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DIVERS DIE IN TRAGIC ACCIDENT

Service in Cathedral

POLICE work is known to be hazardous. We have all been aware of that since we joined. And we have all known in our hearts, that sooner or later someone, somewhere, would have to pay the supreme price.

However, that in no way lessened the shock and the grief when two of our colleagues Pc Andy Morrison and Pc Stephen Taylor died as the result of an accident on a routine diving exercise at Dobbs Weir on 1 June 1989.

The joint funeral of the two officers was held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Friday 9 June. A guard of honour was mounted by representatives of every Division and Department of the Force and the coffins each draped in the Force flag were borne by members of the Force Support Unit. Inside the packed Cathedral, the Chief Officers of the Force were joined by the Chairman of the Police Authority, Mr Geoffrey Waterer, The Commandant of Bramshill, Mr Robert Bunyard (ex Chief Constable of Essex), Mr Colin Sampson (HMI) together with representatives of other Police Forces, the Essex Fire & Rescue Service, and the Ambulance Service.

The service was conducted by The Provost of the Cathedral, The Very Reverend Dr. John Moses, and the Essex Police Band provided musical accompaniment.

Chelmsford Cathedral is one of the smaller and newer of English Cathedrals, but its

smallness of scale lent a more intimate and personal atmosphere to the service, which was shared by members of the public and officers with duties outside by way of loudspeakers relayed to the Cathedrals of the English attractive little close. The Chief Constable

THE ESSEX DIVING UNIT which has been established for 30 years, is a small closely-knit team of specialised professionals.

The loss of two of its members so suddenly, and in such a manner when on a routine training dive, was a shattering blow to this tiny community. As their Sergeant, Nigel Dermott said, "It was a sad loss to our small unit, both in terms of

the people that they were and the experience and skill that they could offer, it will take many years just to make up their joint expertise".

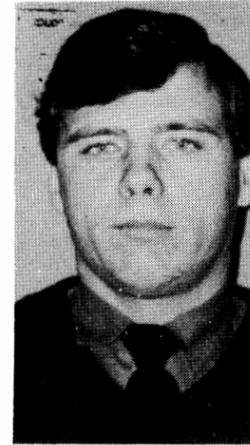
The Unit, based at Headquarters, is available for underwater search and recovery duties throughout the County and often travels across our borders to assist other Forces.

Colleagues of the two officers say that

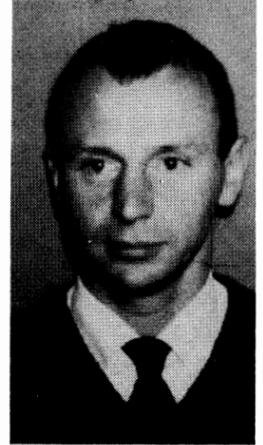
Steve Taylor's second love was diving, his first, undoubtedly being his family. It is said that he always came to work with a smile and was dedicated to his job.

Andy Morrison is described as meticulous at work and at home, having fine attention to detail. Both were seen as valuable members of the team.

Sergeant Dermott summed up by saying, "Thank you all for

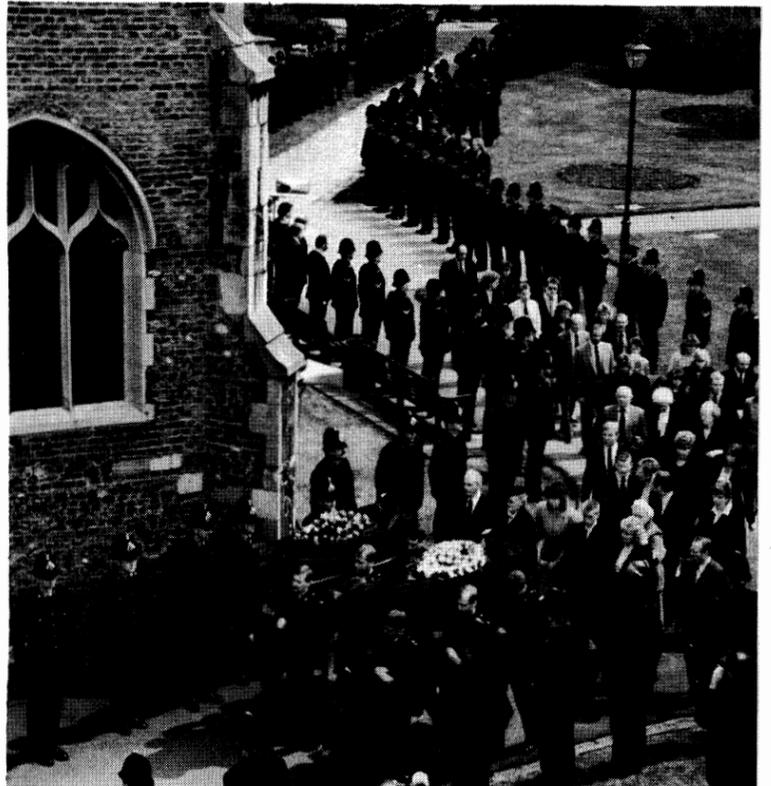
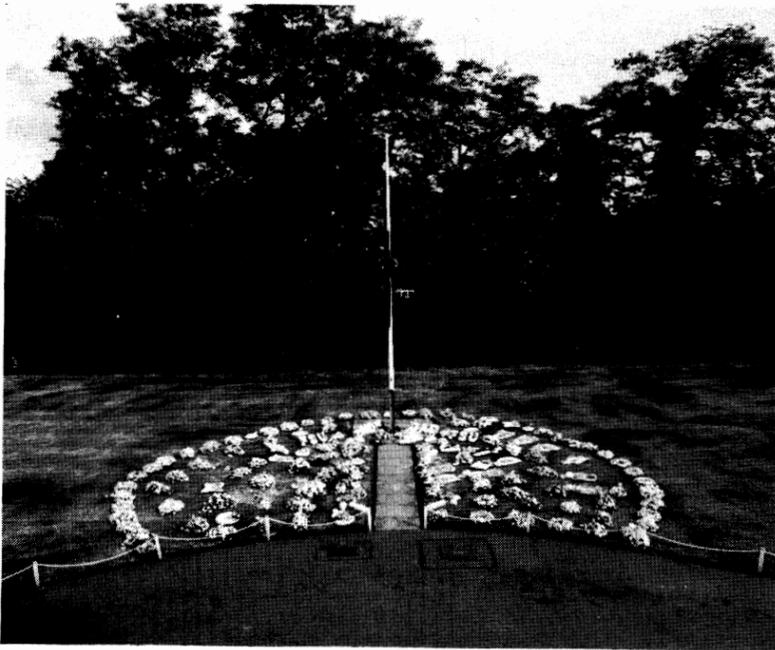


Stephen Taylor



Andrew Morrison

Whatever we say or do cannot bring them back, but they were given a dignified but temporary farewell".



Mr John Burrow in his address spoke of the 'family' of the Police Service, and it is to be hoped that the friends and relations of two dead officers

were able to draw comfort from the support of this larger family, which was perhaps emphasised by the 'family' nature of our local cathedral.



CHIEF CONSTABLE'S ADDRESS

THE Chief Constable in his address opened by saying, "we come together in this Cathedral of our County Town to remember two fine officers and to give support to those whom they leave behind. We gather as families, the immediate families of Stephen and Andrew, their relatives and friends, the family of the Essex Police, members of the Underwater Search Team, the Force Support Unit and officers and civilian staff from every Division and the wider family of the Police Service as a whole, with Her Majesty's Inspectors of Constabulary, officers from as far away as Strathclyde and as close by as our neighbours in Cambridge and many others. It is as a family that we remember those two young men who died in the exercise of their duty and it is as a family that we give support and comfort to their loved ones," and concluded with a quotation, "When the day that he must go hence was come, many accompanied him to the river side, into which as he went he said, "Death, where is thy sting?" And as he went down deeper he said, "Grave, where is thy victory?" So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side".

LETTERS OF THANKS

FROM: PAT & ALAN TAYLOR
(Steve's parents)

We are very grateful for the help, love and support and kindness shown and wish to thank all the Police Officers concerned.

FROM: STEVE'S WIFE & CHILDREN

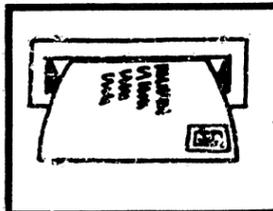
We wish to thank everyone for their care and support at the time of our sad loss.
MANDY, TYSON & KELLY

FROM JILL

To all the Unit and in particular the Divers — you showed me on Friday your love, respect and admiration for a man who meant more to me than words can describe. Thank you.

FROM: BARBARA & DON MORRISON
(Andy's Mum and Dad)

We would like to thank all Andy's friends and colleagues in the Essex Police for the sympathy, support and kindness shown to them.



Law Letters

HARWICH 1920

Dear Sir,
WITH REFERENCE to the letter by Colin Hance in the last edition of The Law on the subject of the 75th Anniversary of Harwich Police Station.
I was posted to Harwich in

February 1920 and served there for a period of two years during which time I occupied one of the cubicles at the top of the station.

At that time there were four or five other single constables also occupying the cubicles. For meals we were attended by a daily house-keeper.

I enclose a photograph of all the police officers of the

Harwich Sub Division, with myself standing first on the left in the middle row. This photograph was taken at the rear of the station in 1921.

Should you require further information I should be pleased to help in any way I am able.

Yours sincerely

G. W. Thorogood
ex Ps 36

THANKS

Dear Sir,
MY DAUGHTER and I would like to extend our thanks to those who attended Reg's funeral, and for the kind wishes we have received.

We are both very proud of Reg's career with the Police and felt that his ex-colleagues attending the funeral was a great tribute to a fine police officer and a wonderful husband and father.

Our thanks to all concerned.

Yours faithfully

Sylvia Hamblin.

'Tax Free' rent allowance, a massive financial kick in the groin!

'Rent Allowance' will be called 'Housing Allowance' and will be taxed at the normal rate. After a few years of 'Phasing Out' there will be no more Compensatory Grants.

A small amount of tax will be 'refunded' into our pension scheme but we will get nothing where it matters, in our wallets!

