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NEW SOCIAL CLUB

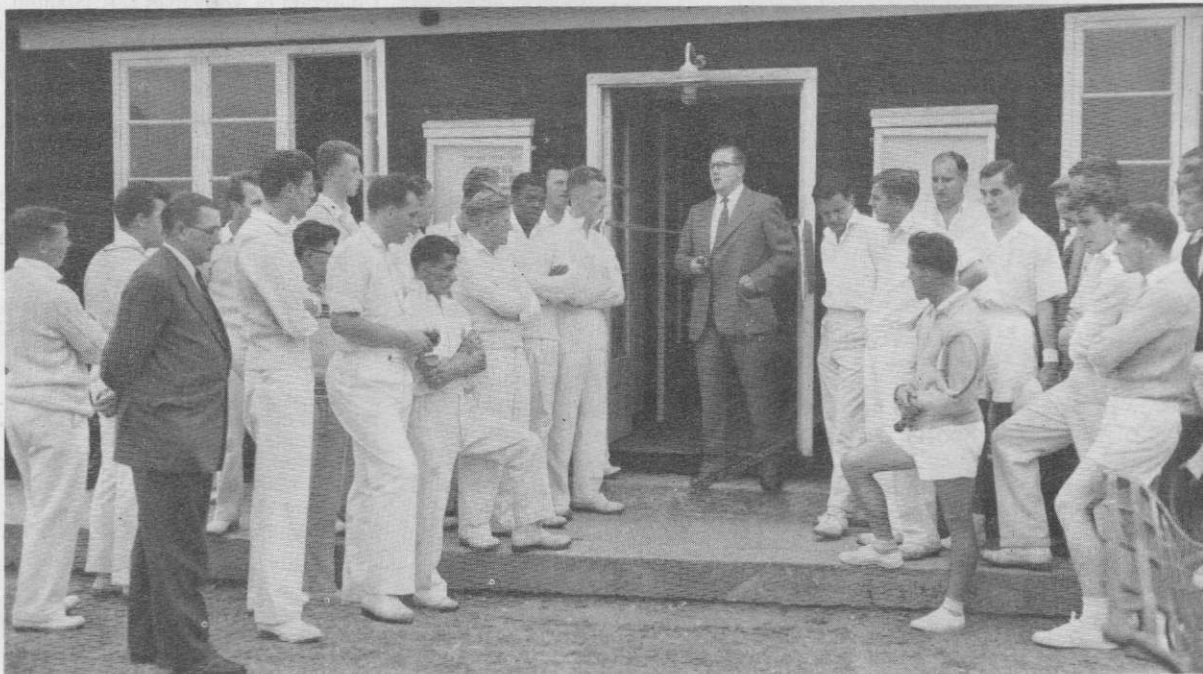
When the Social Club in Bridge Street was originally converted from a private house it was designed to fulfil the function of a club and nothing else. However, during the war it became essential to have a proper canteen where employees could obtain a snack or a hot meal on the premises. At the time, due to building restrictions and other reasons, the only place which could be suitably converted into a canteen was the Social Club, and so it was that the one building had to be adapted to a dual function. This has never been a very satisfactory arrangement since, as successive alterations took place, the Social Club gradually found that it was left with a bar and little else, except that it had the use of the Works Dining Room for special occasions.

With this in mind, a committee was formed this summer and given a brief to devise a plan for the rehousing of the Social Club, the siting of a Reception Centre for parties visiting the Brewery, and the improvement of facilities in the existing Canteen. In August their recommendations were put to the Board and approved.

The plan calls for the removal of the Social Club from its present premises to 27 Castle Street, which is a house adjacent to the Hotels and Catering Department. Considerable alterations are being made to the new premises and there is no doubt that when the work is finished the Club will be able to offer very much improved amenities to its members. There will be an attractive bar, rooms for billiards and T.V., and a large room where dances and other functions can be held. There is a good flat available for the Club Steward, a kitchen for the preparation of snacks, and plenty of storage space, including somewhere for bicycles.

The Reception Centre will be fitted into the room which now houses the Social Club bar; the room being somewhat extended as a result of alterations to the entrance hall of the building. It will contain a bar and various exhibits, including a working model of a brewery, and it will be possible to show a film or serve meals there.

The Canteen will stay where it is, but staff accommodation will be extended by the inclusion of the present Committee Rooms into the Staff Dining Room, the intervening walls being removed. Cloakroom facilities are also down for improvement, but the Works and Executives Dining Rooms will remain as they are.



