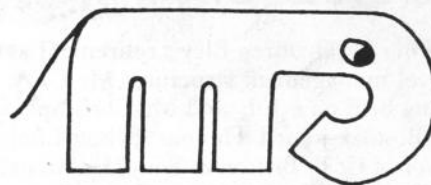


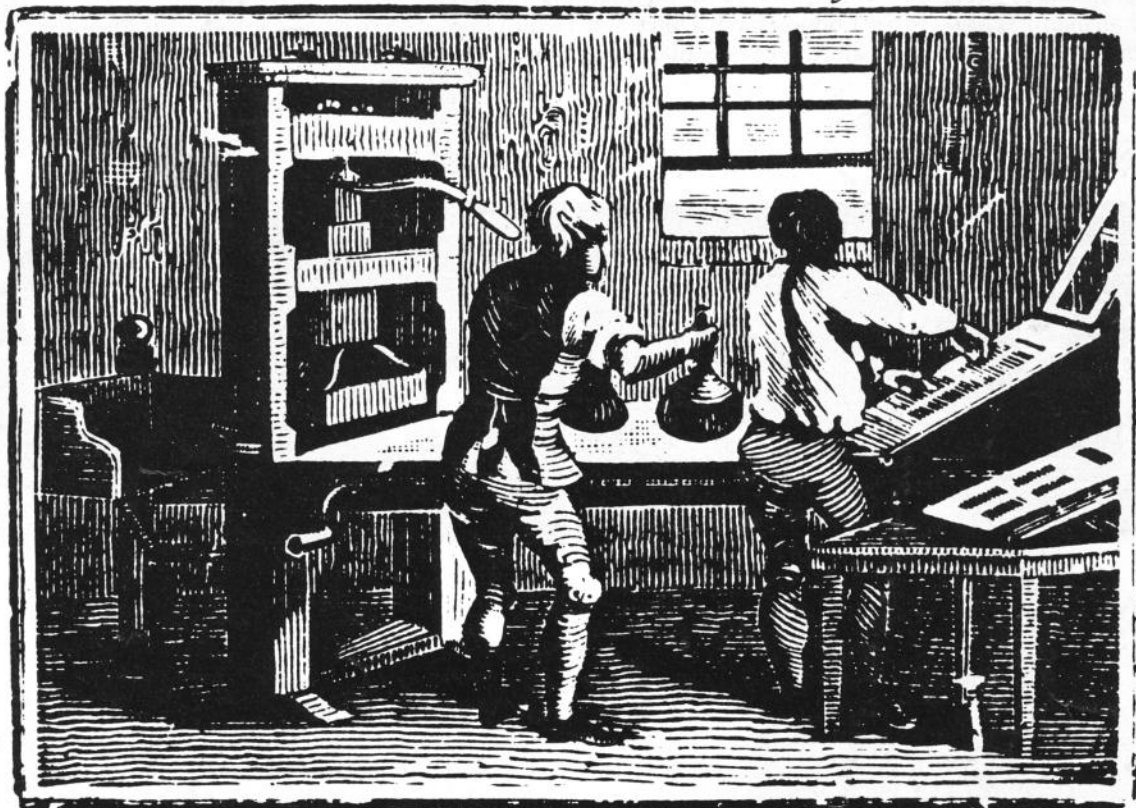
TRUNK-CALL

No. 18

Cox & Wyman Group News



Caxton Quin-Centenary



To coincide with the 500th anniversary of the production of the first printed matter in Britain by William Caxton, who set up a printing press in Westminster in October 1476, various exhibitions, open days, church services, visits by schools, etc., have been organized throughout the country to be held during *British Printing Fortnight* (16-31 October).

In order that you will be aware of just a few of the various exhibitions and activities organized by the Company, Federation and independent bodies an itinerary is given below:

FAKENHAM

Exhibition in local library from 16 to 31 October.

Open Day at the factory on 30 October.

Church Service at St Peter and Paul's Church, Fakenham on 31 October.

Visits from various schools in the area during British Printing Fortnight.