If we are to lose the grant then we will be, on average, £50 per month worse off. If this is true, then it is an unacceptable erosion of our conditions of employment and standard of living. Many officers rely on the April paypacket as a lifesaver or look on it as an effective method of enforced saving. Without it, many officers would not be able to take their families away on holiday.

I hope that I have misunderstood the facts, but if not, then I expect the Federation to continue fighting on our behalf, and for every officer adversely effected by the new arrangements to make their feelings well and truly known!

Yours sincerely

P. J. Caulfield

National Association of Retired Police Officers by Doug Rampling

IT IS PLEASING to note that at last the monies due to be paid to our "Preserved Rate Widows" as a result of the government computer error are now being paid to the National Police Fund who will in turn pay each Force an amount in accordance with the number of eligible widows in that Force. Hopefully this should be done within the next few months and the Force can then pass on the cash to the widows. Once this has been done NARPO intends to resume its negotiations for a better deal in respect of these ladies.

Chelmsford Branch AGM was held on Saturday 8th April at Police Headquarters, unfortunately there were very few members in attendance. Those who did take the trouble to come along heard addresses from Mr J. Conlan (ACC A) Mr Brian Pallant the JBB Secretary and Mrs J. Postan

from Force Welfare. It must be that most people are satisfied with what goes on as all members of the committee were re-elected. The only change being that Norman Cressy decided that he would not seek re-election as Chairman and Miss O. Butler was elected to that post with Mr J. Baker as Vice Chairman. On the social side, the Comrades Buffet luncheon on May 13th was once again a very successful event which was well supported. Bob Needham and the staff of Headquarters canteen deserve a vote of thanks from us all for the effort put into such an occasion — well done everybody.

The coach trip to Leeds Castle on May 20th was as far as I could gather, a perfect day. The weather was kind to us and the place itself idyllic. Everyone I spoke to said they had a most enjoyable day, I know I did so it was all worthwhile. If you have any ideas for next year please let me know. The next social gathering will of course be the Force Garden Party on July 7th — hope to see some of you then.

The winding up of the Friendly Society has progressed a step further forward and is, I understand, now almost complete. Final details should be decided within the next few months.

To finish may I make an apology to all those who have applied for membership of the Police Federation Legal Expenses Scheme. Due to a technical fault the application cards are still not printed. Please be assured that as soon as they are received all applications will be dealt with. In the meantime please bear with us, you have not been forgotten.

Well that just about wraps things up for this time. Please remember that if there are any problems with which you feel we can help, please give us a ring, if we cannot answer your question "we know a man who can."



BEST WISHES

Dear Sir,
ON 16 APRIL my wife Joan and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary, and my thoughts wandered back to my early days in the Force which I joined in March 1937, retiring thirty years later in 1967, quite a long spell which was interrupted only by Mr Hitler for about six years when I was recalled to the Armed Forces.

On our marriage we took up residence on the detached beat of Takeley which brings me to my point of these few words.

I have practically no idea of how many of my former class-mates remain connected to the Force, and how many of my colleagues of my

service throughout, at Grays, Tilbury, Laindon and Hadleigh are still about.

I was identified in the early days as Pc or Dc 660 and later as Ps 24, and I would now take the opportunity of sending our best wishes to them all, and may I hope or trust they have the happiness and good fortune in their retirement as my wife and I have had in the past twenty-two years since we retired and settled here in Devon.

I suppose I should say we have had three nice long spells in Australia in the past ten years with our son Malcolm, and hope to take another trip possibly early in the coming year, when it is nice and warm.

I close by saying that should any of the my ex

colleagues be passing this way, we would be only pleased to see them for a natter. My special regards to someone I feel always remembered me — Doug Wheatley.

Sincerely
G. J. Read.

REPORTING FOR DUTY

Dear Sir,
ON REPORTING FOR duty I really believed that I was subject of a wind up when my attention was drawn to Force Order 'B' 95/89 of 28 3 89, Civilian Staff Long Service Certificate.

Perhaps it is purely be-

cause I am an ex serviceman and I have some pride in the uniform I wear and the fact that by 'Royal Charter' having been a police officer for 22 years you will be presented with a medal.

Actually I do not believe that it is for those reasons only.

I think the question one must ask yourself is that what do we have things like the Federation, Superintendents Association and ACPO for.

I am perfectly aware that the Medal Ceremony is not considered important to some police officers, however do we stop and think about those officers who do consider it of some importance and who decide to attend Headquarters with their family, for the Ceremony.

Of those officers who decide to attend I do not know how many may be concerned by the publication of the Force Order, what concerns me more than anything is that the feelings of the police officer is not even considered. When I made an enquiry of the Federation as to what they knew about the 'joint' arrangements I was told that they had not been spoken to about it far less consulted. I wonder if the local representatives for the Superintendents Association or ACPO were consulted?

Ian Copland
PC 765

RENT ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir,
IF I READ the situation correctly, the arbitration on rent allowances has done nothing for us except give every serving police officer who is currently enjoying a

FORCE LOTTERY

29.5.89

1st £1,500 PC J. Batchelor, Southend,
2nd £700 Inspector A. Easter, Canvey,
3rd £300 W. Johnston, Clacton.

Consolation prizes £50 —

Pc K. Bishop, FSU Dc R. How, CDU, Ds R. Seals, Southend, Pc P. Golding Laindon Traffic, Pc H. Laverack, Rayleigh Traffic, P. Sleeman, HQ, Pc M. Kohler, Chelmsford, Pc D. King, Grays, Pc L. Elkington, HQ Driving School, Dc A. Watson, CDU.



by
Tony
Warren

MONEY MATTERS

It has now been twenty months since that awful weekend in October 1987, when the trees came down with the stock markets.

Here we are, coming up for two years on, and the devastation has left its mark on the countryside — a lot of those leafy lanes are now "open-plan".

What about the other damage? I can recall standing in my office, watching the UK markets tumble on the Monday morning and being certain that "things would never be the same again".

Unlike the trees, the markets healed well and, having looked at the FT Index since 1987, there seems little doubt that what we were seeing that fateful morning was simply a massive correction in a trend which has been steadily advancing since 1974.

There has certainly been a marked change in investment advisers' attitudes since then and those of us that were in the investment business at that time have the benefit of having "lived through it", rather like the older generation wax lyrical on "living through the blitz".

The investment market is

now picking up again as investors enjoy the benefits of investing in the "summer lull" that often accompanies the holiday season. Until now, we have deliberately distanced ourselves from the investment market, setting ourselves a target of eighteen months in order to assess the recovery of the markets and also to see how fund managers would fare in that recovery. In the event, the markets have recovered well and a lot of fund managers have excelled themselves with quite admirable growth.

In the course of building an investment portfolio, here are some ideas which might be considered. You must remember though, that all unithised investments, past performance is not necessarily a guide to future growth. YOU MUST ALSO REMEMBER THAT UNIT VALUES CAN GO DOWN AS WELL AS UP.

"Pep B"

The PEP (Personal Equity Plan) that I did not like the sound of when they were first brought in, has now won my praise since, under new legislation, each man and woman over 21 may invest £2,400 entirely into unit trusts and enjoy tax-free dividends and growth. My pre-

vious objection was that most of the money had to go into quoted shares.

Guaranteed Income Plans

The five year guaranteed income schemes are with us, mixing my old favourites the Investment Bond, with a guaranteed income plan (annuity). The annuity provides a guaranteed monthly income and the bond provides the opportunity of growing the rest of the investment to make up the money which was used to buy the income plan. The mixture is adjustable — the more the guaranteed annuity, the less the risk. Now I think that is a "neat idea"! (With apologies to Oliver North).

Investment Bonds

Finally, some of you will remember my article six years ago "My name's Bond — single premium bond." These still provide the opportunity of growth which, unlike Building Society deposits, never earn you basic rate tax liability and can still be used to provide monthly income. They don't even make you liable for Capital Gains Tax.

I hope you all enjoy the holiday season.

Retirements

We wish you all the very best for a long and happy retirement

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Superintendent R. M. Law, Southend/Rayleigh, April 23 after 35 years 86 days service.
Pc A. P. Felton, Chelmsford/Halstead, April 27 after 15 years 296 days service.
Superintendent E. R. Finch, Chelmsford/Braintree, April 30 after 27 years 194 days service.

Pc R. A. E. Wallis, Southend/Westcliff, May 1 after 30 years 9 days service.

Wpc S. A. Keeble, Personnel/CSB Brentwood, May 7 after 13 years 249 days service.

Pc J. C. Hill, Grays/Hutton, May 18 after 14 years 189 days service.

Wpc K. F. Croucher, Harlow/Dunmow, May 21 and 6 years 6 days service.

Pc R. J. Brittain, Harlow/Road Safety, May 21 after 27 years 33 days service.

Pc N. H. Wright, Chelmsford, May 31 after 26 years 79 days service.

Pc J. P. Coleman, Personnel/CSB Hadleigh, May 31 after 25 years 81 days service.

Pc A. S. Goddard, Support/Rayleigh Traffic, June 2 after 28 years 170 days service.

Pc S. J. Dean, Grays/Tilbury, June 11 after 10 years 246 days service.

Pc M. J. Beale, Grays, June 11 after 22 years 277 days service.

Wpc K. Blaxland, Southend/Rayleigh, after 7 years 165 days service.

Mrs P. Limmer, S O A, Brentwood, who retired on March 19.

Mr A. Taylor, Traffic Warden, Southend who retired on March 19.

Mr F. G. Harvey, HQ Garage, who retired on April 2.

Mr E. A. Lake, Traffic Warden, Dunmow who retired on April 5.

Mr R. G. Stone, Clerk/Telephonist, Southend, who retired on April 7.

Mr H. L. Osbourne, Senior Clerk, Colchester, who retired on April 9.

Mrs J. D. Heywood, Supervisor Rayleigh, who retired on April 9.

Mr R. C. Bell, Groundsman HQ, who retired on April 9.

Mr R. D. W. Popkin, Clerk/Typist Colchester who retired on April 9.

Miss M. T. Lyth, Deputy Supervisor Grays, who retired on April 12.

Mr W. A. Holloway, Traffic Warden, Colchester, who retired on April 16.

Mr F. R. Oliver, Supervisor, Southend, who retired on April 18.

Mr J. W. Smallman, Driver/Labourer, Clacton who retired on April 30.

Obituaries

March 16, ex Chief Superintendent G. A. Dolby aged 65 years who retired from the Force 1983.

