



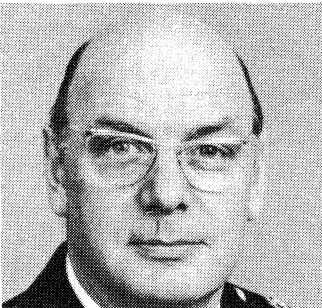
### Demonstration to Police Authority

## CHIEF SHOWS PUBLIC ORDER TRAINING

THE Essex Police Authority was shown equipment and tactics available to the force to enable them to fulfill their nationwide commitment to the control of major public disorders, at a special demonstration earlier this month.

The Chief Constable's invitation to members of the Police Committee comes in the wake of controversy and media interest in the policing arrangements in riot situations, and was intended to show the full scope of Essex's capacity.

Whilst not suffering from the social conditions that have led to major street disturbances in other parts of the country, the Essex force also have a commitment to support and reinforce other less fortunate forces, and the provision of adequate protective clothes and equipment, and relevant tactics is an impera-

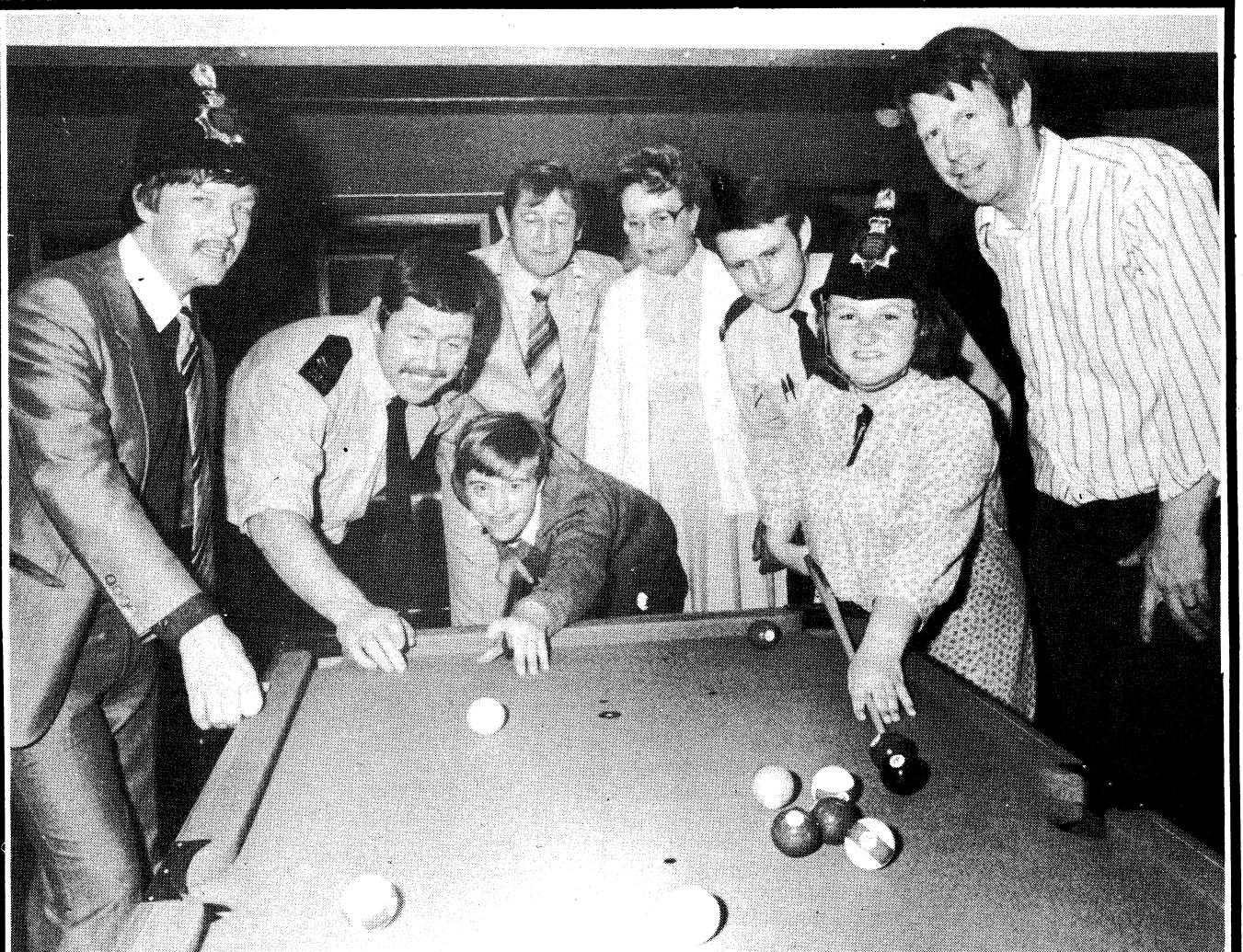


The Chief Constable  
Mr Robert Bunyard

tive for modern-day policing.

The opportunity was taken to also show the councillors the manner in which incidents involving firearms are dealt with, and the types of firearms available.

Reports suggest that councillors came away from the demonstrations full of praise for the high standards achieved by the policemen and their instructors, and proud of the professionalism, displayed by the Essex Force.



COLCHESTER MENTALLY handicapped children received a £100 cheque from the local police, and a pool table from a Southend firm in a double presentation earlier this month.

The cash was raised with a copper collection in the Colchester's club — "The Copper Pot."

Instigator of the collection was retired Traffic Warden,

Mrs Kitty Cox, pictured here with two of the children from Lexden Springs and their headmaster Mr Ken Jupp (extreme left).

Sgts Bob Bourne and John Stonehouse complete the picture with Lexden beatman Gerry Morgan, and the Managing Director of the company that donated the table — Mr Roy Henshall.

## SNAKES ALIVE!

A HARLOW area-car crew are claiming the world record for 'de-bussing' from a police vehicle.

Their record-breaking attempt took place earlier this month when PC's Andrew Goodwin and David West answered a call from a local greengrocer. He'd opened a box of melons imported from Chile and found himself confronted by a particularly evil looking snake.

After putting the offending reptile in a plastic box, the car crew returned to base to check it out. The people at London Zoo were most helpful. "It's almost certainly poisonous" they said.

It seemed like a good idea to take the snake to Colchester Zoo and it was on that journey — somewhere around Ongar — that APS Allan Hall decided to check on their passenger.

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## ACC Retires

MR HARRY TAYLOR, Assistant Chief Constable (Administration) is to retire at the end of this month, after 37 years police service.

Mr Taylor joined the Durham Constabulary after serving in the Royal Air Force from 1943 to 1946. He served in all ranks in that force, being promoted to Superintendent in March 1969.

A year later, he was made Chief Superintendent and seconded to the Bramhill Police College, where he was Assistant Director of the Command Courses.

On August 1st, 1971 Mr Taylor was appointed as an Assistant Chief Constable in Essex, since when he has served as head of the Force Administration branch.

During this period in Essex he was responsible for many major projects, not least the completion and



Mr Harry Taylor.

occupation of the new Force Headquarters building at Chelmsford.

In 1967, Mr Taylor was attached to Durham University Business School as a police liaison officer to the Home Office, and in 1969 was awarded his M.Sc Degree by the University.