Mr. J. D. Richardson opens the new Changing Rooms.

OPENING CEREMONY AT THE SPORTS GROUND

On August 1st a pleasant ceremony coincided with the visit to Reading of the Courage and Barclay cricket and tennis teams from Alton, when Mr. J. D. Richardson, the Company's Secretary and Chairman of the Sports and Social Club, officially opened the new changing rooms in the main Pavilion at the Sports Club.

Twenty years before, Mr. Richardson recalled, the Directors had opened this delightful ground, ten years later it was found necessary to build a second Pavilion and now, after another ten years,

new changing accommodation for men and ladies, together with a new kitchen, had had to be provided. This was proof that the ground was being used as intended.

Before cutting the scarlet and white tape, Mr. Richardson said that it was very agreeable that our old rivals, Courage & Barclay's, should be present on this occasion. Although a trading agreement was now being entered into between the two Companies, he assured the Courage and Barclay players that on the sports field rivalry would be as keen as ever.

A NEW COOPER

On Friday, August 21st, Roy S. Hodges, who had completed his five-year apprenticeship in the Coopers' Department was put through the traditional "trussing" ceremony and, emerging from his barrel a fully fledged Cooper, received his indentures from Mr. R. B. St. J. Quarry.

Roy has been a pupil of Ron Stanton, and his father, Harry, who originally started as an apprentice with the firm, has been in our Coopers' Department since 1952.



Roy Hodges inside his barrel, wondering what happens next.

SPORTS DAY AT READING



Newport getting up a thirst.

A Horticultural Show and an exhibition of pigeons were two new features of this year's Sports Day, which was held on August 15th in perfect weather. Several hundred people attended and it was pleasing to see representatives present from Newport, Staines, Brighton and Gloucester branches.

In addition to the usual races and sideshows there was a tug-of-war this year, in which the Production Department finally defeated Transport, after overcoming a team from Newport. Special displays were put on by Reading Judo Club and the J. Arthur Children's School of Dancing—one or two spectators being bold enough to accept an offer to step on to the mat and "have a go" with members of the Judo Club.

The most notable victory among the sports events was that of Fred Benham in the Veterans' Race; although not many would guess it, Fred was 63 last January.

The Ladies' Ankle Competition proved so popular that judging had to be carried out in three heats, a special prize being awarded to a particularly attractive pair of ankles which were found to be attached to a member of Newport's tug-of-war team.

Although people were a bit shy about producing entries for the Horticultural Show, there were some good quality exhibits, and it is felt that with this start more will take courage next year. The most successful entrant was Ron Stanton (Cooperage) who went away with four first prizes. Diplomas for the best vegetable entry and the best vase of flowers went to John Clayton (Cooperage) and Fred Chapman (Beer Cellars) respectively. Fred Benham was successful in another sphere when taking a Certificate of Merit for the best fruit entry. Miss Elaine Bonner (Wages) also won a certificate for the best exhibit in the ladies' section. The judges for the Show were arranged through the kind co-operation of the Reading Horticultural Federation.

A most interesting item was the display of pigeons arranged by Harry Wheeler (B.B.L. Stage) in conjunction with the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Columbarian Society. Many of the birds were extremely rare and it is believed to be the first time that some of them have been seen in this country.

The proceedings were rounded off in the evening with dancing to the music of the Astorians Band.



Winners of the Tug-of-War—the Production Department.

FIRST PRIZE WINNERS

SPORTS

100 yards	-	-	Men	-	-	J. Shepherd (Sales Accounts).
50 yards	-	-	Boys under 10	-	-	Bruce Bland.
50 yards	-	-	Girls under 10	-	-	Pauline Bland.
220 yards	-	-	Men	-	-	P. Harper (Wine Stores).
Obstacle	-	-	Boys	-	-	Keith Parr.
80 yards	-	-	Girls	-	-	Madeline McKenzie.
Wheelbarrow	-	-	-	-	-	Miss C. Lowry (Laboratory) and C. Burrows.