March 17, ex Chief Inspector L. A. Hawes, aged 77 years who retired from the Force 1965.

March 28, ex Inspector R. Hamblin, aged 72 years, who retired from the Force 1969.

May 19, ex Chief Inspector L. E. Fisher, aged 76 years who retired from the Force 1965.

May 22, ex Pc J. Key, aged 88 years, who retired from the Force 1960.

June 1, PC S. Taylor, aged 32 years, serving officer.

June 2, PC A. J. Morrison aged 34 years, serving officer.

Federation Notes



by
Brian Pallant

IN THE last issue of the Law I gave you a brief resume of the arbitration decision on the Rent Allowance.

Since then I have received many questions with regard to different aspects of the agreement, especially with regard to:

- Compensatory Grant.*
- Police Officers residing in Police Accommodation.*
- Male and Female Serving Officers who are married to each other.*
- What happens if I move house after the new allowance comes into Force, will there still be the protection of the 'Red Circling'.*

These and many other points were raised on the 17th April 1989 when the Staff Side and the Official Side got together to discuss the implications of the Arbitration decision.

Because of the many anomalies thrown up by the new agreement it was decided to form a small working party to look at the problems and report back to the Police Negotiating Board. This has been done and the working party has met already on numerous occasions.

At the recent Federation Conference at Blackpool the National

Secretary Vee Neild reported that it would be sometime before the working party was able to report back to the Police Negotiating Board with its recommendations as there were areas where they were having difficulty with interpretation. It might well mean going back to the Arbitrators on some points for clarification. If this is the case it could well be the end of this year before any firm agreement and decision is reached.

As soon as individual points are clarified then we will keep you all informed.

BI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF RENT ALLOWANCE

The Bi-annual Review of Rent Allowance has now been concluded and the new figures placed before the Police Committee at their meeting on the 5th June 1989. The below figures were agreed subject to the ratification by the Home Secretary.

The new rates when ratified will be effective from the 1st April 1989. The rates as set out below are the current payable since 1987 and the new proposed rate.

	1987	1989
District Valuers Valuation of Selected House - Rental Value.	2756.00	3900.00
Rateable value for valuation purposes.	318.00	318.00
Multiplier.	8.67	12.26
General and Water rates.	784.70	967.73
Allowance per year.	3540.70	4867.63
Allowance per month.	295.06	405.63
Allowance per week.	67.87	93.31

The above figures relate to the Force Maximum Rent Allowance for the Federated Ranks. Superintendents and above will receive the usual enhancement. Single Officers should remember that they receive an allowance at Half the Maximum Rate.

Can I take this opportunity of reminding Members of two points to note.

1. If they have not already done so Members should submit an up to date ACC3 as soon as possible

otherwise their claims for any increase could well be delayed.

2. To calculate your individual Rent Allowance - use the below formula: The Rateable Value of your property multiplied by the Force Multiplier. Add to this figure the General Rates and Water Rate that you pay as from 1.4.89. This total amount is then divided by 12 to give you the monthly figure for your Rent Allowance up to the above Force Maximum.

Force Mileage Rate

The new rate has now been increased to 21.7 with effect from the 1st April 1989 and is paid automatically by County Hall when Gold Forms are submitted.

Car Leasing Scheme

I reported in the last issue that the matter was to be raised by the Essex Joint Branch Board at the Federation Conference at Blackpool in May.

The matter was fully debated, however in the vote it was defeated by conference. I must say at this stage that your Branch Board were very surprised at this result, as the point was made very clear to the conference that what we were looking for was an addition to the regulation with regard to a purely voluntary scheme, and did not detract in anyway from members who still wished to be reimbursed at the appropriate Casual or Essential user rates.

However the Central Committee spokesman from the conference platform stated that there was in his view no need for any addition or changes to the Regulations, as individual Forces could negotiate with their respective Police Authorities Car Leasing Schemes outside the control of the Regulations. This he stated was supported by legal opinion.

In view of these remarks I have written to the Central Committee Secretary asking for a copy of that legal opinion, so that I can raise the matter further at the next JNCC meeting with the Chief Constable.

I am hoping for a decision to be reached one way or the other at this meeting on the 27th June 1989. Members will be informed at an early date of any developments.

Members Services

Terry Spelman my Assistant Secretary has recently negotiated a HOLIDAY deal with the travel company TJAEREBORG.

Their prices are already low as you deal direct with the company by passing any Agent. However Members of the Essex Police Federation will receive an additional discount of £10 per person on any Holiday for any departure date featured in the TJAEREBORG brochures. Just ring the below numbers to book: 01-727-2680 or 061-236-9511

All you have to do is mention that you are a member of the ESSEX POLICE FEDERATION and you will automatically get your £10 per person discount.

From time to time there will be SPECIAL OFFERS available which will be circulated to the membership.

As a starter I mention several SPECIAL OFFERS that are available at the present time.

1. MAJORCA - Hawaii Paradise Apartments - Self Catering ANY DEPARTURE DATE. £30 per person discount off Brochure price (Children under 12 FREE).

2. CORFU - Hotel TELEMACHOS - Bed and Breakfast ANY DEPARTURE DATE. £30 per person discount off the Brochure price.

3. CRETE - Hotel LITO - Bed and Breakfast ANY DEPARTURE DATE during JULY, AUGUST and SEPTEMBER. £30 per person discount off the Brochure price. WATCH the Federation Notice Boards for future offers.

Annual Report on CICB and Civil Claims for 1988

I reproduce below the annual report on the above compiled by your Claims Secretary PHIL CHARTERS.

1988 has proved once more to be a busy year for claims submitted by Officers within the Force, for both Criminal Injuries and Civil Claims made under the terms of the

Federation Fund Rules.

Criminal Injury claims settled, have increased from 30 to 39 over the past year. Total settlements have also increased from £118,925.71p to £124,866.45p.

Civil Claims have decreased slightly from 24 claims settled, compared with 32 the previous year. The amount settled is also lower at £80,054.85p compared with £176,946.81p

Claims lodged with the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board are taking longer to finalize. The average now for a straight forward claim is 18 months to 24 months, whereas before it averaged between 12 and 18 months. More complicated cases take much longer, in some instances 4 or 5 years. This is due to a very large increase in the numbers of claims Nationally and the lack of staff at CICB. An additional office has opened in Glasgow in an attempt to ease the situation.

Regular consultations by the Federation Solicitors with members regarding their claims take place at Headquarters. On occasions members with legal problems can seek guidance through a 'surgery' arranged through the Claims Secretary. Finally there are at present 129 CICB claims in various stages of completion, an increase of 21 over the last year. 87 Civil cases are being dealt with by this office through the Solicitors, also an increase of 13 on last year.

Members are reminded that if they need advice regarding either a CICB or Civil claim they should contact the Claims Secretary Phil Charters at Harlow Traffic extension 5427.

May I take this opportunity on behalf of the Joint Branch Board of thanking Phil for the work he does throughout the year on your behalf. WELL DONE PHIL KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

CHARITY FUND RAISING

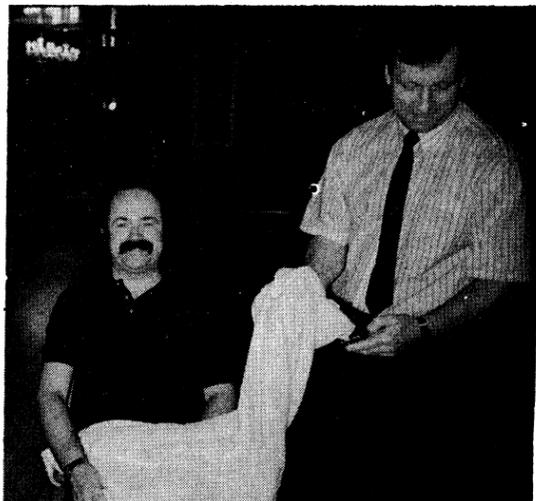
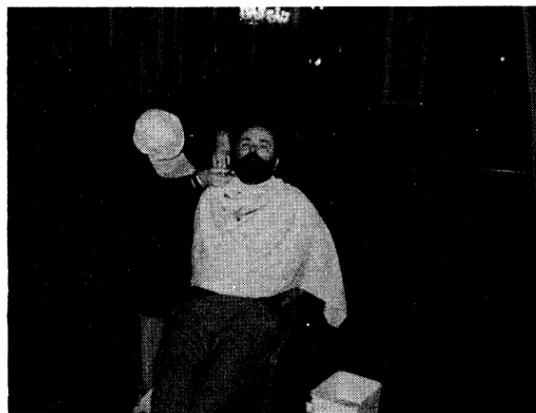
On the last night of the Federation Conference at Blackpool the Constables Representative for the Chelmsford Division Mick Englefield agreed to have his long standing beard shaved off to raise funds for the visit of a party of Injured Officers from the Royal Ulster Constabulary to Essex.

Pictured in the first photograph is Mick with full beard being shaved by

the Woman Constables Representative Sue Kelly.

In the second photograph the beard has gone and the JBB Chairman Bob Needham is just about to show Mick the finished result in the mirror.

I am pleased to announce that a collection around the members present raised the sum of £100 for the Charity - WELL DONE MICK.



Personal loans

You will no doubt remember in the last edition that I mentioned the agreement with the Co-operative Bank regarding cheap loans. I am pleased to say that several members have already taken advantage of the scheme.

Following on from this in conjunction with the Force Welfare Officer Neville Leach I have had talks with representatives of the HALIFAX Building Society. They are prepared to offer a similar loan package as per the Co-Op Bank, together with offers of help with regard to MORTGAGES.

This offer will be open to all Members of the Force including CIVILIANS and it is hoped that an information evening will be held in the QUIET ROOM at Police Headquarters Chelmsford on the evening of Tuesday 4th July 1989.

Keep your eye on the Federation Noticeboards, posters will be distributed in the near future.

In the meantime information is available from the JBB Secretary.

BOOKS WANTED

Dear Sir,
THE BRENTWOOD SUB-DIVISIONAL contribution to this years Force 'Fun Day' is to be a second hand bookstall.

In order for it to be a success I would urge all of our readers to make a positive effort to contribute straight away and sort out unwanted books of any description for re-sale, especially paperbacks. We are happy to receive quality glossy magazines and only draw the line at 'Penthouse' and 'Satanic Verses'.

