.

In the press

The Observer

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Gaol of the Year!
The Hendon Times.



A suggestion for a
logo for the M.C.C.
The Sunday Times

cricket all year round?

Undercover cricket

PEOPLE think you're joking when you talk about indoor cricket, but I don't suppose many look indoor football seriously at first. Five-a-side soccer is now recognised as a useful addition to the big game, and so six-a-side cricket could be, especially at this time of year, when cricketers everywhere want to get their eye in for the summer.

Apart from that, in these days when some schools are finding it difficult to encourage cricket because they don't have the playing field space available, it's more than ever a useful game. More than that, it's fun, and that's something a lot of youngsters do not say about outdoor cricket.

First, find your ground: a hall 30 yards long and 25 wide, larger if possible. The fewer projections and obstacles round the walls the cleaner the game, but you'll soon devise your own rules to cope with local hazards, just as you do out of doors when a dog runs away with the ball. If the ball gets stuck behind the wall bars, so much the extra excitement. But unprotected windows and electric lights will not do.

Only six in each team, 10 members and 12 overs in innings. Let's assume you have

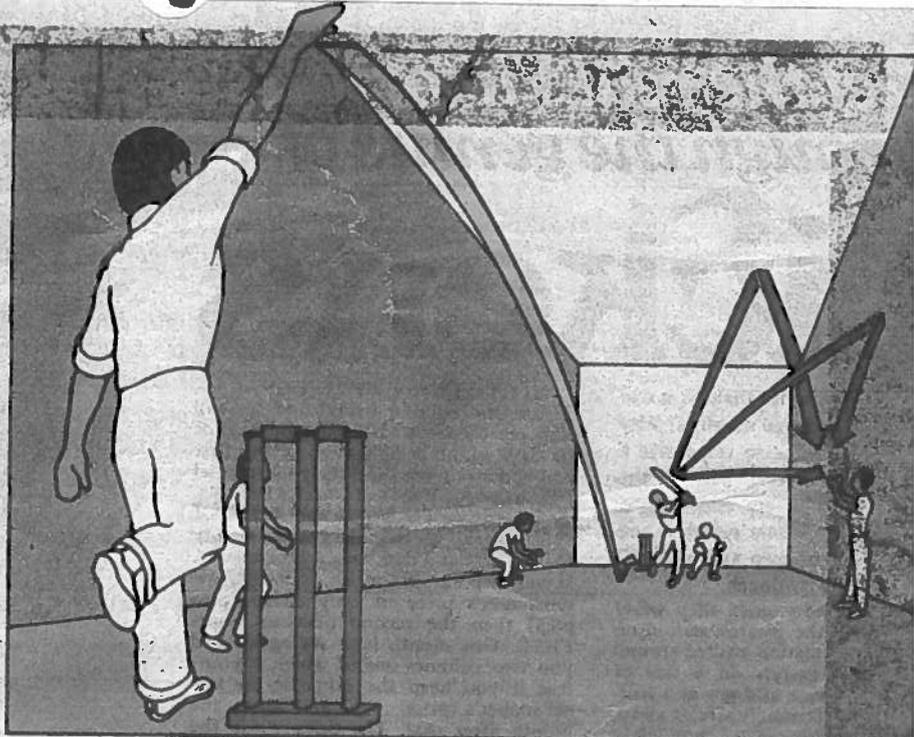
SPACE SAVERS

a working knowledge of cricket, which you now need to amend. Scoring: one run if you hit the ball to the side or back walls, four if it hits the wall behind the bowler, six if it hits it without bouncing.

Actual running between the wickets is not easy (the pitch is the usual length, 22 yards), but you are rewarded with three runs for every one run completed, whether it's off a hit or a bye. Otherwise, two runs for every bye (the wall, remember, may be only nine or ten feet behind the wicket-keeper), one for a leg-bye, and one for an overthrow that hits any wall.

You can be out in all the usual ways, plus the important one that you can be caught off a wall (but not the boundary wall behind the bowler) or the ceiling, as long as the ball has not touched the ground. There's a batsman at each end, as usual, but if the fifth wicket falls before 12 overs are up, the last man can bat on with the last but one remaining as a runner. However, if the runner is run out, the innings is over.

Don't use a normal cricket



A batsman can be caught out in indoor cricket directly, or off a wall or the ceiling.

ball, you won't be popular with whoever owns the floor. Try a rubber-covered composition ball known as the C61. You can mount your stumps in a wooden block, or better still acquire a spring-loaded wicket and mark the creases with coloured safety tape.