READING

As members of the Reading and District Local Association, the Company is co-operating with the Reading Museum and the Berkshire College of Art in the presentation of an Exhibition showing local printing processes and production. The Exhibition will open on 15 October and run for a fortnight.

The Local Association, including Cox & Wyman, are sponsoring a lunch-time concert of music from the Caxton period.

Discussions are taking place concerning the possibility of having an Open Day for friends and family of the staff, but no dates have been arranged as yet.

NATIONALLY

Exhibition of modern printed matter organized by the British Printing Industries Federation, entitled '*It All Began with Caxton*' is to be held at the Design Centre, London, for six weeks from 13 October to 20 November.

Fakenham are exhibiting the titles *My Fair Lady Cookbook*, published by Hamlyn, and the Mitchell Beazley title *Nicolas Bentley's Tales from Shakespeare*.

Reading have had four titles accepted for exhibition, Pan Books *The Eye of The Tiger*, H & S/Coronet *Bring on the Empty Horses*, Granada/Panther *The Flight from the 'Enchanter'* and Hamlyn *The Noah's Ark*.

POST OFFICE

On 29 September the Post Office will issue four special stamps in denominations of 8½p, 10p, 11p and 13p.

CITY OF LONDON, LORD MAYOR'S SHOW

Caxton is to appear in the City Section of the procession on 13 November mounted on horseback and accompanied by four printers' devils (a term used for copy boys in newspaper houses).

The New Chairman Visits the Company

Following Sir Geoffrey Eley's retirement as Chairman of Thomas Tilling Limited and the subsequent changes in the top-level management structure, Mr C. A. C. Bulpitt resigned as Chairman of Cox & Wyman Limited at the Board Meeting held on 2 July and Mr Christopher Bostock was appointed Chairman in his place.

Mr Bostock joined Thomas Tilling Limited in 1973 as a senior executive having previously been Group Managing Director of G. B. Britton & Sons (Holdings) Ltd.

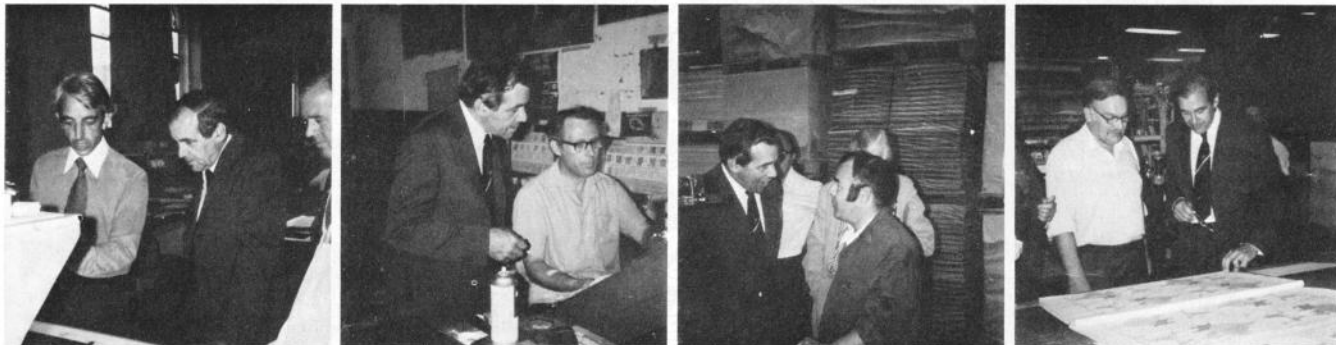
Mr Bostock, who is a Chartered Accountant by profession, enjoys fishing and horse-riding in his leisure time.

The new Chairman lost no time in visiting the major production units within the Company and taking the opportunity of meeting members of the staff as the selection of photographs indicate.

The Chairman has also visited London Sales Office and Head Office, where he was introduced to all the staff.

