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SCHOOLBOY FOOTBALLERS HAVE CELEBRATION PARTY



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The Chairman Writes

THE "Pylon" apologises to its hundreds of readers and its many contributors and advertisers for the failure to publish in May, owing to unforeseen calls on the Editor's time. This is only the second occasion when the "Pylon" has not come out in its five and a half years of history, and it is hoped that readers will be generous in their forbearance. Remember, it's a voluntary effort.

Interested in keeping fit? If you are then take a look at the announcement on page 5, and come along in force to the Centre on Friday, June 10th. The first course will last until the end of July, and the qualified instructor, Les Raybould, tells us that full advantage will be taken of the proximity of the Recreation Ground in fine weather.

Drivers will be interested in the announcement on page 7. The C.A. are pursuing its policy of improving road safety, and at the same time trying to get a square deal for car owners.

The C.A. Social Committee are busy with their plans for summer coach outings, which are always

popular, and bookings can be made with Bill Lewis, of 71, Lambourne Crescent, or George Ellerman, of 9a, Devonshire Avenue. The Committee are also arranging for the presentation of three variety shows in the near future, so watch for further details.

The "Pylon" offers its warmest congratulations to the organisers of the successful Youth Week, reported elsewhere, and on behalf of all residents thanks all concerned for their hard work in such a worthy cause.

DON'T FORGET THE QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING, JUNE 24th, 8 p.m., AT THE CENTRE.

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Youth Week—and After!

NEVER before in my memory have there been so many opportunities offered to the youth of to-day for progress and high attainment. The spirit of youth permeates everything around us, and, if rightly imbibed, is ultimately going to build up this grand old country of ours to the supremacy and greatness that it has always known.

This idea of a Youth Week such as we have recently celebrated is one that should be encouraged and fostered until it becomes one of the dominant features of our own Sheerwater. The intention to realise sufficient funds to build our own Youth Centre demands everybody's help. The youth are enthusiastic; they are doing most things to help themselves and doing it well. Their leaders, above all, are doing a grand job, and I visualise that when the opening day of the new Youth Centre does come along they will be in their seventh heaven.

Now, perhaps, for a little bit of advice from one who has seen many years of life in all its phases.

Gilbert and Sullivan wrote a musical play called "H.M.S. Pinafore." The Admiral's song went thus:

"When I was young I served a term as office-boy in an attorney's firm,

I cleaned the windows and I swept the floor, and I polished up the handle of the big front door."

Now, here's the rub:

"I polished up the handle so carefully, that now I am the Ruler of the Queen's Navies."

There is the kernel in the nut. Do little things as near perfection as possible. Never get slack or in-

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different. Your job at times may seem insignificant and small, but you don't know who is watching you doing your best. Hannen Swaffer was once asked by a friend why he saluted the office boy.

"Ah," he said, "he may be the editor one day."

What you may be one day depends on you now. Do your best; have high ambitions and try your utmost to attain them.

Learn, behave, speak well, and act well, and always play the game. Always be the boy or girl that your mother thinks you are.

Best of luck to all you young people. May you have your Centre very soon.

Very much to the point of all this, a most charming action has come to my ears. Mr. Alfred Sinclair, well known to most people of Sheerwater, happened to be the fortunate winner of a splendid cricket bat during the recent Youth Week celebrations. His immediate thought was to present it to Mr. Batchelor, headmaster of the school to be given away at his discretion. I hear now that it is to be given to the boy who, during this cricket season, shows the most progress. At the headmaster's special request Mr. Sinclair will make a personal presentation.

The lucky boy I am sure will be mighty proud of his Sinclair bat.

Mr. Sinclair, knowing you as I do, I am not in the least surprised at your charming action.

A. E. TIMMS.

SHEERWATER YOUTH WEEK, 1958

THE week was given a grand send-off in front of hundreds of well-wishers when this year's May Queen lead a procession of youth organisations to the music of the Woking Red Cross Band, through the estate to the Recreation Ground. There to perform the crowning and the opening ceremony was Jack Crump, known the whole world over as Britain's Olympic team manager.

Before leaving to open the Trade Fair at the Community Centre with her attendants, Joy Elliott and Valerie Dingwall, the Queen, Miss Jillian Scully, was presented with a bouquet by little Pauline Vingoe. At the Trade Fair many local firms were exhibiting to the great interest of numbers of visitors, while on the Recreation Ground there were many attractions for all.