100 yards	-	-	Boys over 10 and under 15	-	-	Leon Johnson.
Tiny Tots	-	-	-	-	-	Bryn Stanley.
80 yards	-	-	Ladies	-	-	Mrs. M. Rowland.
Barrel Rolling	-	-	-	-	-	J. R. Dixon (Cylinder).
Veterans	-	-	-	-	-	F. Benham (Beer Cellars).
Egg and Spoon	-	-	Ladies	-	-	Mrs. D. Streeter.
Skipping	-	-	Girls	-	-	Diana Grist.
Sack Race	-	-	-	-	-	Keith Parr.

HORTICULTURE

<i>Vegetables :—</i>						Peas : E. Spary (Brewing).
Collection of Vegetables :	R. Stanton	(Cooperage).				Cabbages : R. Stanton (Cooperage).
Kidney Potatoes :	H. Hawkins	(Surveyors').				Globe Beet : M. Wheeler (Transport).
Round Potatoes :	J. Clayton	(Cooperage).				Marrows : H. Hawkins (Surveyors').
Onions :	R. Stanton	(Cooperage).				Heaviest Marrow : R. Stanton (Cooperage).
Carrots :	J. Clayton	(Cooperage).				Turnips : K. Ward (Insurance).
Runner Beans :	I. A. Clinch	(Personnel).				Shallots : L. Dennis (Wages).
						Parsnips : E. Spary (Brewing).

Cut Flowers :—

Asters :	I. A. Clinch (Personnel).
Dahlias :	J. Roynon (Accounts).
Mixed Flowers :	F. Chapman (Beer Cellars).

Fruit :—

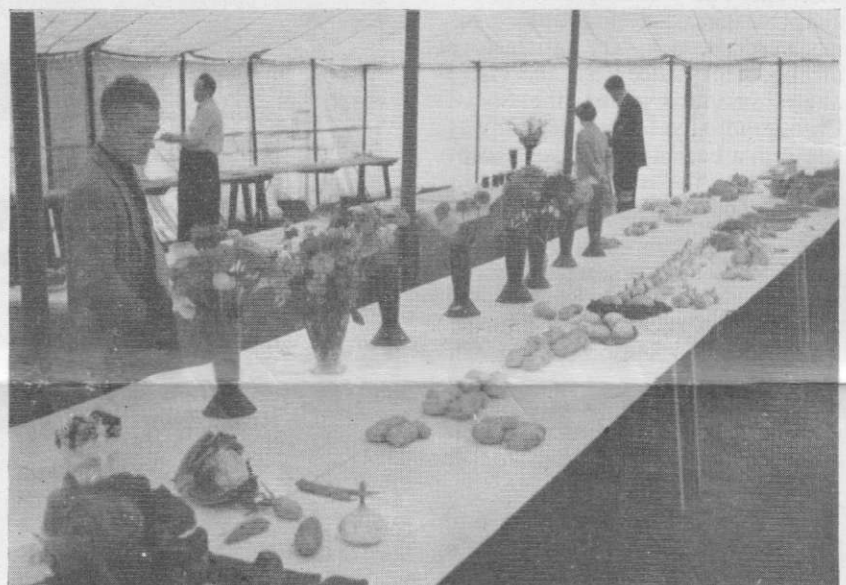
Plums :	F. Benham (Beer Cellars).
Apples—Culinary :	S. Davey (Managed House Accounts).
Apples—Dessert :	Miss M. Ball (Sales Accounts).
Pears :	F. Benham (Beer Cellars).

Ladies Section :—

Fruit Cake :	Mrs. Davey.
Boiled Potatoes :	Mrs. Davey.
Hand-knitted Garment :	Mrs. Ward.
Needlework :	Miss E. Bonner (Wages).
Jam or Marmalade :	Mrs. Kent.

School Children's Section :—

Needlework :	Miss D. Hawkins.
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A view of the Horticultural Tent as the exhibits were being set out.

BALLOON RACE

There were again many side stalls at the Sports Day, and as popular as ever was the Balloon Race. This year the balloons headed Eastwards and no doubt a few came down in the North Sea. The winning balloon reached Ipswich, and won £5 for Miss Teresa Bilsby, daughter of one of the Transport drivers at Reading. The next farthest was found at Brent Eleigh in Suffolk, and this belonged to Miss Patricia Dines. Two more tags were returned from Suffolk, both from the village of Little Cornard. These were sent by Mr. Percy Ruffles, of the Wine Stores, and Maureen Johnson, of Newport.