A telephone call to the Inspectors office at Brentwood will secure prompt collection, and be much appreciated.
D Burrell, Inspector

ESSEX POLICE FEDERATION DERBY DRAW RESULT

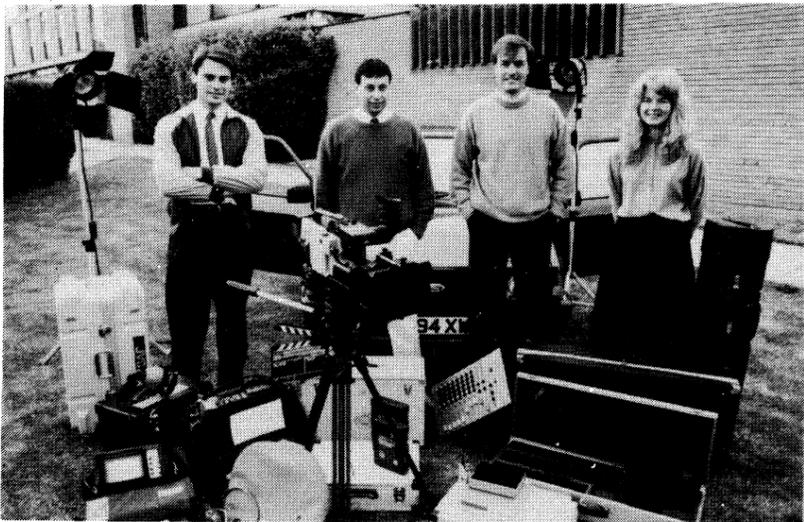
1st Prize £100
Ticket No. 3971
F. Harrison H.Q. Soc.
2nd Prize £50
Ticket No. 3460
P.s. K. Beechener HQ D/School
3rd Prize £25
Ticket No. 3335
C. Sigournay HQ Inf. Room

The following all drew horses and receive a consolation prize of £5.

Ticket No. 0716 Pc 1375 J. Woods. Maldon
Ticket No.8253 Rachel Pallant
Ticket No. 4328 Mr. G. Sage
Ticket No. 5208 Insp. T. Belford, Canvey
Ticket No. 1495 Ps M. Berry DPU Grays.
Ticket No. 5348 Mrs E.S. Elliott, Basildon.
Ticket No. 0787 Ps. S. Welham, Maldon.
Ticket No. 3594 Pc. 1895 N.R. Dawes FSU.
Ticket No. 4324 Pc 893 Owen Brentwood Traffic.
Ticket No. 5639 Dc 743 P. Baxter Canvey.
Ticket No. 1390 D. Taylor Jaywick.
Ticket No. 0160 J. McMurtrie. Billericay.
Ticket No. 3967 A. Masson. HQ FIB.

The joint branch board would like to thank all those who participated in the draw.

FORCE TELEVISION UNIT



Ian Deal, Marc Bernes, Dave "Spielberg" Tyler and Rebecca "Pardon" Garratt.

VIDEO STRATEGY

IT HAS LONG been acknowledged that video is an invaluable aid to communication and training. It has been said that "A picture is worth a thousand words". If that is true, how much can be communicated via the video cassette tape?

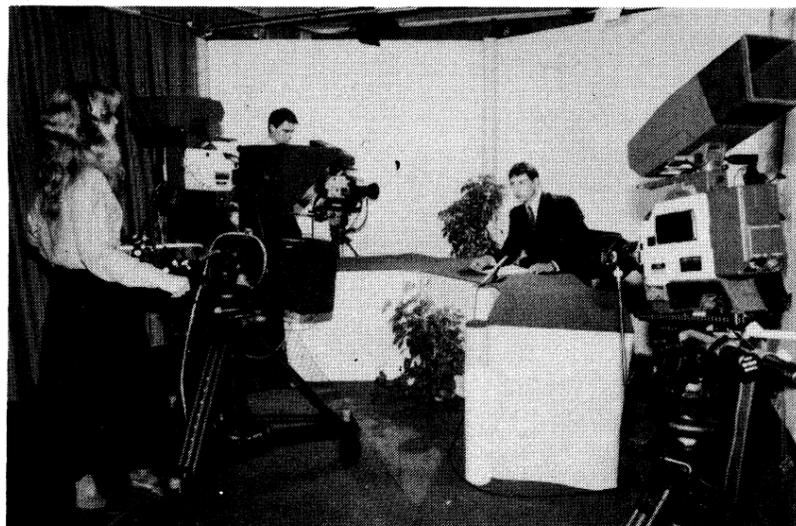
Clearly in this force we have yet to maximise the potential of the video tape. However, we are taking steps to rectify the situation in the near future.

It may not be widely known that the TV Unit located at the Force Training School,

every Sub Divisional (and some Section) Stations, will be supplied with a 14 inch Video player to be located either in the parade room or other location readily accessible to all officers. (A catalogue of available video tapes will accompany each player).

The video players are transportable because it is not viable at this time to supply them to all stations.

At each station where a video player is located, an inspector or sergeant will be designated the "Video Liaison Officer". Their primary tasks will be to ensure that all staff are made aware of the available facilities, and to promote/encourage the use of video, as an effective training and communication medium.



TV STUDIO

has been expanded and up-graded in the past year or so. Many thousands of pounds have been invested in the technical development of its production capability. Also, the staffing levels have been increased (from 2 to 4) with more to follow later this year.

For what purpose? You may well ask. The primary reason for this capital expenditure and the committing of resources is to support the Officer on the beat by disseminating information to him/her in an efficient and effective manner. Not only to satisfy individual training needs, ie. by way of decentralised training, but also to keep him/her aware of recent developments within the Force on matters relating to procedures, legislation, social, sport and welfare etc.

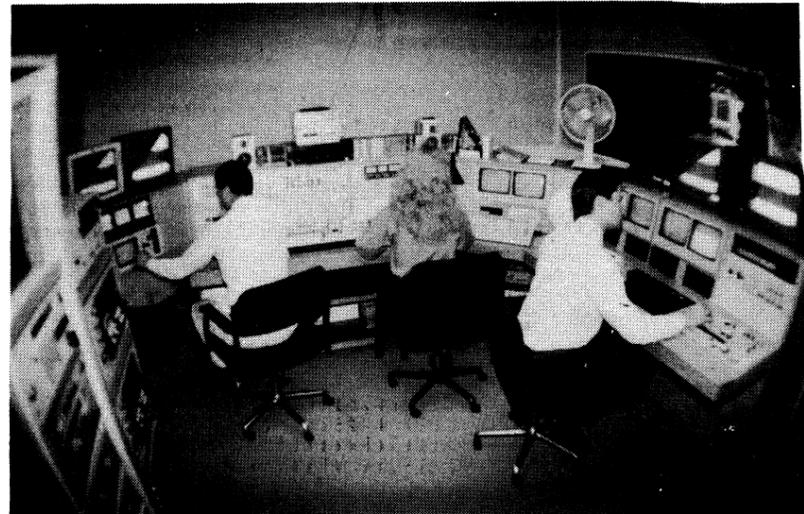
Accordingly, commencing 26 June, 1989,

Being mindful of the strict Copyright Regulations, a force order will shortly be published outlining the Video Strategy of this Force.

Broadly speaking, there will be three categories of videos available for Divisional use.

1. Tapes covering one specific subject — eg. "Infectious Diseases".
2. A compilation of inforce matters covering training, social, sport and welfare news — called "Focus" likely to be produced bi-monthly.
3. Catalogued tapes will be available on loan from the video library maintained at the T.V. Unit.

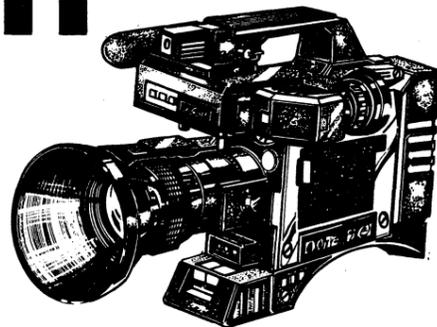
Consumer "Feedback" is of course all important in this. A specially devised profes-



CONTROL ROOM

ma obtainable from your Video Liaison Officer, invites you "The Consumer", to pass on any constructive criticism or suggestions to the Force Training School, Superintendent directly. Your views and suggestions will be taken into account at subsequent video production meetings.

It is our intention to respond to the demands of the Force by producing high quality videos in a professional way. Priorities will be set due to anticipated heavy demands. Nevertheless our primary objective will always be to support the "man on the beat", in his increasingly difficult task.



VIDEO PRODUCTION

THOSE OF YOU that have intentionally or inadvertently stumbled across Multi Media at the Force Training School (now re-named Force Television Unit) will not have helped but to notice the many significant changes. The cynics amongst you — who me — will be saying "why, what for." I'll address that in a mo. First of all I'll attempt to outline the changes.

What was once upon a time the Drying Room, used on those rare occasions when it used to rain has been gutted and refurbished. This is now the entrance into the world of television. The walls hold the comprehensive video library which you are more than welcome to exploit (all police related programmes I'm afraid).

The area where people you didn't know what to do with were deposited — known as the Visitors Waiting Lounge — is now the Presentation Suite. This is used exclusively for those wishing to give presentations, seminars or briefing to audiences of about 20-25 people. The suite is equipped with any visual aid you are likely to require and offers comfortable and professional surroundings.

Perhaps the most significant area of change lies within the studio and control area. Which indeed represents substantial capital investments.

The studio, complete with it's "Wogan set", is equipped with four colour cameras, auto-cue for those of us not to hot at remembering the Stones Justices' Manual word for word, computerised lightly grid and chromakey used for those superman flying through the air type techniques (auditions for super - cop III coming soon).

You may be forgiven if at first you thought the control room doubles up as the flight deck for the Starship Enterprise. This is the room in which all programmes are cut and put together. Without going into pages of technical data we have a machine high-band edit suite (this is a broadcast standard) with the very latest in digital video effects and techniques enabling us to perform all those clever production effects you see on Russ Abbot or Top of the Pops. A video typewriter means we can superimpose names, captions and scroll credits, compact disc used for music and/or sound effects, copying facilities plus audio mixers, vision mixers and schweppes mixers.