Mr and Mrs Taylor have one son, and two grandchildren, and after his retirement are planning to move from Chelmsford back to their home town in Durham.



These officers may only be taking part in an exercise but the undertones are real enough.

Could it be Europe's  
busiest motorway?  
—See Centre Pages—

# Editorial

## TUNNELS

AN ESSEX traffic patrol officer recently described the motorway he patrolled as being "more like a tunnel than road." He's right, of course. In the ordinary course of events, you enter a motorway at a pre-determined place, you're contained within the motorway — just like a tunnel — and you can't leave until you reach another pre-determined area. As if in a tunnel, you're totally cut off from the world around you, and although you travel through the countryside, you see almost nothing of the people and places they live in. In fact, the whole system is designed to cut you off from those communities — to separate people and traffic.

It makes for a particular policing problem. Motorways generally show a marked disdain for force and local authority boundaries, and the London Orbital Road, the M25, must be the worst of all. As it circles London it weaves in and out of the Metropolitan Police District involving all the forces in the home counties.

It is only by the most determined efforts of the men on the ground that the necessary good-will and co-operation can be developed to ensure that all the agencies involved, and all the emergency services allocated to the motorway can work together effectively.

Essex patrols have to go into Kent to turn round at one end of their M25 patrol, and are very involved with the Metropolitan Police at the other end — to mention nothing of the ambulance and fire brigades involved. It's all very complex — the type of compromise that we do rather well in this country, often labelled — "typically British."

### Rationale

The rationale for every force handling its piece of motorway — irrespective of its length or importance — is founded in the very nature of the "local" responsibility placed upon Chief Constables. Community policing doesn't really have its basis in the village bobby — it's much more to do with the local appointment of Chiefs, and the very clear accountability they have to local people about local matters.

But motorways aren't really part of the community, they're "tunnels" that cut through the countryside without touching people and towns, and the drivers of the vehicles they carry have little involvement with the community's they're passing.

If this is so, surely it cannot be long before the motorway emergency services, including the police, are organised separately to perform their specialised tasks.

National police forces are not the most popular concept with policemen, and a lot of people share their sentiments, but there is a precedent. The railways have always had their nationwide police force — so why not the motorways? It seems to make sense.

## Thanks 1

Dear Sir,

I would like to thank all the many friends and former colleagues who attended the service for my late husband Ted Tearrell at Southend Crematorium.

It was a great comfort to myself and daughter to see so many of you there.

Sincere Thanks,

Mary Tearrell.

## Thanks 2

Dear Sir,

Glenn, my husband, and I, would like to thank all our friends and colleagues for their good wishes and the lovely wedding gifts they sent us for our wedding on Saturday, April 16.

We are only sorry that we couldn't invite everyone — we would have liked to.

Sue Mayes,

HQ Press Office.

## SNAKES:—

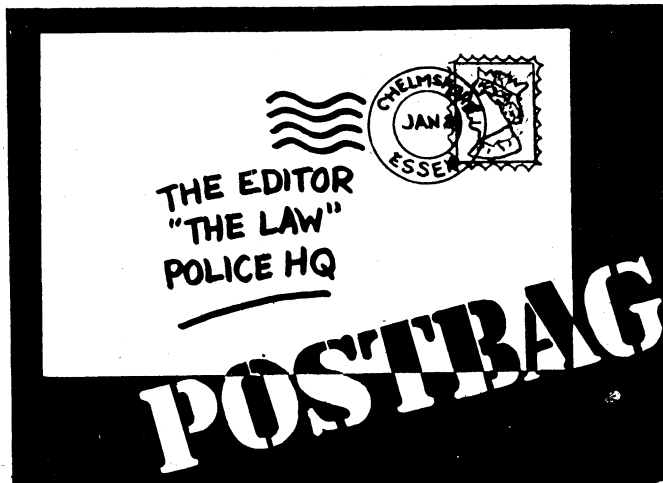
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It was his discovery of an empty plastic box that brought about the very rapid evacuation of the area-car.

A — need we say — cautious search of the vehicle proved fruitless, until glancing down at the controls, one of the crew found the serpent cosily curled around the clutch-pedal!

Eventually the snake was put securely back into its 'Tuppaware' container and continued its journey northwards.

It would be more gripping to report that the officers missed a gruesome end by inches — but, in fact, the zoo people ruined an otherwise good story. Apparently this reptile is just about the only non-poisonous garter snake to come out of South America!



## Braintree Socials

Dear Sir,

In December 1982 Braintree Sub-Division hosted a tea party for all pensioners and widows living in the area at the "Off Beat" bar at Braintree Police Station. It was very well supported and all those who attended spoke of it becoming a regular event.

Many of those attending the function had not visited

the police station or spoken with ex-colleagues for a good number of years. An example of this was Mrs Woods, who had lived in the "Superintendent's House" which now houses our bar and CID offices. This lady gave me a guided tour and it was interesting to find what or whom is now in her larder.

Due to the success of this event I would now like to organise an evening for

all widows of retired Braintree Policemen and retired Braintree Policemen.

I would be obliged if you could include an article in the next copy of the "Law" asking them to write to me giving their approximate dates of service at Braintree. I will then organise the evening and if the response is overwhelming will organise several evenings covering different eras.

Yours faithfully,

J. E. VINEY

Police Sergeant 422  
Braintree

*Ed — Sounds like a good idea, all replies to John, please.*

**Letters to  
The Law,  
Force H.Q.,  
Chelmsford**

# Essex's top Shots Sweep the Board

LAST month Inspector Graham Harvey of Basildon and Sgt Paul Webb, an Essex Instructor at Police Training College, Ashford, represented the Force in the Metropolitan Police Open Shooting Championships and once again took away with them a sizeable haul of the trophies being competed for.

Graham took first and third places in the Standard Handgun and Rapid Fire sections, and together with Paul, first place in the Rapid Fire Pairs section.

Paul just managed to top Graham's performance on this occasion by taking three firsts and a third placing. He took first place in the Free Pistol, Rapid Fire and Rapid Fire Pairs sections and was placed third in the Air Pistol competition.

Between them these two Essex men are quickly acquiring a fearsome reputation for their speed and accuracy at the various competitions they attend round the country and are becoming increasingly difficult to beat.

## CHANNELS

THE RURAL Dean of Chelmsford had occasion to write to the Divisional Headquarters — complimenting local officers on some aspect of their work. In his letter he said, "We would like to commend them to a higher authority."

The recipient of the letter was overheard to remark — "you would have thought that the writer would have had a more direct route than us!"



Insp. Graham Harvey

## Prevention Poem

FOLLOWING a crime prevention talk Sgt Awcock of Grays gave to a group of ladies one of their number was inspired to put into verse the lessons learned.

### "LOCK IT!"

If you have a house or a motor,  
A caravan, cruiser or yacht,  
You may feel sufficiently guarded,  
But it's odds on, I fear, that you're not.

A window? A gateway to riches!  
Old locks? Invitations to thieves,  
Left open? A thief's golden welcome,  
And you'll only have left what he leaves.

Your piggy bank? Pays for his petrol,  
Your teaset? A Wimpey or Two,  
Your video? Cheque book? Gold necklace?  
Just perks for the lads — what to do?

