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EDITORIAL.

I've been asked to fill half a page - too late for a pre-A.G.M. review, and too early for a post-mortem. I shudder to think of the times I've been asked to do this in the past - and no doubt you shuddered when you read the outcome (O.K. you shudder at every issue - so what?).

I suppose I could have another go at the "This is YOUR Rambling Club - use it" line - or another harangue about "unsociable socials", or even "Why won't they pay their 1/6's?".

The C.H.G. is always good for half a page, whichever way you look at it. The holidays are all but done, anyway, and its a bit early for the "Merry Christmas" bit, even in these days of the November Santa Claus!

Perhaps I could raise a bit of interest in "Tennis Working Parties", or in turning out in support of the Club football team, especially appealing to those 'fans' who give away time and money at Goodison or Anfield. Why they don't make a real 'penance' of it sometime and go over to Tramere beats me.

There's always "The next dance at the State" (14th October, incidentally) - or "Subscriptions will soon be getting nearly overdue" (and they will in a month or so at that) - or "Can we have your articles for the Newsletter" (one of you can volunteer for this emergency sometime).

"Singing on the bus before asking the indifferent conductor" has filled a line or two in the past, although I feel sure asking each long-suffering passenger would produce something really worthwhile for the annals.

Now I've no space for a diatribe of any kind. Just the same - don't forget the rambles, the socials, the tennis or football, the dance, those newsletter articles, the Snapshot Competition, the Rosary next week, leading, stewarding, refreshments, M.C.-ing, Host-ing, Hostess-ing, washing-up, gram-carrying etc., etc., etc. - they are all the little wheels within the big wheels turning that keep us rolling!!!

EDITOR.

p1 cont You've had a very restful night tonight, your feet at least if not your tongues, so you should be ready and willing for our first State Dance of the season on Saturday, the 14th October. Chris Scott has the tickets.

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MUSICAL COLOUR SLIDE SHOW.

"In search of the Blarney Stone" or "Guess who bottled the Harp".

On Wednesday October 25th at 8.45 p.m. in the Clubroom, we present a tour right round the coast of Ireland. The journey takes in Dublin (including the Guinness Brewery), the Glens of Antrim, Giant's Causeway, Donegal, Mayo, Galway Bay, the famous Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle, Glendalough and the Guinness Brewery (Dublin). There won't be any free samples from the last named but we do hope you will enjoy this diversion - all leprechauns will be most welcome.

Mark.

And whether you've guessed who bottled the harp or not, come and have one with us at the State Dance on Saturday the 14th October. Chris Scott still has the tickets.

S O C I A L _ C H A T T E R .

First of all, let's talk about some fairly easy money, always a lovely subject. The closing date for the photographic competition is appropriately enough, October 25th, the night of the colour slide film show of Ireland. Back to the money. There is a prize of 10/-d., English money, in each of the four sections. There are 1) Scenery - and there's bags of that around 2) Natural Humour - I should think the Club is the natural home for that 3) Chalet Shots and 4) Pot Luck. The fourth section sounds rather like Sunday night's tea at the Third Section, but I presume it includes any snaps which don't fall naturally into the other sections. You may enter one or more snaps for any of the sections and Johnnie Burns or Stan Cunningham will collect. There isn't any limit as to size - from the smallest to the largest will be welcome. The Editor's decision is final and the judgement will be swift.

To those who are dead sure they are going to win, we think that they should in duty bound plough back some of the profits in advance into the Club's State Dance on October 14th, a Saturday. Tickets are with Chris Scott.

After my faux pas in the July issue with an incorrect wedding announcement, I put typewriter to stencil in fear and trembling, but with renewed hope. I know that a son, John, was born to Tony and Eileen Atherton on 8th September, because it was in the "Echo", and who could forget a birthday like that. Grandad Atherton also broke into the "Echo" with a picture of him teaching at the new S.F.X. College in Woolton. Back with the newly-born, I'm also positive that Bill and Pauline Roberts now have a second son, Leo, born on the 29th July, because I saw him and his Mum shortly afterwards. Another addition who was missed because of the absence of "Socialite" last month was that of a son to our Trustee Mark Walsh and Eileen. Pet Connolly and Ann Hyde also got married between Newsletters, and we wish them and the new arrivals the very best for the future.

A recent wedding I did hear of in time to include this month was that of Arthur Leek to Sheila Cadley on the 16th September at St. Cecilia's, Tuebrook. The bride was in white slipper satin, princess style, full length, with a short veil. They were very happy to be married by Sheila's cousin, with Eric Cavanagh an admirable best man. Among the guests were Stan Cunningham and Shaila, Jim Sheerin and Joan O'Malley. The couple are honeymooning in Edinburgh, and we're hoping for some t rock when they return! We've just had a letter informing us that John Thornton and Mary McInerny were married on the 28th August at St. Oswald's, Old Swan, and are now living in Thornton. Johnny and Kath Peloe have now moved out there so there's quite a colony, what with Kellys, McDonalds, Skillicrns, etc.

What about a film movie show of club weddings some night. I know of at least four where a movie was taken - George and Freda, Bernard and May, Jim Fealey and Ursula's and, the latest, Arthur and Sheila's.

Lots of congratulations this month to our two engagements, Tom Rainford and Kath Davies and Eileen Jones (known in her more frivolous days as FiFi) and Mike. All you newly wed and engaged will remember that there is one small saving you can make. Joint membership of the Club is only 6/-d and of the Tennis Section is, at the moment, £3. 0. Od.