The most popular was the "parachute drop," rigged by 301 Parachute E.D. Squadron, R.E. (T.A.). A display by police dogs in charge of four Woking policemen also aroused much attention, particularly when two "criminals" were rounded up. There were, in addition, many sideshows, manned by local organisations, and the champion Chobham ex-Service Men's Band played selections throughout the afternoon.

Monday's event was a well-attended International Quiz: "We, the parents, want to know," Arthur Duplock, the Youth Club leader, got together a wonderfully varied panel to answer the questions under the chairmanship of Mr. Eric Corner, Woking Youth Officer. The

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members were M. Silantiev, London correspondent of Moscow's "Youth Pravda," M. Leger of the French Embassy, a professor of physical education, Mr. Athiasyam from Malaya, Mr. Janusz, a teacher at an American Servicemen's children's school, and lastly, M. Iguchi from the Press Section of the Japanese Embassy. Through the medium of answers to selected questions the attentive audience were able to learn much of what was being done for youth in other parts of the world, and the team and organisers were warmly thanked after the show.

The Tuesday event was the first performance of a new pantomime by Sheerwater's Bobby Jenkins at the secondary school, "Babes in the wood," in which leading roles were played by Jean Kemp, Pat Stead, Bobbie himself, Beverley Murdoch, Pamela and June Terrett, Diane Forbes, Susan Mead, Veronica McDermott, Jennie Keena, Linda Jenkins and Valerie Hancock.

On Wednesday youth had its fling in the Community Centre with a record session of rock 'n' roll, while on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. E. Rice organised a mammoth whist drive in Christ Church Hall, Woking, for which the prizes were given by local tradespeople.

The week was brought to an end at the new Youth Centre in Onslow Crescent with a juvenile boxing tournament organised by the Sheerwater Amateur Boxing Club, which included exhibition bouts by Sheerwater's Danny Rees, champion of Surrey and South West London,

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an clean lions J. Scott and D Griffiths, of Woking.

The "Pylon" understands that the money raised for the Youth Centre at each event (gross figures are shown because total expenses are not yet known) were as follows:

	£	s.
Opening Day	...	94 0
Monday's Quiz	...	22 0
Tuesday's Pantomime	...	9 10
Wednesday's Rock 'n' Roll	...	16 0
Thursday's Whist Drive

There was a loss of £16 on the boxing show. The sum of £1

raised by the C.A. for further special arrangements.

Chairman Mr. D. M. Ferguson, and his team—Mr. K. Mist (Secretary), Mr. A. Massey (Treasurer), Mr. A. Duplock (Youth Leader) and Mrs. Duplock—and all the other hard-working members of the committee, are to be congratulated on the success of the Youth Week and thanked for their loyalty to the cause of "Service to Youth" here in Sheerwater.

We are asked by Mr. Ferguson to convey his thanks to all who put in such a tremendous amount of work and to all those who patronised the various events.

CAR PARKING

AMONG the interesting items of news this month is one that negotiations for further car park sites have progressed a stage further following a tour of inspection by representatives of the C.A., the valuer and director of housing of the L.C.C. and the Urban District Council. Sites under consideration are in Blackmore Crescent, Lambourne Crescent and Dartmouth Avenue. The Association intend to press on with the compilation of the waiting lists and, once more, all drivers who have not been fortunate enough to be allotted a garage are advised to get in on the ground floor to make certain of a plot when the time comes in the not too distant future. It is felt that efforts will then be made to mini-

mise unofficial and roadside parking.

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CRICKET AT ITS BEST

TUESDAY, May 20th, saw the staging of the first cricket match undertaken by the Community Association when they accepted the challenge of the Wandsworth Electric Social and Sports Club. In perfect weather, a good attendance witnessed a cleanly fought game played in a friendly spirit at Kingfield through the courtesy of the Woking Oddfellows Cricket Club.

Wandsworth won the toss and batted first, but after a couple of friendly overs from the Association's chairman, Jim McDermott, they had to struggle for runs against the bowling of David Andrews and Syd Clamp, the C.A.'s captain. Even with a magnificent 27 from C. Wickens they could only total 51. Andrews took 5 for 9 and Clamp 2 for 7.

The C.A. knocked off the runs for the loss of two wickets. After a splendid opening stand of 37 by

Cyril Cole and guest John Collyer, Cecil Howard and Jim McDermott passed the opposition's total without further loss.

