



A Sky Hawk in flight

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

The success of any venture, established for a community, can only be accomplished if it achieves its objects, and if everyone is prepared to become involved.

We think we can, with all modesty, claim that MEA NEWS has succeeded thus far, — your comments as expressed to us, have been most kind and appreciative, and we thank you for the confidence that inspires.

But there is another consideration, this is YOUR journal, produced for you, and we want it also to be BY YOU, so we are enlisting your

support. We need articles, items of interest drawings, photographs, cartoons, puzzles etc. in fact, anything you would like to share with your fellow employees and their families.

Your letters would be welcomed as would the active participation of your families.

Will you rally round and start supplying the material—you don't have to be an expert writer—so that together we can make this a journal of which we can be proud, and one which every member of the Company at home or abroad will look forward to reading.

Finally, if you know of anyone who is not regularly receiving their copy, please let us know. We recognise we still have a few gaps in our distribution system.

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TRAVEL

When this country of ours was just a feudal paradise, the Lords of the Manor discovered that to increase the yield from their lands they had to crop it in rotation and even leave it fallow for 1 year, to regain its hidden sources of power to produce; The system worked and wealth and prosperity ensued. When the Industrial Revolution changed the way of life, and the factory system began, it was realised that mankind needed to take heed of this 'resting' and 'rotation' idea. Though hours were long, some time was available for other things. Gardens were cultivated, games were played, 'Fairs' travelled the countryside giving folks the opportunity to do something different for a while and to 'let their hair down'. Developing through the years, with more leisure time provided, Sports Clubs, Leagues and competitions grew mushroom-like. The idea to use in leisure, muscles, nerves and sinews not normally used when at work; to create a change of environment, and get people to fill their lungs with fresh air; to create fitness and enable mind and body to tackle the problems of working and living, and producing at an ever-enlarging rate.

Parliament stepped in, passing laws for compulsory education, and banning children of school age from



work. Bank holidays were created when business and commerce had a break; social legislation proliferated. At the turn of the century compulsory payments to provide for times of sickness and unemployment were introduced—later forming the basis of what we now call the Welfare State.

Trade Unions were growing in strength and importance and as a result of negotiations—often long and drawn-out—working hours began to shrink. From 48 hours in 1925 to 44 then to 40. Holidays too were improved from 1 week without pay in the 20s to 2 weeks with pay and on to 4 weeks with pay.

These changes have meant a radical change in attitudes. Whereas holidays and leisure hours were spent in a local environment, through the combination of shorter hours and longer periods of break from work, with the advent of the motor car and aeroplane, a quest for change grew apace. First the seaside and the growth of the seaside holiday resort; and after World War II—to foreign parts. All summed up in one word 'Travel', and holidays abroad.

The same sort of change developed in industry—more emphasis on exports was proclaimed and more people were travelling and going abroad on business than ever before.

So the Travel Agency industry was borne, to look after people's needs in this field and provide specialist help.

Our Company having connections world-wide, has many people on the move, at all times. Planning itineraries, booking planes, trains, boats and the like is a job that has to be done, and we have a well-established Travel Office that caters for this work.

In addition, we have contacts with all major airlines, and also Travel Tour Operators, and because of our unique position, and also as part of GEC, special rates can often be obtained. Hotels are prepared to give discounts when settling accounts subject to proof of employment with Marconi or GEC. This is applied to private as well as business accounts.

Special rates for party travel—by coach and rail are available, providing certain conditions are met.

Brochures of many travel tour operators for package holidays are available from the Sports Club office or the Travel Office. In addition we have the MAGNET TRAVEL which is a GEC service, providing facilities in all aspects of travel and packaged holidays at special rates for personnel of the Company.

When thinking of travel, whether for business or pleasure, contact the Travel Office (Int 363 Mrs. L. McPake) and see what there is on offer, or consult the Sports Club Office (Int 217).

To increase the fun of travel, and make it more economic, as well as provide a very specialised service, the formation of a Travel Club for our employees has been suggested. If sufficient people are interested this could be arranged.

There is great scope to widen the opportunities and to provide savings for all potential travellers in getting together in this way.

There are already a number of individuals who arrange trips and excursions on a limited basis within the Company. If all these efforts were concentrated in one larger central organization, the benefit could be very substantial and the greatest number would enjoy the greater good.

The MEA NEWS office can act as a filter and give help and advice as required.

'Travelling by post'

To help Divisional Managements in their contacts with customers at home or abroad, for the rapid transmission of packets and parcels, the GPO have introduced DATAPOST. Two types exist: Datapost and Datapost D.

Datapost D is for the facility 'on demand', the spasmodic or erratic or sudden requirement, whilst the other is for use on a regular basis. Both schemes require contracts with GPO for an annual fee, and then the charge for each package conveyed by the system is separately levied.

As an example, packages handed in at Chatham Post Office on Monday for transmission to most cities in the USA will be delivered on Wednesday am.

It is understood some Divisions are already negotiating arrangements with the GPO in addition to EDP who already operate the scheme. These should be co-ordinated so that the Company as a whole can make use of this rapid system of guaranteed delivery, as and when necessary. Just another extension of facilities for travel—of things and not people.

It is a far cry from the Venetian patriot who, when asked why he did not broaden his mind by travel, expostulated: "Travel? Why should I travel when I am already here?"

ODE TO A GENT

Alf Harrison's set for retirement
 So rumour would have us believe,
 But what will become of Marconi's
 If Alf does decide he will leave?

After all—it's not long since—Reg Collins,
 —announced he was going away,
 Now, for Alf to announce "He's retiring,"
 Has caused, disbelief and dismay.

Just imagine, no Batman and Robin,
 Try to picture no Starsky and Hutch,
 Well, now we've no Alf and no Reggie
 The Establishments not left with much.

But Alf Harrison "WILL" be remembered
 by all those he kept out of the muck,
 And also by those that he didn't!!
 by his outburst of ----- in HARD LUCK!

No more will we see his Blue Pin Stripes
 Or his smartly trimmed Clark Gable "TASH"
 We must hope that when Alf finally leaves us
 That the whole firm don't suddenly crash.

So from ADD, IND and Gyro,
 ATE, CMS and the rest,
 From all the Divisions you've harassed or chased,
 Good luck Alf, and thanks — twas all for the best.

AD/ADD

★ What you can do about Holidays ★
 (see page 4)



You're so lucky - Elliotts need a project manager.....

Births

A New Year's present of a bouncing baby son came to **Robert Lewis** a Machinist in CMS. The baby was 6lbs. 5oz. in weight and born in All Saints Hospital Maternity Unit to his wife Wendy on New Year's Day.

Robert has been in CMS 3 years and came to the Medway Towns 4½ years ago when he married and set up home. Previously he worked in the London area with a firm who sub-contract for us, and when he decided to cut out commuting, he turned to the firm whose work he knew and understood. His youthful looks and infectious smile indicate his contentment.