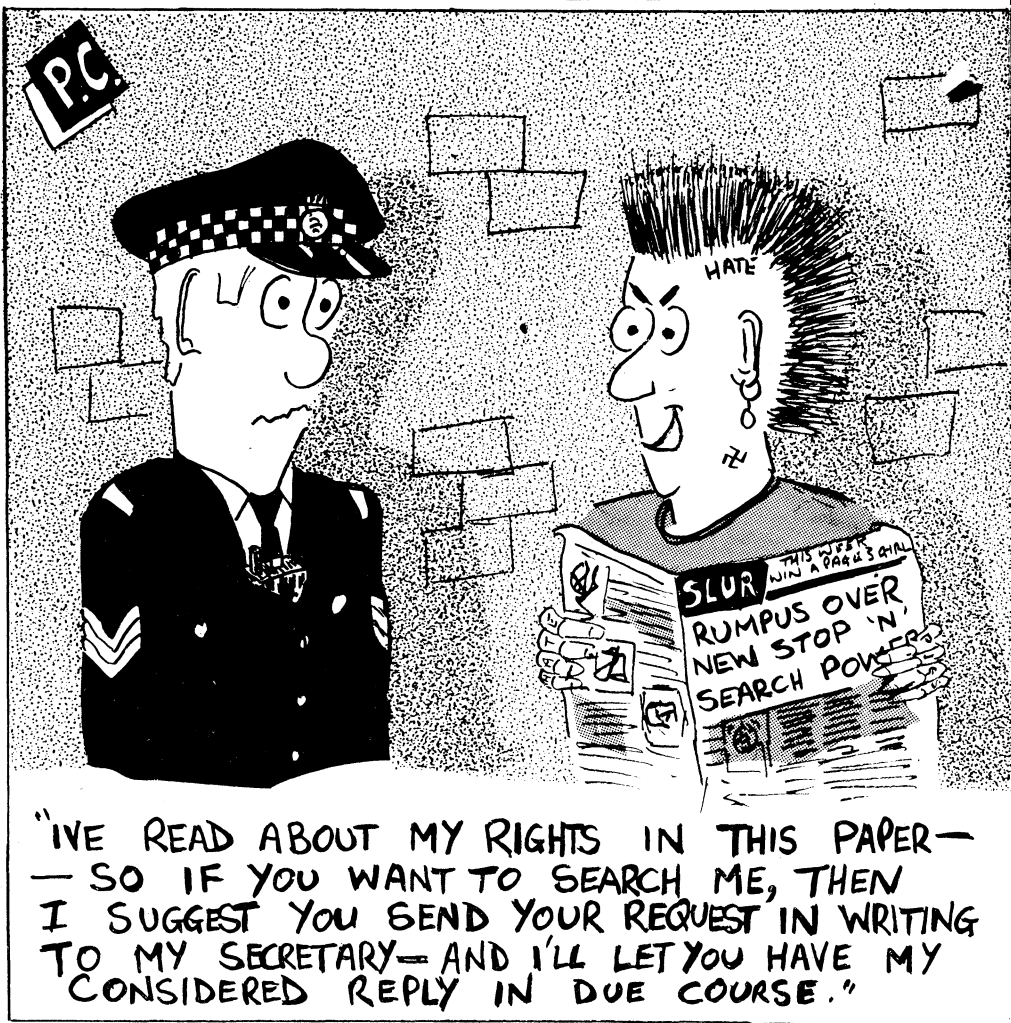
Lock up your car when you leave it,  
Put deadlocks on all of your doors,  
A few pounds and hours spent protecting,  
Will keep for you all that is yours!

Elspeth Nicholls

## Raft Race

IF YOU are one of those people who like getting wet and indulging in the fashionable pastime of raft racing, then here's one for you. A raft race in aid of the RNLI is to take place off the Eastern Esplanade, Southend on the afternoon of July 3 this year. There are three classes of craft, the race to be followed by a sea battle. TV coverage will be given.

Sponsorship and entry forms available from, Raft Race Committee, Foreshore Office, Royal Terrace, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 2YT.





# SPECIALS MUSTER FOR DE ROUGEMENT TROPHY

THE Force Special Constabulary held their annual Muster Parade and competitions earlier this month.

The morning's competitions took place between all divisions, and 200 officers paraded in the

afternoon to be inspected by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabularies, Mr R. S. Barrett, CBE, QPM.

The weather was reasonably kind — the heavy rain only arriving at the end of the day, during the speeches.

Southend Division were the winners of the De Rougement Cup presented for the morning's competitions, with runners-up Chelmsford taking the Nelson-Mitchell Trophies.

Chelmsford also won the Salter Cup with its

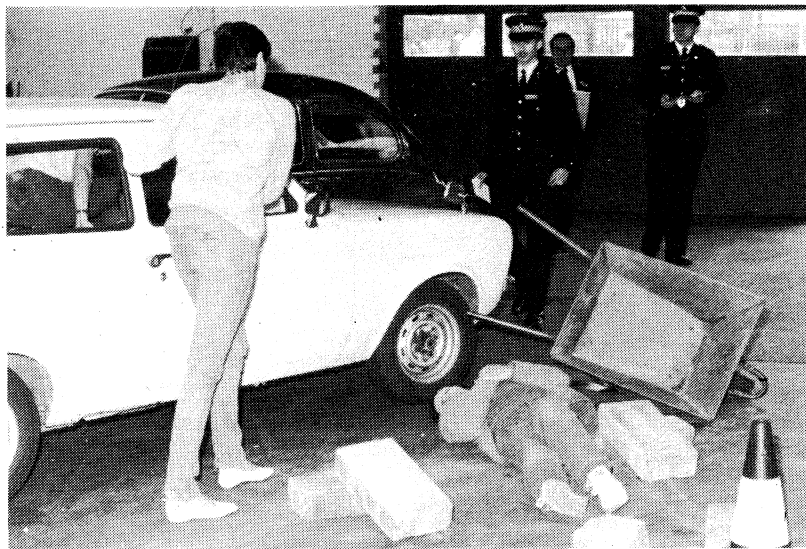
emphasis on points gained for duties the whole year, and the Neville Trophy for first-aid went to Colchester.

Five officers shared the Norman Dooly Cup for the most meritorious act during the year. Special WPCs

Bannister and Smith, Special PCs Wilcox and Hearn, and SDO Bond received the trophy for their actions at an incident involving motor vehicles at Epping when two youths died, and for which serious charges have been laid.



The now traditional inspection takes place after the competitions.



Down to work, putting into practice the theories of dealing with the casualties encountered at the scene of road accidents.

## SMOOTH MEDICAL CHANGE-OVER

THE ANNOUNCED change over in the force private medical scheme took place on May 1, and went as smoothly as expected.

Leaving PPP, who had given such good service, was a difficult decision and there were some criticisms of the speed of the change and the lack of consultation with members.

Everybody who was with PPP was automatically transferred to the Crusader scheme, unless he or she opted out. So far less than 30 members have left the scheme, although a few more are expected to go this month.

Ted Davidson expressed his satisfaction with the conversion. "Taken by and large, although we've lost a few members, the scheme is still very viable," he said. "I'm glad we've managed such a smooth change-over."

## Graduate Entry Success

ESSEX'S FIRST recruit accepted under the Graduate Entry Scheme is to start her police career this September.

