

FAKENHAM RE-VISITED

We were delighted to see Mr Harry Cooper (Executive Director, Wyman & Sons Ltd, and Cox & Wyman Ltd, 1954-70) during his recent visit to the Fakenham works and our roving cameraman caught him in at least three distinguished postures so typical of Mr Cooper. This was his first visit since retiring in March 1970 and whilst he has changed little, his observations made us aware that the Fakenham factory had undergone many changes during that time. We wish him continued good health and hope he will not allow a further five years to elapse before making the trip again.



FAKENHAM BEAUTY QUEEN

The annual Miss Cox & Wyman contest was held at the Club House on Saturday, 6 September, and from eight entrants the judges' choice was Mrs Joan Hudson. Joan, married with two daughters, has been with the firm for three years, working in the Computer Data department.

Runner-up was Glenda West (Bindery). The judges were *Honey*, the group for the evening.

Joan now goes forward as our representative in the East Anglian Printing Queen Competition on 10 October at Tiffany's, Great Yarmouth, a title she won in 1973 as the Miss Cox & Wyman entrant.



Retirements

READING



On Friday, 25 July, Mr Reg Taylor (Composer) retired after a lifetime with the firm to whom he was apprenticed in August 1922.

It was Mr Taylor's wish that there should be no big ceremony to mark his retirement, and on Thursday, 24 July, Mr John Seddon (Managing Director) presented Mr Taylor with a cheque on behalf of the Company and on Friday, 25 July, his colleagues also presented him with a cheque.

A keen sportsman in his younger days, Mr Taylor used to play cricket and football for the firm's teams and is still a regular supporter of Reading F.C. Now that he has retired it is Mr Taylor's intention to devote his time to his two other interests, gardening and woodwork.



On 23 May, Mrs Kath Griffiths retired after serving the firm for 22½ years, the last seven of which she was Mother of the Chapel.

Her late husband was a machine-minder with the firm for a number of years and her son and grandson work in the Bindery.

At a brief ceremony in the Bindery, Kath was presented with a bouquet and a cheque from her fellow-workers and the firm.

TIME OUT



Congratulations go to two Fakenham Apprentices who recently came out of their time.

David Tann completed his Electrician's Apprenticeship on 13 July, and due to the small size of this department was able to avoid the traditional 'banging-out' ceremony.

Not so fortunate was Kevin Jewers, Bookbinder, who on 21 July received his indentures and then completed his passing-out parade through the factory, covered in assorted unmentionable substances especially saved for the occasion!

WELL DONE!

Congratulations to two members of the office staff at Fakenham who have recently been successful in B.P.I.F. Examinations.

Roy Hewitt (Estimator) has passed Stage II of the Advanced Costing Examination and Carl Zdziebczok (Trainee Estimator) Stage I of the Estimating Examination.

Safety Corner

COMPRESSED AIR

Compressed air can be dangerous. Only persons authorized by supervisors may use an air line for cleaning machines. The pressure required is sufficiently strong to blow dust into the eyes, ears or skin of people working near by. Where possible, dust should be cleared from machines with a brush or duster.

Never 'dust yourself down' with compressed air as it can enter a scratch or puncture in the skin and damage internal organs, or can cause perforation of the eardrums. For these reasons horseplay with compressed air is extremely dangerous.

Flexible air hoses should not be left under pressure when not in use. They should be unplugged or the air turned off at the main stop valve.

FAKENHAM TOWN SIGN

Trunk-Call readers will be pleased to hear that the Company is indirectly featured on a proposed town sign for Fakenham.

The subject of the design is famous men who lived in Fakenham such as Sir Robert Seppings, whose story appeared in a recent edition of the magazine.

Printing is represented by Thomas Miller. He lived in Wells during the 1840s and walked to Fakenham every day (a distance of 10 miles) to run his printing business in Lower Market. He did not go home to lunch! After a couple of moves the firm became Miller, Son & Company and eventually Wyman & Son.