Our photograph by courtesy of the Chatham News, shows Wendy and infant Ian in the hospital bed.



Mrs. Mary Smith of MEA Accounts became a Grandma for the first time when her grandson arrived on 18 January 1978.

To **Colin and Cheryl Bayman** the gift of a son, Alexander Paul, on 13 February 1978. Junior weighed in at 8lbs. 2½oz. Colin a Project Leader in PSD received the congratulations and 'good humoured banter' of his colleagues.

Congratulations

Our belated congratulations to:-

Miss Gillian Smith, a clerk/typist in FCD Contracts Office, on reaching her 21st birthday on 18 December 1977.

Many old friends at Rochester, will be happy to learn that **Wilfred (Bill) John Kemp and Mrs. Kemp** celebrated their GOLDEN WEDDING on 19 November last at Fisher, Canberra, Australia.

A telegram of congratulations was sent by Jim Collins on behalf of the Company and all old friends, and a reply has been received. In addition they received a telegram from Mr. Fraser, Prime Minister of Australia. The MP for Canberra—Mr. Haslen presented them with a golden canary in a cage and many other gifts to commemorate the occasion.

More news of Bill—down under—in a later issue.

Congratulations to **Tony Daly** of FCD D/O who had his 21st Birthday on 25 February 1978.

Double congratulations to **Rosemary Tyler**, a Progress Chaser on MRCA (FCD), on her marriage to **Alan Barnaby**, Wireman in MASD, which took place at Chatham Registry office on 28 February and on her birthday (yes, you fellers, she is OVER 21) on 1 March 1978.

MARRIAGES

James Lee of MEA Accounts has taken for his bride Mrs. Evans of Wakefield, Yorkshire. The marriage took place on 4 February 1978.

Syd Baker of ADD Stores to Jeanette (Jenny) Moore at Chatham Registry office on Tuesday 14 February at 2.15pm.

A reception followed at the White House, Pier Road, Gillingham (see "for better—for worse").



Photo by Barry Kirwan Photography, 20 Walderslade Road, Chatham.

Junior News

JUNIOR COMPETITION

Jumbled clothing.

1. RNOKAA
2. DERUNRAW
3. OTAOVCR
4. SERLSNDOG
5. ORUSESRT
6. MPERJU
7. SOEULB
8. ESPLSIPR
9. HSOSE
10. TVSE

UNRAVEL these pieces of clothing and put your age, name and address on a piece of paper and send to

The Editor
MEA NEWS
Marconi-Elliott Avionics Limited
Airport Works
Rochester
Kent.

To arrive not later than 7 April. First correct solution drawn from 'The Hat' will receive a gift token.

Answers to the Jumbled Names competition

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|-----------|----------|
| Louise | Theresa |
| Alexandra | Michael |
| Thomas | Susannah |
| Marie | Steven |
| Victor | Martha |

The first correct solution out of the 'drum' was from Sandra Russell, to whom a gift token will be sent.

Thanks to all those who entered, and special thanks to Maxine Rogers for giving the derivation and meaning of the names. We are sorry not all could win.

Both the Crossword and "Jumbled Clothing" items were compiled by Sarah Mills, aged 9, to whom we say thank you!

Letter to the Editor

"Hazelden"

Woodlands Terrace
Gillingham,
Kent.

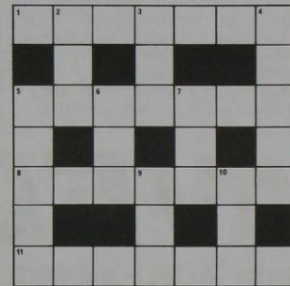
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Dear Sir,

I was surprised and delighted to learn that I had won a prize in your Christmas competition and I would like to thank you for sending me the record token valued at £3.

Yours sincerely,
Kay Munchin

JUNIOR CROSSWORD No. 3



ACROSS

1. One who is too fond of tidyness (7)
5. Church speeches (7)
8. Quickly (7)
11. Old coin (7)

DOWN

2. Employ (3)
3. Man's name in short (3)
4. Mouth-watering (5)
5. Girl's name (5)
6. Fear (3)
7. Strange (3)
9. Anger (3)
10. Boy's name in short (3)

PERSONALITY PROFILE



To the young, starting out in life is a great adventure, but when you have had three differing experiences and you are still young, the thrill somewhat palls.

Yet to **John David Ainley**, taking up a position as Personnel Officer in Rochester, is perhaps the greatest challenge. To leave Yorkshire and to come South is one of those mysterious escapades that leave the true Yorkist bewildered, bemused and baffled.

He comes of true Yorkshire stock, having been born at Berry Brow—a suburb of Huddersfield (very much like Wigmore is to Gillingham). His father is already in Personnel Management, which perhaps tipped the scales in favour of pursuing this course for his life work.

John came to us fresh from Leeds University, where he graduated LL.B., but felt he would be better employed in industry, rather than the cold facts of law. His progress towards ultimate success was by way of Berry Brow Junior School, Huddersfield New College and Huddersfield Technical College. General Law was the subject of his learning until the final year when he began to specialise in Industrial Relations. In dealing with potential employees, who have run the gamut of graduating, he can apply his training in logical thought, discernment and the ability to put one at ease, in the trying conditions of selling oneself, unaware as to what is required.

A tough guy, reared under the experience of Rugby Union and Rugby League football, he formerly played rugby league as an amateur in a local side. Thoroughly domesticated he shares a 'dwelling unit' but looks forward to taking a place of his own. Softly spoken, an infectious smile, he appears to be the opposite of cold factual reasoning, and a lawyer's hard stoicism.

FOR BETTER FOR WORSE

Gather round folks whilst I tell,
this tale of grief and woe,
Syd Baker, once a carefree lad
has finally got to go.

Shocked silence hung around the stores
A frown replaced each smile
When Syd came in one day and said
'I'm going down the aisle'.

Then from the deathly hush came up
A croak from Laurie Sears,
'Syd Baker—getting married?
I can't believe my ears'.

Poor Eric, in a state of shock
Collapsed upon the floor,
He pleaded, 'Syd, don't do it mate
It'll keep you bloody poor'.

But our Syd's made of sterner stuff
He lives down by the river.
He said 'I've found my own true love
and my troth I'm going to give 'er'.

By now Pat had recovered
She said 'Don't listen LOVE'
'I'm sure your wedding will be blessed
By someone up above'.

Cyril Adams then spoke up,
He said 'Yes Pat, you're right
Mr. Colwell wants to see him
Before he leaves tonight'.

So now if on some Wintry night
An very sound you hear
You may think that it's a coal barge
In distress off Gillingham Pier.

But no my friends you'll be quite wrong—
The sound that you can hear,
Will be Sydney in the White House,
Drowning sorrows in his beer.