21 year old Dinah Labouchere, who is reading geography for her BA degree at Oxford, is one of twenty candidates awarded places by the Home Office in 1983.

The scheme is open to graduates or final year undergraduates under 30, who after selection have to serve two years probationary service and pass the sergeants examination at the first attempt. If their progress has been satisfactory they then attend the Special Course at the Bramshill Police College, which provides accelerated promotion to the rank of Inspector.

The scheme is designed to select entrants to the police service who show the outstanding potential needed to become Chief Inspectors early in their career.

The Metropolitan police get six of this year's successful candidates, with Humberside and the West Midlands two each. The remaining ten are thinly spread around the rest of the country.

Seven of the twenty selected by the Home Office are "Oxbridge" students, and five are women.

Dinah's home is in Norfolk.

## Compliments to Corringham

CORRINGHAM Sergeant, Ian Ellison, was surprised, one early-turn this month when a "Watchdog" client handed him a hand written note.

To the surprise of all concerned — including the lady at the local cafe who supplies inmates meals — it contained a letter of thanks in the most beautiful Old English script. Reproduced here — as near as the printers can get to his artistry is the letter.

**Dear Sir**

**Personally I am extremely pleased and surprised to see the wonderful treatment by your kind hearted and co-operative officer, most beautiful food and your fine place. Please pay my compliment to the kitchen staff who make my tasty food. I must say this is the only best place in the country.**

Egon Ronay here we come!

Yours etc. . .

## AWARDS FOR POLICE PROJECTS

FIVE YOUNG people were awarded certificates earlier this month for work they completed in the course of their studies of the police force.

Like many of his School Liaison Colleagues, Hadleigh CSB officer Pc Peter Rouse set up a project within his schools as part of the police schools programme. With the support of the teachers, the children were asked to write a series of projects describing and analysing the police role and the problems confronting the police in their day to day work.

When he saw the results from the Shoebury High School, Peter was so impressed with their outstanding quality that he arranged for a special reward.

The authors of the 5 best projects were invited to Police Headquarters for the day, and to receive specially printed "Certificates of Merit" from the Assistant Chief Constable (Personnel), Mr Peter Simpson.

The five 14 year olds were taken to Sandon to see a display by the Dog Section, before going on to Headquarters for the ceremony.



The authors with A.C.C.(P), Mr Peter Simpson, Pc Peter Rouse and Ch Insp Mick Curtis.

Chief Inspector Mike Curtis, head of the force's schools programme was impressed by the response to the police initiative. He said, "Pc Rouse's experience reflects that of his colleagues who are often extremely impressed with the positive reaction of young people to the police. It is very gratifying."

## 'INTOXIMETER' SETTLES DOWN



The new machine in action.

THE NEW "Intoximeter 3000" breath testing device is beginning to make its presence felt in eleven of the largest police stations in the country.

The machine came into use on May 6, and in the first ten days of its use, approximately 150 substantive tests were taken county-wide.

About ten per cent of those required to give samples refused or failed to do so, and then about twenty-one per cent of all tests taken proved negative.

Two-thirds of the substantive tests taken were positive but about one-third of those were marginal, and there were blood tests taken as well. So, just under one-fifth of station tests resulted in further blood samples.

The new machine is designed to provide an accurate and immediate alternative to the blood and urine sampling system, it is electronically operated and gives a paper print-out of the suspect's breath alcohol level.

The Intoximeter has a built in computer that checks the machine before it is used, takes two breath tests from the subject, and then checks its own accuracy again. Only then will it give a print out of the breath alcohol level which is admissible in Court.



# EUROPE'S BUSIEST

Essex's own "Spaghetti Junction" — the Th



Heavy rain and spray turns day into night.



A new Incident Vehicle — fully equipped — and ready to handle anything on the motorway.



Nick uses the 'ray-gun' to switch on the hazard lights — without getting wet this time!



Ever vigilant! Essex's finest take a breather out of their vehicle. Note the rain's stopped!

The M11  
North to  
Cambridge

This loop  
will take  
you to  
Cambridge  
from the  
West

From the  
new North  
Circular  
—south to  
East London



When its  
open this  
will be  
the new  
North  
Circular

This will be  
the new quick  
route from  
East Anglia  
to the West

ONLY A MONTH after its opening, Essex's new motorway is already showing its potential as part of — what could be — Europe's busiest road system.

When completed the London Orbital motorway will accept traffic from every major road that comes to the capital, and hurl it around the edges of the city in ever increasing numbers.

One of the busiest sections will be at Dartford where the road goes under the river and already Essex officers are telling of long tailbacks in the morning rush hour as the fast moving traffic hits the toll-tunnel. Extensive works at the tunnel will provide for speedier handling of the traffic, but there is undoubtedly going to be a lot of work for the Traffic officers from Laindon.

Patrolling from the turn-round 2 miles

into Kent up to the M11, the sub-division ensures there are always two cars patrolling the motorway, with a fully equipped Incident Vehicle in the immediate area.

Officers selected for the duty report that it's a "good road to work", with "plenty of interest and a lot happening."

"One of the biggest problems" says Pc Malcolm Porter, "is the people walking on the motorway. They just don't seem to understand how lethal it is. We get joggers, people with dogs, even a woman with a pram once."

In general there seems to be satisfaction with the standard of driving on the road. Pc Nick Matthews felt that most drivers were getting used to motorway conditions these days and that their "lane sense" was "fairly good." "One thing that they don't seem to