Hang on one mo whilst I climb onto my soap box. In the past the standard of police video production has left a great deal to be desired. This wasn't due to the want of trying but largely to the lack of necessary equipment and expertise. Now we have both and are making rapid steps forward. Already the unit has won much acclaim from many differing quarters.

The power of television as a communicative tool cannot be disputed. What we attempt to do is harness that power, and I believe very successfully. Primarily we are here to satisfy a training need. Programmes produced or which are currently under production include Stansted Airport, Roadcraft (Driving School), Say No To Strangers (CSB), Practicals for CID and many more. There are many occasions when we prepare material for briefings and presentations

and other such forums. One question addressed was how can we help you - the officer on the ground. As already mentioned T.V. can be a powerful tool if used properly. We are subjected to very high standards of programmes every day in our own homes. If we are to maintain success and credibility its imperative that our programmes are comparable to those very exacting standards. But I digress, to try and secure better communications to the man on the beat it was decided to launch a Police Information Programme. Included in this 15-20 minute video will be items of new or revised legislation. Items of general interest such as changes to your rent allowance, items of local interest and we haven't forgotten - sport. We've endeavoured to make it of interest to all of you. I'd like to take this opportunity to say that this is your programme, it's up to you to make it work. We welcome any



constructive criticism or comment you may have, as to how we can better the way in which we address issues or approach them. Any ideas or items you feel may be worthy of inclusion in further additions would also be very welcome - thank you.

Right, my soap-box has given way now so I'd just like to introduce my team.

There's me, Marc Bernes, the good looking one. I head the unit and have been engaged in television production for nearly twelve years now. I joined Essex Police in 1985 and have already seen many changes.

Dave "Spielberg" Tyler is my right hand man. Cameraman extraordinaire. Dave comes from a very similar background to my own and contributes a great deal to the success of the department. The Arthur Daley of the Training School — anything you need just see Dave.

Ian Deal — son of Supt. Deal — yes, that's made your programme suggestions more publishable. Ian's the newcomer of the unit but has already fitted in extremely well. He's also got half the unattached females in the county chasing him (it's probably due to the fact that he drives a green Fiesta Finesse).

Rebecca "Pardon" Garratt — the glamour in the team. RG joined us about a month ago. My only advice to you is if travelling on the same train seek a different carriage — she seems to attract the weirdest of people. Apart from that she's great to be with.

We are currently in the throes of recruiting two additional members of staff.

We are here to help and support you so if we can be of any assistance just let us know.

Marc Bernes

ESSEX POLICE FUN DAY 1989

What can you get for 30p?

1. Two cups of Headquarters Canteen Coffee.
2. Half a cheese roll.
3. A packet of salted potato crisps.
4. One third of a pint of beer (if you are lucky).
5. Three cigarettes.
6. A bar of chocolate.

It could be said that an investment in any of the above alleged pleasures/necessities of life could be detrimental to your health and well being.

Alternatively a 30 pence investment in the purchase of a Fun Day Admission Programme can only be beneficial. It leads to entry into five hours of nonstop varying entertainment for Mums, Dads, Grannies and Grandads, Aunts and Uncles with children under 14 admitted free. The opportunity of many spectacular prizes such as —

1. A weeks holiday in Portugal for two people.

2. A weeks holiday in the Lake District for two people.

3. British Rail 'Anywhere to anywhere' Tickets for two people in the United Kingdom including two nights of four star hotel accommodation of the winners choice.

4. Ladies and Gents gold wristwatches.

Plus many more fabulous prizes and all the fun and excitement of the fair with many bargains too numerous to mention.

The opportunity will also be available to meet and to shake hands with the UK's number one nice guy FRANK BRUNO who will be attending the Fun Day

between 12 midday and 1pm.

But most important of all is that by purchasing a 30 pence programme you will be in some small way assisting the Essex police to support the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, The Essex Radio David Eastwood Leukaemia Appeal and ten other local Essex Charities all of which are most worthy.

Whilst requesting that all Force personnel purchase a programme attendance on the day by as many people as possible will ensure not only the success of the event together with considerable monies being raised for the nominated charities concerned. None of us should lose sight of the possibility that at some stage we ourselves may need the support of a charity.

However, if you are unable to attend on the day SUPPORT can still be given and is URGENTLY sought in the form of donations for tombola, white elephants and book stalls. Any such items can be left or directed to Police Headquarters for the attention of myself.

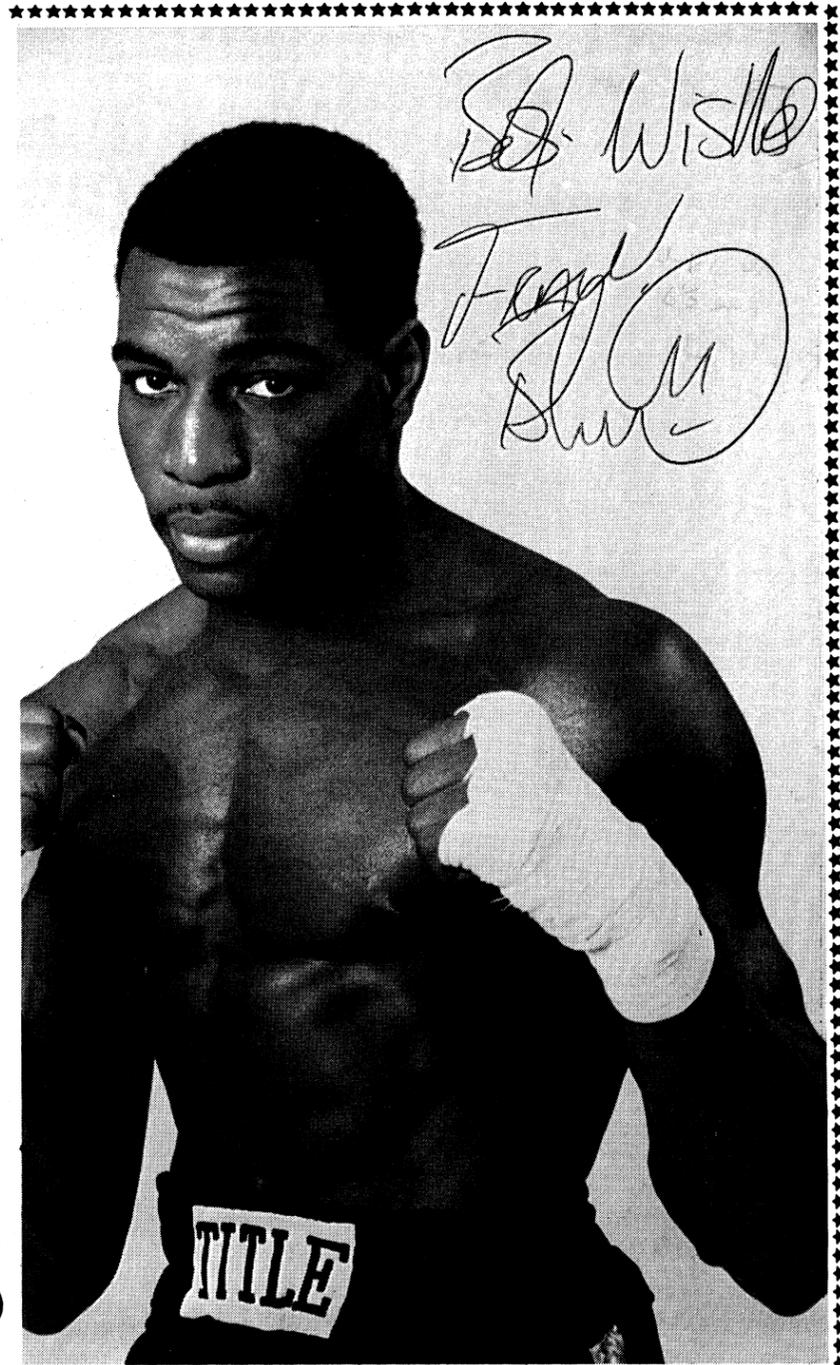
For music lovers confirmation that the Fun Day Big Band Concert will be held at the Cliffs Pavilion Westcliff on Sea on Monday 30 October between 7 and 11pm. The Bands appearing will be the Regimental Band together with the Pipes and Drums of the Highland Light Infantry, The Regimental

Band of the 9th/12th Royal Lancers and the Essex Police Band. Price of entry to this event to be announced in due course.

For those unable to attend either the Fun Day or the Band Concert support can still be given to the Force Fund Raising Activities by way of purchasing a Fun Day Lottery Ticket priced 40 pence (or better still books of 5 for £2) with the chance of winning a luxury weeks cruise for two people to the Norwegian Fjords plus many other superb consolation prizes. Tickets for this Lottery will be on sale from 2 July with the winning draw being made at the Band Concert on 30 October.

The organisers of all events have tried to cater for all tastes but such efforts will have been in vain or greatly reduced without the support of the Force Personnel, their families and friends in helping and encouraging the public to attend and partake in raising monies to be donated and used to improve the quality of life of those in need.

David Bright
Chief Inspector



Come and have a great day out and meet FRANK BRUNO

(Know what I mean, 'Arry?)

Frank will be there from noon till 1pm

Programme 30p (includes admission) Children under 14 free

WIN a balloon ride over Essex

Pony rides

WIN a champagne lunch for two

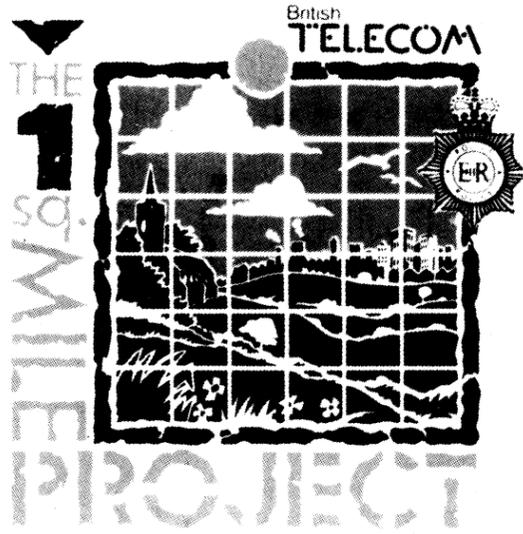
Karate display

Music, stalls, fun galore for all

SUNDAY 2nd JULY 1989

Police HQ, Springfield, Chelmsford

IN AID OF GUIDE DOGS FOR BLIND, DAVE EASTWOOD MEMORIAL APPEAL AND 10 OTHER ESSEX CHARITIES



has been accepted as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme curriculum and has had the Royal seal of approval from HRH The Prince of Wales, is open to teams of six young people between the ages of 11 and 16. Each team chooses an area of one square mile in their neighbourhood and works to physically improve it in some way making it a cleaner and safer place to live.