Obituary

We deeply regret to record the passing of **Harry Booth**, a Project Leader within IND, on 3 February 1978.

Harry started his career with Elliotts in October 1959 and would have been due for retirement on 28 March. To his widow—Hilda—recently restored from CMS, we express our sympathy.

AROUND THE DIVISIONS

ADD

Delivery of the first of nearly a thousand Head Up Display (HUD) systems for the General Dynamics F-16 multirole fighter was made in December 1977 to Fort Worth, Texas, nine days ahead of schedule, by Marconi-Elliott Avionic Systems Limited, Rochester, England (a GEC-Marconi Electronics Company). A \$62 million contract agreed between the companies, authorisation for which was given only 14 months previously, is for the equipment of 650 F-16s on order by the US Air Force and of 348 F-16s selected by the Air Forces of Belgium, Denmark, Norway and the Netherlands.

The HUD, which provides F-16 pilots with all the essential information they need for piloting, navigation and weapon aiming, without their having to look down at instruments, now incorporates all the major refinements proved by General Dynamics and service pilots during F-16 full scale development test programmes.



The Airborne Display Division, Rochester, England, of Marconi-Elliott Avionic Systems Limited, is responsible for the complete HUD system, programme management and customer support programmes, working in

conjunction with the Company's US associate, E-A Industrial Corporation, Atlanta, Georgia. Each HUD system comprises a pilot's display unit (PDU), Digital Electronics Unit (EU), their Mounting Tray (MT) assemblies and a Rate Sensor Unit (RSU) sub contracted to Honeywell.

Elements sub contracted for all 998 HUP systems are:

RSU	Honeywell (USA)
CRT development and supply	Rank Tubes Ltd. (UK)
CRT supply	Dumont (USA)
Optical modules	Pilkington PE (UK)
Power supplies	Eldec (USA)
Printed circuit boards	Canadian Marconi Co (Canada) and GEC-Marconi Electronics (UK)

ISD

New avionic system delivered for key US helicopter programme.

The first delivery of a new Air Data Subsystem (ADS) and associated Ground Support Equipment (GSE) has now been made to Bell Helicopter Textron, Fort Worth, Texas, a division of Textron Inc., by Marconi-Elliott Avionic Systems Limited (a GEC-Marconi Electronics company).

The ADS, part of the new Fire Control System to be fitted on Bell AH-1S Cobra helicopters for the US Army, was completed and delivered, on schedule, only 6½ months from placement of contract. During that period the Company's Instrument Systems Division, Rochester, England, developed and built the ADS and placed a sub-contract with its United States associate, E-A Industrial Corp., Atlanta, Georgia, to develop and produce the GSE in the same time scale. The GSE was shipped to England and tested for compatibility with the ADS before the equipments were delivered to Fort Worth. (Extracts from Press Releases)

Reginald & Zephyrus

A draught that had waited for many a year
Down the airways and stairways round about here,
Playing with litter in crannies and nooks
And shifting the dust from the tops of old books,
Spreading among us all, softly and stealthily
Stale old tobacco smells most unhealthily,
Awaking one day in a sour, sickly mood
Decided to try and blow someone no good.

It pushed and shoved its way under our door
And blustered its way down the length of the floor
To clumsily caper and then pirouette
Around Joan and Jill and poor pale Margaret.
Its comings and goings it marked with a blast
Of stale air in the faces of those that it passed.
Whirling round Heather, without pause for breath,
It struck Norah's nose with a chill as of death.

And next in rippling vortices
The draught howled round Reg Cater's knees,
Whistled up his trousers at gale force eight,
Tugged his moustache till it stood quite straight.
"Whee", said the wind as it gushed up his sleeves.
"Whoo!" as it scattered all his tidy paper sheaves.
"Now this," thought Reg is not quite grammatical.
To put it more plainly its not syntactical,
And its written down in Fowler for anyone to see
That its whoo in front of whee except when at sea.

But this badgering wind and Reginald C
Found that in no manner could they agree.
So to avoid any further kind of fuss
Reg packed his stationery and hopped on a bus
To where no scraps of paper flee
Across the floor to ATE.

Contributed

Appointments

The new Chief Engineer of ATE is **R. Humphreys** while **B.J. Beddoe** is confirmed as Chief Programme Manager ATE.

Mr. J.A. Hill has been appointed Sales Manager PSD.

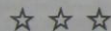
In FARL (New Road) **Mr. J.R. Catford** has taken up duties as Chief Systems Engineer.

Brian Butler has moved to be Chief Storekeeper FCD.

In the Hydraulic Laboratory FCD, **Roy Saxby**, formerly a T.A., is now appointed as Commissioning Engineer.

R.F. Nailor has been appointed Project Leader on FBW system within FCD.

G.L. Woodley is appointed Project Leader for AFDS on the Tornado ADV project also within FCD.



ADD

Mr. M.I. Whitehouse is appointed Engineering Manager responsible for the Advanced Project Group within ADD Engineering.

Mr. Vallance has been appointed a Project Manager for the Helicopter Head Up Display Unit, while **Mr. Jibb** is now a Senior Systems Engineer in the Advanced Project Group.

As from January 1978 **Mr. Sam Dunlop** took up his duties as Chief Logistics Engineer within ADD.

Mr. Peter Royall has been appointed to succeed **Mr. Dunlop** as Chief Draughtsman.

Correction

We regret two errors in the previous edition, listing appointments. **MISS HARBORD** of FCD was wrongly described as Miss. Harbord. **A.R. (Bert) KENNETT** is now with PSD, and not MASD as reported. We regret any embarrassment these errors may have caused.

Mind Teaser...

An Engineer and a T.A. were walking along the Mezzanine Floor when they noticed three people approaching them.

"How old are those three?" asked the T.A. "The product of their ages is 2450, and the sum of their ages is twice your (the T.A.) age", replied the Engineer.

The T.A. thought for a moment, and then said "I can't quite work it out".

New Entrants

Among the recent new-comers we welcome to our ranks:

Tim Murray — Industrial Photographer
Linda Jones — Industrial Photographer
Miss. D. Park — Reprographic Assistant AS & R
Miss. J. Bennett — Reprographic Assistant AS & R

DO YOU KNOW THEM?



The personality profile of John Goodhand and the Apprentices Football team photograph has produced a reaction so that we have received a photograph of the opposition on that occasion.

See how many you can identify. We would like to know the identity of the two on the left of the front row. Can anyone help please?
Turn to page 6 for the identities.

Classified Ad.

House 23, Greenvale Gardens, Twydall, Gillingham

12-year-old with integral garage. Kitchen/diner, lounge, 2 double 1 single bedrooms, bath/WC, insulated loft, gas central heating, carpets as laid, some curtains, Easy for shops, schools, bus, and Elliotts. £11250 o.n.o. Agents R. Bampton, Chatham High Street and Gillingham Watling Street.