Other balloons which did their best for their senders were :—

In or near Braintree :	
H. E. Blatch ; J. Fry (Garage) ; K. Arthur ; P. Turner (Transport) ; P. Luker (Cask Office) ; Jane Wells (London) ; Brian Turner ; J. Kolinski (Bottling) ; R. Davey.	
In or near Dunmow :	
Mrs. Bilsby (Gosport) ; R. Roberts (Engineers' Stores) ; C. Dinnage (Transport) ; J. Carr (Maltings) ; John Bilsby ; Mrs. Little (First Aid) ; R. Clayton (Cooperage) ; P. Russell (Secretarial) ; E. Day (Wine Stores).	

At

Takeley : M. W. Pittock (Wine Stores).	Wetherfield : W. J. Hawker.
North Weald : D. Marshall (Newport).	Little Sampford : Mary Kenny.
Harlow : Betty Watson (Newport).	Stansted : L. Knight (Power House).
Roydon : W. F. Charlton (Maltings).	Epping Forest : A. Burrow (Engineers) ; R. Rylance (Cask Office).

BARREL ROLLING COMPETITION

On August Bank Holiday Monday, Newport Transport Staff entered two teams in a barrel rolling contest, which took place at Caerleon. This was Newport's first attempt at barrel rolling and not unnaturally the competitors' families and friends turned out in force to see the spectacle.

The course, which included some amusing obstacles, was laid out through the winding streets of Caerleon village, which is famous for its Roman Amphitheatre.

From the start of the race both

the Simonds' teams were well in the lead, until a misunderstanding occurred on the last leg of the course which resulted in the teams finishing in second and third positions.

Eventually the team finishing third was disqualified for a take-over infringement, but, with a £2 cash prize, a certificate and a pint of beer each, the team members took these rebuffs quite well, and are determined to give an even better account of themselves next year.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

A Dramatic Society has been formed recently at Reading, which it is hoped will make an interesting and fruitful addition to social activities within the firm. Already there are thirty members, and the following Committee has been elected :—

Chairman : Mr. A. E. Wake. Producer : Mr. Chris Sankey.
Secretary : Miss Marion Aitken. Asst. Producer and Stage Manager :
Treasurer : Miss Joan Woodman. Mr. David Howard.

The two last named, with the addition of Miss Pat Fiddler, make up the Selection Committee which is busy reading one-act plays, mainly comedy, in order to arrive at a short list from which a play can be chosen for actual production.

Future plans include the suggestion that a one-act play be put on in January for the Pensioners' Dinner, and after that a complete evening's entertainment before a paying audience.

Efforts are being made to raise funds, and have included the organisation of a dance at the Social Club on September 5th.

Anyone interested in joining the Society should approach Miss Aitken, of the Free Trade Department, who will be pleased to provide all details.

WEDDINGS

Miss Y. Chipping, of the Office Staff at Staines, married Corporal Anthony Peach, of the R.A.F., on June 6th. Before the wedding Miss Chipping was presented with a canteen of cutlery by Mr. E. Gosney on behalf of her colleagues.

Mr. M. Cohen, of the Staines Transport Department, married Miss B. Croft on June 13th. He received an eight-day striking clock, with the best wishes of the staff of the Department, which was also presented by Mr. Gosney.

On Saturday, June 20th, Miss C. Tilbury, of the Bottling Department at Staines, was married to Mr. J. Grimmett. Miss Tilbury also received an eight-day striking clock from her friends in the Department, which Mr. Gosney presented. Miss Tilbury has been a member of the bottling staff at Staines for 38 years, the early part of her service having been with Messrs. Ashby.

The wedding between Miss P. Doherty, of the Newport Bottling Staff, and Mr. J. D. Murray took place on August 1st at St. Michael's Church, Newport. Miss Doherty received an eight-day striking clock with every good wish from her colleagues.

Also married on August 1st at St. Michael's Church, Newport, were

Miss M. Weston, of the Newport Bottling Staff, and Mr. G. R. Rees. All the members of the Bottling Department gave Miss Weston an eight-day clock, together with their good wishes for future happiness.

Miss C. A. Rickards, of the Personnel Department, married Mr. Robert Knight on August 29th at St. Peter's Church, Earley. Miss Rickards received a contemporary table lamp with the good wishes of her friends in the Department.

Don Cashley, of the Transport Department, was married to Miss Mary Carroll on July 18th at the Church of Christ the King, Reading. He was presented with a canteen of cutlery by his colleagues.