The Square Mile Project was run for the first time last year in Essex by British Telecom and the Essex Police. More than 2,000 young people entered and six lucky girls from Writtle and Chelmsford won a three week holiday in Australia and Hong Kong.

If anybody requires further information contact Inspector Wilkinson or Pc Crabb at Headquarters at Crime Prevention.

WHAT CAN THEY DO?

BRITISH TELECOM and Essex Police, for the second year, are providing an opportunity for young groups to use their imagination and creative energies to the fullest extent possible.

They may choose to:-
 Beautify and plant trees in an area of neglect.
 Identify and improve local places made inaccessible to the physically handicapped, or to mothers with pushchairs.
 Look at traffic problems and

other solutions to the local authorities for improved road safety, cleaner and better signs, or better street furniture.

Start on a litter clearing campaign with ideas on how to keep it going into the future.

Think of ways to prevent vandalism of public places, facilities and British Telecom payphones.

Think of other ways to prevent crime in your community.

These are just a few examples — there are hundreds of others.

DATES TO NOTE

- 12 May Competition launch
- 30 June Competition registration deadline
- 1 July Progress sheet to be submitted to British Telecom
- 15 July Progress sheet to be submitted to British Telecom
- 1 August Progress sheet to be submitted to British Telecom
- 15 August Progress sheet to be submitted to British Telecom

- 1 September Progress sheet to be submitted to British Telecom
- 8 September Competition closing date
- 23 September Final judging day
- October Winners to fly to Disneyworld

For details and entry forms call 0206 48125 or write to: British Telecom PR1.1. The Square Mile Project Office St Peter's House 22 St Peter's Street Colchester, Essex CO1 1ET

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

1. The Square Mile Project is open to young people between the ages of 11 and 16. No competitor may have reached their 17th birthday before the closing date of 8 September, 1989. The average age of each team will be taken into consideration during the judging process.
2. Any number of teams may enter from an organisation, club, school or class.
3. A team is made up of six young people of any variety of ages. No more than three may have parents working for British Telecom or the County Police Force.
4. Each team entry form must have the signature of a responsible adult willing to supervise and advise the team as necessary.
5. The entry form must be completed by the adult supervisor in full.
6. Entry forms must arrive at the Project Office by 30 June and the final Project Books must arrive by the competition closing date of 8 September, 1989.
7. All competitors must be able to meet the requirements of the scheduled dates.
8. Teams should send in a progress sheet twice a month to help the judges to monitor progress. Once the first sheet is received six Square Mile T-Shirts will be sent to the team leader.
9. The organisers reserve the right to contact team leaders and supervising adults at any time during the competition period to monitor progress.

GRATEFUL THANKS

Dear Sir,
 I AM WRITING to tell you how grateful I am for the extreme kindness and courteousness shown by the patrol car officers who came to my assistance when I was in trouble on the M25 north of Dartford Tunnel at 7.40am Friday 9 March.

I would be grateful if you could thank again for me the officers on duty in car E267 BVX (I think that was the number) they were an outstanding example of efficiency, combined with charm, tact and good manners. I really was very grateful.

After explaining to my class of 11 year olds what had happened, we had a lively discussion about 'wonderful policeman' and I have enclosed some copies of their work. I thought your officers might like to read them.

I have enclosed a cheque for Comic Relief on behalf of the officers concerned in appreciation of your very efficient staff and telephone service operators.

Thank you again to all concerned.
 Margaret Hitchens

● Due to lack of space the poems will be published in the next issue of The Law

FIRST AIDERS FIRST AGAIN



Full Force First Aid team from which winning team was picked.

ON TUESDAY the 25 of April, 1989, the intrepid Force First Aid team went to Ipswich to compete for the "Driscoll" and Humphrey Cups. Five members in all, representing hundreds (some would say thousands) of years of competition experience drove through the night to compete against six other teams representing both industry and one other Police Force. Our adversaries were tough and highly trained and were determined to keep the silverware to themselves for a sixth year.

However, team members Bob Emberson (Clacton), Steve Smith (Chelmsford), Alan Fitzjohn (FTS) and Chris Menzies (FTS) had other ideas and at 7.30 battle commenced, what followed was without doubt a surprise to us all.

The Competition consisted of two sets of pairs tests, two individual tests, a written test and two four-man team tests.

Some 2 hours later the "Team" exhausted to a man, awaited the results. "Second in the Humphrey Cup (written test — 25 questions in 5 minutes) Essex Police." "First in the "Driscoll Cup" by 39½ points . . . Essex Police.

Yet again the team had triumphed in the face of fierce opposition and perhaps even more importantly, all had enjoyed it.

If there are any budding First Aid enthusiasts out there, please give Chris Menzies a ring on extension 2752, but get in quick as demand is expected to be heavy.



TWO MEMBERS OF the Special Constabulary recently gave valuable assistance to a Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, Bronze Level, 'Police Service' Course at Clacton County High School.

Special Constables Sharon Scott and Paul Faint are shown together with some of their students, the D.E.A.S. Area Co-ordinator Mrs Sonny Guymer and Sergeant John Sones of Community Services Branch. This is believed to be the first occasion in Essex

when Special Constables have become fully involved in organising and running an award course. Not only did they enjoy the experience of working with young people and doing something different, but their assistance enabled a considerable saving in the deployment of regular officers.

Co-operation of this kind has many benefits, for youth and community based initiatives and it is hoped to extend the idea throughout Essex.

Any Special Constables who would like more information about joining Sharon and Paul, in working with young people, should contact Sergeant Sones at Shrub End CSB Office on internal extension 4591 or Colchester 0206 762412.

FORCE CHOIR

THE Force choir is now Training School most beginning to take shape Tuesday evenings between 8pm-9.30pm. but more members are still required.

Anyone interested in joining, contact John Bray, ext 3543.

Practice is at the Force

WERE YOU THERE — WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

OCTOBER 1969 SAW the official opening of the Cadet Training School by Princess Anne. Were you one of that first cadet intake?

We are searching for all the cadets who were part of that first year (Oct '69 — Sept '70) so that we can have a grand re-union to mark the 20th anniversary in September 1989.

If you were one of the first and want to meet up with old friends and colleagues please contact Big L (Linda Grimwade) on Colchester 56432 or Little L (Linda Hickman) on Colchester 762280.



I.P.A. MID-ESSEX BRANCH

ON FRIDAY EVENING 14 April, several members of the Branch attended a Barn Dance at Rayleigh Police Station which had been organised by S. E. Branch. There was a good response to the dance with an interval for a chicken and chips supper. It was a very enjoyable evening.

At 10am on Saturday, 22 April, John Bray, Dick Giggins and myself laden with carpenters tools, electrical equipment and work bench decended on H.Q. bar, where we set upon assembling a large wooden case fitted with two glass doors, making it suitable for displaying our trophies and memorabilia that had been donated to our Branch. The case now stands on a plinth at the far end of the bar with two smaller ones, illuminated inside with neon lights displaying our trophies for all to see. It has taken a few years to get this far for our Branch to be recognised. I am sure all members and others will be proud of it.

On Friday evening 28 April, a total of 24 members and their wives set off in their cars across the low lands of Essex to the Nuclear Power Station at Bradwell-on-Sea. Upon arrival we were taken to the reception area where

we were welcomed and introduced to Alan Perrett, Station Manager and Mr Jones, Senior Physicist who explained the fundamental workings of the Power Station.

We were then divided into groups of five with a guide and taken on a tour of the generating plants, including the section housing the nuclear reactors. After which we returned to the reception area where coffee and a very nice buffet had been prepared.

During this period it was explained to us the cause for the Chernobyl accident, which fortunately cannot happen in the UK because of the built-in protection provided, this is lacking in many Russian Power Stations.

A vote of thanks was given by our Chairman Roger who presented to Mr Perrett an I.P.A. Plaque. It was a most interesting evening.

On Friday evening 12

May, a number of member with their wives assembled a Chelmsford Police Station for a walking Treasure Hunt around the town, which had been organised by "Roger" our Chairman. We set off in pairs in different directions looking for various clues connected with the town. About an hour later we drifted back to our base where our paper were marked. There was a ti with John Bray and John Eady and their respective wives. Well done.

As I write this article our Chairman "Roger" is enjoying a three weeks holiday in California, USA visiting his brother. Perhaps on his return we may get a talk of his visit, but I cannot guarantee any slides.

You should have all no received the Mid-Essex Newsletter No.4 showing the forthcoming events for the remainder of the year. Amongst those is the I.P.A. visit from Trondheim, Norway, where accommodation for 29 members will be required for 22-29 October. A Accommodation Officer will be contacting all those members who have volunteered to help, in arranging accommodation.

Fred Dyc
Mid-Essex Correspondent

SARGE, — THE H.M.I. SAYS
ARE YOU READY FOR HIM YET??



CLASSIFIED BUYS

OLYMPUS TRIP 35mm camera, auto exposure, carrying case. Also Olympus Ps 200 electronic flash unit. Both in perfect condition. £30 complete. John Eady (rd), Danbury 3095.

COMPUTER SPECTRUM +3, joystick, over £100's worth of games. Less than one year old. All for £180. Excellent condition. Contact Dc Dave Swann, HQ CDU, or 0277 364626.

PORTUGAL ALGARVE, two-bedroom apartment on complex with own swimming pool, sleeps six, from £80 per week. Contact B. E. Spiers, ex Px, on 0268 558211.

BRITAX BABY'S CAR SEAT. 0-9 months, rear-facing with carry straps, immaculate condition, £15. Contact Pc 108 Cartwright (Weeley), home telephone 0255 830386.

LEADED STAINED GLASS, three panels, two, 16in x 36in; one, 24in x 32in set in door. £100. Contact Mrs D. A. Edwards, ex WPC 3007, home telephone Braintree 550757.