PRE-RETIREMENT COURSE

This was a course of 1 day per week, for 6 weeks, held at the Bull Hotel, Rochester, for employees of Marconi-Elliott Avionics Ltd./GEC-ECV Ltd., due for retirement in the first 6 months of 1978; 20+ candidates attended.

The course covered "The Challenge of Retirement" — Pensions, Tax, Social Service Facilities, Home Safety and Security, Paid Voluntary Work, Leisure Activities and Facilities, Health in Old Age, Activities of the Company "65" Club.

Although the course was a "Guinea Pig" one, not only for the candidates but also for most of the speakers, it was generally agreed during the after-course discussion on effectiveness, that it had brought home to the "Young Old" that a "new phase" in their lives was beginning, a "new challenge", and a means to keep both the body and mind active in retirement. As one speaker remarked "It rather makes one wonder how one managed to find time to go to work?".

C. Bridges



Well it don't look like a Dobermann to me.

J. Parker

A coastline constantly changing shape

WINDSWEPT DUNGENESS

WINDSWEPT Dungeness Point in Kent is a fascinating place. This broad 4,000 acre band of shingle jutting 4 miles out into the English Channel is perhaps the most remarkable place of its kind known to man. It is an area of great interest to -scientists, ecologists, entomologists and ornithologists.

Migratory birds congregate on the foreshore here when en route to Southern Europe and northwards to Scandinavia and Russia; but the most interesting fact to emerge when making a study on the point is the strange truth that the coastline of the whole area is constantly changing shape.

This change of shape is due to the direction of powerful tides eroding the point on its west side and depositing shingle and sand on its east side. In order to stabilise this act of nature, a fleet of vehicles under the control of the Southern Water Authority twice yearly move back to the west side of the point up to 50,000 tons of shingle and sand.

Original surveys into the suitability of Dungeness as a site for nuclear power stations showed the point actually growing out to sea at more than 4 feet every year.

Contrasts

To assist shipping in the busy Dover Strait a 300,000 candle power Xenon arc lamp is mounted 130 feet above the beach. This present lighthouse contrasts greatly with the first lighthouse built in

1615 which had a warning light provided by an open coal fire.

In 1792 a tower 116 feet high, of the same design as the Eddystone rock lighthouse provided a light from a number of oil lamps.

Throughout the years as the sea kept receding, each successive lighthouse was left further and further inland.

It was in 1960 when the Dungeness A station was constructed that the present lighthouse was built far enough forward to be clear of the station buildings, and opportunity was taken to incorporate the latest navigational aids available.

How Dungeness Point was formed

THE START of the Dungeness shingle bank was around 3,000 BC when a shallow bay was formed next to the cliff line which lay behind an existing promontory. Some time later the land began to rise and the sea began to deposit a shingle bar.

As this bar developed it curved out into the sea turning eastwards. Marshland developed behind the shingle bar and in subsequent centuries was drained artificially and cultivated.

Sometime before Roman occupation of Britain, two rivers broke through the shingle bar near the town of Rye and this happening began the long process of the sharpening of Dungeness Point.

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In this aerial photograph of Dungeness, taken for NPC earlier this year, the shape of the point can clearly be seen. Note the two lighthouses, the latest one being situated to the right of the picture. Successive shore lines can also be seen in the form of lines of vegetation formed between ridged peaks of shingle created by powerful tides moving the shingle over land. As a matter of interest Advanced Gas-cooled and to the right is the

TRAVEL (continued from page 1)

Ladbroke Holidays, part of the Ladbroke Group, are offering special discounts on their wide range of full and self-catering holidays to all staff and employees of the General Electric Company Limited.

Ladbroke Holiday Centres are situated at Great Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, Devon, Cornwall and West Wales.

If a boating holiday appeals to you, then Ladbroke Holidays operate a wide range of motor cruisers on the Norfolk Broads, the Thames and Brittany in France.

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3. BOATING HOLIDAYS 15%

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To J. Pincock, Sales Department, Ladbroke Holidays, Chancel House, Neasden, N.W.10

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

(GEC Ltd. - Code A.126)

Should any of your friends require a brochure, your Sports Club Office has discount details and brochure request slips.

HISTORICAL FACTS (1)

Delce Mill, Rochester, Kent. (situated top of Cossack Street. Ran parallel with Cecil Road.)

The mill was built in 1872 and ceased working in 1943. The tower and sails were removed in 1955, and the whole finally demolished in 1960.

This smock mill was still crushing oats etc. for cattle and horse fodder up to 1945, the milling of 'home flour, self-raising and best pastry white having ceased in the late 1920s due to competition from the big millers, such as Rank, Kayes (Daren) etc.

Although a windmill (the automatic shutters of the 4 sweeps were added around 1897) it also had a horizontal, double-acting single-cylinder steam engine with a 10' flywheel. This together with its saddle boiler, was housed in the right wing. Thus the mill could work on windless days whilst the other dozen or so mills, visible from the cap of this mill, in 1900 remained stationary.

In addition to the usual mill-stones, there was a 'modern' steel roller plant for grinding even finer flour. On the first floor, was a power-driven chaff cutter.

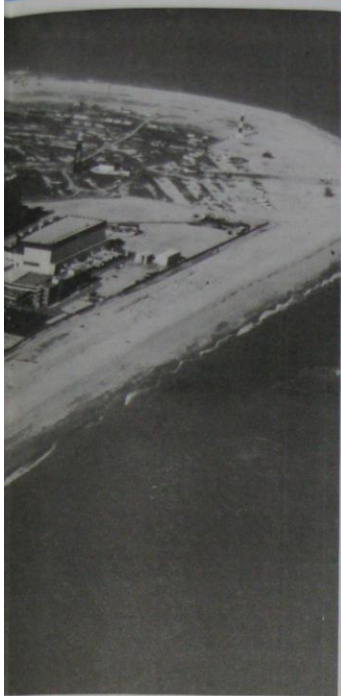
An extension to the brick base at the rear housed a jam manufacturing plant, steam-heated from the boiler. (Fresh fruit only from the local orchards). The left wing at the base, housed the jam packing room and the tiny office. In 1919 pure mixed fruit jam was sold at 14 lbs for 11½d (5p) (or 0.35p per lb). The long building behind the van and the mill base incorporated the stables, corn store and millwright workshop.

One Bertram Humphrey worked this mill from 1895 until he retired in 1943. A jolly miller was he!