Scores:—
Wandsworth Electric.—C. Wickens 27; D. King 0; T. Evans 0; J. Carline 0; A. Green 1; L. Baker 6; J. Thomson 0; G. Longley 2; L. Clifthero 4; R. Jackman not out 0; K. Rose 8; extras 3. Total, 51.

Bowling: Andrews 5 for 9; Clamp 2 for 7; Mott 2 for 12; Collyer 1 for 1.

S.C.A.—C. Cole 19; J. Collyer 16; J. McDermott not out 9; C. Howard not out 5; extras 3. Total (for 2 wickets), 52.

Bowling: Green 1 for 19; Wickens 1 for 21.

A return match is to take place at Woking Park on Wednesday, June 11th, at 6.15 p.m. Readers are invited to come along and witness what should be a first-class game.

GIRLS' LIFE BRIGADE

SHEERWATER SUCCESSES

ON a recent Saturday the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Surrey Downs Inter-Battalion Team Competitions were held at Guildford.

The 1st Sheerwater Company entered teams for all events and were determined to emulate their success of last year when their Junior team were first and Senior team second in hard-fought contests.

The Junior team repeated their success of last year, beating their nearest competitors by four clear points; the Senior team were beaten into third place but were only 2½ points behind the winners, and the Pioneer teams won the Major Colebrook Cup by ½ point in an excellent contest with the Reigate Company. In addition the 1st Sheerwater Company won the Surrey Battalion Team Trophy by 7 points. The activity chosen for this year's competition was skipping.

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Results (first three placings)—Junior: Sheerwater 81 points, Reigate 77, Bookham 73½.

Senior: Reigate 74½ points, Guildford 73, Sheerwater 72.

Pioneer: Sheerwater 78½ points, Reigate 78, Bookham 74½.

Battalion Trophy: Sheerwater 73 points, Godalming 66, Westborough 54. Sheerwater Teams—Junior: Gillian Barnes, Pauline Baul, Diane Coleman, Margaret Duane, Shirley Harradine, Ethel Kealey, Pat Stead, Maureen Turner.

Senior: Irene Barnett, Cherry Edwards, Yvonne Fiehl, Dorothy Hooper, Jean Kemp, June Terrett. Pioneer: Doreen Barnes, Jean Codling, Pat Codling, Virginia Connelly, Christine Kemble, Pat Willis.

Battalion Trophy: Pat Codling, Virginia Connelly, Christine Kemble, Pat Willis.

L.C.C. Spring Front Gardens Competition, 1958

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2nd: Mr. F. J. Oxford, 7, Lambourne Crescent.

3rd: Mr. A. R. Duplock, 96, Devonshire Avenue.

4th: Mr. W. A. Goodrum, 59, Blackmore Crescent.

5th: Mr. R. A. Barnard, 49, Lambourne Crescent.

6th: Mrs. A. Owlett, 82, Albert Drive.

7th: Mr. G. A. Knowler, 45, Benham Avenue.

8th: Mr. L. Olley, 36, Bunyard Drive.

9th: Mrs. M. F. Buck, 46, Bunyard Drive.

10th: Mr. G. A. Donaldson, 25, Albert Drive.

Newcomers' Prizes: Mr. A. E. Bailey, 136, Blackmore Crescent; and Mr. J. H. Gregory, 92, Devonshire Avenue.

Old People's Prize: Mr. C. A. Blackstone, 79, Bunyard Drive.

The "Pylon" congratulates all prizewinners and would like to thank them and all enthusiastic gardeners for their part in making this estate the picture it looks.

SHEERWATER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Chairman: Mr. J. A. T. McDermott.

Vice-Chairman: Mr. S. C. B. West.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. W. Howard, 23, Paxton Gardens (for the settlement of all accounts).

Hon. Secretary and Centre Secretary, Mrs. G. M. Howard, 23, Paxton Gardens (Telephone: Byfleet 3807).

(for all enquiries regarding the booking of the Centre).

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Editor of the "Pylon": Mr. J. A. T. McDermott.

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REGRETS

I will not cry for yesterday.
But fill to-day with dreams.
I will not sigh for what has gone.
Nor long for might-have-beens.
For wasting time regretting
Is a vacuum endlessly
Tainting us with bitterness
For all the world to see.

I will not cry for yesterday.
For when the sun is high
The shadows fall behind you
While all horizons lie
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In the final of the Woking Primary Schools Cup, played at the Railway Orphanage Ground on March 21st they beat Monument Hill Primary School 1-0. Then on April 30th in the final of the Woking Primary Schools League they beat Horsell C. of E. School 1-0 to win the Primary Schools Shield.