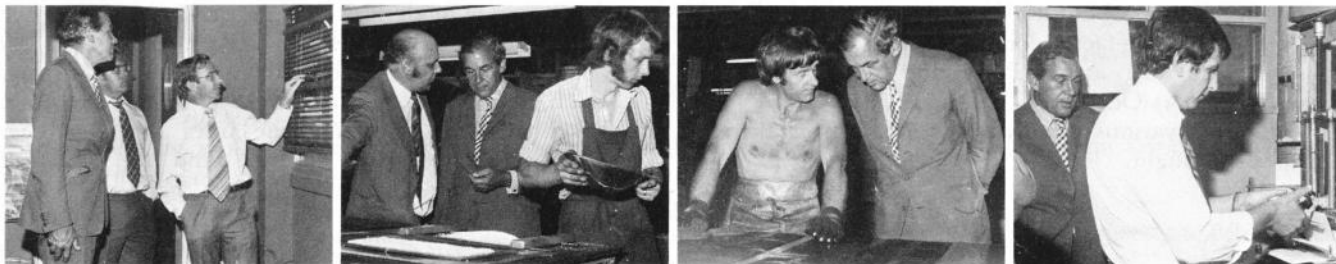
The official visit to Oscar Blackford will take place on 30 September.

FAKENHAM

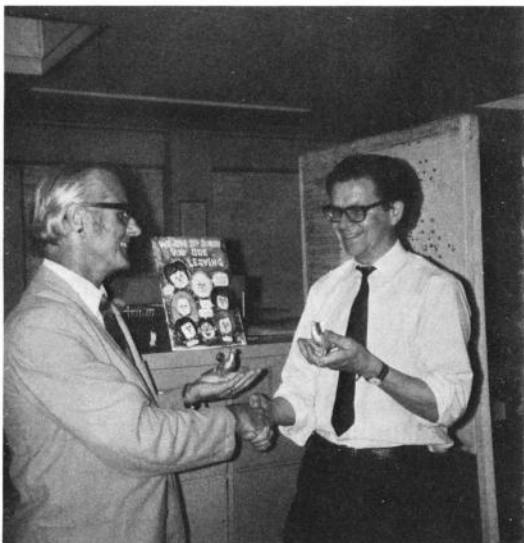


Top Row Left to Right
 Tony Engall – Wensum Graphics.
 Mick Holloway – Film Make-up.
 Russell Copsey – Letterpress (N.G.A. F.O.C.).
 Les Cameron – Litho Manager.
Left: Vicky May – Bindery (M.O.C.).

READING



Top Row Left to Right:
 Chairman, Brian Maslen and George Russell discussing machine loading board.
 Paul Marshall weighing and spreading plastic material on to moulds during plate-making.
 Ron Reed cleaning plates for storage after being removed from printing press at end of run.
 Alan Topham testing a book on page-pull equipment.
Left: Mrs Maciw and Iris Maslen examining books prior to packing.



On 30 June Fakenham said a sad farewell to Philip Starks who was leaving the Company to take up employment in his home town of Stamford.

Philip had been with the Company for five years as Purchasing/Costing Manager.

At a presentation Mr. Jude presented Philip with a pair of silver pheasants – a reminder of his time in Norfolk.

PAUSE AWHILE

The following prayer is displayed in the church porch of St Just-in-Roseland, Cornwall, and would appear to be still appropriate in the latter half of the twentieth century.

A 17th Century Nun's Prayer

*Lord, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old.
Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion.
Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest Lord, that I want a few friends left at the end.
Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point.
Seal my lips on my aches and pains, they are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.
I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.
I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.
Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a Saint – some of them are so hard to live with – but a sour old person is one of the growing works of the devil.
Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places, and talents in unexpected people.
And, give me O Lord, the grace to tell them so.*

Amen.

Safety Corner

FIRST AID



'... no matter how trivial'.

First aid is a job for the expert.

Always make sure that you know who your first aider is and how to contact him or your medical centre.

If you are responsible for first aid equipment, such as first aid boxes and eye-wash bottles, keep them properly supplied and maintained. The continuing health of your workmates may depend on it.

All injuries, no matter how trivial, should have expert attention as even the slightest cut may cause serious trouble if not attended to.

All accidents must be reported to the safety officer or management.