AUDI 80 Sports, 1984, black, immaculate condition, low mileage, full history, £3,850. Contact Pc 2344 N. Beinder, Basildon, home telephone Basildon 410719.

CAMERA, 35mm Olympus Om30 with 50mm and 175mm zoom lenses, tripod, flashgun and holdall, all for £175. Contact Pc 971 Dean, Grays, home telephone 0375 381310.

WESTON SUPER MARE guest house, open 12 months. Family, doubles, beach, touring, phone for brochure ex Ps 116 John Barcham, 0934 631124, children welcome.

CORNWALL, CLIFF road above beach, between Newquay-Padstow. Delightful welks, scenery. Bed/brakfast. Contact Wayne and Sid Macted. Telephone 0637 860308 (ex Ds 156 Macted).

FOR SALE, detached chalet, three bedrooms, luxury kitchen, bathroom, GFCH, 35ft lounge, quality carpets and curtains remain, backing Green Belt, £138,000. Contact ex DS 306 Duffy, home telephone number 0702 524494.

PEDROW EXERCISE bike perfect, £35. Britax child seat to three years, all straps complete, £7. Fisher-Price bike, £10. Contact Pc 13 Taylor, Belchamp St Pa home telephone 07 277765.

FOR SALE, three-bedroom bungalow between Haffley Peverel/Terling, third-of-acre surrounded by countryside in listed lane. Raybuilt secondary glazing etc. Convenient railway station at A12. £145,000 ono. Telephone Mrs Hehn, Chelmsford 380780.

ZOOM LENS TAMRON 8 210 plus 1:2.8 Macro, £7 including case. Contact F Turner, Harlow Traffic, home telephone Chelmsford 250438.

FOR SALE, E Reg. 3-door Escort 1300 Popular, unleaded, 11,000 miles only black, electric windows, aerial, cassette radio, anti theft alarm. Bargain at £4,950. Contact Chief Inspector Hayes, ext 2741.

BLOCK LETTERS PLEASE — ONE WORD PER BOX

Name and Rank Station

Home telephone Signed

National and International Pistol Shot

PHIL HAS BEEN representing Essex Police at National and International Competitions for the past fifteen years. He first represented Essex Police as far back as 1973 when as part of the Essex team he competed for and won on a regular basis the Metropolitan Police Neville D11 Challenge Trophy.

The D11 department being their operation firearms unit. Over the next few years Phil gradually progressed within his sport until 1978 after competing in various trials he was selected as reserve for England in the Commonwealth Games.

He regularly competed for both England and Great Britain at home and abroad as a member of the Great Britain National Pistol Squad. A position he held for six years from 1977 to 1983.

When asked why he left the National Squad in 1983, he replied, "To maintain such a high standard in any sport required a great deal of time and money. I was spending virtually all of my spare time either training or at competitions. The drive and motivation began to slow after six years so I decided I needed a break and to spend more time with my family. I

am quite happy at the moment competing in two police championships each year. The National British Police Short Range Shooting Championships in April, of which I have won the pistol event on three occasions in 1977, 1980 and 1988 with runner up this year, and the National British Police Open Shooting Championships in September where I enter five different competitions and usually fare reasonably well".

Phil's comment about usually faring reasonably well is no exaggeration, over the last three years he has managed at least three placings in the top three of his five different competitions every year and won the Pistol Champion of the meeting in 1977.

Phil is regularly selected to shoot for the British Police



SGT PHIL WEBB (Essex)

Runner up in the 1989 National British Police Pistol Championships

Team and has been selected to represent the British Police in the past three European Police Championships, England in 1979, Denmark in 1983, and Finland in 1987.

He is currently running a coaching course at his local club for its members encompassing the novice through to the experienced shooter.

A message from Phil, "If there is anyone out there who is interested in competition target pistol shooting please contact me at HQ ex 2511".

He says the Essex Police Pistol team is close to becoming non-existent. It comprises of only three members and three is the minimum number needed.

RESOLUTE RUNNERS

IN THE EARLY morning rain, the intrepid dozen started to wind their long, very weary way, along a succession of motorways, northwards.

Destination — Edinburgh-Riccarton Campus, Heriot Watt University, purpose — The National Cross Country Championships.

After leaving Headquarters at 7am, they finally arrived in time for tea at 5pm. Sterling work being done at the helm of transit van by Lance Williams and Roy Kebble.

The delightful picturesque surrounding, camouflaged very successfully what was in store for the 500 or so competitors from all over the British Isles — a very gruelling 7½ mile course, designed to 'move mountains' being without some of our best runners, for one reason or another but I can assure you, every man, jack (and lady) of them sweated blood for the Force that day, and the very weary bunch that collapsed in the local hostelry that evening will certainly testify to that.

Chris Turner from Basildon led the Essex lads home closely followed by John Clyde (Southend), Brian Moore (Braintree), Dave Palmer and Mick Kliskey (South Ockendon). Not very far behind were Lance Williams Roy Kebble, and yours truly, still respectably inside the remainder of the field. (In lay-mans terms, we weren't last).

Our one female competitor, Alison Bourne, from HQ had a superb run in the females compe-

tion, finishing a very creditable 27th.

With that, the return journey and once again the heavens opened, making poor old Roy Kebble's driving stint across the Pennines, more like a safari trek through a monsoon.

Eventually we slipped quietly into HQ around 7pm on the Thursday evening, and went our separate ways home. At least the majority of us did, the hire van had the last word on Lance Williams driving, when it finally 'died' outside Chelmsford prison, making it a very late evening for Lance and Brian Moore.

I should think Lance had one or two 'colourful' comments to make all totally unrepeatable.

A very enjoyable trip made even more so by the superb hospitality of the Lothian Police, and the staff at Heriot Watt University.

That concluded the cross country season. I would like, through the pages of The Law, on behalf of all our team, not only for Edinburgh, but throughout the season, to say a big thank you to our cross country organiser and captain, Roy Kebble from Billericay.

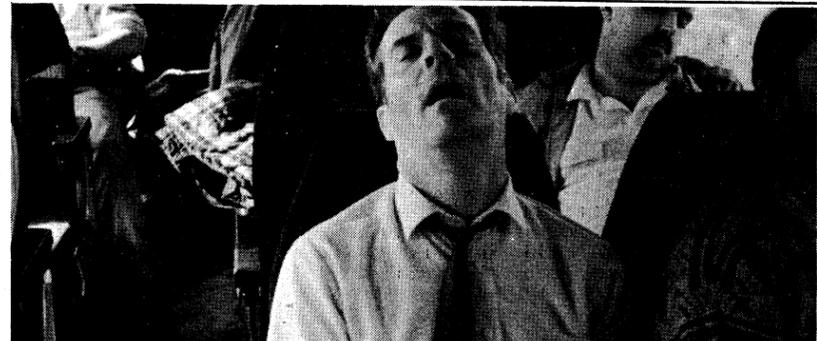
He took over the position at short notice from Barry Daymond, and has worked tirelessly to make it a success, despite being let down by many, often at the last minute.

Because of his efforts, the section can look forward to a very bright future.

Laurie Rampling



Essex Police: Cross Country Team — Edinburgh 1989
Back: L to R: Dave Palmer, John Clyde, Neil Phimister, Brian Moore, Lance Williams, Roy Kebble;
Front: L to R: Mick Kliskey, Chris Turner, Alison Bourne, Laurie Rampling



THE BANDMASTER of the Force Band, Box Coxon strikes his usual pose during a sightseeing trip when the Band recently visited Northern Ireland.

A GREY DAY FOR GRAYS

GRAYS POLICE HOPES of adding a second trophy to the Divisional Cup, won in December disintegrated at the hands of arch-rivals Basildon, in the final of the Southend and District Wednesday League Cup senior section.

The match, played at the Basildon United ground in Gardiners Lane, Basildon, was the fourth meeting between the sides this season, with Basildon avenging their 3-0 defeat at the hands of Grays in the Divisional Cup semi final, with honours being even in the league, one win a piece.

Basildon always looked the side most likely to and Grays despite having the majority of the early play, which saw two early chances wasted, soon fell behind to two sloppy goals, which then left them chasing an already difficult game.

Cruel Blow

First, midway through a tense hard fought first half, a hard low cross into the Grays box by Martin Oakley, struck the foot of Grays skipper Joel Henderson and deflected past Grays keeper Cansell. A cruel blow for the Grays skipper who had only minutes earlier gone close with a fine header at the other end.

Within minutes Basildon increased their lead with virtually a carbon copy goal. A mix up between Henderson, keeper Cansell and central

defender Patullo, allowed a harmless cross from Oakley to creep into the far corner of the net. Grays then seemingly 'dead' and 'buried' threw caution to the wind in seek of some redemption.

Alas it was not to be. The second half was a similar picture, with Grays doing the majority of the attacking, but Basildon looking the side more likely to.

Which they did on the hour. Good approach work by 'man of the match' Clive Day put speedy winger Dave Joseph clear, and he unleashed an unstoppable shot from the edge of the penalty box to make the score 3-0.

Penalty

Grays continued to battle away but with Day continuing to orchestrate everything for Basildon, they in-

creased their lead when Day again put Joseph away on the right. As Joseph attempted to 'round' keeper Cansell, the Grays' keeper pulled him to the ground and it was Day who made it 4-0 from the penalty spot.

This rounded off a fine performance by the Basildon lads against what was on paper a strong Grays opposition.

The cup was presented to skipper Steve Evins (an ex-Grays man I hasten to add) to the cheers of the Basildon contingent who mingled happily with the Grays contingent and helped to swell the stands of the pleasant little Basildon United ground.

The thanks of Basildon manager Dc Steve Tuckman and myself go to all of you who have braved a chilly evening to support their side.

We hope the celebrations after warmed you up a bit.

Congratulations go to Basildon but Grays being Grays had to have the final say, with the evenings musical entertainment being eclipsed by the strain of the Grays 'battle hymn - Running Bear' long after the majority of the Basildon contingent had slipped off home.

Laurie Rampling



Basildon Police Team (photo Echo Newspapers)



Grays Police Team (photo Echo Newspapers)

MUSIC MAKERS

MUSIC-MAKING POLICE officers from throughout Britain are invited to help a West Midlands bobby hit the right note with plans to bring together the first national police orchestra.

Most forces have brass bands or other ensembles, but PC Alex Roe believes the time has come to try to assemble a full-scale orchestra.

