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## Joycie ends 35 years at HQ



**JOYCIE JONES** — on her last day in the office.

AS SHE retired this month after working almost thirty-five years with the Essex Police, Mrs Joycie Jones, the Chief's secretary looked back with great happiness on the years spent at Headquarters and the many good friends she has made, not only in this County, but in Police Forces nationwide.

Joycie Jones volunteered for War Service with the Women's Auxiliary Police Corps and, wearing uniform, worked in the General Office at Headquarters. The W.A.P.C. was disbanded in 1946, and Mrs Jones decided not to join the regular force, but to stay on as a member of the civilian staff.

In 1949, she was appointed Secretary to the Chief Constable, then Sir Jonathon Peel, later his successor Sir John Nightingale, and more recently, Mr Robert Bunyard. During this time, Joycie has worked for a total of eleven Deputy and Assistant Chief Constables.

### Usher

On Thursday, 31st August, Joycie said goodbye at a function held in the Assembly Hall, Headquarters, surrounded by colleagues and well-wishers, she was presented with silver jewellery on behalf of the force, wine glasses on behalf of the Chief Officers, and a variety of other gifts, cards and telegrams. Making the presentation, The Chief said they had been given with affection and best wishes for a happy retirement.

Husband, Cecil Jones, formerly a Constable and at the end of his service the Chief Constable's chauffeur, also retired on the same day



**TAKING over** — Linda Harris who has worked at HQ for over 10 years, most recently as office manager in the Recruiting and Training office.

as Joycie. Since his departure from the force he has worked at Shire Hall as a Crown Court usher. Now they will both retire to live at Holland-on-Sea. Afterwards Mrs Jones

**We'll have to stop meeting like this**



WHAT do you say in the circumstances, "Madam, we'll have to stop meeting like this"? But as the good people of Chelmsford, assembled to watch the carnival procession go by, don't seem especially surprised, it must be either what they expect in the county town, or what

they are used to, as Wpc Ann Connerney meets up with a carnival copper. Indeed, as Ann has recently been commended by the Justices at Witham for her keenness and observation, all you young ladies who want to get on know what to do.

wrote, "I should like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all who contributed to the magnificent gifts presented to me on my retirement, and to those who helped to make my last day at HQ such a happy and memorable one. I was completely overwhelmed by the warmth of affection shown to me and delighted to see so many of my "old" friends returning for the occasion.

### Holland

After 35 years I shall naturally miss HQ very much but am looking forward to some happy days by the sea at Holland."



**FRIENDS**, including some former HQ employees, gathered to wish Mrs. Jones a happy retirement, pictured in the assembly hall after presentation of gifts by the Chief Constable.

# Edview

# 11th September 1978

## But will it last ?

SINCE the Edmund-Davies pay award, implemented by the Government in two phases, the first of which none in Essex has yet actually received, there have been startling reports of an upsurge in police recruiting figures.

Now that the dust has settled and this subject has gone out of the news, it is possible for this column to look at the situation and likely outcome more dispassionately than was possible before. We make no apology for being about right in our comments in the last issue when we guessed, the day before the award was announced, that you would get a "pay rise which sounds big but which will be phased to the same size as everyone else's," and that this would be 15% per year. In fact this is exactly what we ourselves received which shows the dangers of expressing opinions. To be sure other ranks had more up to a maximum of 22½% this year.

But this was the maximum. The lowest rise was a fraction under 15% — for beginners — with the rest falling somewhere between. Two things must be borne in mind, remembering our guess that the pay rise would "sound big".

The first is that the average movement in wages outside the police, was 16½% — upwards, of course — in the year up to August. A higher rise, in fact, than we received for writing this column though readers may consider that justice has been done. But even the maximum improvement in pay for federated ranks has exceeded this national average by only 6%. Some had less.

We accept that police had some 10% last autumn but then so did everyone else and in many cases they had it sooner.

The second factor goes back to guesswork and concerns next year's phase, the second half of the police pay rise. Will the police, in fact, get their phase two plus what everyone else gets, as promised, if the Government's pay policy collapses, as possible? Will the various bogus productivity deals which are bound to be agreed, show up in wage rate statistics and be matched by an index-linked rise for police? Or will this promise, like others in the past, be evaded by the cynical use of bent figures? We can only wait and see.

One of the aims of the Edmund-Davies award was to give police recruitment a shot in the arm but in this respect they have probably taken a shot in the dark. To be sure, ever since the award there has been a surge of interest in joining the force. These enquiries have yet to

be turned into recruits. Twenty-two joined up last week, fewer than the 24 who joined in July — before the announcement. No real results can come before November.

It is doubtful whether the system can cope with a prolonged influx in large numbers. Valiant efforts in Essex can speed up the flow through tests, enquiries and interviews but the bottleneck is Eynsham Hall which is the proverbial pint pot into which a recruitment quart won't go.

In any case we predict that in a few months, when the immediate brightness of the award has dimmed, recruitment will become the problem it has always been.

While not wishing to be sour after so large an award — we never wrote generous but this would have been untrue — we have to conclude that the payrise will not be large enough to off-set other factors which effect morale and keep men in the force.

For once Mr. Rees was right when he said that it's not just the money.

## Joy in the Kremlin

ALL THIS is to make no comment on the attitudes which lie behind the distribution of cash within the award. The views of this column on the various levelling measures which have taken place in recent years ought to be sufficiently well known to guess that we are not much impressed with the new pay structure.

No doubt the lads round at the Kremlin are delighted but the Edmund-Davies soviet council have probably perpetuated as many problems as they have solved by overlapping wage rates for constable and sergeant and lopping off the previous top rate for chief inspectors, thus reducing the difference between recruits and top federated ranks. We dislike the principle of butt-ending, how much worse is overlapping?

It cannot be right that a constable with many years service, who may never have bothered to qualify himself for promotion, nor, maybe, worked very hard to make himself efficient, should take home more money than his sergeant who has done these things. And the fact that a newly promoted chief inspector should draw only £1,400 more than some uniform carrying constable with 20 years service is not far short of scandalous. The award may arrest wastage among constables. Can the service afford to lose its chief inspectors?

## It makes you go deaf

A HELMET does not have pips in the same way as strawberry jam or a pound of tomatoes, not even if it were meant to be worn by an inspector. But the pips in police helmets could, apparently, endanger the hearing of the wearer.

The headgear concerned are the experimental helmets for motor cyclists which have radios in them. A scientist has concluded that the high pitched sounds emitted from the apparatus could effect the hearing of the wearer.

So it's back to the drawing board for the planners and back to "steam radio" for motor cyclists.

## Letting 'em go

WHEN he said, at the time of his departure from the Force, that he intended to retire we found it hard to believe. And on the 1st September, Sir John Nightingale was appointed a member of the Parole Board. So after 43 years of locking them up he has begun a new career — letting them out.



AN ATHLETIC intake this one with two members of the victorious Eynsham Hall PAA relay squad, two members of the Essex Police athletic team, and a PAA individual champion — see sports page.

By now they have been in Divisions for a few weeks, and are: Front, from left: J. Kirk, posted to Tilbury, formerly a fireman; G. Barrett (Corringham) cadet; T. Rackley (Harlow) driver; P. Kerry (Westcliff) bank clerk; S. Savidge

(Chelmsford) bank messenger.

Centre, from left: K. Taylor (Colchester) milkman; E. Heath (Chelmsford) student; L. Gough (Leigh) secretary; G. Bradford (Basildon) electrical inspector; C. Robertson (Maldon) student teacher.

Rear, from left: S. Chaplin (Ockendon) cadet; J. Orman (Chelmsford) cadet; S. Blaxland (Southend) carpenter; B. Miles (Grays) army; K. Davies (Walden) clerk; M. Turner (Chelmsford) ambulance driver.



It's different — it's the short fat one

## FEDERATION

IN THE absence of Jim Rodgers, your J.B.B. Secretary, currently sunning himself on the West Coast of the U.S.A. for a month (well, we have to spend the subs. on something!), it falls upon me to take up the pen in his place.

As so much has been written about the Lord Edmund-Davies report apropos pay, I will not waste valuable space in re-iteration, but, for those who have not seen the report itself, simply draw your attention to the recent J.B.B. synopsis of the recommendations, 600 copies of which have been circulated within the Force.

The last big issue on the Edmund-Davies front is the Committee's deliberations on the subject of structure and function of the representative bodies for the British Police Service.