**'The Law' joins Laindon traffic**



# ST MOTORWAY?

Hydon interchange — Junction 6 on the M25

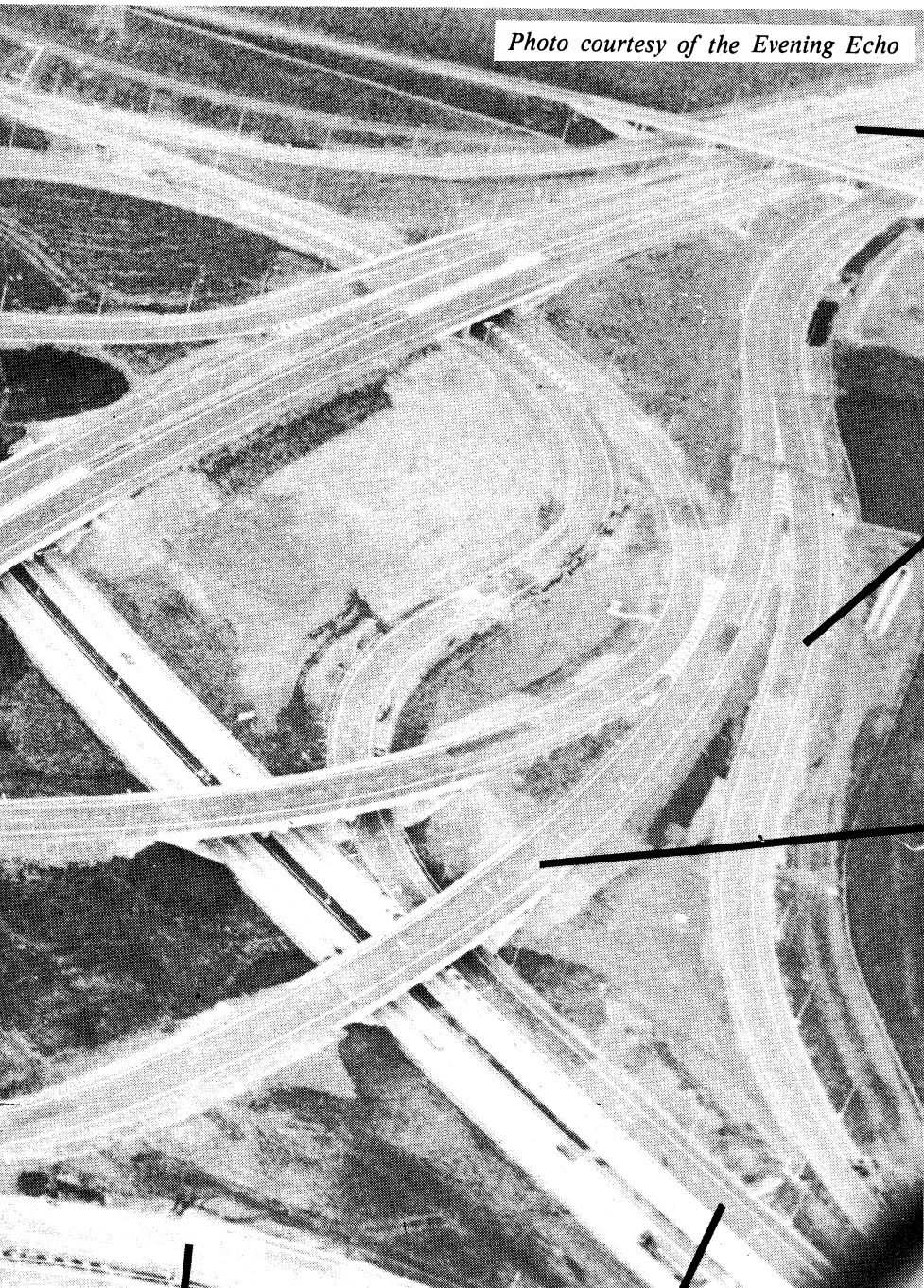


Photo courtesy of the Evening Echo

The M25  
to  
Dartford  
Tunnel

This way  
round from  
Brentwood  
to London

And over  
here from  
Brentwood  
to  
Cambridge

North out of  
East London  
and this  
is the quickest  
way to  
the Tunnel

The M11  
South to  
London

understand" he said "is the emergency telephone system. We had one driver hike across country to a telephone kiosk he could be on a hill to dial 999, and yet you're over more than 1/2 mile from a 'phone on the motorway itself."

Working the motorway is all about operation. The motorway crews work on a day-to-day basis with officers from the Metropolitan Police, from Kent and from the tunnel police, as well as with emergency services from all manner of local authorities. "No problems" report Malcolm and Nick. "They're all very good. Always ready to help. We get on very well. Sometimes we work on the same incident together — they help us and we help them. It's all about getting the job done."

Weather conditions are a vital ingredient

of the motorway officers work — particularly on a road as open to the elements as the Essex section of the M25.

On the afternoon the "Law" visited with the patrol, a torrential downpour created instant problems, the road flooded in minutes with spray and rain bringing visibility down to a dangerous level. Hazard lights were switched on with the "ray" gun, and within a very short time half a dozen broken down vehicles were dealt with to the extreme discomfort of the observer!

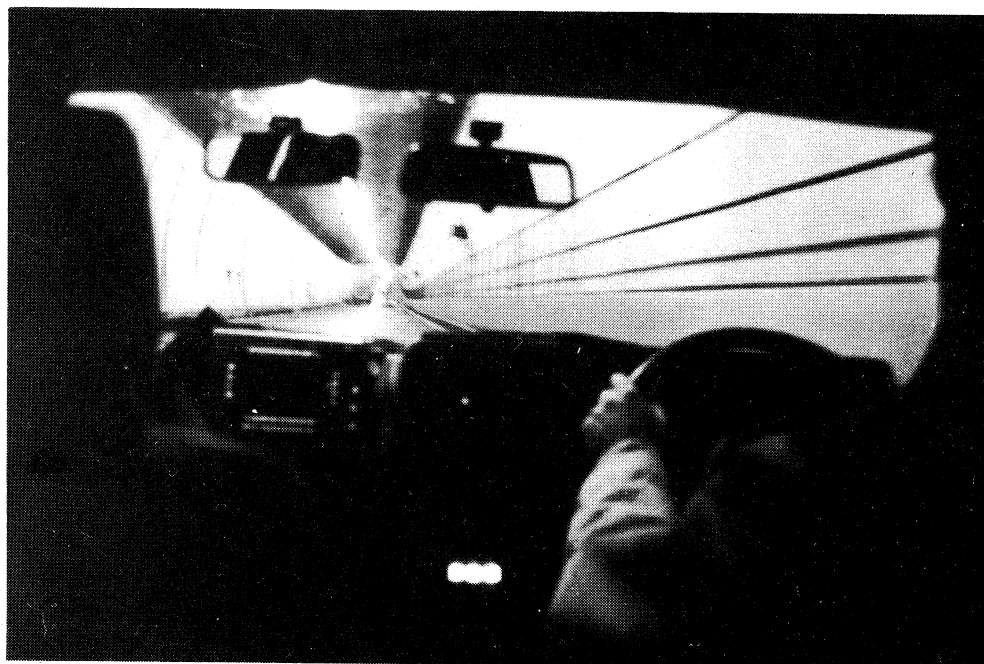
But the crews gravest nightmare is fog. "This area is notorious for mist and fog" said Malcolm Porter. "When the winter comes round we can see a lot of problems, particularly if we're still getting tail-backs at the tunnel. Drivers will really have to take care and behave sensibly."



Nick Matthews and Malcolm Porter on one of the special police lay-byes.



Not a good time to be the Observer: Torrential rain makes good protective clothing essential.



Through the Dartford Tunnel to the Kent turn-round.



A flooded engine compartment — the first of half-a-dozen in a few minutes.

for a look at the new motorway

# National Association of Retired Police Officers by Bert Brinkley

THE following officers were elected at the Annual General Meeting on 14th May, 1983, for the ensuing year:

## Chairman:

Mr R. B. Hagger  
Vice-chairman and treasurer:

Mr H. S. Phillibrown

## Asst Treasurer:

Mr C. E. Storrar

## Secretary:

Mr B. G. Brinkley

## ... by Bert Brinkley

### Asst Secretary:

Mr D. Rampling

### Social Secretary:

Mr F. D. Clark

Mr P. Simpson (ACC 'P') gave a brief talk on the current day matters within the Force. The introduction of computers would, he felt sure, take over from teleprinters. The Force was up to strength and there was now a large waiting list of applicants — a thing unheard of a few years back. The reduction of Divisions from eight to six had progressed satisfactorily, there had been problems but these had been overcome.

Insp Ted Davidson, Chairman J.B.B. Police Federation, also spoke on police pay and pensions contributions which did not meet with Federation approval, they were not consulted and finally had to settle for a 4% increase in pension contributions.

### Police Medical Scheme

The changeover from

P.P.P. to The Crusader was inevitable, full coverage had been given in "The Law" and all persons concerned had been informed by memorandum. This scheme would be reviewed again early in 1984.