Jim Baldwin

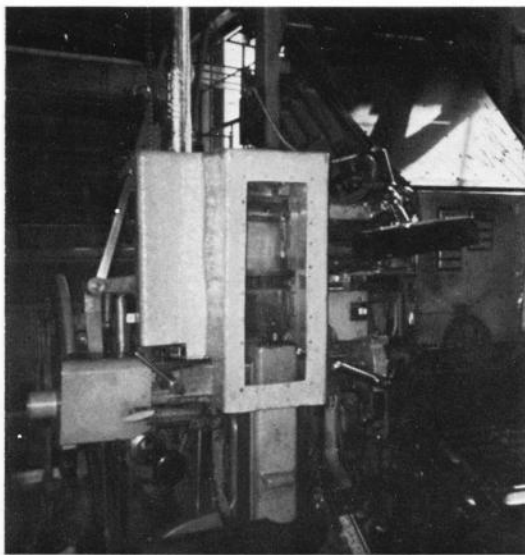
BOWATER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Mr Jack Harper, Assistant to the Fakenham Works Manager, has been awarded a 1975 Bowater Scholarship.

Jack will attend a one-week course at Bowater's Sittingbourne paper mill and Gillingham flexible packaging plant in October.

The four successful Y.M.P.s were selected from a total of fourteen applicants, following an interview by a sub-committee of the Y.M.P. National Committee.

PROGRESS



Congratulations to Terry Allen, Linecaster Supervisor, Reading, for his ingenuity and skill in designing, manufacturing and fitting guards to the mould and casting area of all the Intertype machines in the Reading factory.

These guards (pictured above) are made from fibreglass and perspex and effectively contain any splash caused by faulty assembly, thus protecting the operator from molten metal.

They are attached to the machine by a hinge with a removable pin and can easily be swung clear or removed if access to the guarded area is required.

Peter Powell

Personal Column

OSCAR BLACKFORD

Births

Bob and Sandra Kent, a son, on 20 August, Aron Richard MacDonald, 6 lb.

READING

Engagements

Miss Janice Oliver (Office) to Mr Geoffrey Marcham on 28 June.

Marriages

Mr Michael Pease (Comps) to Miss Anna Falzon on 7 August, in Malta.

Silver Wedding

Mr and Mrs Pat Lickley on 7 August. Pat is in charge of one of the 3-knife trimmers in the Bindery.

Births

Mary and Derek Smith, a son, on 30 June, Michael James Lawes, 7 lb. 15 oz. Mary was Mr Humphrey's secretary before her departure.

FAKENHAM

Engagements

Mr Paul Williams (Apprentice Compositor) to Miss Sandra Hall on 14 June.

Miss Jane Hill (Warehouse Bindery) to Mr Christopher Cornwall on 19 July.

Miss Wendy English (Bindery) to Mr Keith Durrant on 16 August.

Marriages

Miss Christine Grimes (Bindery) to Mr David Drewry at St Peter & Paul's Church, Fakenham, on 26 July.

Miss Sally Bryer (Bindery) to Mr Colin Andrews (Bindery) at St. Peter & Paul's Church, Fakenham, on 27 July.

Miss Carol Calaby (Bindery) to Mr Richard Sayer at St Mary's Church, Tittleshall, on 2 August.

Miss Barbara Moore (Bindery) to Mr Kenneth Voutt (Maintenance) at St Peter & Paul's Church, Fakenham, on 2 August.

Silver Wedding

Mr and Mrs H. Woodhouse on 19 August. Betty works in the Bought Ledger Department.

Births

John and Christine Musgrove, a son, on 20 April, Carl John, 6 lb. 4 oz. John is a Production Assistant.

Douglas and Shirley Mowbray, a son, on 14 June, Scott Graham, 7 lb. 3 oz. Dougie operates a Martini Binder in the Warehouse Bindery.

Tony and Barbara Gasson, a son, on 17 June, Richard, 6 lb. 2 oz. Tony operates a Wirestitcher in the Bindery.

Terry and Liz Skelton, a son, on 27 June, Lee Andrew, 8 lb. 1 oz. Terry is a Casemaking Machine Operator.

David and Anne Bennett, a daughter, on 26 August, Nicola Jane, 6 lb. 11 oz. Anne worked in the Bindery Office until May this year.

Fakenham Social Club News

WHAT'S ON AT YOUR CLUB HOUSE

Saturday, 18 October

FRIENDS OF MINE

Saturday, 1 November

EXODUS

Sunday, 9 November

GRAND CABARET EVENING

featuring

SHEIK MICHAEL

(Recently returned from an American tour and rated the World's No. 1 Hypnotist and Yoga Exponent.)