At the time of writing, your J.B.B. is awaiting, with a mixture of expectation and trepidation, the

delegates at Central Halls, Westminster on Friday, 15th September, 1978.

We have been extremely active in our preparations for the big day — having submitted three type-written pages of amendments for the agenda, which, if implemented, would radically change both the status quo and the J.C.C. proposals, to a non-rank representation system.

However, your Board unanimously rejected the Industrial Society recommendations (some of you doubtless remember John Pearson visiting the Force a few months ago on their behalf), re. Independent Trade Union status. On analysing the pros and cons, whilst bearing in mind the earnings related part of the Edmund-Davies findings, we feel that more could well be given up than gained. We are not pedantic, however, should the fullness of time dictate otherwise then today's decisions are not binding for all time.

Whilst on the subject of extreme activity (?) — your J.B.B. pulled out all the stops on submission of evidence to the J.C.C. re Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, for colation into the final document on behalf of our National body. In an effort to promote discussion and generate further response to the J.C.C. from all forces in the Country, we despatched copies of our 48 page document to every other J.B.B.; to our pleasant surprise, several other forces responded with congratulatory letters and at least one force scrapped its initial efforts out of sheer embarrassment and started again! Thanks also came from members of the relevant J.C.C. sub-committee engaged in the final

appropriate amendments to reflect National opinion, our report will form the basis of the J.C.C. evidence.

From the bright side of the penny to the sombre obverse: I have never believed in reticence for fear of causing offence if the subject matter happens to be important. On the question of Criminal Procedure evidence, some months ago I penned an article in "The Law", itemising all the subject headings suggested by the Royal Commission, and invited individuals or groups to send me their views, as, I believe, the outcome of the Commission's deliberations could have enormous repercussions on all working policemen.

All too frequently I have heard criticism levelled at the Federation, both locally and Nationally, at times with good cause but more frequently out of sheer ignorance of the true facts. I now pick up the gauntlet — apart from your J.B.B. representatives — not one word was forthcoming from over 2,000 Federated members in Essex — so think twice before you criticise your J.B.B. or J.C.C. in future — the "Tiger" may be "Toothless" but at least it gets up off its arse occasionally and makes a few appropriate noises.

Elsewhere in this edition, if our prickly Editor has not made a — has acceded to our request, you will see an eye rivetting advertisement (bang goes the rest of the Subs.), for a "Forthcoming Attraction".

Being "Forthcoming that our efforts to raise hard cash for Police charities have been mundane in recent years — albiet, we have more than met our commitments

number of mind-boggling ventures that will make Lord Delfont look like a BBC-2 drama critic.

The first (for we dare not reveal all at once), timed for early December when the Christmas spirit starts to thaw out December's chill, is a "Brain of Essex Police" competition. Suffice to say at this stage, if each Territorial Division (including our "Civilian" colleagues) — Headquarters Division — Headquarters Civilians (there's so many of them!) — Superintendents Association — Association of Chief Police Officers — and National Association of Retired Police Officers — would each like to nominate, select, cajole or blackmail a worthy contender, forward his/her name to Federation Office at Headquarters by mid November, we will both entertain you and raise a few pounds "for the cause".

## Decisions

By the way, in the interest of fair play, questions directed at contenders holding rank above Federated level will not have an element of decision in the correct answer!

Should audience demand be as enormous as expected, tentative enquiries have gone out to relay the breathtaking, nailbiting, mindsearing proceedings by C.C.T.V. to the Bar. (On condition that the hall is filled first!)

So, as the advert says, keep your eyes wide open for further news of these momentous events.

I prefer that bearded twit myself

# postbag

READERS' letters are welcomed but will not be published if unsigned. Those written under a pen name must be accompanied by a note of the writer's name. The editors reserve the right to edit any letter published in the interest of economy of space.

Dear Sir,  
Through "The Law" I would like to thank the women officers of the Force for the very generous and completely unexpected wedding present given to Peter and me.

Since integration policewomen have all lost touch with each other to a large extent and it really was a very pleasant surprise to find that a

my behalf. The luxury of a thermostatically-controlled deep fryer will go a long way towards solving my problem of a complete lack of domesticity.

I am glad to say that the beautiful potted plant, which was also part of the gift, is still flowering well and looks like lasting a long time in spite of my not now having the time to speak nicely to it.

For the wedding presents, and for the kind thought, Peter and I would like just to say again, "thank you all very much indeed."

LORNA BAKER (Brooks) Headquarters

# It was yak yak yak in the bright sunshine

CAN IT BE that when one is translated into the sublime state of police pensionerhood one lives a charmed life? If the police pensioners' garden party is anything to go by this must be the case.

Because year after year, however bad the weather is during the rest of the summer, on party day the sun comes out and they enjoy a roasting day. This year was no

exception. All the arrangements were as usual and one would guess that no-one would have it otherwise. A notable omission in 1978 was the cadet display sequence but everyone quite understood (the axe, you know) and anyway the dog section were there going through their paces.

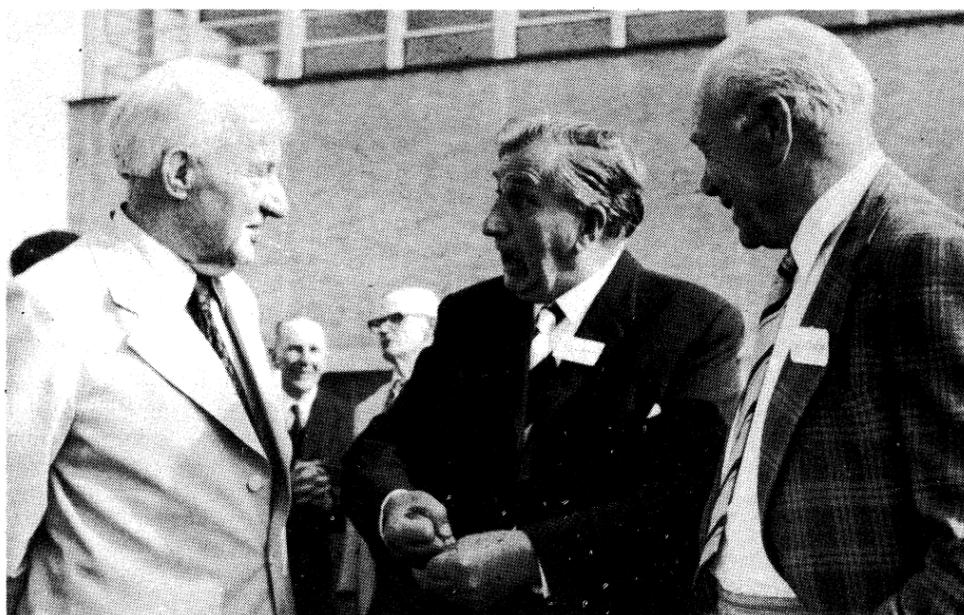
And as usual conversation was the object of the exercise. In some quarters deep conversations were obviously concerned with the bad old days while in others, if one were to believe snatches which came to the ears, or the antics which accompanied them, they were hilarious old days to be sure.

Indeed, the point of conversation being important was made in Mr. F. G. Dawes' letter to the Chief Constable afterwards. "Retired members, I know, do look forward to this annual party when we can talk over old experiences," he wrote.

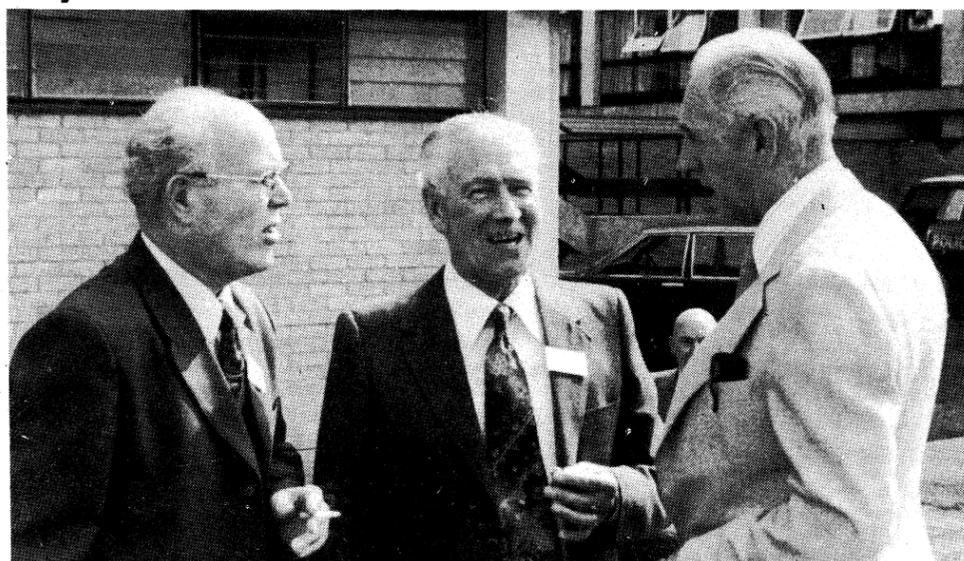
Mr. E. V. Gowers wrote: "We realise the amount of work necessary to prepare and run such a function and cannot let the occasion pass without a sincere thank you to everyone who took part in making the day such a success."