### Open Meeting, 24th June

This meeting of the N.E.C. will take place at the Suffolk Police Headquarters, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, followed by a social evening. All members are invited and enquiries should be made of the secretary of the Ipswich branch, Mr Phil Bowery, 23 Falmouth Close, Kesgrave, Ipswich.

### Pensions Increase

Usually following a Budget speech by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, it is possible to forecast the amount of pensions increase we can expect later in the year. The rule has been changed this year so that we will not know until the cost of living

index in May (published in June) and apply that percentage to the pension as from the November following. All pensions, Public Service and Retirement pensions are now brought into line in accordance with the Social Security Act, 1975.

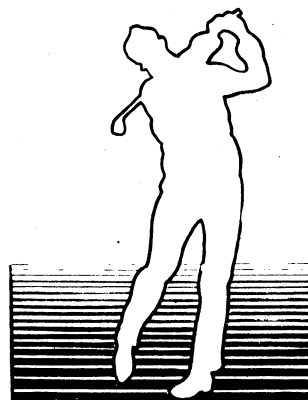
### Spring Bulletins

These bulletins did not arrive in time to include with the agendas for the A.G.M. but will be sent out during June with invitations to the branch social/luncheon on 24th September, 1983.

The Force Welfare Officer informs me that a Social and Buffet evening has been arranged for 11.30am. Saturday, 25th June, in the lounge of the Headquarters Licensed Bar. Pensioners will be notified in due course.

Date for diary: Friday, 21st October, 1983 — Comrades Luncheon, 1pm, H.Q. Canteen. Invitations will be sent out in due course.

## Police of Essex Golf Society



### P.A.A.

The No 5 Regional PAA Golf Championships were held at John O'Gaunt Golf Club, Sandy, Bedfordshire, on Monday, May 9th, 1983, hosts Beds and Luton Police. Twelve force members competed in the scattered showers and gusting winds. Our Chairman John Clark from Braintree Police Station returned a morning round net score of 72 — an excellent score in the conditions. It earned him equal second place — well done John! Despite the inclement weather the course was in very good condition and the hospitality second to none — a very enjoyable experience for all concerned.

### The Warren

At the Warren on Friday, May 6th, 23 members, and two guests, attended the Spring Meeting. Although the weather was poor early on it rapidly improved and the welcome sunshine quickened the drying-out of the course. During the afternoon conditions generally were very good.

Winner of the Vic Brooker Trophy with a morning round net score of 69 was John Woods (two shots cut John — we'll get you in the end!). Runner-up with a net score of 74 was Bob Cameron — all the very best to you and your family Bob in your retirement.

Peter Manterfield won the President's Trophy with an individual Stableford score during the afternoon with 38 points. Runner-up with 36 points was Ken

Smith.

The best all-day scratch score was returned by Colin Muir — 166. (That, too, will soon get better, Colin, if you keep wearing those socks!)

Under the 'One man one prize rule' the winner of the best all-day handicap, on a count-back of the last nine holes — Brian Lee with a net 152.

The guest prize was taken home by Roger Gibson who returned an individual Stableford score of 26 points during the afternoon round.

The Summer Meeting will be held at the Warren on Tuesday, June 28th

### No Rain in Sprin.

During the second week in March this year John Woods and I spent a very pleasant seven days on the Costa Del Sol. The weather was very sunny and in the eighties most days and we managed to play five different courses during our stay. We stayed in a very comfortable hotel in San Pedro, the hire car included in the package enabled us to travel at will to play various courses and see the sights.

The reason why I mention this is because I wondered if any of you readers would care to join us next year. I am considering organising a group deal with a tour operator next April for seven days on the Costa Del Sol. I estimate total cost to be approximately £200.

Those of you who are genuinely interested, and have the appropriate pass-out from 'the missus', and adequate funds plus leave days available in the New Year, will be required to send a £50 non-returnable deposit by a specified date, and similar amounts at regular intervals towards the overall expense, to myself in due course.

This is a provisional proposal at this stage but if sufficient interest is shown more precise information will be obtained and circulated. I will be pleased to hear from you. Consider it carefully and having done so act quickly — you may never get another opportunity.

by Bob Hayes

## Force lottery

RESULT of the draw held at Basildon on May 3, 1983.

1st prize WPC A. Ablewhite, HQ IR, £1,428.14; 2nd prize PC B. Brown, Chelmsford Traffic, £714.07; 3rd prize Inspector S. Rigg, Epping, £357.03; 4th prize PS H. Ruston, Chelmsford, £178.52.

Consolation prizes at £35.70 each — PC P. Culligan, Harwich; WDC G. Hawkins, Benfleet; PC P. Sitch, Ardleigh; Ms A. Mallison, Colchester; PC S. J. Waller, Clacton.



Val Higginson retires from the recruiting office FTS where she has worked for the last ten years. Always popular with her colleagues, Val intends to spend more time with her family and grandson.

# ANYONE FOR SKITTLES?

ESSEX POLICE officers are being invited to take part in a Skittle Championship at Chelmsford on July 24.

The championships are being organised by the Chelmsford Branch of UNICEF to raise funds for their work in supporting children in the world's poorest countries.

Teams of eight players are needed — 64 teams in all — and it's first come first served.

The closing date for entries is June 24 — and Inspector Bob Miller of Headquarters Special Branch — the local UNICEF'S Chairman — will be happy to answer any questions.

## Market Place

FOR SALE, one electric fire. One convector electric heater. One paraffin heater — £10 the lot, will separate. Ex Pc J. Knock, 6 Corcorans, Brentwood.

LAWN MOWER, Qualcast Panther, new type. Very good condition. Owner "going electric", £10. H. A. Norman, Chelmsford Station or Chelmsford 51024.

PAIR of men's black casual shoes for sale, worn twice, size 11 "K" make. Policeman with large feet essential. Mrs Thresher, Typing Centre Chelmsford or Tel: Maldon 741438.

TRIUMPH Herald 1200cc, "E" reg, 75,000 miles, MoT Dec, tax July, new battery, good condition, £195. Ch/Insp Baker HQ CSB or Brentwood 73515.

SUFFOLK Super Colt 12in motor mower, excellent condition, £60. Pc 248 Malcolm Briggs, Southend Station. Tel: Southend 526503.

PEUGEOT Moped, "S" reg, good condition, taxed — MoT June 1983, crash helmet included in price of £75. Insp Nisbet, Grays Station or Chelmsford 64661.

VERY NICE detached chalet, 2 large bedrooms, large lounge, dining room, conservatory, fitted kitchen, utility room, bath/toilet, detached garage. Well stocked garden with patio, £47,500. Mrs Harrison, Boreham 467300.

HONDA CX500, 1980, red, full touring fairing and

panniers. New Metzeler tyres, regularly serviced, £825 ono. Dc Robdrup, Chelmsford, ext 258. Tel: Wickford 66707.

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## Federation Notes



### Legal Representation

WITH the decision made by Mrs Thatcher to hold a General Election on 9th June the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill has sunk without trace, at least for the time being.

There seems little likelihood of the Bill being resurrected when the new Government is formed — be it Tory or Labour or anything else — since the furore raised by the Bill seems to have touched sore spots in every facet of the community at large. We, the Police Service, seemed to be the only ones who welcomed the new measures which were to be introduced.