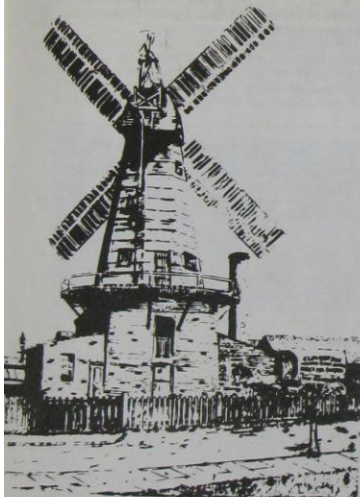
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century of years.
 The picture shows two nuclear power stations. To the left is an old Twin Reactor station, due to come on stream in a year's time, and to the right is the Magnox nuclear station, which has been working since 1965.



This sketch is reproduced from a pen sketch based on an old photograph of a windmill in 1971. (This account is a free adaptation of its history by Humphrey).

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Excerpt from the writings of the Roman Petronius Arbiter, Governor of Bithynia, who committed suicide in AD65, having fallen foul of Tigellinus, favourite of Nero.
'We trained hard ... but it seems every time we were beginning to form up in teams, we would be re-organised'

I was to learn later in life that we tend to meet any new situation by re-organizing and a wonderful method it can be for creating the illusion of progress while producing confusion, inefficiency and demoralisation.'

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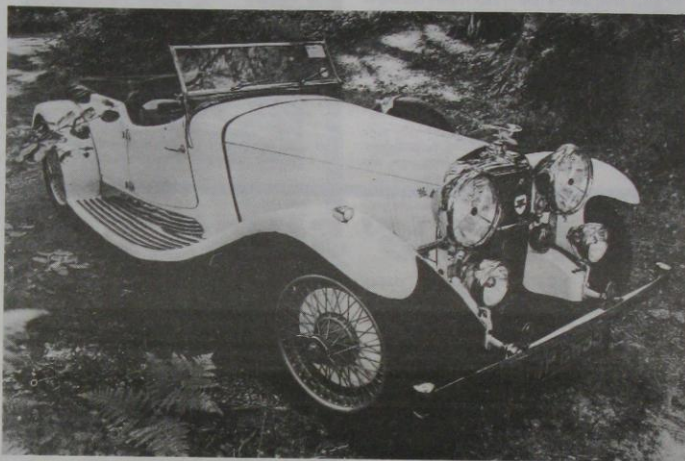
In a lighter vein — The Motor Car

Machines have their own intelligence. Of that I am now fully and incontrovertibly convinced. "Lunatic! Crank!" I hear you say. But consider the following argument.

According to the reputedly established laws of chance and probability any mechanism can, all other things being equal and no tampering or

always one of these vital components that fails when tool-kit and garage are out of reach.

If your car is parked in the road outside your house then to be sure you may find it with a flat tyre or a broken radio aerial or something else equally trivial. But if you are miles from anywhere and beyond the reach of help then beware,



An ALVIS car, when cars were 'made'.

other interference being allowed, go wrong at any time at all. Thus it follows that it should be expected to go wrong on at least as many favourable occasions as unfavourable ones. Perhaps this last sentence requires some explanation. If, let us say, I have been cleaning my car on the drive outside my house, and if, let us further say, I should decide to drive it a short distance along the road, to buy petrol or to inflate its tyres at the local garage, that would be a favourable occasion for it to go wrong. I am close to my tool-kit and to the garage so that repair of the car will present no problem. This, I repeat, would be a favourable occasion for a breakdown. If, on the other hand, I should decide, as I have done from time to time, to take my family for an outing among the pylons and chimney-stacks of the surrounding countryside, without tool-kit or handbook, that would be an unfavourable, and there I risk understatement, occasion for a breakdown.

Now, given these two types of occasion and the supposed 'randomness' of the occurrence of breakdowns, it follows, as stated earlier, that these breakdowns should happen on at least as many favourable occasions as unfavourable ones.

And so they would, were it not for one factor which has not so far been analysed scientifically as it deserves to be and which throws the mathematics of probability into a confusion as black as engine oil. That factor is, without doubt, the secret, brooding, malicious intelligence of the motor car.

A second reason for holding this belief is discovered if the nature of the breakdowns is considered.

Of the several hundred diverse components which go to make up a motor car some are vital to its working and others are not. Just as a human being can make his way from place to place with one broken leg or arm or with one malfunctioning eye, so you may continue to drive your car although it has a crumpled wing or a smashed window. But if a bearing should become seized or a half-shaft break then the driver and his passengers find themselves faced with the dismal alternative offered by public transport. It is, with very few exceptions,

for inevitably your engine will explode, your wheels will drop off or your gearbox will develop a will of its own. Motor cars do indeed have intelligence. The experienced mechanic will, upon reading these lines, probably smile to himself to ask where in the parts list is the centre of this intelligence located. I would ask sceptics such as this the question, "Where in the human body do anatomists find the soul?" I firmly believe that most motor cars are inhabited from birth, so to speak, with some sort of spirit of their own, and that this spirit becomes more disagreeable and crotchety as the vehicle ages, and in consequence I intend to take my own car to a member of the clergy for exorcism at the earliest opportunity. I will report on the result of this service in this newspaper if space allows next month.

G.L.A.N. Chester

TRUE WORDS SPOKEN IN JEST!

When our last issue appeared Mr. Smith (ISD Inspection) actually had come up on the Pools. (Unfortunately it was a week of many draws and at 20 lines per penny — no fortune). The ISD 'wag' got to work on our cartoon.



I believe you had a bit of luck on the pools last weekend Smith

RETIREMENTS

'Join the Navy, and see the world' was a recruiting call for the Senior Service and for many people from our area this was true; and for others it was 'some of the world'.

To serve HM Royal Navy, for a long period on the Far East station, was the lot of young Charlie Martin the Foreman electrician on Maintenance to whom we have now said our farewells with good wishes as he retired on 14 February 1978.

Charlie, born in Chatham in 1913, was the 4th and youngest son of a dockyard rivetter and 5th in a family of eight. When he was 10 years old tragedy struck the family when the father was drowned at sea. This eventually led to a change in Charlie's life for he became a pupil aboard the original training ship 'Aethusa', then moored at Greenhithe, after attending the Church School in Brompton.

Not unaturally this gave him a yearning for a life at sea — but not completely. The economic situation of those days, and the lack of opportunity existing in the Medway Towns in the 20s forced him to use this early training by volunteering for the Royal Navy. The Navy trained him as an electrical man, and attached him to the submarine service. From the school at Blyth, he was posted to Depot ships and shore stations, mostly in the Far East — one tour extending for 7 years and then after a stay in barracks for 3 months, was posted out there again!!

He served all through World War II and finally took his discharge with the rank of Leading Torpedoman. His first encounter with Electrical Maintenance, was

during the period awaiting discharge when the Navy had taken over a boarding school as a de-mob centre and the electrical system had to be adapted and kept going until handed back as a school. Due to his work he was one of the last to leave, and on being discharged on a Friday and the premises vacated, they were re-occupied on the following Monday, by the school.