We were very nicely welcomed at the Pro-Cathedral this morning, for the Annual Mass. The numbers didn't seem to be as great as previously, but some had made a real effort. In order of offspring, Roberts's, Penlingtons and Joe Whitfields were there complete, the Wallasey members had come over, John and Kathly had made it and Peggy had fought almost a losing battle on her journey from Frodsham.

The weather knocked our Tennis Tournament last night for six, but this didn't damp the ardour of the social afterwards. As usual, we paid our way and had some real fun. To make this affair the usual sedate dance that it is, Chris Dobbins returned from Keswick and completed the rot.

Need I remind you about the State Dance?
Socialite.

Sunday Sept. 10th 1961. St. Mary's, Church Stretton v C.R.A.

St. Mary's recorded yet another win over the C.R.A., their third in succession in fact, by the score of 6 goals to one. A convincing victory, but in fairness to the visitors, not a fair reflection on the play. The home side were worthy winners but must thank goalkeeper Mike Cullen's superb display for the margin of their success.

They had the encouragement of a goal after two minutes, when a sliced clearance presented a 'gift' to the home centre forward. They added two further goals before half time while the C.R.A. hammered away at the other end without any success. The home keeper handled the greasy ball with supreme confidence, bringing off a number of saves, none better than the one from John Martin's header which looked like a goal all the way. St. Mary's had a goal disallowed for offside and the visitors keeper turned down a fierce drive.

In the second half the game continued to rage from end to end and St. Mary's increased their lead with a lobbed shot which went in off the crossbar. The C.R.A. were still out of luck with their shooting, G. Cullen hitting the bar and posts with good efforts, Des Bateman eventually opened the visitors account with a determined run down the left wing. St. Mary's replied with a goal by Barney Bonasco, who also obliged C.R.A. by missing a penalty after Steve Hall had saved spectacularly with the keeper out of sight. The Blues completed the scoring after a corner kick which John Martin for the visitors shot tamely from point blank range and Chris Dobbin's hot shot was splendidly saved. At the whistle, the two teams left the field to well earned applause. Another grand game fought out in the very best spirit with St. Mary's teamwork and speed to the ball just a bit too much for the gallant C.R.A.

In congratulating the teams we must not forget the officials linesmen Eddie Caldwell and Khrischov and the referee Jim McEvoy. The latter did a fine job even in the face of stern opposition from the visiting supporters-criticism which was not confined solely to the duration of the game... Let us hope that Jim's fall from grace in some quarters is but a passing phase.

As will have been gathered, our supporters were once again in excellent voice, and hot even the hearty rain at the start of the game could damp their spirits. They urged on their Clubmates fanatically (none louder than Monica) pausing for breath only when St. Mary's scored. Nevertheless in the face of defeat they were the model of discretion, that is, of course, if you except Mary Smith, who in returning the ball to play sent her shoe with it in the general direction of a blue shirt.

After tea and Benediction there followed an impromptu concert at which the party pieces flowed out to produce an excellent hours entertainment. Our thanks are due to those of St. Mary's and the C.R.A. who were good enough to offer their talents for our enjoyment. Thus ended another pleasant visit to Church Stretton. The curtain has been raised on another soccer season for the C.R.A. and will not be rung down again until we return to this delightful spot in April. Let us hope that the finale to the season will be as good as the overture but all the sweeter for victory.

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COME DANCING AT THE STATE BALLROOM..... OCTOBER 14th
BRING YOURSELVES BRING YOUR FRIENDS..... OCTOBER 14th
SPOTS..... PRIZES..... REFRESHMENTS..... OCTOBER 14th
EARL SCOTT..... ROCK 'N ROLL..... MODERN..... OCTOBER 14th
GOOD DANCING IN A HAPPY ATMOSPHERE AMONG FRIENDS..... OCTOBER 14th

ABER "B" RAMBLE.

Leaving wet and dismal Liverpool Behind we arrived at wet, dismal Walws, but the day brightened when we stopped at Betws-y-Coed for lunch at the firm to which our beloved Leader belonged and in which we all hold shares?????? Having devoured our 'Goody Goodies' we went on our way to Dolgarrog where we offloaded the 'A' party to climb into the blue ??? skies yonder. After that we enjoyed some peace and quiet, and the sun shone (any connection) until we arrived at Aber wher Mr. P. decided that after three hours in the coach we would love to run up and 'Aber' look at the falls. Being decent typed we agreed and when we arrived at the Falls we agreed that the trip had been worthwhile, only to be told that the ramble was just beginning. Over the fence and up-up-whoops-up the scree we toiled to the top until we had to stop to admire the view across Anglesey and the blue sea beyond. As there was no point in wastin good eating time feating our eyes on the view we feasted our stomachs instead.

And so on up to the lake, which proved attractive, as well as the Welsh ponies which roamed the mountainside and as we sat down one member felt he must Aber photograph of the occasion. After this we followed the track until a familiar sign 'Teas - - Hovis' hove in sight. Then back to the coach which brought 20 wet and weary and twelve not so wet and weary ramblers back to Liverpool. Thank you William for enlightening me on the joys of rambling.

DOROTHY PERKINS.

RAMBLING PROGRAMME.

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OCT. 1.	Keswick Weekend	Details to follow later.
" 1	Berwyns, S.Cummins.	Janes St. 10.20. 7/6d
" 8	Nant-y-Frith S.Hall.	Janes St. 9.55. 7/-
" 15	State Dance.	
" 15	Abergele (Bene) S.Houlton.	Janes St. 10.20. 8/3d.
" 22	Nelson Joint Ramble. W.Potter.	R.A.Train see Press for time..
" 29	Rhydymwyn	H.Sheridan. James St. 10.20. 7/-.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

THIS WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER AT THE CLUBROOMS.

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