With the falling of the Bill the Joint Central Committee have to find another avenue by which to achieve the very real need of a Charter of Rights for Police Officers. Regardless of the possibility of the much amended bill being reintroduced, we must somehow get the Charter agreed, to ensure our members have the same protections that are afforded the most heinous villain in the land.

### Coat of Arms

MANY of you will be aware that the Police Federation has been granted Armorial Bearings which are quite impressive to behold. The design has now been applied to various items which can be purchased by members.

These can be obtained by ordering through the Joint Branch Board Office, where Official Order Forms are available, and include Cuff Links, Ties (in a choice of maroon, blue, and green), Ladies Headscarves (same colours), Plaques, either in Wedgwood or the more normal wooden based ones, or prints of the Bearings. A full list is available but some of the items do not incorporate the crest. It is hoped that there will soon be some samples held in the JBB Office for anyone to inspect before ordering.

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### Rent Allowance

THE Police Negotiating Board have now had the opportunity to discuss the Staff Side reply to the attack on Rent Allowance, and needless to say they were not happy with our attitude to their tactics ("they" being the Official Side).

As a result of this it has now been decided that a further meeting will be convened to enable the Staff Side to determine whether or not Edmund Davies was binding upon both sides of the PNB, and then to attack the information and details of the Official Side's paper. This meeting will be sometime in July, by when it is hoped that the Joint Central Committee will have a complete battle plan mapped out. Having studied the paper I am sure that many of the misnomers can be rebutted quite adequately, and I believe we will eventually win the day, but it is going to be a hard struggle and may eventually have to be resolved at Arbitration.

I am sure we all await the outcome with bated breath.

On a local basis the District Valuer has finally come up with a valuation of the Force Selected House which now goes before the Police Committee on the 6th June 1983 for approval. After this the Home Office must approve the payment — in both cases in the past this has been a "rubber stamp" exercise — and we have no reason to believe that this year will be any different.

The valuation gives a weekly Rent Allowance Maximum Limit of £40.85, and the new Metropolitan Multiplier will be 5.08. As soon as the approvals have been given the Finance Department will start making the calculations and the new rate and the back money from 1st April 1983 will probably be paid in the July or August pay packets.

Anyone in receipt of Rent allowance should by now have submitted their new ACC 3a, together with photostat copies of their 1983/4 Rate Demands and Water Rate Bills. If you haven't done so, do it now. Not to do so may result in delay in payment to you!

### RUC Injured Officers

TICKETS for the Raffle to raise funds for the above visit to Essex have now been distributed and sales are going quite well. There are still some books available so if you haven't yet bought one, contact your local Federation Representative and help us to give these unfortunate lads a taste of real Essex hospitality in October. The first prize is £400 worth of Holiday vouchers, there is also a weeks holiday for two, £60 worth of driving lessons, and many other very handsome prizes too numerous to mention at this time, so its worth sporting another £1 for a second book of tickets.

by  
*Jim  
Rodgers*

### Civilian Driving Instructors

ON THE last issue of the Constables Branch Board Minutes an item was recorded which intimated concern in some quarters that civilian driving instructors were being used on standard and standard refresher course instruction, and that the standard of their instruction was below that given by police officer instructors. This matter was referred to the Joint Branch Board and a decision was made there for the Traffic Department Representatives to investigate the complaints made and research the matter in some depth, before any further action was contemplated.

I can report that this matter has now been thoroughly looked into, and that no further action will be taken by either the Joint or Constables Branch Board.

When the concern was originally expressed it was believed that the Civilian Instructors were employed exclusively for Elementary Driving Instruction, at a time when many recruits and cadets needed basic instruction. This was a totally false assumption. The Civilians are of a sufficiently high standard to be employed to fulfill their job description, which is to instruct in Elementary, Standard and Standard Refresher Driving. They are also required to undergo the same check courses as Police Driving Instructors to ensure that they maintain those standards themselves.

The Joint Branch Board is content that anyone who is trained by these officers will receive the same sort of tuition as they could have expected from a Police Officer Instructor.

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### Membership Services

The Joint Central Committee have put some effort into raising discount facilities for members of the Police Federation in various fields. First results of these efforts relate to Townsend Thoresen Car Ferry fares. This firm have offered a 9% discount to Federated Ranks with effect from 1st May 1983. Anyone interested in using the facility should contact my office, I will then forward a copy of the timetable tariff suitably endorsed to confirm your membership of the Federation, which you then complete and forward to Townsend Thoresen, Freepost No 1, Dover, Kent.

For anyone not interested in overseas travel, but wishing to take a "Scene Changer" Week-end Break, they have also organised a 10% discount through the Kingsmead Hotels Ltd chain, who have properties on the Yorkshire Dales, London, the Cotswolds, the West Country, South Downs or Thames Valley. Anyone interested in this facility please contact my office and I will forward a brochure. As soon as stocks are sufficient I will be making these available to local representatives, but for the time being, bearing in mind it has been a long hard winter, many may urgently be in need of a "break-a-way"!

### Central Conference

By the time this copy is in print, the Conference will be under way in Blackpool. Because of pressure of work involved with the run in to the Election, the Home Secretary will be unable to attend and make his usual regal entrance, and usual salutary speech.

However, this will not deter the Chairman of the Police Federation, Leslie Curtis, from making a speech which one hopes will come to Mr Whitelaw's notice — busy as he may be — and one would suppose that the speech will make some cogent comment upon the Government decision to impose the additional 4% Pension Contribution upon us.

Come to think of it I wonder if Mrs Thatcher deliberately chose a June Election to save Mr Whitelaw from being ravaged at Conference by irate Police Officers?? For, make no mistake, this matter still rankles with the membership, even though by now we must all accept that we will never revert to the old contribution.

My own personal feeling is that Mr Whitelaw should have made time to come to this Annual Event — you never know he might not be able to come next year — for some other reason!

### Private Medicine

As you will by now know we have changed over to the 'Crusader Scheme with effect from 1st May.

Some comment has been expressed as to the change, and what right have the small working group to make the decision. Not having been involved in that group, I feel qualified to answer. It is in the best interest of all members of the Force, that the scheme with the lowest subscription be adopted for the same benefits, rather than continue to pay through the nose in one scheme when another choice is available.

The working group considered all the aspects of the two schemes and their decision has resulted in a minimal increase in subscription from what we were paying last year, instead of a considerable increase had we remained with Private Patients Plan.

I believe that we should take every opportunity to achieve the best for all, and if a cheaper scheme presents itself next year perhaps we will have another change, but I can assure you that full consideration will be given to the benefits available, rather than remain out of loyalty in a scheme which is more costly than we believe it ought to be.

### Headquarters Staff Sports TENNIS SECTION

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at 6.30pm

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Peter Colbert on HQ ext 405

# Football Round-Up Barking-Southend Walk

THE FORCE team continue to find it difficult to win matches. Out of the last eight matches they have only managed one win and three draws. This rather dismal record has put the team in grave danger of relegation from the Premier Division of the Essex Olympian League. With only two games remaining, the Force team have to rely on other teams losing matches to ensure they remain in the Premier section even if they gain maximum points from their last two outings.

The team have only themselves to blame as they have lost games they clearly should have won over the past few weeks. One such match was on Saturday, April 18, when they visited Old Chelmsfordians who are certain to be relegated.