Charlie Martin receiving the electric clock which was designed and manufactured by his staff 'in house'.

A single man, he joined Short Bros. for a while and when B & P Swift arrived, he transferred to them on 4 November 1946. As an electrical maintenance

man, he has been involved in the development of the Company on this site as it expanded and grew with the changing company names and differing products. When he began, the maximum electrical demand through 2 transformers was of the order of 1200KVA now with 4 transformer stations the maximum demand is in the region of 2800 KVA.

Brought up under Naval discipline he observes the changed attitudes in human behaviour and is of the opinion that today's attitudes leave much to be desired both for the individuals and community.

Asked for any outstanding incidents in his 32 years on this site he recalls that during the fuel shortages of 1947, the foreman of Shorts had the task of monitoring the consumption and reducing load as much as possible. This involved constant reading-taking, and at the main sub-station switchboard during one such check, there was an explosion — severely injuring the foreman and cutting off all power. He with others then set to work and worked all through the night to get a service going. To encourage the men, hot soup and meals were made available all through the night.

To say farewell and to express their best wishes and thanks for a job well done for so long, his colleagues and friends gathered in the Conference room to witness Mr. D.G. Thomas, General Manager, present him with a) a socket set from the Maintenance Dept., b) a clock designed and manufactured by, and from the electricians and c) a cheque for £100 from colleagues and friends. The only plans made for retirement are to finish many odd jobs which have been waiting for a long time and to continue to look after his mother who, at the age of 95, still retains all her faculties but cannot get about so easily.

Eventually he hopes to satisfy a long-felt desire to visit some of his family in Florida, USA.

25 YEARS' SERVICE

FCD Progress Chaser on WG13 is Cecil P. Owen, who received his 25 years' Award, at the hands of Mr. D.J. Jackson, Divisional Manager, on Thursday, 16 February, exactly 25 years after commencing work at Elliotts in MER. Passing through IND into TAC, until the merger with MAC formed FCD, Cecil has always been 'chasing the goods'.

He came to Elliotts after working for a period in and around his home town of Faversham, which followed his war service. He was in the Royal Armoured Corps (Tanks), and in North Africa was taken prisoner in July 1942. His internment was mostly in Italy, being transferred later to Germany, and lasted some 3½ years.

He says the secret of being a successful Progressor is to be persistent and to know intimately the items comprising the unit one is working on.



In happy mood at the presentation is made to Cecil Owen by Mr. D.J. Jackson (Div.Man) with M. Meakin, (Deputy Prod. Man) on right, and D.K. Webster (Chief Prod. Eng) on his immediate left.



Ron Bushell, on extreme left, surrounded by colleagues, at the presentation of 25 years' service award. Those in the picture are: next to Ron, Gordon Wiggins, J.E. Farbrace, Barry Ribbens, J. Casey, H.F. Eagles.



Roy Skinner, Chargehand of nightshift in CMS, received his presentation of a canteen of cutlery from Mr. Alan Jeers. Our photograph by L.R. Smees reflects Roy's retiring disposition.

Elliott '65' club

The Club held its Annual Party in December 1977 at the Club-house. About 120 people enjoyed an excellent meal with wine, together with guests, the President — Mr. Bob Brown and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Thomas.

Music was provided by Mr. Arthur Brown and friends, as well as by 'Fiddlers' Elbow group, consisting of folk-lore music and songs, some of which were written 200 years ago.

Members also enjoyed dancing, carol singing, and engaged in a raffle and finally a jackpot Bingo session, with a prize of £10.

Thus ended another year of get-togethers. The Club meets at Featherby Road Club-house, each third Thursday of the month, at 6.30 pm, and ALL retired personnel are eligible to join. If you are not yet a member — come on in — it's better on the inside!

GEC Long Service Association (Rochester)

The annual dinner and dance will be held in the Works Canteen on Saturday 29 April 1978

Reception 6.30 pm dinner at 7.00 pm

Details will be circulated to all eligible personnel

Answers to 'Do you know them'.

The footballers are: Left to right —

Back row

Taffy Linton, (Len) Smith, Fred May, Curley Coomber, Scottie, Ken Martin (Night shift Supt.), Harry Cruttenden

BEM, Sid Core.

Front Row

7, 7, Dennis Morley, Bob Brooks.

Very front

Ron Berry.

Photographs taken during the presentations to Reg Collins on leaving the Company, reported in last issue.

1. Enjoying the humour, after Mr. J. Pateman had presented the 'ancillaries'.
2. Saying farewell to Alf Harrison.

TOO MANY — TOO MUCH!!

On arriving in South America, a young explorer was delighted with the flavour of the boiled sloth on offer to all the local restaurants. His delight soon turned to disgust, however, when he found that he was confined to a diet of boiled sloth for the duration of his year-long exploration of the Amazon.

At last, his work completed, he booked into the Rio Hilton and ordered soup of the day. When it proved to be sloth soup, the young explorer in the throes of some sort of apopleptic seizure, took his Armadillo gun and shot the cook.

The moral — Too many cooks boil the sloth!

SOME COME—SOME GO



Personality Profile

It seems a far off day when Rainham was a separate village on the outskirts of the Medway Towns. The A2 passed through causing its inhabitants to tread warily as they shopped in the High Street, or went to church.

Yet the change, of being incorporated within Gillingham Borough, the M2 easing the traffic situation and traffic lights, and the development on all sides transforming it into a sizeable town, has taken place within the lifetime of a well known and well loved character in AS & RD.

The genial **Gordon Wickins**, born in Rainham, educated at the C of E school and Rainham Secondary Modern School, started life working for Rainham Co-op; then at the age of 20, was called up as a 'Militia Man' into the army in 1939.

His service career saw him actively engaged in the defence of Kent—then in the front line, from aerial attack; as an artillery man. Later he saw service in North Africa and through the Italian Campaign. He took part in the Monte Casino attacks and when the allied forces were bogged down at Salorno, an evacuation was being prepared when the Royal Navy turned up, and through their bombardment of enemy defences, saved the day, and the advance continued. He remained in Italy until repatriated to be demobbed, and remembers with delight the River Po!

On returning to civilian life, he and his brother started work at the 'Whitening Works' at Fawkham. The works were situated 4 miles from the station so they took the train to Fawkham, then cycled 4 miles to and from the works, leaving their cycles overnight and at week-ends in a stable nearby.

Tiring of the journey, he applied to Elliotts for a job and after an interview with Alf Cox, started in 1947, under the banner of Swift & Swallow. He relates how it was so cold at times that coke braziers were placed in the gangways and steaming hot cocoa issued every 4 hours. (Most people will remember 1947, the fuel shortage year).

His rate of pay was £4.8.0 per week (£4.40) and he recalls how the staff, on a rota system, used to travel to the bank on pay days armed with pickaxe handles, but happily never once used them in anger.