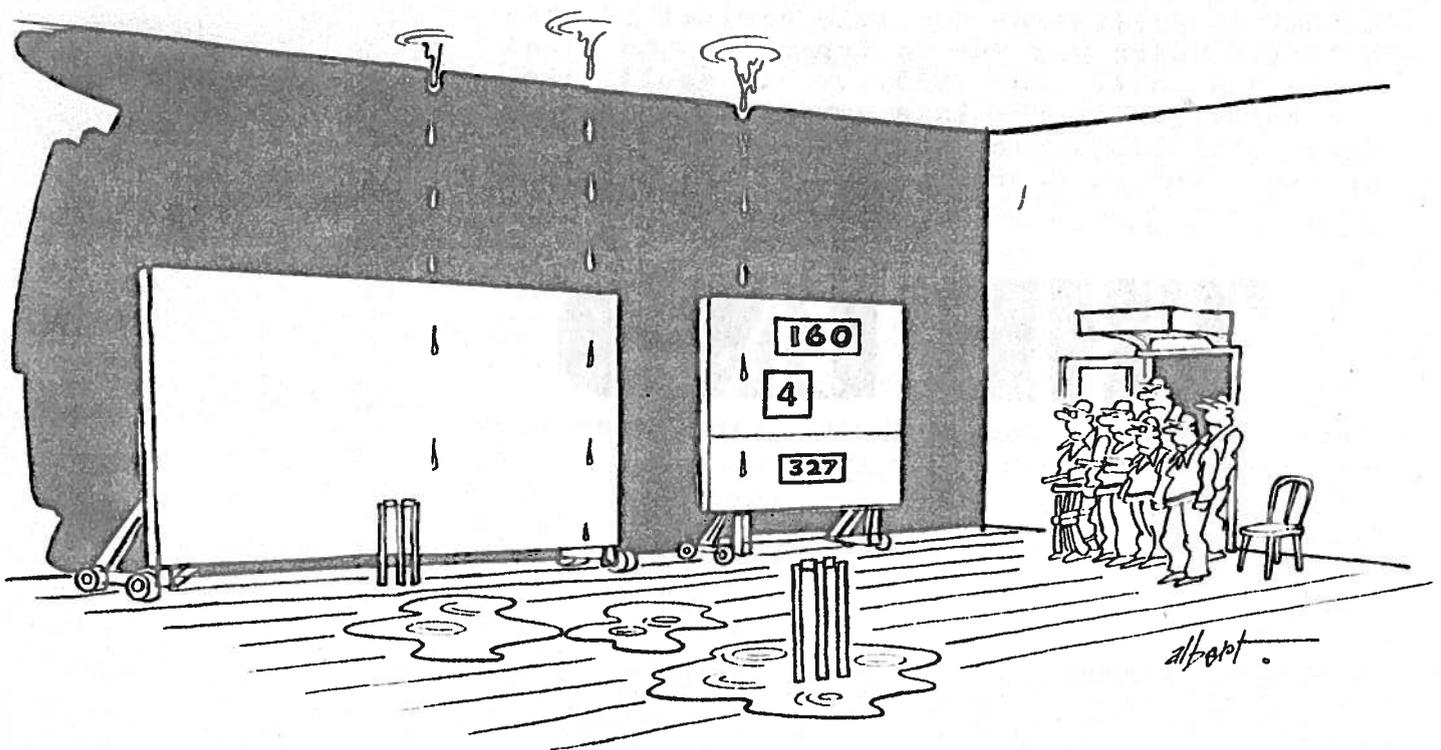
Indoor cricket as an organised sport was conceived in a

cricket pavilion at Oswestry, Shropshire, in October 1970, largely as a result of the invitation to local clubs by the headmaster of Ellesmere College to discuss ways in which they might share the school's facilities. The game was developed by local clubs and teams and since then it has spread rapidly throughout the country.

Though cricketers who play the game seriously might not approve of the idea, there's no reason why you shouldn't use an old tennis ball instead of a hard cricket ball. That way you don't need pads or gloves and there's no danger of damage to the ball. Nothing to be ashamed of. Sir Gary Sobers learned his game that way. *David Hunt*

The Observer ▲

▼ Sportsworld



SILLY PAGE!

Here at last is THAT picture of Mark Cripps in the shower at Fowey.



Oh, Sorry Madam!

IS IT TRUE that Norman Gibbons is known at work as Button B as he is always pressed for money!!!

IT IS TRUE that Colin Brown HAS had a hair-cut this month!

SILLY STATISTIC

Bob Ingram recently asked if an Arkley match had ever been cancelled or abandoned due to SNOW!

In fact for a game v. St. Peters on 24th August 1968 the weather was described in the scorebook. Messrs. Sharma, Johnson, Graham, Owen, Trebilcock and Tait might know more as they played in this game the result of which was St. Peters 127-6dec, Arkley 34 all out.

Q. Who recently played at Twickenham one Saturday and at Wembley the following Saturday?

A. The Band of Her Majesty's Grenadier Guards.

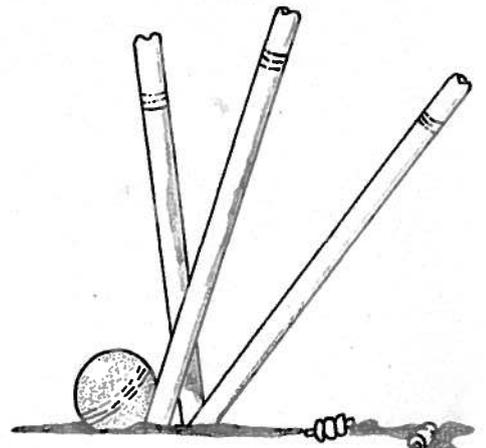
Ian Kearton of Scotby C.C., near Carlisle, was once caught by the square leg umpire off a stroke that would have given him 50; Peter Brown (!) of the same club was at the wicket once when he found smoke coming from his nether regions. The previous ball had ignited the matches he'd left in his pocket; an incident of "striking significance" claims Scotby's secretary - a brave man.

IS IT TRUE that the G.L.C. don't want Tower Bridge any longer? Yes, it's long enough as it is now!

I must apologise for the late arrival of this bulletin which was due to typing up the Final Final Statistics for 1974.....I would like to apologise for the late arrival the Final Final 1974 Statistics which was due to typing up the January, February and March bulletins. Isn't this where we came in?

THE END

File under R for Rubbish! or W for Wastepaper!



STOP PRESS

Sahibs 119-9 dec (R.Ingram 7-52) Arkley 42all out (P.Brown 20)

Orange Hill Old Boys 121 (P.Sharma 7-44) Arkley 122-5 (P.Sharma 39,
P.Brown 21, J.Griffiths 21)

Full details in the May edition of the 'Arkley Herald'.