And a final comment from Mr. C. A. Kemp of Maldon: "My wife and I enjoyed every minute of it, meeting people we associated with, many of them 40 years ago. On leaving the grounds I heard many voices echo, 'See you again next year'."

Already a meeting has been arranged for this month to discuss the possibility of holding a garden party next year.



So, I told him....



But he just laughed



OPENING time at Witham Police Station was signalled by Ch. Supt. John Challis in July when he opened their new bar and drew the first pint.

Mr. Challis is seen congratulating Ch. Insp. John Page who brought the project to a head, he having earlier presented tankards to the builders of the bar, Mr. Robert Brown, left, and Mr. Bill Shelley.

Picture by courtesy of Gordon Ager.



THIS summer's dog training output included these four pairs looking alert with ears pricked — the dogs — and eyes shining.

Two of the handlers are newcomers to the section, the others retraining with new dogs. All the dogs are just pups being, on average, 12 months old.

From the left, Sgt Bob Needham, Colchester, with Sants; new handler Alan Jones, Harlow, with Jase; Les Theobald, Colchester, with Sargeant; and new handler Paul Probyn of Southend with Thor.

All of these appeared in the final part of the dog training section.

## Conversation piece

### N.A.R.P.O. — SOUTHEND BRANCH

Annual Dinner Dance will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday 26th October, 1978 at Lindisfarne Banqueting Suite, Westcliff on Sea.

Tickets £4.50 pence.

Anybody interested please contact Edgar Easlea, 72 Lee Lotts, Great Wakering.

## COMRADES' DINNER

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the Essex Police Comrades Association is being held this year at the County Hall, Chelmsford at 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday 18th October. Tickets £3.50 each, are obtainable from P.C. Charlie Howlett, Force Welfare Officer.

"Not only pensioners, but serving police officers, men and women, with more than ten years service are eligible to join the Association" says Charlie, who will be delighted to hear from any prospective members.

Subscriptions are 50 pence per annum — This years are now due!

The increase depends on the date when the pension began, i.e. on or before 1st July, 1977, 7.4% increase; between 2.7.77 and 1.1.78 (incl) 9.6%; and between 2.1.78 and 1.7.78 (incl) 5.4%.

It was mentioned in our last bulletin that it was important for those still serving to retire on the right day of a particular month in order to subsequently attract as many as possible full months pension increase at the first review following retirement. The following are the dates when the Social Security Retirement pension (and therefore Public Service pensions also) will be adjusted in the 11 years following 1978:

12 November	1979
10 November	1980
9 November	1981
8 November	1982
7 November	1983
5 November	1984
4 November	1985
3 November	1986
2 November	1987
31 October	1988
30 October	1989

A month in this context is, for example, from 12th of the month to the 11th of the next month inclusive.

It is noted that the 3.6 per cent increase in Graduated pensions payable on 13 November, 1978 was considered to be under-estimated and the Department of Health and Social Security are being asked to ascertain how this increase has been calculated.

### Ties and Brooches

I still hold a supply of ties (blue, maroon and green) at £1.47 and brooches at 32 pence. These are

very good value and members are encouraged to wear them on all occasions.

### Obituary

We regret to record the deaths of the following pensioners: Ex P.c. Henry N. Waterfield who served from 1913-1953. Ex P.c. Ernest R. Pease who served at Stifford, Harlow and Bradwell. Ex Insp. Charles E. Dyer on 2 August. Served 1934-1964. A large portion of his service was spent at Headquarters in Training and Communications. The Chapel at Chelmsford Crematorium was filled by former colleagues both in and outside the Police Service. Our sympathies go out to the families of all three pensioners in their sad bereavement.

### Branch Social

Will members please note that the Chelmsford Branch lunch, will now be held in the canteen at the Training School at 12.30 hours sharp and not at the old staff canteen. The licensed bar will also be available at the Training School from 11.30-12.30 hours. After the invitations had been sent out it was realised by the managers that the canteen in the Training School would be more satisfactory from all angles. Acknowledgements are still flowing in — although slowly — 40-50 have already signified their intention of attending but I am hoping for at least 60-70 as last year. September 4th was the date given for acknowledgments but it is hoped many more will arrive before that date. Early notification does assist those persons who are 'saddled' with catering arrangements.

THE Annual General Meeting of the former Southend Police Widows' and Children's Fund will be held in the Assembly Hall at Southend Police Station 7.30 p.m. Wednesday 18th October, 1978. Any enquiries to Ch. Insp. Flewitt Southend ext 276, or Mr. Grange, C.I.D. Clerk.

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**A**ssociation of  
**R**etired  
**P**olice  
**O**fficers  
by  
**Bert Brinkley**

### P.P.H.A. LOTTERY

The wife of one of our members scooped £100 in the lottery during August. Nice to know the branch is lucky sometimes.

### Garden Party

As on previous occasions the Party proved a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by the 600 pensioners and their wives who were able to make the trip. Our grateful thanks are due to the Regular Police who contributed financially and also by their labours to ensure the pensioners had a thoroughly enjoyable day. This was evidenced by the individual donations that found their way into the collecting boxes. One small item which I know was appreciated by all was the wearing of 'name tags'. I personally found them most helpful for although faces appear familiar after a number of years the identity would otherwise elude one.

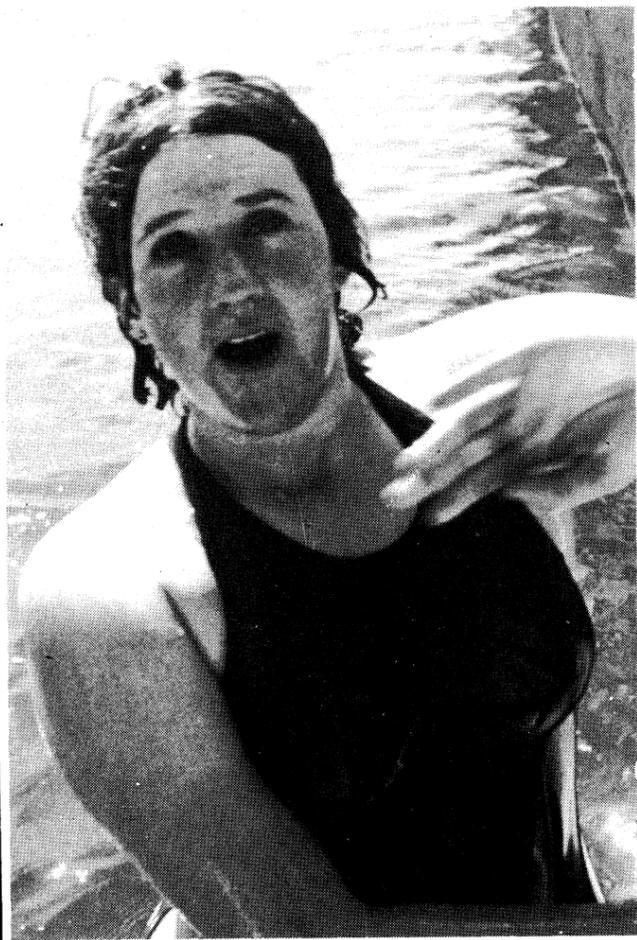
### Pensioners Council

The Summer bulletin dealt at length with matters discussed at the A.G.M. on 11 May last. Two matters which will be coming up at the Annual Conference at Eastbourne on 14 September are (a) that pensions increase should be applicable as from date of retirement and not as it stands at present from the age of 55 years, and (b) that negotiations should continue for pensions increases to be related to average earnings or retail prices whichever is the most favourable to pensioners.