Joining Gear Division in 1958, he worked with Bill Austin until, in 1967 he joined AS & RD instead of going to Dartford. Now a recently promoted Section Leader in order control, dealing with import/export matters, he continues to serve

the division. From his long association with the Rochester site, he is well known and with his distinctive appearance and cheeriness has become a real character. Looking back on his days at Elliotts, he pays tribute to the effect of the 'discipline'—strict but fair—imposed by Alf Cox, for whom he has a high regard, and regrets that changing times have altered it.

He likes people, and has a reputation of being one who is always ready and willing to do a good turn.



Gordon Wickins

As a hobby he says he 'likes gardening', but not for himself alone. Among the elderly, widows and incapacitated of Rainham, Gordon is known as the one who does the gardens, paints the houses, does repairs—a general handyman, on whom they can call at any time.

He used to play tennis and cricket but only for the pleasure of playing.

A bachelor, he and his brother Frank live together in the family home. Brother Frank, though still around, has not been active in the Company for some time.

It was with real warmth and affection that folk wished him well when his new appointment was announced.

"As ye did it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto Me".

suggestion scheme awards

G. (Don) Oxlund of ISD, or as known to most people 'OXO', has been among the award winners in the Suggestion Scheme for devising and making a jig to enable the wire from mini-plugs to be correctly formed and connected to flexible film circuits. His award of £50 came after the equipment had been tried and proved not only by Don but by his workmates as well.



Don Oxlund

John Kent is a Quality Technician within AS & R Division and one of the units he is concerned with is the BAC 1-11 Air Data Computer, a civil unit, as distinct from the military type.

John, who is a Londoner, came to AS & R four years ago, having previously been with the South Bank Polytechnic, as a Laboratory Technician.

His association with 'boffins' and 'academics' probably inspired his instincts to overcome frustration with action, so that when failures occurred by the dozen, in Spring return Clutch modules due to sticking, non-release or erratic operation, and replacements were difficult to come by, his questioning mind led him to ask

questions—why? He took a discarded item, found a way to dismantle it and found it reasonably easy to get to the root of the trouble. He persevered and by using parts of 'scrapped' units made himself a set of jigs by which he was able to repair, test under working conditions, adjust and reassemble. Thus he saved valuable merchandise and cut down the turn round time for repairs. He filled in a Suggestion form and the culmination of thought and effort came when Mr. W.H. Alexander, Assistant Managing Director before a large crowd of fellow workers, presented John with an award of £105. In the course of the presentation Mr. Alexander recalled it was the 2nd major award under the Suggestion Scheme that had been made within the past few months to members of AS & R.



John Kent

John is an 'Innovator' of no mean talent. His hobby of motor boat racing gives him scope to indulge his fantasies. A recent effort to add extra comfort to his boat would have cost commercially upwards of £500; by buying materials and improvising, the cost came to £5 instead of £100s.

When asked how these ideas come to him, his foreman raised the point that he would like to know what is it that makes him think at all!

Our photograph shows John describing his Suggestion and the relative parts to an interested audience.

DID YOU KNOW?

Before September 1929, Chatham was without a main drainage and sewerage facility. The sewerage disposal was by means of cess-pools, which had to be emptied from time to time, and by soak-aways into the chalk.

In 1911 the councils of Chatham and Rochester decided that a joint scheme for sewerage and drainage be examined, and in 1913 firm proposals were made, including a disposal works at Motney Hill, in the parish of Rainham. To enable this to go ahead, Parliament gave its assent to a scheme to create a United District for a joint sewerage board in 1914. Due to the onset of World War I, the ideas were placed 'on ice', and Chatham waited.

A borough of 4343 acres, with about 46,000 inhabitants, with over half the people in about one third of the area, which was low lying, being in a valley, the other half spread on the higher levels.

In 1923 the scheme was resurrected, but both councils had the job of independently providing their own drainage scheme, to be tied into the Joint Sewerage disposal arrangements.

Eventually Chatham had to be considered, due to its geography, as two entities; a high level and low level areas. This resulted in the provision of a pumping station, with all the allied works, in the low level area, and use of gravity in the high level.

Due to a combination of circumstances, the high level area flood waters had to be catered for, by the pumping station, all passing into an intersecting main. For Chatham the works went on, until on 25 September 1929 they were completed; 50 miles of new stoneware and iron sewers (including storm sewers), of 7" to 48" diameter being laid, and 1200 manholes and appurtenant works. On that day, the pumping station was officially opened, and the pumps started up by Alderman E.A. Billinghurst, C.C., the Chairman of the Chatham Borough Drainage Committee. The station was in the Brook area, and approached from Willmot Street.

The Mayor at this time was Alderman Osborne Taylor J.P., and Edward B. Lee the Town Clerk.

It is interesting to note that in giving details of the scheme, and the reasons for it, the committee expressed the opinion that "with proper management all flooding in this area (around the Brook and Fair Row) should be entirely eliminated".

Whatever went wrong? Fifty years after, the promise is still not fulfilled.

SOCIAL SCENE

380 people attended the Annual IN Dinner Dance which took place at the Royal Star Hotel, Maidstone on Friday 17 February.

Apart from the extreme cold due to lack of oil for the central heating everybody seemed to enjoy the evening.

There was dancing to the Dave Wilson band and the Cabaret, comedian Charlie Smithers, who has since signed a contract to appear at the London Palladium with stars such as Ginger Rogers and Des O'Connor.

"Ace comedian Charlie 'Smivvers' made us all forget our shivers"

The organisers would like to take this opportunity to thank those who helped throughout the year and everyone for their support in making the evening go with a swing.

How not to write poetry!

I wrote this poem
for MEA News,
To fill up a space,
They weren't going to use.

Though it may not scan,
It's better than nowt
It doesn't always rhyme,
But its what I wrote.

Now all good things
Must come to an end,
So one more verse,
Is all I intend.

The moral of this poem is
The author would not get
Considered for a job
As poet laureat.

Contributed by John Pearson, MASD

Sports and social club round up

Company Clash Photographs



MEAs Team - pondering on Mike Popy's answer



Supporters enjoying the show



The Question Master and Time Keeper in action during the recording

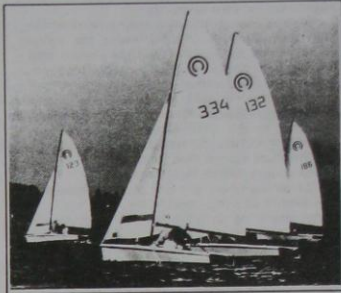
A favourable wind...

When the storms rage, and wind blows in fury, and snow blankets all the land, to even think of 'riding' the waves in a boat sends cold shudders down the spine; yet to some of those hardy, ardent seafarers, 'who like to mess about in boats', this is a period of planning, restoring and renovating, and preparing for the luscious days of spring and summer.