The following boys have represented the school team this season: J. Roberts (Capt.), M. Marsh, R. Warren, R. Jackson, M. Duncliffe, D. Cooper, T. Cookman, H. Hill, C. Langley, A. Chandler, K. Keep, P. Barker, A. Smith, R. Garrett, N. Lankston, B. Barraclough and B. Blendall.

S. H. STILES.

The girls' netball team, not to be outdone, has this season achieved equally fine results. After their first attempt in 1956-57, when all matches were lost, they progressed so far that in 1957-58 all their matches were won by wide margins. Members of the successful team were D. Frost, J. Thomas, L. Jenkins, L. Watkins, C. Mackenzie,

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B. Murray and A. Eales, with C. Harrington and J. Meakings acting as reserves.

Detailed results: Beat Grange School 13-5; beat Monument Hill 23-0; beat Grange School 16-5; beat West Byfleet 24-9; beat West Byfleet 8-3.

All the children were very keen and played well.

MISS MURRAY.

The "Pylon" front page shows the footballers at their party held to mark the end of a successful season. Readers will want to join with us in congratulating the boys and girls, and in thanking Mr. Hawke, Mr. Stiles and Miss Murray for their tremendous enthusiasm and interest which has brought these successes. They are well aware that experience gained on the sports field ranks equally with academic training in forming the character of the citizens of to-morrow. WELL DONE!

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BROADMERE'S SUCCESSFUL ELEVEN

The team are shown here after beating Horsell in the League final. With Mr. Hawke, headmaster (left), and Mr. Stiles, sports master (right), are the smiling members of the team: Marsh; Warren and Jackson; Duncliffe, Roberts and Cooper; Cookman, Chandler, Lungley, Hill and Keep.

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Sheerwater Secondary School Fête

ON July 12th the Sheerwater Secondary School will be holding its annual Athletics Competition, together with a Fête and a Grand Dance. All the activities will be held either in the school grounds or in the building itself. We are sure that it is going to be a good day out for the whole family, from baby up to grandpa, therefore we are giving you this advance notice in the "Pylon" in order that everyone may make a note of the date. Preparations are going on already, and even the weather man has promised to co-operate with a sunny, cloudless day.

The Athletic Sports will commence at 2 p.m. and consist of a competition between the four school houses. Judging from the enthusiasm and spirit aroused last term by the Rugby and Soccer house competitions, the events should be contested keenly, and we foresee a close, exciting finish. The sports are planned to end at 3.30 p.m., because the day is packed full of other activities.

By 3.15 p.m. the Fun Fair on the front lawn will have opened. This Fun Fair is going to be a great attraction for the younger members of the family, with nearly thirty side-shows, ranging from "Breaking up the Appy One" to the old favourite—a coconut shy. Fun at the Fair is going to be long and hilarious, so bring your money with you! And while the nippers are spending their pocket money (and Dad's, too), the parents can be having a cup of tea and a cake at one of the refreshment stalls.

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There isn't a great deal of time for resting though, because at 3.30 p.m. we have the Baby Show, at 3.45 p.m. the Infants' Races, at 4 p.m. the Fancy Dress Parade, and at 4.15 p.m. the heats in the Gala Queen Competition. There are entry forms for all these events elsewhere in the "Pylon," and completed forms should be sent to Mr. R. B. Brooks at the Sheerwater Secondary School. There will be prizes, too, and these will be presented at 5 o'clock.

After you've been home to freshen up a little, there is the Grand Dance to be held in the School Assembly Hall from 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. There will be dancing of all kinds, for all types of dancers, to the music of the celebrated Phyll Jennings' Orchestra. During the evening the final selection of the Gala Queen will be made, and there will be the usual novelties and pieces of fun arranged by the expert, Mr. E. V. King, the Master of Ceremonies. You may have heard from your children of the dances organised by the School Ballroom Dancing Club—well, they were good; this one will be better! Why not make a day of it and come along? Get your tickets from Mr. Brooks, again at the School, price 3s. single, 5s. double.

Well, now you've read the trailer... There is a lot of work going into this effort of the school's. Please come along in your hundreds and give us your support. If you can't come yourself, at least buy a programme from one of the sellers who will be canvassing you later, and help to make July 12th a great success.

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Completed Forms to Mr. R. B. Brooks at the School.