The pensions increases payable with effect from 1st December, 1978, under the Pensions (Increase) Act, 1971, have been agreed with the Civil Service Department as follows:

# Lib begins at

## Fortieth long swim falls to fa



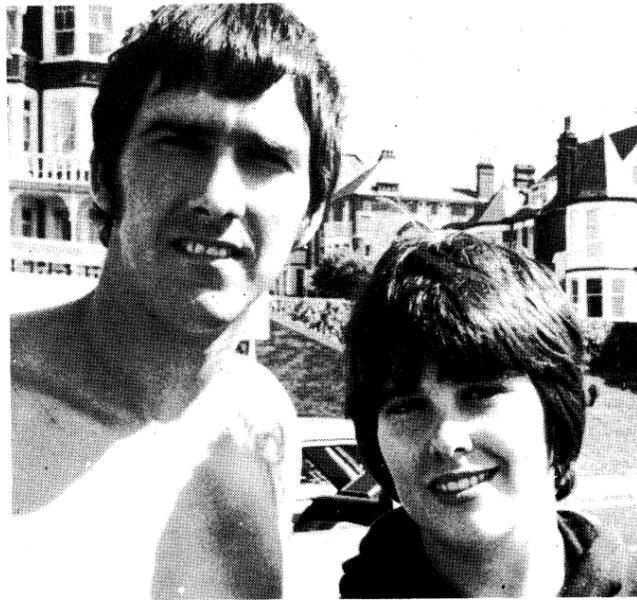
THE FIRST woman to win the race, Julie Packer clammers up the steps.

THE SUN shone, the water was calm at the start, yet because of the stiffish head wind, times were slow in the 1978 long distance swim.

It was the 40th event, someone said, and as if to emphasise that something begins at 40, the race was won for the first time by a woman. It was Julie Packer, stationed at Westcliff, who reached the boathouse steps at Leigh well over a minute ahead of last year's winner, Kevin Nowell.

### Training

Oh, the shame as the men wallowed home in Julie's wake. Perhaps this will goad them into putting in some training before next year's event. Perhaps this is too much to expect but other



KEVIN Nowell, who placed second, with his sister Deidre stationed at Colchester and in the swim for the first time.

sections are engaging in training sessions so why not the swimmers.

This was Julie Packer's first entry into the swim, so she won the novice's prize and the policewomen's award as well as the top prize. She is an Essex county lifesaving representative.

### Team win

Third was Alan King, of Harwich, who breast-stroked all the way — an advantage as the water became choppy in the headwind.

Alan led Clacton to a narrow team win over Southend, their other scorers being John Wright, who won the veterans' prize, Ann Cattermole, 2nd lady swimmer, and Phil Dodd, who was 14th.

Awards were presented

# When Colchester Borough Police began

WHEN the Municipal Corporations Act, 1835, allowed Boroughs to raise police forces, Colchester Watch Committee met to lay down rules for their new Borough Police.

These are reproduced below from a hand written record of the meeting.

Remember that in 1836 there were no typewriters, Queen Victoria had yet to ascend the throne. Felons might be hanged publicly or transported for life to Australia. Stage coaches still plied the highways without the benefit of tarmacadam, still a long way off. The railways were only just developing.

The Metropolitan Police were but 7 years old and when a constable had been killed by a riotous mob the Coroner had brought in justifiable homicide.

Just a quick survey of the times, now read on.

AT A MEETING of the Watch Committee of the said Borough holden by adjournment at the Moot Hall in the said Borough on Thursday the 11th day of February 1836 — pursuant to notice thereof given.

Present: George Savill Esquire, the Mayor in the Chair; Alderman John Thorogood; Mr. Robert Barber; Mr. Thomas Grimwood.

The minutes of the last meeting were read over, approved, and signed.

Charles Heggall of Saint Giles, Thomas Burr of Saint Mary Magdalen, Charles Malden Jnr. of Mile End, and Samuel Heckford of Holy Trinity, were severally unanimously appointed constables of the said Borough in the room of Thomas Beason and Peter Langley who declined to accept the appointment and in the room of Thomas Everett and George Warrell who were declared unfit to serve by the surgeon.

It was there proposed by Mr. Grimwood and seconded by Mr. Barber that the following rules and regulations should be adopted as the rules and regulations for the constables appointed by this Borough.

Rules and Regulations framed and made by the Watch Committee of the said Borough at a meeting of the said Watch Committee holden at the Moot Hall in the said Borough on Thursday the eleventh day of February 1836 for rendering the constables of the said Borough appointed by the said Watch Committee efficient in the discharge of their duties and for preventing neglect or abuse under and pursuant to the power and authority given to the said Watch Committee by the Act of Parliament of 5th and 6th Wm. 4. c. 76. s. 77.

1. That the constables for the said Borough shall be formed into two sections to be called "The Day Police" and "The Night Police" which "Night Police" are to be under the command and management of one other constable

to be called "The Superintendent of Police".

2. That "The Day Police" shall consist of such three constables as the Watch Committee shall from time to time appoint, which three constables so appointed shall form one section of the whole body of Police.

3. That "The Night Police" shall consist of such 16 constables as the Watch Committee shall from time to time appoint, which 16 constables so appointed shall form the other section of the whole body of Police.

### SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent will be responsible for the general good contact and order of the night constables under his charge, he must take care that all the standing rules and regulations of the Watch Committee and all others given out from time to time are promptly and strictly obeyed; and as he will be held responsible for the general performance of the duties of the whole night constabulary force, he must give clear instructions at all times to the men under him and without delay report every instance of neglect or misconduct at the Town Clerks Office. He must at all times be able to furnish to the Watch Committee any information they may require respecting the state of the night Constabulary Force, and the Peace and Condition of the Borough.

Upon any alarm of fire by day or by night within the Borough, it will be the duty of the Superintendent immediately to report to the spot, and take the entire control of the Constabulary Force that may be assembled and immediately send for those constables who may not then be on duty. He must cause to be given immediate notice to the fire offices (if notice has not been given). He must endeavour to procure free scope for the firemen's extensions, and the parties more immediately interested and with this view must clear the street or

## The Watch Committee minutes were made out in long hand but to be sure you can read them this has been

### transposed

the fire of all persons not actively and usefully employed — he must take care that every possible assistance is given to the removal of property conformably with the wishes and suggestions of the proprietors and if desired and it be carried such property may be removed to the Police Office there to be taken care of — he must at all prices take care that special attention be directed to the thieves and pickpockets usually found in crowds — he must collect on the spot all the information he can relative to the cause of the fire, which together with the circumstances attending it, the conduct of the constables and the time they were employed — he will be required to report fully as soon as may be to the Town Clerk.

In cases of petty misdemeanours where parties are taken into custody in the night time without the warrant or a Justice of the Peace he may if he thinks proper take bail by recognizance for the appearance of such persons so taken into custody; but each recognizance must be taken without any fee or reward and must be conditional for the appearance of the accused party for examination before a Justice of the Peace within the Borough within 2 days from the taking thereof at some time and place to be specified in the recognizance and every recognizance so taken must be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose.

### THE DAY POLICE

The Day Police shall commence their duty at 5 o'clock in the morning from Lady day to Michaelmas day and at 6 o'clock in the morning from Michaelmas day to Lady day and shall go off duty at such hours as the night Constables come on duty as hereinafter mentioned.

Each Day Constable shall take for his beat one of the wards of the said Borough as settled by the Barristers under the 5 and 6 Wm

4. c. s. 6. or such part thereof as he may be directed by the Mayor to take from time to time.

### THE NIGHT POLICE

That section of the Constables to be called "The Night Police" shall be formed into two divisions one of which divisions shall come on duty at 8 o'clock in the evening from Michaelmas day to Lady day and during the other part of the year at 9 o'clock in the evening and during the whole year shall remain on duty until 1 o'clock in the morning. This division shall be called the first watch. The other division to be called the Second watch shall come on duty at the hours at which the first watch goes off and shall remain on duty until 6 o'clock in the morning from Michaelmas day to Lady day and until 5 o'clock in the morning during the other part of year.

The men shall take the duty of first and second watch for a week alternatively: that is to say those men who are directed to take the first watch one week will take the second watch the next week and vice versa.

The night police before going out on duty shall assemble at the Police Office and receive their directions from the Superintendent as to the respective beat they are to take on that particular watch.

No Constable is to call the hour except at coming on and going off duty and no constable shall be allowed to carry any lantern on his beat.

No night constable shall quit his beat during his hours of duty (except on occasions of fire, taking a person into custody, or some other justifiable cause) — he shall not enter any house except in the execution of his duty, he shall pay particular attention to all public houses in his beat, reporting the hours at which they are closed and whether they appear to be kept according to good order — he shall not on any pretence (except the execution of his duty) enter a public

house and a breach of this order will not be excused.