By popular request the return of the versatile
CARL ADAMS

PLUS! PLUS! PLUS!

Saturday, 15 November

NEW SILVER ACES

FORTHCOMING EVENT

Saturday, 25 October

MEN ONLY (DAY/NIGHT) TRIP
TO LONDON

Bus leaves Whitehorse Street at 7 a.m. with the return journey commencing at 1 a.m. from King's Cross.

Tickets £2.00 (includes three pints of tea!) from Trevor Pilch.

Reading Social Club News

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, 18 October

Social Club Dance - Heidelberg Suite

Thursday, 30 October

Drury Lane Theatre
Michael Crawford in 'Alfie'

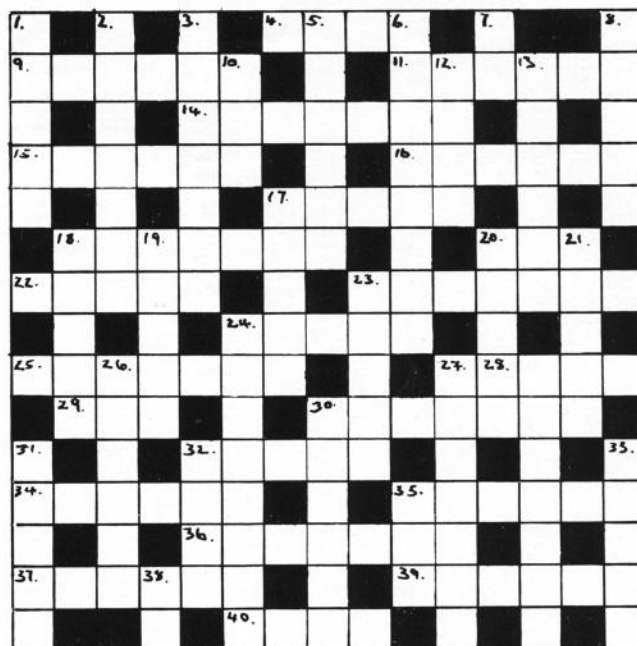
ABSENT FRIENDS

Our best wishes are extended to Mr Don Giles, our Financial Director, who was admitted to hospital on 10 September to undergo a serious operation. We all wish him a complete and speedy recovery.

COPY DEADLINE

Contributions for the next issue of *Trunk-Call* should be received by the Editor not later than Monday, 13 October.

Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

4. Idiotic dessert (4)
9. Western policeman (6)
11. Isolated spots in the theatre (6)
14. Ernest sounds jealous (7)
15. Excited about being on fire (5)
16. Received a present of talent (6)
17. Once known as sums (5)
18. Chocolate-covered bird (7)
20. America's moose elsewhere (3)
22. He never seems to find the right number! (5)
23. We see these too rarely! (7)
24. Guide the cattle (5)
25. Helps (7)
27. Destroys - and remains (5)
29. So light comes from here (3)
30. See, I beg if you wage war (7)
32. Take over the neighbours (5)
34. Alter course and amuse (6)
35. So, is comfort given by this fancy cloth? (6)
36. Ungodly (7)
37. Desire to live? (6)
39. A great number less than methane (6)
40. And void (4)

CLUES DOWN

1. Dickens' house is uninviting (5)
2. Well son, you are larger (7)
3. A time of music (4, 3)
5. Merely borrowed (2, 4)
6. Universal language? (8)
7. Similar to, or same - (2)
8. Transmission of theatrical secret (5)
10. Single name (3)
12. Wife of Osiris and mother of Horus (4)
13. Not large (6)
17. Produces tasty money? (5)
18. Lean on the reporter (5)
19. Nothing in this one! (5)
20. Consequence of 35 down (5)
21. Danish silver (5)
23. Typing by phone! (5)
24. Dangerous business that keeps them short! (5, 3)
26. Finds the answer (6)
27. The answer in a duel? (7)
28. Cinematic lizards have their night (7)
30. The devil is all I be! (6)
31. Love an opening? (5)
32. Raid on the desert - but there is nothing to get! (4)
33. This headgear is better with tea? (5)
35. She wants legal action (3)
38. I had better shorten this! (2)