On August 29th, John Hinton, of the Engineers' Department, was married to Miss Carol Pettit, of the Sales Accounts Department at Reading Registry Office.

Tony Vockings, of the Bottled Beer Loading Stage, married Miss Jean Rogers on September 5th at Reading Registry Office. Tony's colleagues presented him with a fireside companion set.

Miss Dorothy Whittle, of the Bottling Department, married Mr. John Beckett at Reading Registry Office on July 25th.

CLUB OUTING

On Sunday, 30th August, an outing took place, arranged jointly by Mr. C. W. Hawkins for the Social Club, and Mr. G. J. Chandler for Simonds Branch of the T. & G.W.U.

Seventy members and their families travelled by coach to Hayling Island. After a glorious day on the beach the sunburnt party returned to the *Prince of Wales* at Fleet to quench their pardonable thirst.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Jim Gardiner (Bottling) on the birth of a daughter, Susan Jane, on June 21st. Mrs. Gardiner was formerly employed in the Sales Accounts Department.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knight outside St. Peter's Church after their wedding.



Miss C. Tilbury receives a presentation before her marriage.

NEW ARRIVAL

A new arrival at the stables is Gilbert, a six-year-old grey gelding from Shropshire, who not unusually finds the food and accommodation in a Simonds establishment to be excellent.



Gilbert, flanked by George Mylum and Billy Rose, surveys his new surroundings.

EXAMINATION SUCCESS

We congratulate Mervyn Jordan on passing the Ordinary National Certificate for Mechanical Engineering. Mervyn has been a trainee engineer with the Company for five years.



Mervyn Jordan.

STAFF CHANGES

READING

New Employees

We welcome the following newcomers to our ranks, and wish them happiness in their work with us :—

Miss D. J. Willis—Telephonist.
Mrs. E. J. Line—Stocktaking.
Miss V. Padwick—Sales Accounts.
Miss J. Eggleton—Laboratory.
Mrs. B. Shepherd—Sales Accounts.
Miss P. Wilder—Sales Accounts.
Mrs. I. L. Robertson—Sales Accounts.
Miss P. A. Spencer—Sales Accounts.
Miss C. Cash—Sales Accounts.
Miss E. Aggar—Sales Accounts.
Mrs. B. Ravening—Architect's Dept.
C. M. Hayes—Accounts.
Miss C. E. Lowry—Laboratory.
Miss G. Fencott—Hotels.
Miss V. Gray—Arthur Cooper.

C. J. McGuirk—Cask.
A. P. Butler—Accounts.
Miss R. B. Head—Sales Accounts.
Miss D. B. Palmer—Sales Accounts.
Mrs. S. A. Spindler—Sales Accounts.
M. Aplin—Sales Accounts.
Miss M. Morris—Switchboard.
J. Watson—Delivery Department.
P. K. T. Chapman—Architect's Dept.
Mrs. S. E. Bryant—Sales Accounts.

Transfers :

Miss E. Bonner—Sales Accounts to Wages Department.
C. Gwilliam—Accounts Department to Managed House Accounts Section.
Mrs. J. Bennett—Wages Department to Accounts Department.
Miss H. J. Merrick—Correspondence Office to Estates Department.

BRANCHES

New Employees

We also welcome the following newcomers to Branches, and wish them every happiness :—

Miss A. Smith—Devonport.
Miss B. Lyons—Newport.

Mrs. P. M. E. Snow—Devonport.
D. Eddy—Penzance.
Miss J. Woodward—Newport.
Mrs. A. Robinson—Devonport.
Mrs. P. Wells—Devonport.

MANUAL STAFF RETIREMENTS

The following member of the manual staff has retired, and we wish him good health and happiness in his retirement :—

Reading (On 31st July, 1959)

T. J. Rees, after 19 years' service in the Power House.

SPORTS REVIEW

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALLERS AT SPORTS GROUND

On Sunday, 9th August, the Tennis Club entertained a team of star footballers. Jimmy Dickenson, the Portsmouth and England half-back, partnered Maurice Edelston, who also represented England, and who all Reading F.C. fans will remember. Bernard Joy, the ex-Arsenal centre-half, now a sports columnist, was partnered by Bedford Jezzard, the England centre-forward, whose playing career was cut short by injury, and who is now the Manager of Fulham F.C. Johnny Haynes and Jimmy Hill were to have made another pair, but were unfortunately unable to attend and their places were taken by Peter Baker, of Tottenham Hotspur, and a guest from the Queen's Club, London. The result was a 6-3 victory for the Brewery side.