ROSPA SAFE DRIVING AWARD



Fakenham's long-serving van driver, Mr Fred Hooks, has added a '7th-year bar' to the Safe Driver's medal previously awarded to him by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, marking another successful year of accident-free motoring.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Ed.

An unfortunate error has crept into my *Trunk-Call* item on Postmark collecting.

The *Queen Mary* has not sunk but is alive and well in America.

It is the *Queen Elizabeth* which has sunk.

Jim Baldwin
Fakenham Production

Fakenham Social Club News

WHAT'S ON AT YOUR CLUB HOUSE

Saturday, 25 September
THE HASELDEN SHOW BAND

Saturday, 9 October
IMPACT INTERNATIONAL (DISCO)
ROAD SHOW

Saturday, 23 October
EXODUS

Saturday, 6 November
MOONLIGHT DISCO

Saturday, 20 November
FIFTH GEAR TRAVELLING BAND

Saturday, 11 December
IMPACT INTERNATIONAL (DISCO)
ROAD SHOW

Friday, 24 December
EXODUS

Friday, 31 December
GROSVENOR HILL



During the two-week factory annual holiday the Club House was closed for an extension to the bar to be made. As can be seen from the photograph, this provides a much better facility, especially on dance nights. A Marley partition is also being fitted to provide an extra lounge.

On 10 July the draws took place for the 200 and 150 Clubs. Lucky winners were:

200 Club (£700) – Howard Joynt (Personnel)
150 Club (£200) – Roy Dodman (Electrician)

Personal Column

WENSUM GRAPHICS

Engagements

Miss Martha Temple to Mr Richard Hendry on 2 July.

READING

Marriages

Miss Sandy Beeson (Wages) to Mr Gerald Davies at St Bartholomew's Church, Reading, on 3 July.

Miss Kym Nicholson (Reception) to Mr Steve Lusted at Yeomanry House, Reading, on 10 July.

Ruby Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs C. Maslen who celebrate their Ruby Wedding on 18 July.

Births

To Anna and Michael Pease (Comps), a son, Stewart, on 11 June.

FAKENHAM

Engagements

Joan Hudson (Computer Stock Control) to Howard Joynt (Personnel Officer) on 31 July.

Marriages

Miss Vivian Studd (Bindery) to Mr Ray Moore (Bindery) at South Creake Church on 1 May.

Miss Monica Parker to Mr Michael Futter (Bindery) at St Mary's Church, Whissonsett, on 5 June.

Miss Marilyn Reeve (Production Office) to Mr Stephen Askew at St Nicholas' Church, Wells, on 12 June.

Miss Christine Newell (Bindery) to Mr Phillip Riseborough (Maintenance) at St Mary's Church, North Creake, on 19 June.

Miss Donna Moore (Bindery) to Mr Nevil Allen at Baron's Hall, Fakenham, on 10 July.

Miss Gillian Loades (Personnel) to Mr Dennis Francis at St Peter and Paul's Church, Fakenham, on 24 July.

Miss Teresa Watson (Bindery) to Mr Timothy Harrison at St Peter and Paul's Church, Fakenham, on 31 July.

Miss Glenda West (Bindery) to Mr Trevor Ashby at Baron's Hall, Fakenham, on 31 July.

Pearl Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Audrey and Arthur Webster who celebrated their Pearl Wedding on 24 August. Audrey works in the jacketing section of the bindery.