That each watch of constables shall be provided with a rattle for each man which he shall spring only on particular occasions such as a fire, the escape of a felon, and danger of being overpowered and which rattle shall be delivered over by the constable going off to the constable coming on duty, at the hour appointed for the beginning of the watch.

Every constable on duty at night will be expected readily and punctually to obey the orders and instructions of the Superintendent. If they appear to him either unlawful or improper he may complain to the Mayor or any other Magistrate of the Borough but any negligence of order or duty will not be suffered and will subject the party to immediate dismissal.

When a constable takes any one into custody he shall immediately report to the Police Office and remain there with the prisoner until he shall have delivered him into the custody of the Superintendent, after which he is to return to his duty as soon as possible.

Every constable must be civil and attentive to all persons of every rank and class — insolence and incivility will not be passed over. He must be particularly cautious not to interfere unnecessarily but when required to act must do so with decision and boldness, he must remember that there is no qualification more indispensable for a constable than a perfect command of temper, never suffering himself to be moved in the slightest degree by any language or threats that may be used.

In case of fire, the constable at the spot shall give immediate alarm, he shall obey the orders of the Superintendent as to the situation he is to take and the service he is to perform and also as to the removal of property and more especially he is to take care that his attention is directed to the apprehension of thieves and

pickpockets usually found in crowds.

Every constable while on duty is required to apprehend all idle and disorderly persons whom he shall find disturbing the public peace or whom he shall have just cause to suspect of intention to commit a felony and shall deliver any person so apprehended into custody at the Police Office or gaol. It shall be the duty of the constables to visit Alehouses frequently at times when they are not expected and to see that no irregularities are permitted.

To prevent drunkenness by giving notice to Magistrates of such as are guilty of it also to prevent gaming and to give notice to Justices of those who keep houses in which gaming of any kind is permitted, to seize all implements for gaming used at fairs or other public meetings also to prevent abuses on the Lord's Day commonly called Sunday such as tipping in Alehouses during divine service, using dogs, guns, snares, nets or other engines for killing or destroying the game and using games or pastimes — to apprehend every petty Chapman or Pedlar wandering abroad, and trading without being duly licensed. Also every prostitute wandering about in the public streets or public highways or in any place of public resort and behaving in a riotous or indecent manner. Also every person wandering abroad or placing himself or herself in any public place, street, highway, court or passage to beg or gather alms or causing or procuring or encouraging any child or children so to do also every person wandering abroad and lodging in any barn or outhouse or in any deserted or unoccupied building also every person exposing to view in any street, road, highway or public place any obscene print pictures or other indecent exhibition also every person openly, lewdly and obscenely exposing his person in any street, road or public highway or in the view thereof or in any place of public resort. Also every person wandering abroad, and endeavouring by the exposure of wounds or deformities to obtain or gather alms or endeavouring to procure charitable contributions of any kind under false pretences. Also every person playing or betting in any street, road, highway or other open and public place at or

## Exhibition in Colchester Castle

THE STAFF of Colchester Community Involvement Unit have organised an Exhibition to be shown in the Colchester Castle Museum. "The Police Force Then and Now" — a general miscellany of police items, historical and modern.

Inspector Arrowsmith has appealed for persons with items of interest in connection with this subject, to contact him at the Colchester C.I.U. Office.

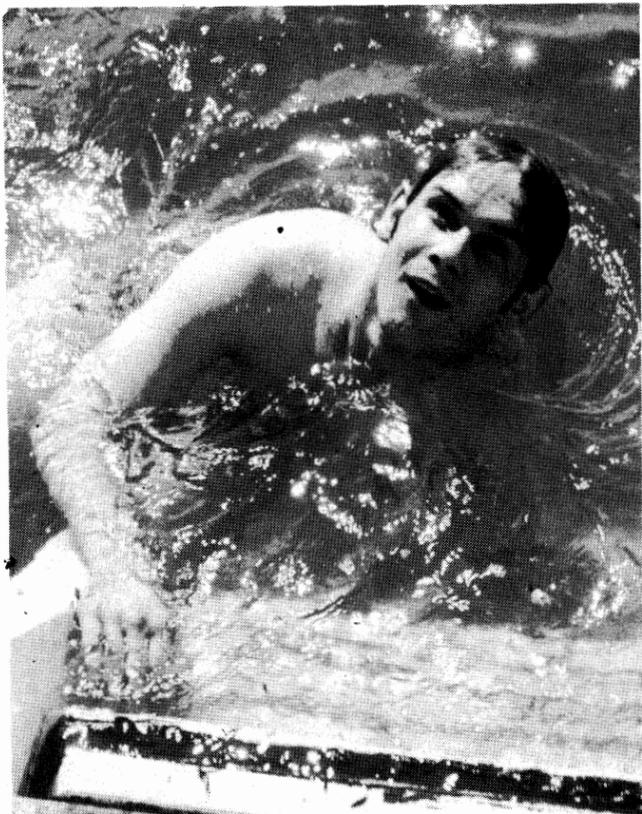
Exhibition opens 11 a.m. Monday 2nd October with certain invited guests and closes Saturday 14th October, 1978. It will be open throughout "museum" hours.

afterwards by Mr M. Comrie, ACC(P), Chairman of the Force Sports Committee, who congratulated all who finished.

Race organiser, Ernie Pooley, of Southend, who also swam finished sixth. He is believed to be the first race organiser ever to swim it as well, let alone finish as high as sixth.

### New team

The race was started by Ch Supt George Dolby, in whose division it begins, and the presentation was opened by Ch Supt Frank Shepherd, in whose area it ends. Another "first" this year was the completely new time-keeping team, June and Charles Gray, and Mr



**ALAN KING** from Harwich placed 3rd.

Basford of the ASA, whose function went without a hitch.

Oh, yes, as usual more swimmers finished than were

counted at the start — where do they come from? But one who jumped in late last year, Basildon's Alan Barley, made sure this year by turning up a day early!

# A family event



**FATHER** and daughter, Alan Tucker of Leigh and 12-year-old Sally who finished 17th and beat Dad by a minute or so.



**THE BROTHERS** Wright who swim every year once again placed well, finishing almost together in 4th (Ian on the right) and 5th (John) places. John, from Clacton was first veteran.



**TIMEKEEPING** and recording team from the left John Basford, June and Charles Gray and Ron Irwin in the background.



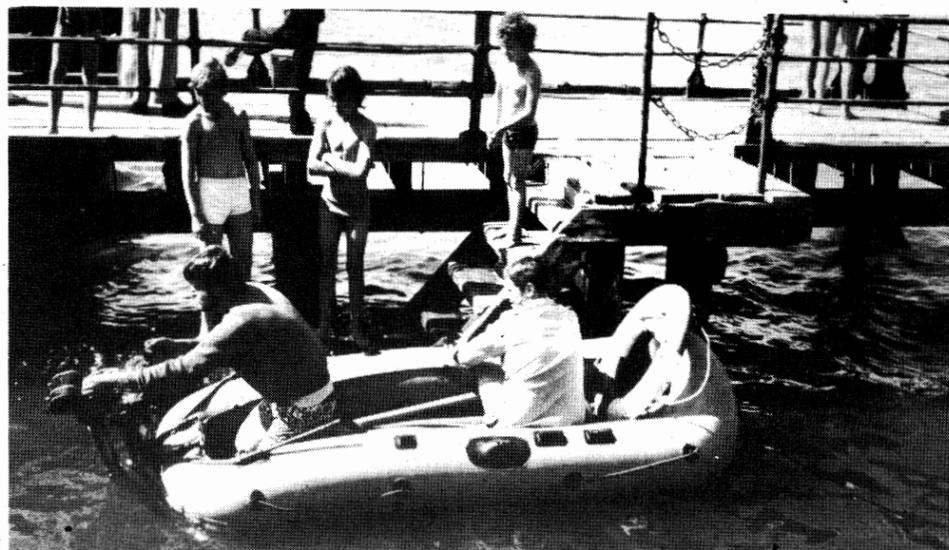
**ALLEGED** to be the entire 'D' shift from Westcliff, they were led home by their WPC, Julie Packer, centre, with the Sgt, Andy Down, background, keeping order. On the left John Meggison and on the right Nigel Wainwright.