Said PC Roe: "Out of the thousands of policemen and women in the country, there has got to be a talented orchestra-full."

The Birmingham-based bobby would like to have the orchestra up and rehearsing by the end of this year in preparation for a series of charity concerts in late 1990.

PC Roe envisages the orchestra raising money for Children in Need by playing regional concerts around Britain, leading up to a major festival night at the National Exhibition Centre near Birmingham.

"We would be aiming for the 'Classic Rock' type of music, such as the Beatles and Led Zeppelin, to appeal to more people than, say,

Tchaikovsky would," said the officer who has been a Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra viola player for the past 10 years.

"So we will be looking for all types of instruments, not just classical. We will need drums and guitars and even synthesisers."

West Midlands Police chiefs have backed the idea and will be sending a letter to all the other forces, outlining the plan and calling for interested musicians. It will then be a matter of waiting to see how much response the idea drums up.

Any interested officers are asked to contact PC Roe at the West Midlands force control room on 021 236 5000 ext. 2900.

Due to lack of space some contributions are held over

SEAXES AUTO CLUB

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Top row: Kay Porter, Sue Wood, Chris Gillingham, Gwyn Jenkins, Bev Acres, Jean Seager. Bottom row: Wendy Brown, Moira Ansley, Angela Noakes, Cindy Lambert, Judy Atkinson.

LADIES HOCKEY TOUR — BERLIN 1989
The 1988-89 hockey season was finalised with a tour out to Berlin. The 'team' ably supported by Detective Superintendent Mike Ainsley (the football hero), Chief Superintendent Alan Gilling, (translator and tactics coach) and Inspector Maureen Scollan (chaperone).

Departure was from Harwich and after an unscheduled stop at Bremen due to the demise of the boats engines the team travelled by the Force Coach with our super driver Graham Oakley, through the Russian checkpoints and along the military corridor of the city. Four games of hockey

were played over a period of five days against local teams and a combined services team at RAF Gatton. Apart from an initial draw, the scores reflected the fatigue we experienced of playing consecutive games in warm conditions. No serious injuries were received and all in all the hockey played

proved to be good fun and a challenge.

In between times, sight-seeing took over with visits to East Berlin to see the goose stepping changing of the guard at Neue Wache, a Russian War Memorial and of course the relics of Hitler's reign and the chilling modern reminder of the infamous wall.

The team was assisted by 'Cedric' our umpire who fed the girls 'red meat' and converted them into a fighting machine (who still lost!) this humour helped the tour tick along.

Superintendent Mike

Ainsley showed his prowess at football when 'Ainsley's Angels' took on the Army in a 24 hour charity football match in aid of the Hillsborough disaster.

The only hat trick of the tour was scored by Graham Oakley with his ability to get stopped for speeding coming home. Honest TIU he was not speeding and we have the tacho to prove it (those Eastie Beasies do anything to get Western Currency!)

All things considered it was an enjoyable trip, full of interest.

Jean Seager

VISIT BY KONINKLIJKE MARECHAUSSEE TO ESSEX



On 12 April 1989 17 officers of the Koninklijke Marechaussee, Brigade Hoek Van Holland were hosted by Essex Police Port Unit, Harwich for the first football match to be held at Headquarters. This was a continuation of a tradition which originally was hosted by Essex Police Port Unit and B T Police at Parkeston Quay, as part of liaison between the agencies.

The visit commenced with a large breakfast at the Castle Inn, Ramsey followed by a coach trip, courtesy of Adams Travel, to Headquarters where various departments were visited.

The highlights being The Driving School and Firearms Range.

After a buffet in the bar the match commenced with

The Marechaussee scoring the first goal after 10 minutes. Shortly after a brilliant shot by John Potter whistled past the stranded goalkeeper putting the Marechaussee two up. This obviously gave them great encouragement as by the end of the first half they were winning 8-0.

Essex Police won the second half 4-2 despite missing two penalties for blatant handball. The final result was Marechaussee 10, Essex Police 4. The average age of the Essex team was 43 years and the Marechaussee average age 21 years — must prove something. The return will be in Holland in September. Apres match entertainment at the pitch bar and the castle. Cup presented by Ex D I Murray. Thanks to all for a successful day.

ESSEX POLICE PAA SQUASH

THE ESSEX SQUASH team have achieved something which I feel is rightly deserved and a long time coming, that is getting away from the bottom of the league table.

Over the season, the team consisting of Graham Carter, Malcolm Johnson, John Lace,

Dave Murray, Graham Hadley, Mick Walker, Albi Horne, Adrian Bunting and myself have had some memorable wins over teams which in the past have whitewashed us.

This season gone, has seen Essex finished 5th as can be seen from the league table.

S.E. P.A.A. LEAGUE
1st Hampshire 256 points
2nd Sussex 231 points
3rd Thames Valley 185 points
4th Kent 163 points
5th Essex 141 points
6th Surrey 130 points
7th City 87 points
8th Herts 59 points

With the commitment of those already in the team,

and anyone else that is interested, a place in the top 3 is not out of the question.

Later this year a trial is to be held at Kingswood Squash Club for those interested in getting into the team and a teleprinter will advise accordingly.

Eddie Green
Braintree 0376 45734

SAILING CLUB



WINDSURFING

THE MAIN POINT this month is an appeal for more windsurfing members. I know there are quite a few of you out there, and we need your support. We also need your experience and skill to pass on to any novices. I have recently been approached by the Windsurfing Secretaries of other Forces sailing clubs with a view to inter club meetings, friendlies and competitions etc.

For those of you that have watched others windsurf and have wished to have a go but are afraid to make fools of yourselves I am able to offer you the chance to learn for a mere £13.50.

For that meagre sum you get a full days instruction, with a qualified

RYA Instructor, it also includes board hire, wet-suit and a safety boat should you be unfortunate to have a mishap. I can arrange the instruction to fit in with your shifts.

The club would like to hear from anyone who

would like to sail in a more leisurely fashion as crew on a larger vessel. I in particular would like to hear from anyone who would like to help crew a Rival 32, nice boat, especially midweek? Experience not essential and it's free.

For details of windsurfing please contact Alan Batchelor at Southminster 0621 773663 or any other club matters or information please contact the club secretary Dick Houghton at Rayleigh CID.

Alan Batchelor

RUGBY NEWS

THE FORCE-SIDE again had a successful winning season losing only seven out of twenty seven Saturday games carrying on from the winning year last year.

Some notable results of the season were a win by over 30 points against Braintree 2nds, as well as victories over Basildon, Southend and Maldon 3rds. We finished fifth in the merit table league out of twelve which was a bit of a disappointment as vital defeats occurred when the side was depleted through injuries.

It was pleasing to see a number of good quality players joining the club this season, Simon Payne (BL), Brian Murnaghan (BP), Paul Gayle (EN) and Paul Alabaster (HL) being just a few, all of whom strengthened our squad to nearly forty.

A second fifteen will run next season playing a full fixture list on Saturdays along with the firsts therefore I would urge anyone who is interested in joining the club and being part of a second (or first fifteen) to contact Pc's Hall, Bedford or Clark on HQ FSU office or myself.

Everyone is made welcome and it is hoped that added interest from new players will enable the Force to increase the number of sides and consequently challenge top first teams in the County.

Towards the end of the season there were notable successes in the seven a side

tournaments. We again retained the merit table sevens title and were runners up in the PAA region 5 sevens in a somewhat disappointing tournament in Hampshire.

The Force as in previous years had an enjoyable tour to Europe in April taking in Hamburg which we had visited in 1987. Two matches were played!!, both of which we won convincingly.

Finally, congratulations to Pcs Payne and Sharp both of whom gained representative honours this season the former with the Eastern Counties U21 team which won the County Championship final at Twickenham and the latter who was chosen for the British Police Tour to Italy.

Training is every Tuesday night, 7pm at Headquarters as from 7 June 1989.

Dave Crichton Smith
(Ongar) Club Captain

SECTION

THE GOLF SECTION is well under its way for the season.

The Spring meeting was held at Canon's Brook Golf Club, Harlow, in pouring rain, good scores were returned in the circumstances.

The PAA was held at the same club on May 10 in glorious sunshine. Essex played quite successfully.

Notable winners from Essex were Bob Hayes (2nd Handicap) Terry Pack (3rd Handicap) John Stewart (1st Stableford) Harry Foldham the much loved veteran managed to win a prize in the afternoon getting closest to the pin at the 15th hole. This was the only shot he hit straight all day.

The Chief Constable attended the evening function and kindly presented the prizes.

The National Competition was held at Gwent, two members entered and gave a good account of themselves.

The PAA team championships were recently held at Royal Cromer Golf Club, Essex being the eventual winners going through to the next round, this is the first time we have won, a good result for all the players.

Rod Booth

ESSEX POLICE SAIL OFF WITH SILVER AT WEST MIDLANDS REGATTA

WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL saw Malcolm Gandy (Traffic Management), Alan Husk (Rochford) and Tony Britten (Training School) trek up the M1/M6 to Bartley Reservoir, Birmingham for the West Midlands Regatta and open meeting.

The day was cold and one of the last when the windscreens needed scraping free of ice. By contrast the competition was hot with the best from a wide range of forces including Thames Valley and the Met.

The event was three races with best two to count. Malcolm, sailing his 'Solo' dinghy, was in good form and took 2nd

place in the first race in light and shifting winds. In the second race he sailed even better and came 1st of the fleet of 25 boats. In the last race there were some vicious squalls and some decided they would rather swim and capsized (none of us capsized though!).

Malcolm finished 7th and that made him 2nd overall behind the winner, Simon Hanks, from Avon and Somerset. Alan Husk finished 14th overall in his 'Solo' and Tony Britten 20th overall. Well done Malcolm and let's hope we can breeze into the PAA National Championships in June.

Tony Britten
Dinghy Secretary

Dear Editor,
WOULD YOU PLEASE consider inserting an item in the next edition of The Law seeking a volunteer to take over the running of the football club bar at the Force Training School for home matches (mainly Saturday afternoons).

Ideally, the applicant should live fairly close to Chelmsford. The pay is poor — the job's voluntary and unpaid, but the beer and company are good.

Further information can be obtained from me at Police Headquarters, Complaints and Discipline Department ext 2720.

Keith Bevell, Hon. Secretary, EPFC

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