Submitted by Carl Zdziebczok (Estimating), Fakenham

CROSSWORD SOLUTION NO. 13

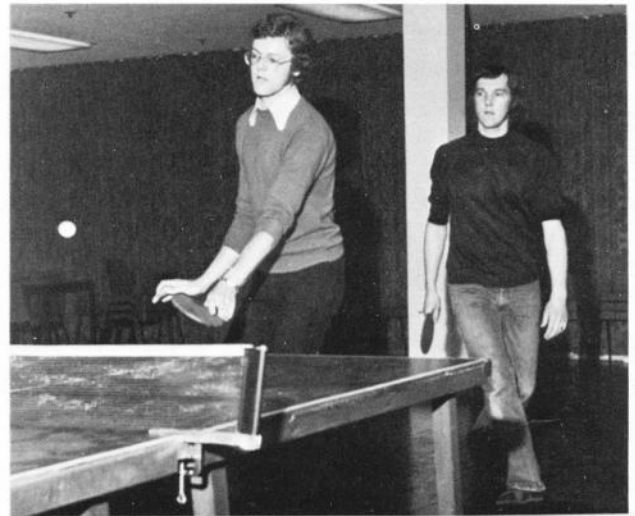
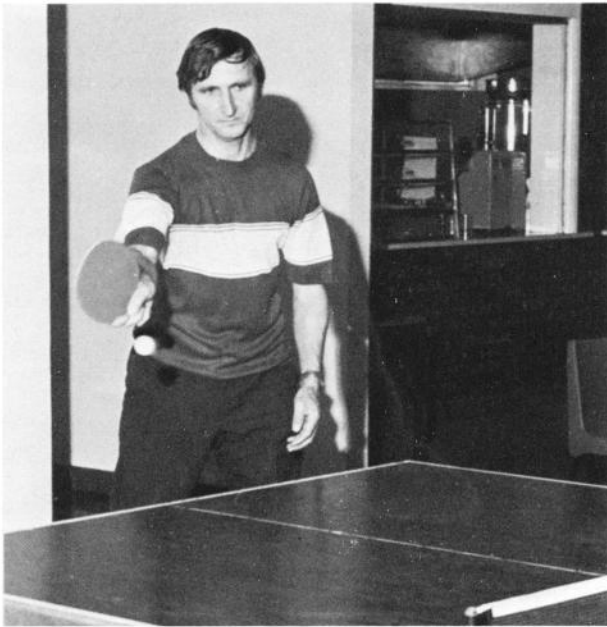
ACROSS: 1 and 4 French Polish. 7 Reed. 8 Inactive. 9 Glutton. 12 Era. 14 No exit. 15 Cooper. 16 Run. 18 Eastern. 22 Accident. 23 Lido. 24 Desert. 25 Reveal.

DOWN: 1 Foreigner. 2 Evergreen. 3 Hoist. 4 Piano. 5 Lute. 6 Sever. 10 Unite. 11 Noose. 12 Expensive. 13 April Fool. 17 Uncle. 19 Agent. 20 Tutor. 21 Mine.



Sports Scene

TABLE TENNIS – READING



A new Singles and Doubles Knock-out Competition was organized and a good entry received. Finals Night was held on 10 July, followed by the ORANGE Disco.

The singles final ended in a convincing 3-0 win for Pete Stevens against Ian Bristow, 21-5, 21-11, 21-9.

Pete Stevens also appeared in the doubles final partnering Chris Sherman against Bill Richardson and Bob Owen. Pete completed the 'double' when he and Chris ran out winners 21-19, 21-11, 22-20.

Mr Ron Humphrey kindly presented the trophies to the winners and runners-up.

Top left: Pete Stevens in play in his semi-final match against Tim Usher.

Bottom left: Ron Humphrey with the doubles champions.

Top right: Garry Peedell and Tim Usher in play against Pete Stevens and Chris Sherman in their semi-final match.

1975 INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CRICKET COMPETITION

This year the Fakenham Inter-Departmental Cricket Competition was played on similar lines to the Prudential World Cup Series, with the following rules being added to make the Competition more interesting:

- Twenty six-ball overs
- No bowler to have more than five overs
- Run-up for bowlers not to exceed seven paces

Owing to the lack of a home ground, all the games, with the exception of the final, were held at Walsingham.