The Police team started the match well and were clearly on top for the opening 20 minutes. Their pressure paid off when Phil O'Connell opened the scoring with a well-taken goal at the near post following a cross from Stuart Lowe. Shortly before half-time the opposition scored to make the half-time score 1-1. The final score was 2-1 to OCs and the police had missed a good opportunity of two points.

The following Wednesday the Police entertained Burnham Ramblers Football Club who again were positioned near to the foot of the league table. The game was generally an uninspiring event with Burnham running out 1-0 winners from a penalty.

After two disappointing performances the Force team knew they were in for a hard time when they visited Herongate the current league leaders. The result was a 3-1 victory for Herongate, but at least the Police players worked hard against good-class opposition, something they had not been doing in the previous few matches.

There was then an important game for the police against Benfleet who were only just above them in the league and a win was essential. Yet, despite the inclusion of Paul Gamman only a 2-2 draw could be managed with Phil O'Connell scoring two excellent goals.

The Police team were in a determined mood when they entertained Ongar Football Club at Headquarters on the following Saturday.

Determination was not enough, however, and Ongar ran out 3-2 winners. On Wednesday May 4, Takeley Football Club visited Headquarters for another

relegation tussle. The match was played in a good spirit at a fast pace and the Force team took the lead mid-way through the first half with a well-taken goal by Paul Gamman.

The Force team immediately had the best of the match but still failed to take chances and late in the game Takeley scored, the final result being 1-1.

On Saturday, May 7, the Police side were away to Rayleigh Town who are positioned near the top of the league. With minutes to go to half-time a Rayleigh defender worked his way into the Police defence to set up a goal for Rayleigh to lead 1-0 at half time. Ten minutes into the second half the Police were 2-0 down and despite throwing men forward they were unable to score.

The following Tuesday the Force team took on Springfield on their home ground. Springfield are second in the league. The Police worked hard and a draw was well deserved which gave some hope that relegation might be avoided.

With every match like a Cup Final for the Force team they visited Harold Wood only two days after gaining a point from Springfield. It was not long into the game when the Police took the lead.

by  
*Charles  
Clark*

A fine run on the right wing by Cliff Haines saw him round the full back and score on the near post. The lead did not last long as Harold Wood equalised through a defensive error.

However, fifteen minutes later Paul Gamman again gave the Police a lead when he rounded the opposition keeper to shoot the ball into an empty net.

Harold Wood piled on the pressure from the start of the second half but against the run of play Phil O'Connell scored the goal of the match. He picked the ball up in his own half, took on the whole of the Harold Wood defence, rounded the goalkeeper and scored to give the police a two-goal lead.

Harold Wood continued to press and with 15 minutes to go they scored a goal which spurred them on to throw everything forward for the equaliser, but fine defensive work by the Police kept them out and gave the Police a 2-3 win.

However, these two hard-earned points were not enough to keep the Force team in the Premier division as a poor performance against Writtle on Saturday, May 14 saw them lose 4-0 which means certain relegation.

SUNDAY May 15, saw seven Essex walkers line up in heavy rain at Barking for the annual walk to Southend. The seven were among a total of 219 policemen and 24 cadets.

By the time the field penetrated well into Essex from the Met District the gutters were awash and at times walkers were on the centre line to miss puddles which the drainage system seemed unable to cope with. Later on the Stanford le Hope bypass was closed due to the floods and all the traffic was pushed through Corringham along with the walkers.

And still it rained not really easing much until about 2pm by which time the winner was home though hardly dry. Gradually another 154 plus

began together at a cautious pace but by half way were in seventh place. This was not to last and when Sheppard had a bad patch at Pitsea, Hedgethorpe stayed back to urge him on up Bread and Cheese hill before setting off in pursuit of those ahead. He failed to catch them up and finished 9th in 5 hours 32 minutes with Sheppard 10th some five minutes behind.

Berry, who has figured in some Essex successes in recent years was short of walking mileage but pushed on through the weather to

by *John  
Hedgethorpe*

then came Bartley the first of the the Rayleigh team still looking cheerful. Not far behind Seago was all grim concentration as if he was afraid to relax his face in case his legs gave way. Finally Grimes just got inside the 7½ hours time limit to complete the Essex team.

Afterwards the Chief Constable came down to Southend Football Club where the race finishes nowadays to present awards though there was precious little joy for Essex in this. Hedgethorpe, completing his "key of the door" 21st Barking to Southend finished second in the veterans race and surprised the handicapper with a time 20 minutes quicker than last year, but this was all.

Now the walking section are working on how to get a better Essex entry on the road for next years race. One suggestion is to have a trophy presented for the first Divisional team of three to finish within the main race and, perhaps, ask to have this included in the Croker Cup competition some time in the future. With all the preoccupation with marathons, the chance to go 7½ miles further and walk a "Barking" is something the keep fit fanatics should jump at!

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24 cadets dripped in.

Essex with a somewhat depleted team had little hope of extending their recent run of nine years in the first three team places. Hedgethorpe and Sheppard

finish just outside 6½ hours and keep hopes alive of a top-three team position. After this it was a matter of sitting it out awaiting the Rayleigh contingent to arrive in hopes that someone would do what Seago did in 1982 and finish high enough to clinch the medals.

Alas it was not to be. The weather was for connoisseurs, not for your once a year walkers and there is no doubt that while no-one went down from heat stroke in 1983, it wasn't very pleasant. Seven hours came and went and

## Southend Cricket Tickets

The Southend Police Club will be providing the facility of a marquee for members and guests during the County Cricket Week at Southchurch Park, Southend, from 13-19 July, 1983. Bar facilities will be available and it is hoped to provide a lunch and tea facility in addition. The

County Cricket Club has in view of its close association with the police, offered us Guest Tickets at £1 for week-day (Schweppes Championship) matches and £2 for the Sunday (John Player Special League) match. Visiting teams this year are Hampshire and

Glamorgan.

Members — serving and retired — of all Police Clubs in the Force will be welcome to join us on this occasion and requirements for tickets should be with the Secretary, Southend Police Club not later than 17 June. Cheques to be made payable to Southend Police Club.

## SUPERSTARS CHALLENGE FOR CHARITY



Derek Sewell (left) with Brian Jacks

IN THE EARLY part of April the annual Chelmer Village Half Marathon took place with over 700 runners taking part and the attraction-appearance of TV Superstars Suzanne Dando and Brian Jacks.

Neighbourhood Beat Officer for Chelmer Village issued a challenge to Jacks for the well known BBC Superstars Gym Tests. Derek Sewell NBO Chelmer Village, a former wrestler and frequent visitor to HQ gym had trained hard for the event with weights etc and to assist with the event had

fellow NBO from Chelmsford Derek Gargan and ambulanceman Steve Sheffield taking part. On the actual day Jacks only took up the challenge of pressups when he did 50. Derek Sewell did 78. It was just then up to the remaining 3 to continue the event. Sewell being the overall winner with a score of 245. After the event there was a 2 minute rest then Derek Sewell had to run the half marathon. He was sponsored by the residents of Chelmer Village for £500, proceeds going towards Essex CAT Scanner.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to operational commitments the Force Athletics Championships which are to be held at Colchester Garrison have been put back to  
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