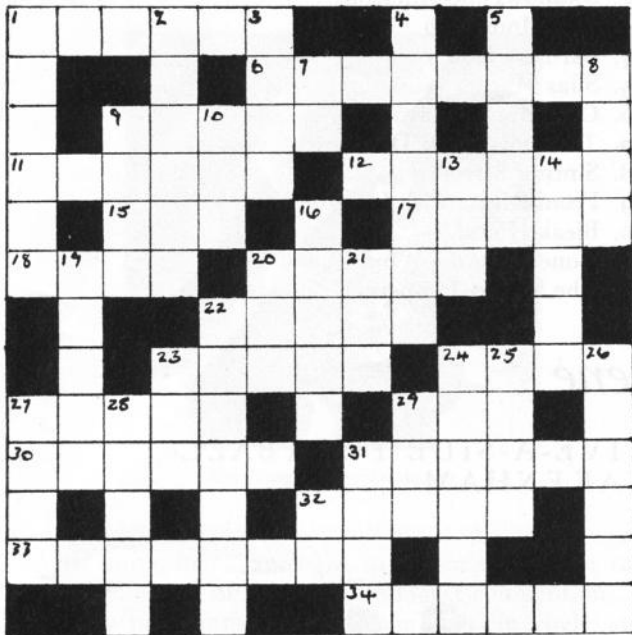
BY COACH

In a coach, there were four more children than men, and twice as many women as men. At the first stop, no one got out, but two children got in. There were now the same number of women as of children.

How many men were in the coach?

Answer: 9 men.

Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

1. You can't bake with this (6)
6. Rear sign for decorative hangings (8)
9. Anxiety as expressed by psychiatrists (5)
11. Bird with a reputation as pig! (6)
12. A state of harmony (2, 4)
15. Black gold (3)
17. Put a spot before Edward to have smothered him with love (5)
18. Ancient lettering (4)
20. Kingdom (5)
22. American soldier and confused secret agent make this nomad (5)
23. Juvenile visitors to the forest (5)
24. From which comes 1 Across (4)
27. Spend more than 60 minutes with this seductive woman (5)
29. See 2 Down (3)
30. Out of one's mind (6)
31. Artist's materials or activity (6)
32. Devious animals (5)
33. Skeleton of a script (8)
34. Like a muddle or a cuddle (6)

CLUES DOWN

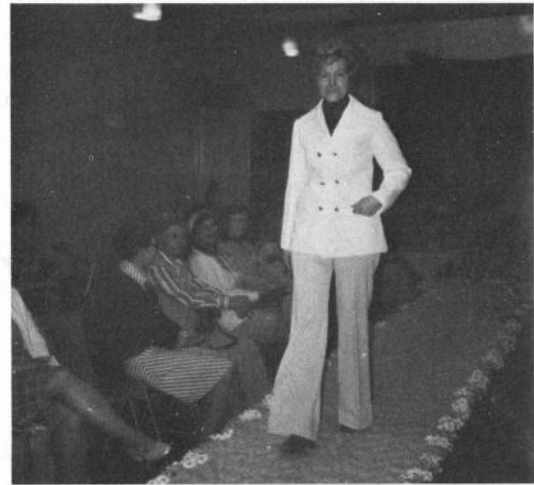
1. Find Gertie - then point this at the diet! (6)
2. also 29 Across and 31 Down
Bear who smells? (6, 3, 4)
3. The remainder are still (4)
4. In the manner of a concert piano (7)
5. Follow your nose and get to sun! (5)
7. Near, by, in, close to (2)
8. Take off a garden building (4)
9. Seems to be a prolific writer - whoever he is! (4)
10. Young lady like a jelly? (3)
13. He is short for salad ingredient (3)
14. Gets the message to the brain (5)
16. One would repel this unfortunate - but not because he's backward (5)
19. The whole is mightier than the sum of its parts (5)
20. The bit of Adam that made Eve (3)
21. The provider of Cleopatra's bath (3)
22. Sounds as if one must repeat something to contradict (7)
23. Two cups for a lady! (3)
24. Portable protection (6)
25. These are all under eleven (4)
26. Sign of brawn, not brain (6)
27. Sssound of a snake! (4)
28. He shows you to your seat - then shuts you up! (5)
29. Painful extraction! (3)
31. See 2 Down (4)
32. Not Fe, Fo or Fum (2)

Compiled by Carl Zdziedzok (Estimating), Fakenham

FASHION SHOW

In conjunction with a local Fakenham departmental store a fashion show was held in the Social Club for employees, wives and friends.

A large gathering saw a selection of both male and female fashions for day, night and beach wear.



INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR

The Thames & Hudson title *Archaeological Atlas of the World* printed at Fakenham in March 1975 has won a prize at this year's International Book Fair in Nice.

Film supplied by the customer was assembled at Fakenham and the 272 page title was printed offset litho on a Roland VI 2-colour machine.

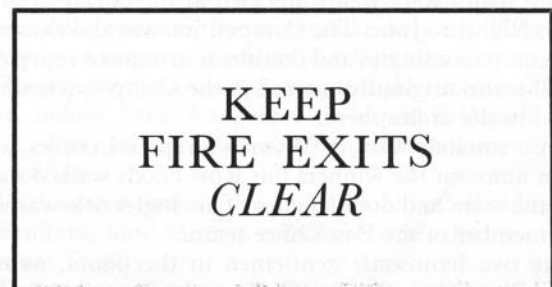
U.K. and U.S.A. editions amounting to 25,000 copies were bound paperback and cased.

BOOKLAND

Listed below are the titles of some well-known books, with lots of the letters left out. See if you can complete the titles.

1. LI----- WO-----
2. P----- P-----
3. A----- I- W-----
4. RO----- CR-----
5. OL----- T-----
6. P----- O- PO----- H-----
7. M----- D-----
8. TR----- IS-----
9. UN----- T----- C-----
10. DA----- CO-----
11. GU----- TR-----
12. T-- AD----- O- T-- S-----

Answers on page 6.



BOOKLAND ANSWERS

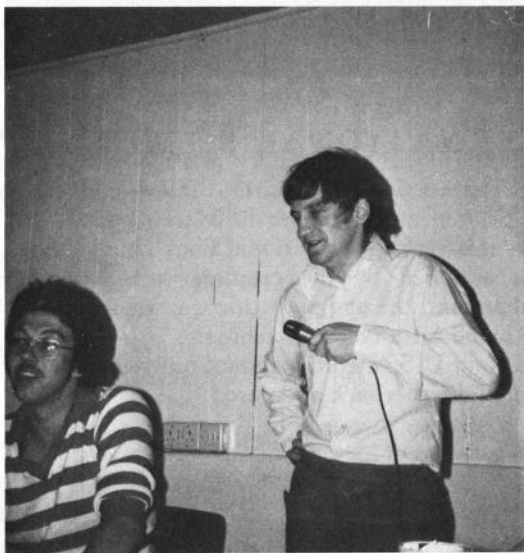
1. Little Women
2. Peter Pan
3. Alice in Wonderland
4. Robinson Crusoe
5. Oliver Twist
6. Puck of Pook's Hill
7. Moby Dick
8. Treasure Island
9. Uncle Tom's Cabin
10. David Copperfield
11. Gulliver's Travels
12. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

Answers to the quiz in issue No. 17:

1. Lucky Jim
2. Swallows and Amazons
3. The Mousetrap
4. Barnaby Rudge
5. Silas Marner
6. Our Man in Havana
7. The Story of Dr Dolittle
8. Sinister Street
9. From Russia with Love
10. Bleak House
11. Gone With the Wind
12. The Scarlet Pimpernel

Sports Scene

DARTS COMPETITION— FAKENHAM



As reported in the last edition of *Trunk-Call* a Cox & Wyman Challenge Cup Competition got off to a good start with a record 24 local team entries.

C & W's 'A' and 'C' teams survived the Preliminary and First Rounds along with a wide representation of teams from local industries.

Quarter-final Results:

- Post Office beat C & W 'C'
- Ross Foods beat Carley Motors
- C & W 'A' beat Richards Transport
- Varley FMC beat Edmondson

In the semi-finals C & W's last representatives met their match against the Post Office when they were beaten 5-4. The other finalists emerged as Ross Foods who beat Varley FMC.

Both teams were well supported at the Social Club on Finals Night, 10 June. The Competition was also extended to encompass a singles and doubles tournament representing all teams originally entered in the Competition which added to the atmosphere.

Unfortunately Cox & Wyman's representatives were not in amongst the winners but Ross Foods walked away with the team and doubles cups. The singles title was won by a member of the Post Office team.