Eight teams entered the competition and were divided into two groups of four (Groups A and B), each team playing each other once in their group, the winners of Group A playing the winners of Group B for the Inter-Departmental Shield and the bottom teams in each group playing for the Wooden Spoon.

The final League Table positions were as follows:

| GROUP ONE | | | | | GROUP TWO | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|---|-----|-------------|---|---|---|-----|
| | P | W | L | Pts | | P | W | L | Pts |
| Letterpress | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | Filmset | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Bindery | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | Maintenance | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Warehouse | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | Office | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Litho | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | Casemakers | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

With three teams in Group Two finishing on four points a play-off was necessary to decide who should meet the Letterpress in the final. In the play-off the Office side beat Filmset and then went on to defeat the Maintenance.

The Wooden Spoon match between the Litho and Casemakers resulted in the Casemakers scoring 42 all out against Litho's 43 for 4. Thus the Casemakers became the holders of the Wooden Spoon for a year.

In the final held at Baron's Hall Lawn the Office won the toss and elected to bat. J. Musgrove and G. Deere opened the batting and took the score to 67 before G. Deere was caught off N. Janes in the fifteenth over. The Office then lost six wickets in the remaining overs, adding another 26 runs, so setting the Letterpress 94 to win.



The Winners.

The Letterpress opening pair of P. Mayor and G. Lumsden took the score to 84 when, in the fourteenth over, J. Harper had G. Lumsden caught; this left the Letterpress needing 10 runs in 6.4 overs (40 balls). P. Mayor hit these runs with the loss of only one more wicket.

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| <i>Final score:</i> | Office | 93 for 7 (20 overs) |
| | Letterpress | 94 for 2 (14.5 overs) |
| <i>Leading scorers:</i> | Office | G. Deere 40 |
| | | J. Musgrove 34 |
| | Letterpress | P. Mayor 43 |
| | | G. Lumsden 37 |

K. Styles (Letterpress) took 3 wickets for 30 runs. Umpires for the evening were D. Defew and W. Hillebrandt.

Mr Jude kindly presented the trophies and individual shields to both teams and the Wooden Spoon to Danny Boulter, representing the Casemakers.

*D. Defew
B. Lane
M. Holloway*

CRICKET CLUB – FAKENHAM

The Cricket Club have completed a very enjoyable season and although not winning many games the lads have always put on an enthusiastic and sporting display.

Leading batsmen:

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| D. Defew | 311 runs. | Average 15.55 |
| R. Dodman | 185 runs. | Average 10.88 |
| B. Lane | 160 runs. | Average 10.00 |
| K. Styles | 140 runs. | Average 10.00 |

Leading bowlers:

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|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| W. Hillebrandt | 47 wickets. | Average 9.42 |
| G. Dodman | 22 wickets. | Average 11.45 |
| D. Defew | 15 wickets. | Average 14.60 |
| I. Dawes | 7 wickets. | Average 13.14 |

The team won three of their fourteen Sandringham League fixtures and did not progress beyond the first round of any cup competitions.

If it had not been for Roy Dodman, our Secretary, and all his work and effort we would not have had a team. Thanks, Roy.

Barry Lane



*Back row: D. Sewter, I. Dawes, G. Hopper, G. Dodman, B. Huggins, D. Defew, W. Hillebrandt.
Front row: B. Lane, R. Shillam, R. Dodman, D. Tann, Mrs D. Tann (Scorer), M. Barnes.*

FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL – FAKENHAM



The victorious Office team
Back row: J. Musgrove, D. Fuller, G. Deere.
Front row: K. Nutt, M. Able.

A series of departmental 5-a-side football matches took place recently at the Local Youth Centre. Eight teams were originally entered, and for the sake of our Reading readers I will refer to them by department – not the rather obscure nom-de-plumes they went by.

Survivors of the first round were the Warehouse Bindery, two Office teams, and a Stock Control side. The latter went through by virtue of a resounding hat-trick scored by Graham Yaxley.

In the second round the Office teams had mixed fortunes, the first succumbing by 2 goals to nil to the Warehouse, whilst the other enjoyed a crushing 5-1 victory over Stock Control.

In the final, general consensus of opinion was that only brilliant goalkeeping by Chris Ward for the Warehouse kept the game so closely matched, with the Office eventually coming out victors by 2-1.