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SHEERWATER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

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and
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11, Bentham Avenue,
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Dear Sir,

My wife and I would like, through the medium of the "Pylon," to express our sincere thanks, on leaving Sheerwater, to the very numerous kind friends who have wished us well. It has been a most happy six years we have spent here, and we will miss nothing more than the grand friendliness of all to us.

We would like to mention especially the children, whose love and cheerfulness wherever we met will be one of our dearest memories.

To the Community Association we say, "Carry on the good work, and may you in the not too distant future get your permanent Centre." For all the old folks we ask God's blessing and protection.

Scouts, Cubs, Guides, Brownies, Life Boys and Girls, and the Boys' Brigade, may you go forward to many an adventure and continued success. Also our very best wishes to the Youth Club, and its valiant leader. We hope you will very soon get your own building.

Good-bye all, and God bless you.

Yours sincerely,
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Sunset Episode

BY CASIER

ALL day long the scorching sun has poured down its burning rays, bronzing the toiling harvesters in the fields. But now, with the departure of Old Sol, soft shadows creep beneath the trees, and a little air ruffles the lake, so mirror-like at noontide.

Fragrant odours drift this way and that, caught one instant and lost the next. The harvesters have lifted the last load of the day and the creaking wagon has gone rumbling up the lane.

During the day, when the tall fox-gloves drooped beneath the heavy heat, the shadowy tench watched from behind sunken stones, and from under the banks of tangled greenery, scarcely moving a fin. Hour by hour they lay there quietly, and when one of them did move it was only the shadow that the angler saw darting away, rather than the fish. Now it is evening. The starlings and finches depart one by one; belated bees dart by with subdued hums, and moths are fluttering from the reeds.

In the quiet hush that has fallen over the water you step through the tall grass and pause for a moment to note that the glare is now off the lake. A vole scared by your appearance, drops with a loud "plunk" from a mossy stone. A rabbit, feeding on the clover bank, stamps its hind feet with annoyance—or as a warning to its fellows—and then hops off to its burrow. Behind the cover of a willow the rod is fixed up, reel and line attached. A loach is selected from the bait can and deftly coaxed on to the hook. A pipe is filled and all is ready.

Over yonder, where a tree overhangs the lake, the smooth water is broken into ripples, and a dark fin

shows above the surface. There is another good tench rolling about on the edge of a weed clump. You let out line. Yes! you can reach it.

The worm lightly hits the water, a momentary pause, then a vicious tug. The fish has found a worm with a sting in its tail! He just lets himself go all out and tears off madly, doubles back, and shoots obliquely across the lake. But now the strain is telling, his struggles grow weaker. The net is dipped into the water, the fish drawn over the rim, and out he comes.

And now the shadows lie brooding over the lake, all is dark and mysterious beneath the bushes. An owl hoots, a wandering fox barks in the covert, and the glow in the western skies has faded into a thin line of blue-yellow lights, and stars are now discernible.

Another fish is felt and hooked. He is a heavy fellow, as you can tell by the plunge he gives. Whoosh! Off he goes, tearing out line. The reel screams joyously. You cannot see what is happening, it is so dark under the trees. He turns off and goes deep, where are tangled rocks below and you cannot follow him there. In the distance there is a great splash, and then silence!

The rod is packed away, the pipe lighted, and you tramp home along the bank to the rod, pondering upon the great fish that broke away. Perhaps he was a monster perch or a big carp, anyway he was something really big.

Well, there are other evenings, why dwell on misfortune? In any case there is always the fascination of the lake at eventide, and you love the look of the black water by night and the echo of its voice murmuring in the mysterious places.

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WHAT wonderful pictures these two words can conjure up in one's mind. Hours of glorious sunshine, golden beaches, the art of fishing—in fact, the lot! To some people the way to enjoy leisure and relaxation is to take part in energetic sport of some kind—football, cricket, tennis, dancing, etc.

One great form of relaxation, from inside information, is dancing, and there is a form of dancing which was the pleasure of your parents' parents. I mean Old Time dancing. How many people are aware that on the social programme of all the biggest hospitals in England Old Time is at the top of the list. It has been proved that dancing brings pleasure, ease of mind and physical well-being.