**ABOVE:** the winning team from Clacton: from left Ann Cattermole, John Wright, Alan King and Phil Dodd.

**LEFT:** event organiser, Ernie Pooley finishes 6th.

**RIGHT:** last to finish Sgt Dan Conerney of Clacton.



**FOOTNOTE:** not everything went smoothly, this pilot boat wouldn't start and had to follow on later.

# ATHLETES WIN NATIONAL MEDALS

ESSEX POLICE athletes won medals of each colour at the National Police Championships held at St. Ives, Cambridgeshire — Geof Capes' home ground — on 3rd August.

Predictably, the walkers had one, though they might have had more than a bronze, Denis Sheppard finishing 3rd and Mike Dunion, not yet back to past form, 4th. Apparently the two who finished ahead had been allowed to walk though not on the programme!

Bronze medals also came to Tim Mildinhall of Basildon, who threw 55.91m in the javelin, and Chris Vale

whose 6.72m in the long jump was an Essex Police record. Chris is a former Essex junior champion at triple jump and National Police Cadet 100m title winner. This was his first national Police event.

Surprise of the day came in the women's javelin where Essex hoped WPC Carol Fielding, stationed at Brentwood, would win. And she would have done but for another Essex policewoman, Elaine Heath, who joined the Force so recently that she was still away at training school. Elaine won with a throw of over 37m, dropping Carol into 2nd place. But a

1-2 for Essex Police rounded off a good day.

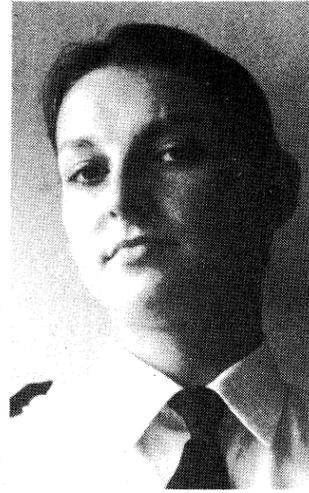
Other near misses were Andy Hayman's 4th place at 1500m, repeating the position he took in last year's national Police cadet event, but in a p.b. time of 4m 10s, and Ron Missenden's 5th in the hammer.

But Hayman's disappointment at just missing a medal was eased at Crystal Palace later in August.

"At last I broke 2 minutes for 800m," he told The Law. In a bumpy race of 16 athletes Andy ran in lane two almost all the way, to

clock 1.59.2.

The month before, running at Chelmsford in the Essex junior 3000m championship, Andy Hayman hit the high spot of his season so far when he took the title, sitting in on a small field to win with a last lap sprint in 9m 20s.



PROVIDING something of a surprise, Elaine Heath won the P.A.A. women's javelin contest at St. Ives in August. Elaine's name was not on the programme and Brentwood's Carol Fielding who placed second did not realise until the presentation that she had lost to a fellow Essex competitor.

Elaine is now stationed at Chelmsford.

## Three penalties



NOTHING to do with that TV series but a former member of the force, and a keen sportsman to boot, Mr F. Graham who at the pensioners' garden party, regaled the Force Sports Secretary with tales of the opening match on the new H.Q. sports field just after the war. To mark the occasion Essex played Herts and beat them by 9 - 2 including 3 penalties which referee, F. Graham, awarded in the first half.



UNDERSTANDABLY the Commandant at Eynshall Hall was delighted when his team won the Training Centres Relay at the P.A.A. Championships on 3rd August ending a nine years domination of the event by Met Police.

And the team included three Essex men, from left Constables Robertson, Rackley and Perrott, son of Sgt. Perrott of Basildon C.I.U. The fourth runner is Constable Fiske of Suffolk.

## No more trophies — economy

THE JULY meeting of the Force Sports Committee resolved to discontinue the practice of awarding trophies — plaques or medals — to winners of Force championships or competitions.

This is part of the Committee's drive to keep costs within their budget.

They hope that a perpetual trophy can be found for every contest so that the winner will always

receive some reward for his efforts. Both team and individual trophies are being sought, either by donation or rededication of cups whose competitions have become defunct, so that every Force competition is covered.

## Sports sections battle for playing space

AT A meeting held in late July the Force Sports Association Committee tackled the problem of over-use of the HQ sports field.

Representatives of the various sections and divisions who use the field attended to put their points of view on various proposals which included removal of the rugby pitch, the banning of football and the permanent ploughing up of

the cricket square.

All things considered, the meeting went off calmly. This was because the Force Sports Secretary came in early on with a compromise solution of reducing the width of the cricket square to permit the football field to be "moved about." This allowed everyone to win — or at least no-one to completely lose — and kept the meeting amicable.

As a result, from this season, only Force soccer matches will be played on the HQ field. A one - season only exception is the HQ Sunday League side, who will be permitted to play their games there for 1978-79.

The Force rugby field will stay where it was last year.

As far as possible, the upkeep of the field will be made a priority but there is

currently no groundsman and the HQ sports field is unlikely to be less of a problem in years to come than it has been recently.

The reduced cricket square will still accommodate all matches being played at present. Five-a-side goals are being obtained with a view to placing a practice pitch at the top of the field by the tennis courts.

### Walking

MIXED fortune has overtaken the walkers in the second half of the summer, the various problems resulting in a somewhat scattered appearance. But someone or other has made the effort on average once per week. Peter Ryan's 14th place in the national 50kms takes pride of place though he was very tired and disappointed at again missing the 4½ hours target. Now he must wait until next year.

Always next year beckons. With this in mind, Les Berry has the idea of tackling the 100 miles. So he hoped to walk the London — Brighton on 2nd September to get the feel of 52 miles. But it was not to be because the day before the race he was injured while on FSU training — while throwing a missile at someone else!

John Hedgethorpe, hoping no doubt to influence by example, has taken on a regular race programme including a soul destroying track 50kms which involved 125 laps of the track, followed next day by a road 20kms. It was some sort of psychological exercise, would you believe, quite incomprehensible to those who do not take part in athletics — and to many who do.

Denis Sheppard has maintained his challenge in the Essex League where he is in 3rd individual place.

Whether his forthcoming nuptials this weekend will slow him down is anyone's guess but as his future wife is also a walker the section gains rather than loses.

Former members of the section will remember Denis's young brother Roy who used to travel with the police team. This weekend Roy will be in the British team against West Germany at Sheffield, walking in the junior 10kms. And as John Hedgethorpe is team manager it will be quite like old times.

### RESULTS

**National 50kms: Manchester: 15.7.78:**  
14th P. Ryan, 4.32.22

**Blackheath 9kms: 18.7.78**  
1st L. Berry, 49.49; 9th D. Sheppard, 43.24; 18th J. Hedgethorpe, 47.12.

**Lambeth 10kms: 22.7.78**  
11th P. Ryan 47.50; 22nd D. Sheppard 49.56.

**Ilford 10kms: 25.7.78:**  
7th D. Sheppard, 48.32

**BRWC 50kms: Hornchurch: 11.8.78:**  
3rd J. Hedgethorpe 5.12.10.

**Southern 20kms: London. 12.8.78**  
48th J. Hedgethorpe 121.34

**Enfield 20kms: 26.8.78**  
18th D. Sheppard, 108.44; 28th J. Hedgethorpe, 112.03

**Blackheath 9kms: 29.8.78:**  
20th J. Hedgethorpe, 48.12

**Essex League 10kms: Clacton 3.9.78**  
9th D. Sheppard, 49.40; 14th J. Hedgethorpe, 52.53

## Wright sails to 2nd place: Richmond capsizes

THREE boats represented Essex at the No. 5 Regional Police Sailing Championships which were held at Bognor Regis on Tuesday, 8th August 1978.

Two races were held to decide the championship. The first race was held in light airs and, although Graham Richmond sailing his Hornet crossed the finishing line in second place, his handicap relegated him to 5th position. The

first Essex boat was sailed by Ian Wright in his Laser (the defending champion) who only managed a 4th position.

Conditions had changed radically for the second race which was sailed in near gale force winds, and the battle for line honours was fought between Graham Richmond (Hornet) and Ian Wright (Laser). After many spectacular capsizes by Graham, the winning gun was taken by Ian.

The afternoon's events were clouded due to a vigorous protest by two other competitors who alleged that the leading three boats had failed to sail the correct course. The protest was not upheld, and the eventual winner of the championship was Alan Gimes of Kent Police sailing a Laser; 2nd position was Ian Wright of Essex Police also Laser with Graham Richmond 5th and Brian Musson, 11th.