Thanks must go to Trevor Pilch and Reg Shillam for organizing the event, and to the two referees, Danny Boulter and Richard Lane.

BIRD MAN OF FAKENHAM

Jack Youngs (Works Accountant) who has been a bird fancier (of the feathered variety) for several years, recorded his best-ever results during July and August with a hat-trick of wins with his 'Sandy Lane Pies'. Jack, a member of the Briston Club, pursues his pigeon racing from a loft at his home in Sandy Lane.

FOOTBALL – READING

Now that the new season is upon us preparations are going ahead to organize the team for this year's onslaught.

Firstly I have to report that we have at last gained promotion to Division V of the Reading & District Sunday League. However, I had better mention that this was due to a reshuffle of all the Divisions to form a Super Division in the Sunday League. As a result of this vacancies were created in all divisions.

The team this year will be managed by Phil Faulkner (Comps), who in past seasons has given good service to the team in most positions, including keeping goal last season. We also have a change of team colours. The new strip consists of white shirts with blue trim, blue shorts and blue and white socks. This now conforms with the new Company colours (seen the flag!).

Forthcoming attraction:
Watch out for your Team Photograph – in new strip!

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL TEAM

D.W., Secretary

NATIONAL BOWLS TITLE

Chris Ward (Fakenham Foundry) together with his father and two other players representing Cromer, have become the first Norfolk team to become E.B.A. National Bowls Champions.

During the three-day championship held at Worthing in very high temperatures, the Cromer team maintained a very high standard of play. But as one local newspaper reported: 'It was Chris Ward who stood out as a potential England player. His delicacy of delivery and accuracy with a wide variety of shots was a key factor in Cromer's success.'

With a 24-14 win over Basingstoke Town in the semi-final they went on to beat London Transport 23-19 in the final.

Perhaps now it will not be long before Chris is selected to play for England. He has already attended several England trials, but has so far been unsuccessful in obtaining an England cap.

TABLE TENNIS – FAKENHAM

Officials elected for 1975-76 season: D. Fennell (Chairman); Mrs E. White (Secretary-Treasurer); and Messrs K. Styles, J. Cathcart and J. Hoeg (Committee).

Four teams, A, B, C and D, will take part in the Fakenham & District Table Tennis League, commencing in late September.

Table tennis nights at the Club House are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

'Topspin'

FISH 'N' QUIPS AT READING
BY THE BASS KING



The intrepid party of anglers
 Left to right: Bert Shilton, Maurice Hunt, Shep, Mick Brown, Dab Simmonds, Pugwash Griffiths.



Roy 'Kojak' Sheppard with his catch of four bass.

Effervescent Roy Turner complete with Volkswagen collected the party of anglers for the day's fishing. The trip down was uneventful with the usual scandal and moronic stories of the 'ones' that got away from Pugwash and the air filled with the sounds of musical interpretations of the previous night's drinking sessions coming from an unknown member of the party.

On arriving at the quay, breakfast, consisting of bacon and eggs, was hustled up by Roy Turner, once again demonstrating all of his mothering qualities.

The boat *Belat*, skippered by Dick Williams, left the quay at 9 a.m. sharp. Dick suggested that we try for bass, using artificial lures known as Red Gills, over a bank of sand and shingle which rises and falls away sharply in the western Solent near the Needles. At this point Shep thought he was in for a drinking session, but someone explained it was fish, not the bottled variety.

To begin with, we feathered for mackerel just outside the Needles Lighthouse; this proved to be unsuccessful and only two were boated, so we moved on to the shingle bank. On the first drift down four bass were boated, the biggest, a good fish of 7 lb., later proved to be the best fish of the day. The party continued to take bass on the remaining five drifts, along the edge of the bank, and in all thirty-four were boated. Bottom fishing was next on a mark in the channel but proved a failure. Best catch of the day fell to the Chairman, Mick Brown, who boated the biggest fish of 7 lb. with a ten-fish bag. Treasurer Pete Griffiths weighed in with seven and a swollen wrist, say no more! Dabby Simmonds, one of the lesser lights, with six, Shep with four, Bert and Maurice with two apiece, and Roy Turner three and about six tangles.

All in all, a good day's fishing, everyone enjoying themselves on a bright sunny day, with a calm sea and plenty of fish.

M. B. Again (Chairman)