The two handsome gentlemen in the photo, namely David Tann and Trevor Pilch, were responsible for the organizing and trying to keep control on Finals Night.

FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL— FAKENHAM



The victorious team
Back Row: J. Musgrove, R. Shillam, G. Deere.
Front Row: K. Nutt, M. Able.

Nine teams contested this annual competition held at FMC's Sports Ground, all of which used 'relevant' nom-de-plumes for the occasion.

A preliminary round with Aristokrats beating Mussels Marauders 1-0 brought the remaining eight teams to the Quarter-Finals.

Quarter-Final Results:

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|--------------|-----|-------------------------|
| Musical Ride | 6-0 | Rompers |
| Champions | 1-0 | Super Tramps |
| Fang's Five | 2-0 | Aristokrats |
| Layer Bouts | 1-0 | Jock (and the 4) Straps |

The semi-final matches were closely fought, Fang's Five beating Champions by the odd goal of 9 and Musical Ride winning 1-0 over Layer Bouts.

The final was equally absorbing, the winning goal for Fang's Five being scored by Gary Deere in the last ten seconds of the match.

Thanks must go to Richard Lane and Trevor Pilch for organizing the event, to Bill Hillebrandt who refereed all the matches and to Joan Hudson for presenting the prizes.

1976 SNOOKER KNOCK-OUT CHAMPIONSHIP-READING



Ron Humphrey and Les Sawyer

First things first – apologies to all our readers for this belated comment on our annual snooker competitions.

We saw new champions emerge in both the Singles and Doubles. Les Sawyer took the Singles in no uncertain fashion. He met the reigning champion Bert Young in the first round, and gave Bert a most unceremonious exit, the scores at the end of the game being 97–36 in his favour. Les then strode through to the final and was the victor over Mick Drury by 2 games to 1. See you next year, Champ – and thanks, Mick, for a gallant attempt.

The new Doubles champions are Tim Usher and Colin Davies. This youthful pair thoroughly deserved to be champions, playing thoughtful and tight snooker throughout. They defeated veterans Norman Gibson and Ken Brind 2–1 in the final after losing the first game.

As the old warhorse Ken Brind (remember him at his peak – or does your memory not stretch back that far?) was heard to say of the decisive game – ‘They gave nothing away but the billiards chalk!’

All in all, very satisfactory contests, with thanks to our band of volunteers who scored and umpired the games, and special reference in this respect to Reg Sherwood and Roy Sheppard, our very able organizers.

*Your Roving Reporter,
I. Cue*

DARTS LEAGUE-FAKENHAM



Members of the Cox & Wyman darts team who won the local Inter-Club Darts League and the Knock-out Cup this year.

GOLF-FAKENHAM

In the Cox & Wyman June Stableford Tournament, held at the local golf-course, the winner was Mervyn Neil (Printed Sheet Warehouse) with 42 points. Ken Stearman (Litho) and Arthur Parsell (Letterpress Department Manager) both finished on 38 points and Mick Sturman (Bindery) with 36 points.

In the East and South-East Regional Fishburn Golf Tournament in June, Arthur Parsell represented North Norfolk and won first prize of a tankard and a dozen golf balls.

The tournament was held at Denham Golf Club, Buckinghamshire, which is something of a celebrities golf-course with Jimmy Tarbuck, Eric Sykes and Bruce Forsyth amongst its regulars.

Arthur's son Alan, who was a Litho Machine Manager at Fakenham until recently, represented the King's Lynn area but did not finish in the top three.

SQUASH-READING

SPONSORED KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION

Cox & Wyman reached the quarter-finals of the Courage Sponsored Squash Knock-out Trophy organized by Reading Chamber of Commerce.

Although being beaten by Abbey Life 3–2 this was no disgrace. Abbey Life's team included three *county standard* players, one of which had been invited to play in the Greek Open in Athens in July with the world's professionals.

Paul Jacobs and Martin Lovegrove won three games convincingly, but Ron Sully, Paul Marshall and John Carpenter went down while being shown some of the finer points of the game by their illustrious opponents.