### SUSSEX POLICE REGATTA

The Sussex Police Regatta was held on Wednesday, 9th August 1978 and the event was decided over two races.

Both races were sailed in very light airs and the Essex Police team showed their skill to take 1st and 2nd positions. Graham Richmond sailing his Hornet won the fast handicap race; 2nd place went to Ian Wright who also took the cup for the first single handed boat.

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with any table or instrument of gaming at any game or pretended game of chance. Also every person found in or upon any dwelling house, warehouse, coachhouse, stable or outhouse, or in any enclosed yard, garden, or area for unlawful purposes and every reputed thief frequenting any river, canal or navigable stream, dock or basin or in any highway or avenue leading thereto or any street, highway or other place adjacent with intent to commit felony. Also every person breaking or escaping

out of any place of legal confinement before the expiration of the term for which he or she shall have been committed. Also every person who shall wilfully or maliciously do or commit any damage, injury or spoil to or upon any building, wall, fence, hedge, gate, stile, guide post, mile stone, tree, wood, underwood, orchard, garden, nursery, ground, crops, vegetables, plants, land, or other matter or thing growing or being thereon or to or upon real or personal property of any nature or

kind soever. Also to make a general privy search when ever so required by the Mayor or Magistrates, or any two of them and to take care that it be not known at what times the said privy search is intended to be made. Also to prevent nuisances of every description by giving notice against those who commit them to the Mayor, Magistrates or Superintendent. Also to prevent affrays, assaults, and all breaches of the peace by requiring the offenders to depart peaceably and by apprehending them if they refuse so to do. Also to give notice to the Superintendent or the nearest Magistrate of any unlawful assembly, mob or concourse of

people. Also to prevent persons from throwing fireworks, squibs, or rockets in the public streets or highways by apprehending them if they will not desist. To apprehend and carry before a Magistrate persons reasonably suspected of being deserters from His Majesty's Service. Also persons charged with felony and if necessary to command the assistance of bystanders to confine felons or put them in irons if necessary to prevent an escape.

Lastly to execute all warrants without delay to bring offenders before the Magistrate who granted them (if specially mentioned) or otherwise before the nearest

Magistrate to hold the offender in custody till discharged by the Magistrates or till they are delivered into the custody of the Superintendent or Gaoler, and in serving a summons to make the contents known to the party against whom it is granted — and to attend at the time and place set forth in the summons to acquaint the Magistrate who granted it what you have done.

Which motion being put was carried unanimously.

It was then proposed by Alderman John Thorogood and seconded by Mr. Barber that they be printed forthwith for the use of the constables.

Which motion being put was carried unanimously.

It was then proposed by Mr. Grimwood and seconded by Mr. Alderman Thorogood that the coat to be worn by the constables be a double breasted coat of cloth and buttons of the pattern produced.

Which motion being put was carried unanimously.

It was then unanimously resolved that Mr. King make a pattern coat by Monday next.

It was then unanimously resolved that this meeting be adjourned to Monday next at half past 12 o'clock.

GEORGE SAVILL,  
Chairman

# SPORT OF A SORT



**AFTER** the various alarms over where the white lines should be marked on the H.Q. sports field, the season has got under way. The force football squad are pictured here before kicking off against a Headquarters side in the pre-season trial. Perhaps the lack of new faces will testify to the undimmed abilities of the old guard: perhaps not. Despite advertisements for new players there were few on display in the early days of the season. Anyone who considers he would fit into the force football scene should contact Insp John Rhymes at Headquarters FSU.



FRIDAY the 13th is supposed to be unlucky but presumably Friday the 26th is twice as unlucky — if you lose the sort of contest which took place at Clacton when 'A' shift took on 'B' shift in a tug-of-war. Not an ordinary tug-of-war, this would be too simple, but a pull over the Holland Brook standing 15 feet wide and about 7 feet deep in the centre. The spectators included a herd of bullocks which the farmer had kindly left in the field on the east side in case no spectators turned up. They looked on curiously as Superintendent Brewer checked that the rope was properly centred and called for the first pull to take place.

The pictures show the winning and losing teams of the first pull with Spt. Brewer holding his head as all good senior officers should when something looks as if it is going wrong. First round to 'B' shift.

strain and effort the winners were declared by two to one to be 'A' shift but to be honest it didn't really matter. Everybody got wet and everybody enjoyed themselves.

A leisurely change of sides and the second pull proved that the strength of the teams was about equal after all.

That evening at the Jaywick Public Hall a disco took place and the Force lottery drawn. To round off a good day Jack Woodcock, that's his head you can just see coming out (or is it going in) of the water won the second prize of just over £300 and felt it was all worth it after all.

This time it was 'B' shift that tasted the result of the bullocks in the field. It was quite apparent that the difference in terrain on either side of the brook had a lot to do with the ability to win. A coin was tossed and the third pull commenced. After much

Pictures courtesy of Essex County Newspapers, show 'A' getting wet and 'B' digging in.

## Rugby

ALMOST embarrassed by the excellent response from force members who want to play rugby the committee has asked The Law to point out the obvious: Only 15 can play at a time; everyone will get a game eventually; the committee will still welcome enquiries from experienced players who wish to join the force club.

To date trials indicate that Essex Police will field their strongest team ever this season.

In early September a trial session was held in conjunction with Loughton R.U.F.C. when four 20 minute sessions were played. Twenty players turned out for this, even though only 17 were on the TPM.

During the summer at the Essex University festival of sport the Force gave possibly their best performance ever in a Sevens competition finishing 3rd in an entry drawn from clubs in Mid and



The summer sevens squad, from left: Nick Banks, Brian Jeapes, Paul Fincham, Roy Nairn, Chris Odell. Front from left: Barney Alston, Bob Foster, Bill Horsman.

North Essex. The best performance was a notable victory over Mid Essex with two outstanding tries from Chris Odell.

It is pleasing to announce that

three players, Simon Halford (fly half), Mick Hall (No. 8), and Malcolm Fester (wing forward) have been selected for trials with the British Police rugby team.



THE old hand gives the new boys a few tips on Federation affairs. The Law found this Federation conference going on at the pensioners' garden party where former federationist and later Ch Supt Arthur Simpson holds the floor. His audience, on the left Joe Gazzard and on the right JBB Chairman Ted Davidson.

## Seaxes

WITH the nights starting to draw in, the thoughts of some members are taken up with maps, compasses, roamers, time boards or, in a word, rallying. We are to promote a rally each month from September until March. More details later, first a few words about our activities over the past few weeks.

Chelmsford Motor Club held their car gymkhana on Sunday, July 30. Ten teams for Seaxes took part, the winners being Phil Knight and his wife, Penny, with other Seaxes teams finishing well up the field of 27. We also won the Challenge Trophy so the score now stands at Seaxes 2, CMC 0. Well

done to all who took part.

The early morning starts for Silverstone seem to be getting even earlier as those who went on Saturday, August 26, will testify. Leaving HQ at 4.45am in time to arrive at Silverstone for the start of practice at 7am made the day seem fairly long, but the Bentley Car Club provided entertaining racing and refreshment (!) all adding to an enjoyable day's marshalling.

The Royal Albert Docks were the venue for the Autotests on Sunday, September 3. For those who have read this far and are convinced that we are talking a foreign language, perhaps I had better explain "Autotests."

A number of courses, normally between six and 10, are set up using buckets and cones. The idea is to drive a car around each course as fast as possible, using forward and reverse gears, without hitting any

obstacles or approaching them from the wrong direction. The times for all the courses are added together for an overall time. There are several classes, depending on the engine capacity and type of vehicles competing. A great deal of planning and organisation is involved in this type of event, so our thanks to all who took part, competing or marshalling.

### RESULTS

Class A, front-wheel drive, up to 1000cc: 1, S. Wright, Eastern Counties MC; Class B, front-wheel drive, over 1000cc: 1, N. Smith, Eastern Counties MC; Class C, rear wheel drive, up to 1300cc: 1, P. Redfern, Thames Valley AC; Class D, rear-wheel drive, over 1300cc: 1, R. Leake, Seaxes; Class F, sports cars: 1, T. Fry.

Fastest time of the day: P. Draper, Eastern Counties MC; Four Clubs Trophy: Thames

Valley AC; FBPMC Fastest time: M. Fry, Metropolitan; Chairman's Trophy: West Midlands Police; Concorde D'Elegance: P. Redfern Thames Valley AC (Datsun 1200).