What wonderful scenes of colour and grace must have been at the halls of that glorious era of a hundred years ago. As a comparatively young man, I would wish nothing better than to be able to go back in time to see and to take part in those graceful measures. One wonders why young people of to-day are not more interested in the stirring tango, mazurka and the lazy, beautiful saunter of yesterday. I mean no disrespect to Rock and Roll, but in offering a free invitation to all young folk to come along to one of our practice or dance nights, I guarantee that you will thoroughly enjoy the grand pastime of learning Old Time dancing with some of the swiftest folk you can hope to meet. Our season has just finished, but we shall be starting again on Fridays, commencing September 5th.

A. S. PATTERSON, Chairman,
Sheerwater Old Time Dancing Club.

Sheerwater Old People's Club

THE past three months have been very quiet owing to the rough weather, poor health of some of our members, and the sad passing of many of our dear neighbours.

But old people must of necessity grin and bear it. We welcome new friends in their place and now, with the warmer weather, like the birds, we are singing again and looking forward to the many good things arranged for our club members.

We started the season with a delightful outing to London to see the Crazy Gang at the Victoria Palace. You can guess what fun we had that evening. Through the kindness of the theatre manager, the price of our seats was greatly reduced, and from another source we received great help towards the coach fare.

We are now looking forward to a June trip to Brighton and hoping for good weather for a lovely day's outing.

Each Wednesday afternoon our friendly Whist Drives are very popular and new friends will be welcome. Thursday is our big evening. Our weekly social makes even the oldest of us young in heart, especially when a round or two of tombola, with its "Kelly's Eye" or "Top of the House" is thrown in. The club is open every day, and a note to any committee member will ensure a very warm welcome to any new friend.
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Children's Outing to Littlehampton

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th

ALL parents whose children are booked for the outing are asked to ensure that they are at the Community Centre by 8.15 a.m. sharp.

There is tea laid on free for the children at Littlehampton, but parents are asked to see that each child brings a packed sandwich lunch. Ice cream will be provided on outward and homeward journeys.

We are hoping to leave Littlehampton at about 5.30 p.m., so that coaches will arrive at the Centre between 8 and 8.30 p.m.

On arriving back at the Centre all the children will be taken into the building for checking purposes, and parents, on meeting the coaches, are asked NOT to take their children until the check has been completed. A label will be delivered to each child's home address prior to the outing, and should be pinned to the lapel of the outer garment.

The committee wish to thank all those people who have helped to sell our sweepstake tickets for the Derby towards the cost of the outings, which is costing approximately £90.

A variety show, "The Starlight Parade," produced by Tixie Norton, is being put on at the Lion Works, also in aid of the outing. Any excess will be used towards a panto or circus at Christmas for children. The cast of this show are all Sheerwater children, so watch for further details and turn up in force on the night.

W. J. LEWIS,
S.C.A. Social Committee.

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WHAT TO DO - MEN

(At the Community Centre unless otherwise stated.)

Mondays, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th: C.A. Social Evening, including short Whist Drive and Tombola, 8 p.m.

Tuesdays, June 2nd, 16th, 23rd and 30th: S.C.A. Social Evening, including short Whist Drive and Tombola, 8 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, and July 2nd: Whist Drive, Old People's Club, Bunyard Drive, 2.30 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, and July 2nd: Youth Club Nights, 8 p.m.

Thursdays, June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, and July 3rd: County Library, 6.30 to 7.45 p.m.

Thursdays, June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, and July 3rd: S.C.A. Whist Drive, 8 p.m.

Thursdays, June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, and July 3rd: Weekly Social, Old People's Club, Bunyard Drive (Whist, Tombola, etc.), 7.30 p.m.

Fridays, June 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, and July 4th: Keep Fit with Organised Games, 7 p.m. (See separate notice.)

Saturdays, June 7th, 14th and 28th, and July 5th: S.C.A. Social Evenings with short Whist Drive and Tombola, 8 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 11th: Wandsworth Electric v. S.C.A. Cricket at Woking Park, 6.15 p.m.

Saturday, June 14th: S.C.A. Mystery Coach Tour. Meet at Centre 6.30 p.m. (See separate notice.)

Tuesday, June 24th: Quarterly General Meeting, 8 p.m.

Sunday, June 29th: S.C.A. Children's Outing. Meet at Centre 8.15 a.m. (See separate notice.)

Saturday, July 5th: Sheerwater Athletic Meeting. Recreation Ground, 2 p.m. (See separate notice.)

Sunday, July 6th: S.C.A. Outing to Southsea. Meet at Centre 8.30 a.m. (See separate announcement.)

Saturday, July 12th: Secondary School Fete, 2 p.m. at the School. (See separate announcement.)

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