So it is timely to remind all MEA part-time sailors as they prepare to clean the hull, check the ropes and paint the decks, of the annual visit which is paid to the MARCONI SAILING CLUB. Situated on the south side of the Blackwater Estuary, in Essex, it is an ideal yachting and dinghy sailing centre. The Blackwater offers fine opportunities for the individual dinghy owner or for group activity in racing, there being plenty of open water, and good sport.

This annual visit usually takes the form of dinghy races during the day, culminating in a social evening. The event takes place in June and the Club-house offers excellent facilities for both competitors and crews and spectators alike.

A large MEA Fleet is anticipated. Colin Stone



(FARL - New Road Avenue) has the details and would be glad to know of all former participants and any new-comers so that final arrangements can be made.

ATHLETICS - Programme

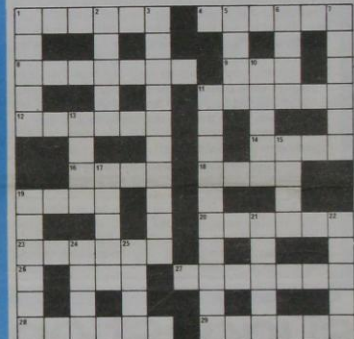
Date	Fixture	Venue
18 March	Cambridge H. 6 x 3 M road race, (Juniors, Youths, Seniors) 3 mile boys	Bexley
"	All England Schools cross-country championship	Mote Park, Maidstone
26 March	Peter Dominic Race	Croydon
1 April	12 stage Southern road relay	Wimbledon Common
8 April	6-mile road race Invicta A.C.	Canterbury
22 April	London Transport 4 x 2 1/2 mile road relay	Acton
29 April	Holly Hill (Fell race)	Aylesford

HE'S A WINNER

K.Castle Section Leader ATE (an active member of the Sports Club Committee) is one of the winners in the Topic Crossword Competition (latest issue). Congratulations Ken and with son Patrick 'you are in the money'

CROSSWORD No. 5

Compiled by W. Mills



- ACROSS**
- Type of ancient Briton often pursued by Rangers? (6)
 - 'the heartache and the thousand natural ... that flesh is heir to.' Hamlet. (6)
 - The sort of gear that is sometimes worn at coalmines? (7)
 - He's much more feminine after an operation (3)
 - Disturbance over lost ear gem brings scanty reward (6)
 - Expensive that is, for a familiarity (6)
 - With a broken arm he finds a place for the ladies (5)
 - Headlines, a fish signifies utter defeat (4)
 - Pack, a wigwag around morning? (4)
 - New York consumed by fire, is put in the can (6)
 - Pattern revealed in an ill-made signature (6)
 - Copy, the sort of man Tarzan was (3)
 - Home's mediterranean cruise accomplished for one, Penny? (7)
 - Mateys get upset in sauna atmosphere (6)
 - Sort of case to be found in a Sherlock Holmes omnibus? (6)
- DOWN**
- Affraid to become a source of dairy produce? (5)
 - Disturbed period of English history ending in Stroud (5)
 - Nunnery with none in a rule of conduct (10)
 - The kind of garment one might wear when afflicted with water on the knee (4)
 - Horribly found by a centipede on its last leg? (4)
 - Financially speaking, its a certainty (6)
 - With a broken arm he finds a place for the ladies (5)
 - Crowds once satisfied with sardines on toast? (10)
 - How things can go wrong when the wary become confused (4)
 - Quick trip in a motor car involving high-speed turns? (4)
 - Blooming bovine back-chat? (5)
 - Those taken by the clergy, to be followed in the services (6)
 - Nosey, a result of congested passages perhaps? (5)
 - Wood-spirit of intoxicating beauty? (5)
 - Cash exchange at the scene of a knock-down (4)
 - The kind of warfare carried on by virulent cultures? (4)

INDOOR GAMES

held in the Club-house, Featherby Road

MONDAY LEAGUE

DARTS					EUCHRE								
P	W	L	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	F	A	Pts		
ATE 'A'	8	8	0	28	10	16	AS & R 'A'	9	7	2	27	14	14
FISHER	8	6	2	29	9	12	IN/D/O	8	6	2	26	10	12
CMS	8	6	2	27	11	12	IN	8	6	2	27	13	12
FCD D/O	8	6	2	25	13	12	FCD D/O	8	6	2	22	18	12
Mell shop 'A'	7	5	2	24	9	10	Mell shop 'A'	8	5	3	21	17	10
AS & R 'A'	9	5	4	23	20	10	FISHER	8	5	3	19	17	10
ISD Eng	8	4	4	18	20	8	CMS	8	4	4	18	18	8
IN/D/O	8	2	6	13	26	4	ISD Eng	8	3	5	15	23	6
Fac. Apps	8	2	6	10	26	4	ATE 'A'	9	2	7	16	21	4
App. Ins.	8	0	8	5	35	0	App. Ins.	8	1	7	11	25	2
IN	8	0	8	0	24	0	Fac. Apps.	8	0	8	3	31	0

Results up to and including 13 February

WEDNESDAY LEAGUE

DARTS					EUCHRE								
P	W	L	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	F	A	Pts		
AS & R 'B'	9	9	0	38	7	18	FCD 'B'	8	7	1	27	9	14
FCD 'A'	8	6	2	23	15	12	ADD D/O	9	7	2	28	17	14
Mell shop 'B'	8	5	3	23	17	10	Accounts	7	6	1	24	11	12
ADD D/O	9	5	4	24	21	10	MASD	8	5	3	22	16	10
MASD	8	5	3	21	19	10	CYRO	8	5	3	18	22	10
Training cen.	7	4	3	19	16	8	Mell shop 'B'	8	4	4	21	19	8
CYRO	8	2	6	17	23	4	AS & R 'B'	9	4	5	21	24	8
Accounts	7	2	5	11	22	4	ATE Eng.	8	3	5	17	23	6
FARL	8	2	6	14	26	4	FCD 'A'	8	2	6	17	21	4
ATE Eng	8	2	6	13	25	4	Training cen.	7	1	6	11	24	2
FCD 'B'	8	2	6	13	27	4	FARL	8	0	8	8	28	0

Results up to and including 15 February

For your pleasure:- Diary notes

DANCING at the club-house each Saturday to the sound of: -

DATE	ACT
MARCH	
4	Incrowd
11	Aura
18	Kings Ransom
25	T.B.A.
APRIL	
1	Jet
8	T.B.A.
15	T.B.A.
22	Hypnotist
29	T.B.A.



The Chatham Opera Company give advance notice They will present 'Bitter Sweet' During May 1978 Watch for further details.

Elliott Sports and Social Club, Annual 'Elder People' Entertainment "PANTOMANIA" Works Canteen - 30, 31 March 1, 6, 7, 8 April Tickets available from Social Club Office