TENNIS

Two new names will appear on the Honours Board at the Sports Ground. In the final of the Men Employees' Singles Ron Brind (Managed House Accounts) beat Howard Jones (Cask Office). This was the first time either of them had reached the final. The other new champion in the Men's Open Tournament was Rex Lucas. Mrs. Gwen Greenaway again won the Ladies' Singles.

The league teams competing in the Berkshire L.T.A. Leagues had another good season. The first team held its own in the First Division, and the second team won the Fourth Division and will be promoted to the Third Division next year.

CRICKET

The cricket season ended on August 29th with both the "A" and "B" teams having achieved a fair record as shown below:—

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
"A" Team	21	7	5	9
"B" Team	15	5	4	6

In addition, the Club reached the semi-final of the Evening Cup, where it unfortunately met defeat at the hands of Lower Tilehurst.

A notable match was that in which Guinness, of Park Royal, was defeated for the first time since the fixture began, while a near record must have been created when 454 runs were scored in an afternoon during the "A" team match against Thatcham on July 25th.

Against Thatcham "B" team on June 13th, Peter Harper and Reg Norkett scored 51 and 56 not out respectively in a record last wicket partnership of 93.

Results from June 13th onwards were:—

"A" Team

Saturday, June 13th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 134 for 8 dec. (Loader 32, Merryweather 29, Bowker 28).
Thatcham 135 for 3 (Smith 2 for 37).
Won by Thatcham.

Tuesday, June 16th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 104 for 3 (Shepherd 55 not out, Bowker 26).

Reading Co-op 103 for 8 (Ward 4 for 40).
Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, June 20th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 155 for 5 dec. (Bedding 63 not out, Batson 32, Merryweather 26).

Broadmoor Patients 87 (Smith 3 for 10, Batson 4 for 22).

Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, June 27th, 1959.
Shiplake 125.
Simonds "A" 127 for 7 (Bedding 48, Batson 48).

Won by Simonds "A."

Tuesday, June 30th, 1959.
Reading "A" 98.
Simonds "A" 101 for 7 (Simms 29, Warner 19).

Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, July 4th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 167 (Shepherd 72, Merryweather 43).
Marlow Park 108 for 8.

Match drawn.

Sunday, July 5th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 69.
Reading Police 146.

Won by Reading Police.

Saturday, July 11th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 94 (Bowker 17).
Waltham St. Lawrence 149.
Won by Waltham St. Lawrence.

Tuesday, July 14th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 54.
Lower Tilehurst 86.
Won by Lower Tilehurst.

Saturday, July 18th, 1959.
White Waltham 39 (Smith 5 for 18, Ward 5 for 20).
Simonds "A" 81 (Loader 31).
Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, July 25th, 1959.
Thatcham 248 for 3 dec.
Simonds "A" 206 for 8 (Batson 78, Wardle 71).

Match drawn.

Sunday, July 26th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 157 (Batson 50, Loader 24).
Turquand 78 for 7.

Match drawn: rain stopped play.

Saturday, August 1st, 1959.
Simonds "A" 35.
Courage & Barclay 121.
Won by Courage & Barclay.

Saturday, August 8th, 1959.
Newbury 68 (Smith 6 for 22, Ward 3 for 29).

Simonds "A" 117 (Wardle 44, Bedding 24).
Won by Simonds "A."

Sunday, August 16th, 1959.
Guinness 74 (Smith 4 for 25, Merryweather 4 for 31).

Simonds "A" 157 (Shepherd 40, Batson 27, Bedding 23).
Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, August 22nd, 1959.
Reading Aerodrome 150 (Ward 2 for 17).
Simonds "A" 151 for 4 (Batson 45 not out, Merryweather 29, Loader 27).

Won by Simonds "A."

Saturday, August 29th, 1959.
Simonds "A" 115 (Harding 38, Batson 38).

Marlow Park 116 for 4 (Ward 2 for 27).
Won by Marlow Park by 6 wickets.

"B" Team

Saturday, June 13th, 1959.
Simonds "B" 160 (Harper 51, Norkett 56 not out).

Thatcham 2nd XI 161 for 5 (Harper 2 for 49).
Won by Thatcham by 5 wickets.

Saturday, June 20th, 1959.
Simonds "B" 179 for 5 dec. (Wardle 82, Reilly 31).