I have said, the rally season is almost upon us, so here are a few dates to pencil in your diary. The first Seaxes rally takes place on Tuesday, September 26, starting at 7.30pm from the Driving School. The route is about 60 miles long all fairly local to Chelmsford. This is a 12-car rally, so get your entry in now. Closing date is September 23, entry forms available from Graham Ferris, at Chelmsford Town.

The "Essex Six" rally is scheduled for Saturday, September 30, starting from Colchester. Entries are invited from Seaxes members. If you are interested, contact Derek Stone, on Tiptree 816881.

The Chelmsford Motor Club Preston (formerly Britvic) Rally is being held overnight of the 14-15 October. We have been asked to supply marshals for this event, so if you think you can help, contact Derek Stone or Tony Campen as soon as possible.

Talking of marshals, we are always glad to hear from anybody who can help in this field. Without marshals, many events could not take place, and this could leave our calendar seriously depleted. If you are interested in this side of rallying, just ring any committee member. Of course, the other side of this argument is that without competitors, there would be no need for marshals, so don't put off that entry until next month — do it now and increase the competition — you may even find that you are enjoying yourself!

Dates of forthcoming rallies are: Tuesday, October 24; Friday,

November 17; and Friday, December 15. Others have yet to be arranged.

We are also hoping to arrange an informal chat about do's and don'ts of navigating in a rally. This should be in early October and with a bit of luck, Mick Lawson will be doing the chatting. If you want to learn something about navigation, contact Tony Campen at the garage for details.

On the social scene, a barbecue has been arranged for Friday, September 15, at the Training School. Contact John Hart, at HQ Traffic, for further details. John is also in the throes of planning discos for October 27, November 24, and December 29. No doubt, all will be sold out long before the dates involved (our fame is spreading!) so, to avoid any disappointment, ring John and book your tickets now. Further details of these events will be published later.



### FORTHCOMING ATTRACTION

## Brain of Essex Police Competition

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DEEP in conversation at the pensioners' summer garden party are Ch. Insp. Terry Roberts, in charge of the Driving School, and former Dog Section sergeant, Dan Hare.

Dan was on holiday from Hong Kong where he went originally on leave of absence to take charge of dog training. He is now permanently employed in the Colony but has bought a house at Tiptree to which he will retire when his contract ends.



STATE Prosecutor, Robert Behling, from Amsterdam, Netherlands, was a summer visitor to Essex and spent several days comparing our way of prosecuting offenders with Dutch methods. As well as a day at Headquarters, he is pictured above right with Det Insp Mick Ainsley, he visited Harlow and the C.P.S. Office at Chelmsford. Socially, he also attended the pensioners garden party and the Harlow divisional dance before leaving for a comping holiday in Yorkshire.

## Band notes

by Heather Wenborne

SUNDAY, July 30, was the date chosen by the Metro Police Sports Club for their annual gymkhana at Chigwell, where the Essex Police Band were due to astound the masses with their marching capabilities. Alas, the said day dawned and the rain rained.

There was some hope that the gymkhana would not be cancelled but at the eleventh hour the decision was made: the masses will never know what they missed — but the members of the Band who turned up have some idea! Unfortunately it was off home with instrument cases unopened.

The organisers of this year's Orsett Show had better luck with their choice of date. September 2 was a perfect day for the show. The band were seated under a marquee playing incidental music and were asked at one stage to play a request.

Being the versatile ensemble that we are, the request for *Waltzing Matilda* was no sooner made than played. The request came from Arthur Chomley Griffith, of Carmel, Western Australia, on holiday over here. He will take back to Australia with him, Essex Police Band on cine film — the now world-famous Essex Police Band.

### Irish Matilda?

Going back to good old *Waltzing Matilda*, if anyone knows why it should be in four time and not three I would love to know. Is *Matilda* an Irish name?

For the past four months the band has been playing minus a percussion section, to be more specific, minus Bob Giles, who IS the percussion section. Unfortunately, Bob is still recovering from an operation which had unforeseen after-effects (we are not sorry at his recovery, only that it should be delayed, if you understand). We hope Bob will be fit and with us again very soon, as he is a reliable member of the band who rarely misses a rehearsal or engagement.

On Sunday next, the 17th, the Essex Police Band will make its contesting debut at Clacton. I hope to be able to write of our success in the next column. Please come along to the contest. The support of every pair of clapping hands will be



ROD Barrett and Ben, winners of the City and Home Counties Police Dog Competition. This event was held on Sept 2, at Crystal Palace in conjunction with the Met Police championships and was open to forces who, together, have some 200 police dogs on their strength.

The contest included obedience, man work, retrieving and a chase and attack. It also included an "emergency stop", when the dog, having been sent on a chase, is stopped dead in his tracks.

Rod and Ben have been together for 3 years now, the latter having become a police dog as a 6 months pup. They are stationed at Southend.

Essex dogs have now won this particular contest 3 out of the 5 times it has been staged.

welcome at the Princes Theatre, Town Hall, Clacton, from 11 a.m. onwards.

Another date worth keeping in your diary is October 7, when, at 7.30pm, the Band will give a concert in aid of the Brightlingsea Lions Club at Brightlingsea Community Centre. An entertaining evening guaranteed. Good listening.

### GOZO, MALTA

Self catering flat and villa holidays, winter 1978/79 and summer 1979. Inclusive cost from £95 per person for 2 weeks, incl. OSL flight from Gatwick.

Details from Det. Sgt. P. Spensley. Telephone: Grays Thurrock 891117, or write 40 Malting Lane, Orsett, Essex.

## Lines come alive

THE first occupants of the new Headquarters Building moved in last week. The teleprinters chattered into action on the 5th and the switchboard, apart from one or two difficulties, went live on the 6th. This week, the training programme for control room staff begins.

Almost 80 per cent of the building is now habitable and it is hoped that although staff will initially suffer inconvenience caused by work still going on, it will gradually become operational.



### IPA notes

VERY little news has come in this month, presumably due to people being on holiday.

Recent visitors to Chelmsford were Mr. and Mrs. Thomson from Copenhagen who were accommodated at short notice by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Adams. We were also visited briefly by a Maureen Coghill and her friend, both of whom are members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The next I.P.A. social will be held at Southend Clubroom on Saturday 7th October, when a party of Danes will be attending.

I am always being asked for discarded helmets to present to foreign visitors so anyone who discards a helmet is asked to forward it to Headquarters Car Squad.

## Force lottery

RESULT of the draw held at Chelmsford on Wednesday, 26th July, 1978.

1st prize Pc 1407 A. Jones, Harlow Dogs, £627.26; 2nd prize Deidre M. Wakeling, South Ockendon, £313.63; 3rd prize Marie D. Benjamin, Rayleigh, £156.81; 4th prize D/I P. F. Farrow, Brentwood, £78.40.

Consolation prizes at £15.68 each — Kay G. Hurley, Basildon; Pc 933 K. P. Bidwell, Basildon; Dc 274 A. R. Barker, H.Q. C.D.U., pc 1003 S. M. Lawrence, Maldon; Dc 205 G. W. Callan, H.Q.

RESULT of the draw held at Witham on Friday, 25th August, 1978.

1st prize Det Ch Insp E. Stannard, H.Q., £625.88; 2nd prize Victor N. Windsor, H.Q., £312.94; 3rd prize Insp T. H. Bates, Sth Ockendon, £156.47; 4th prize Insp J. F. Harvey, Harlow Traffic, £78.23.

Consolation prizes £15.65 each — Pc 948 E. T. Carr, Brentwood; Pc 435 R. E. Thurstow, Sth Ockendon; Pc 1357 J. Goldie, Epping; Ds 247 R. J. Norman, Brentwood CID; Pc 1679 T. D. Sheern, Southend.

The next draw will be held at Southend Police Station on the evening of 23rd September, 1978.

## Magazine good value

THE current edition of the Essex Police Magazine is now on sale at most Police Stations. It represents excellent value at 5p which is put into the Magazine funds.

These funds are used to pay contributors a small sum for their efforts and donations are also made to organisations such as the Police Seaside Home and the Essex Police Band. The next edition is due out in January 1979 and any articles will be welcomed by the Editor. They can cover anything whatsoever, Holidays, Hobbies, Visits, Humour, anything that is of interest.

Items should be forwarded to the Editor, Driving School, Police Headquarters, Chelmsford.

ON A sad note, we have to report the death at the age of 64, of Charlie Dyer, former Inspector in Essex and the founding editor of the Essex Police Magazine when it was a pocket-sized booklet back in the early fifties.