Abbey Life went on to be very worthy winners of the trophy.

ANNUAL KNOCK-OUT TROPHY

With sixteen entries this year, this handicap tournament still proves to be as popular as ever. Handicaps range from minus 4 points to plus 6 points.

The tournament has now reached the semi-final stages with holder John Carpenter (–4), Phil Winchcombe (+3), Paul Jacobs (–2) and Peter Bartholomew still in contention.

With squash proving to be popular at both Reading and Fakenham, how about a match between the two for an Annual Trophy.

Fancy your chances, you Fakenham lads?

P.P.

JUNE FISHING TRIP-READING



Left to right
Pete Griffiths, Bert Fray, Bert Shilton



Ray Lloyd and 20-lb tope

During the extremely hot weather at the end of June, we arranged a night fishing trip from Poole. Arriving at the harbour in the late hours of the afternoon Pugwash Griffiths wasted no time in helping himself to a large portion of whelks from a nearby stall. The other members likewise indulged in the offerings of various seafoods, though in more moderate helpings. After his third helping of big gristly whelks, Griff then moved on to the hamburger stall to partake in what they had to offer, then on to the chip shop, where two plates were disposed of at lightning speed.

We then sauntered along the quay and into a quiet pub in one of the side streets. After boosting the shares of the local brewery we made our departure laden with bottles for the long hours at sea.

Our skipper, Bert Fray, arrived at the quay in his boat *Kingfisher*. With ourselves and all the gear aboard, we set off for the open sea.

We paused at various marks on the way out to fish for mackerel, quite a good catch by all except yours truly, who received constant bickering about it. I told the others in no uncertain terms where they could put their fish.

Dropping anchor over a deep hole, things changed rapidly. Fierce bites were recorded by everyone, and it wasn't long before the first fish was on the deck. That old sea-dog Pugwash was the first with a conger eel of 15 lb. Then Scoop Lloyd entered the show when a *ginormous* conger eel grabbed at the piece of mackerel hanging from the hook. As it sped away Ray drove the hook firmly home, and the battle was on. Man against fish. Slowly, inch by inch the line was reeled in, the kingsize conger was fighting hard all the way up. Suddenly, the conger turned, and with all the strength it could muster, dived as hard as it could towards the sea bottom. Ray, his arms starting to get cramp, his back about to break, held on, giving the conger an inch or two of line, then with his rod almost bent double, the mighty fish closed its jaws and severed the line; hence the story . . . *the one that got away*.

Pugwash then took over the hot spot with a beautiful 22-lb conger eel; fighting this fish was no problem for an accomplished fisherman.

Bert Shilton was next with a pair of eels of about 10 lb apiece.

Ray Lloyd made a come-back again with a nice little tope of 20 lb. The skipper, not wishing to hurt the fish with the gaff, leaned over the side of the boat and grappled with it with bare hands and lifted it into the boat.

Another moment of excitement was when he was trying to catch hold of the fighting tope one of the congeners slithered on to the deck with jaws agape, and everyone made hasty retreats to higher and less dangerous vantage-points.

Ray Lloyd

EDITORIAL NOTE

Contributions from individuals will be welcomed by the Editor.

Contributions for the next issue of *Trunk Call* should be received by the Editor not later than Monday, 11 October.

CROSSWORD SOLUTION NO. 17

ACROSS: 1 Tongue. 5 Lobe. 9 Fuse. 10 Abracadabra. 11 Skit. 14 Traffic. 16 Condole. 17 Cream. 18 Toga. 19 Plug. 21 Athos. 23 Garbage. 24 Novices. 25 Loop. 29 Sandcastles. 30 Ever. 31 Ream. 32 Oceans.

DOWN: 2 Orbs. 3 Goat. 4 Elastic. 5 Lean. 6 Boredom. 7 Cuckoo clock. 8 Pestle. 12 Stet. 13 Danger money. 15 Crate. 16 Capon. 20 Gasp. 21 Agitate. 22 Soprano. 23 Golfer. 26 Adam. 27 Style. 28 Keen.