Greys Green 126 for 8 (Warner 3 for 51, Hawkins 2 for 19).

Match drawn.

Saturday, June 27th, 1959.
Simonds "B" 146 (Warner 77, Barrett 26).
Shinfield 64 (Warner 6 for 36, Harper 3 for 22).

Won by Simonds "B" by 82 runs.

Saturday, July 4th, 1959.
Marlow Park "B" 94 (Warner 5 for 35, Cordery 3 for 20).
Simonds "B" 95 for 6 (Hawkins 30 not out, Warner 22).

Simonds "B" won by 4 wickets.

Saturday, July 11th, 1959.
Marlow Park "B" 125 (Harper 5 for 31, Wardle 2 for 10).
Simonds "B" 109 for 8 (Wardle 68, Crutchfield 19).

Match drawn.

Saturday, July 25th, 1959.
Thatcham 2nd XI 117 for 5 dec. (Brown 2 for 23).
Simonds "B" 100 (Greenaway 28, Harper 20).

Won by Thatcham by 77 runs.

Saturday, August 1st, 1959.
Simonds "B" 98 (Greenaway 51).
Borocourt 86 (Harper 7 for 31).

Won by Simonds "B" by 12 runs.

Saturday, August 8th, 1959.
S.E.B. Reading 56 (Harper 5 for 14, Warner 3 for 22).

Simonds "B" 23.
Won by S.E.B. by 33 runs.

Saturday, August 15th, 1959.
Shinfield 60 (Warner 5 for 25, Loader 3 for 18).

Simonds "B" 22.
Won by Shinfield by 38 runs.

Saturday, August 22nd, 1959.
Greys Green 126 (Harper 4 for 32, Rattue 3 for 19).

Simonds "B" 118 for 9 (Rattue 53, Crutchfield 25).
Match drawn.

WINTER SEASON

The Winter Sports Season is with us again, and here is a round-up of indoor and outdoor sporting activities that will be taking place:

FOOTBALL

The football season has started, but the only result at the time of writing is that the First XI drew their Premier Division match with Reading Exiles at home, one each. Bill Maslen scored our goal.

Training is on Tuesday evenings, and will continue throughout the winter under floodlights. At the A.G.M. held in June, the following officers were elected:—

Chairman: E. D. Campbell.
Vice-Chairman: H. Treadgold.
Secretary: R. Sawdon Smith.
Asst. Secretary: G. Shiel.
Coach: W. Chalmers.

OBITUARY

We deeply regret to record the death of: **W. J. S. Sparks**, on July 6th, 1959, at the age of 76. He had served the Company for 50 years, and was Foreman Cooper before his retirement in June, 1948.

HOCKEY

A full fixture list has again been arranged which began on September 19th. Training has been in full swing for many weeks. Any newcomers who would like to play hockey should contact Ted Spary in the Brewing Room—Telephone, Extension 36.

DARTS

The Club has again entered the Reading Club Darts League, and matches will commence shortly. Home matches will be played on Thursday evenings, and the Club Steward will take names of anyone wishing to play for the team.

NETBALL

The netball season also started on Sept. 19th, and the Club is again entering the Reading Youth Netball League. The team has been training hard all the summer, and before the League programme started they entered a local rally on September 12th.

At the A.G.M. held on the 7th Sept., Miss Anne Levey was re-elected as Secretary, Miss Rita Higgs and Miss Elizabeth Eggers were re-elected to the positions of Captain and Vice-Captain respectively.

TABLE TENNIS

Preparations are also under way for another Table Tennis season. The Club will be running two teams this year, and the evening for home matches will be Friday, with Monday for practice. At the A.G.M. on 8th September, Colin Wakefield (Managed House Accounts Section) was elected Secretary, and any newcomers wishing to play should contact him on Telephone Extension 153.

ANGLING CLUB NEWS

With about half the Club matches finished the race for the top weight winner is still very open. The Brewery waters have proved extremely popular this year, and have held some good fish. A match of some sort has taken place nearly every week-end. Match weights to date are:—

F. Weston	-	4 lbs. 3 ozs.
M. Gibbs	-	3 lbs. ¼ oz.
D. Fry	-	1 lb. 7½ ozs.
A. Allwood	-	1 lb. 7½ ozs.
C. Grover	-	1 lb. 7 ozs.
F. Smith	-	1 lb. 2½ ozs.