


# Lion Pride



Preece School & Haximadogs House in West Street.



## Chapter 6 Extracurricular Activities

Lion Pride	Chapter 6	
	<b>The Extracurricular Life of the School. The Parent Teacher Association</b>	

*This is quite a revealing list and covers a wide range of different activities. What is evident is the extent to which the extracurricular life has been organised by the boys of the School and where there has been Staff involvement, much of that has been notional, in a kind of “opening-doors” fashion.*

*Not included in this review because they have their own Chapters are the **Team Sports** where Staff involvement is clearly evident. The **Creative Arts** scene, also reported elsewhere, included Staff as participants but outside of Choir and Orchestra, was again, a pupil-centred enterprise. Dates of significant Productions are listed.*

*Almost totally without adult intervention were the exercises in the “**Spirit of Adventure**” Chapter, a contrast to the 11 years life of the **Price’s Scout Troop**, thriving on the initiative and devotion of its leader, Revd. E. Melville (Ted) Royds-Jones, also with its own Chapter.*

*Some activities are written-up in the Chapter “**Minor Sports**”: Chess, Table Tennis, Tennis, Badminton, Basketball, Rugby, Swimming, Sailing etc.*

Principal Contents		
Clubs & Societies: a Narrative	2 - 3	Brought together by David Goldring
Clubs & Societies: a List	3 - 9	
Educational, CCF Field, Exchange and other Trips: a Narrative	9 - 15	
Educational, CCF Field, Exchange and other Trips: a List	15 - 26	
Visiting Speakers & List	27 - 29	
Parent-Teachers Association	30 - 32	

# Extracurricular Activities

---

## Clubs and Societies

The aggregate list of all Clubs, Societies etc. should be viewed along with the spreadsheet which shows the pioneer Club was the Stamp club, founded in 1936, and followed the next year by the opening of the Scientific Club in 1937 and the Orchestra.

In keeping with a selection of others throughout the years; model parliament, photographic, cycling, modern jazz, radio, gymnastics, radio, campanology, phillumeny – all failed to assure a group future, and this was probably because the initiative in the first place came from a small nucleus of boys who, once departed the School left no younger ones to follow.

Stamps, Science Society, Orchestra and after a while Drama, were in the lead, but I sense it might have been the start of a Dramatic Society that really set the ball rolling. There is nothing quite like being a member of a play caste, or engrossed in the musical and visual spectacle of Gilbert & Sullivan type performances. As far as the latter is concerned, what more glee in a boys' School, than for it to form a relationship with the nearby Girls' Grammar School? The nature of the year-by-year schedules is the subject of a different review in this Report. No doubt though that the Dramatic Society, which Reported over a 19-year period, and may well have had some unreported activity in addition, would have been a major strength in the extracurricular life of the School. The Chapters on "Cultural Life of the School" and the "Price's Sixth Form College Years" detail the organised activity of Drama and Music, but it is in the rehearsal schedules that much preparatory activity would have made valued contributions to the extracurricular Life of School and College. But Stage or Concert performances aside, the teaching parts of the Drama, Music and Especially English Departments also offered extensive schedules of visits off-site to professional performances in the region, in support of the Curricular programme.

Understandably, the War years were lean time for schools, businesses and voluntary social groups. Many of the School's extracurricular activities ceased, not least because staff left for war services. As a stark contrast, the emergence of the Scout Troop and its subsequent flourishing was quite remarkable. Founded in 1941 by the Revd. E. (Ted) Melvill Royds-Jones, later aka "Wick", this proved to be something in the right-place-at-the-right-time category. In a twelve-year life, this Troop achieved a great deal, with aims and activities that are wholly laudable. Not ostentatious, not in places too far away, and always organised on simple principles that any Scout would recognise – it added an amazing quality of life to the participants and to the School.

Advancing years of its leader brought it to a close, and sadly there was no sign of it in ensuing years. I think a greatly undervalued part of School life ended. In combination with the Cadet Corps these two organisations were the routes to something different, something structured and exciting. A separate Report on the 9<sup>th</sup> Fareham (Price's School) Scout Troop, appears elsewhere in its own Chapter.

First out-of-the-blocks after the War as a new club was Chess, which reported in 25 subsequent years and, like others – Swimming\* in 1949, Badminton\* in 1952, Sailing\* in 1959, Duke of Edinburgh Award in 1961 and also in that year Small Bore Rifle Shooting, was to have life enjoyed by many, making their mark on School life with a subsequent record of value with organised, competitive activity resulting in Inter-School contests, with participation in larger events and even with representation at higher levels.

In a way that suggests their being held in lower regard (not the case), those\* asterisked, along with Rugby, Basketball and Tennis grew to become established parts of normal School life. Today (2020) that would be regarded as a normal part of a School's broad-based curriculum. That was not the case when most of these sports Clubs began.

It is not surprising that Sailing became a feature of School life, introduced on the back of particular interests of boys who belonged to local Sailing Clubs. That Fareham Creek was so near and tidal conditions were just right were pre-requisites for success, some keenness for which arose from the first appearance of the activity being the vehicle for an Inter House competition. From 1959 through the end of Price's School life, it fared well, generating International representation at its best. Swimming too, in that sense, though it wasn't expected to be able to swim in Fareham Creek! Not nice!

Ed: David Goldring

---

### Price's School / College Clubs / Societies / Other extracurricular activities


NB. The Reports recorded here may have had no signature, or just by initials only.

**Emboldened entries** indicate Staff involvement

Year	Activity	Led by / Reported by (where known)
1936	Stamp Club forms	
1937	Scientific Society & Orchestra formed	
1941	Drama Club	
1942	Scout Camp	<b>Revd.E.M. Royds Jones</b>
1943	Debating Society Scout Camp at Rogate	<b>Revd.E.M.Royds Jones</b>
1944	Scout Camp at Rogate. Troop magazine introduced.	<b>Revd.E.M.Royds Jones</b>
1945	Debating Society Scouts 1 <sup>st</sup> Session of a Mock Parliament	P.Nobes (Sec.) <b>Revd.E.M. Royds Jones</b>
1946	Scouts Dramatic Club Chess Club	<b>Revd.E.M.Royds Jones</b>
1947	Scouts, Drama. Chess Club reforms	<b>Revd.E.M. Royds Jones</b>
		E.A.Thorburn
		R.F.R.
1948	Scouts, Dramatic Society Chess Library	<b>Revd.E.M. Royds Jones</b>
		E.A.Thorburn
		J.G.
1949	Scouts Swimming, Table Tennis Drama,	<b>Revd.E.M.Royds Jones</b>

1950	Scouts		<b>Revd. E. M. Royds-Jones</b>
	Drama		
	Library		
	Chess		
	Swimming Club		L.E.R.
	Table Tennis		P.J.C.K.
1951	Scouts	<i>NB Only July issue available</i>	<b>Revd. E. M. Royds-Jones</b>
	Library		
	Chess		L.B.W.
1952	Drama		Keith M. Devlin
	Chess		R.B.G.H.
	Library		
	Badminton		R.B.G.H.
	Table Tennis		A.C.P.
	Swimming		
	Scout Troop closes		<b>Revd. E. M. Royds-Jones</b>
1953	Chess		P.R.L.
	Music		
	Aero Modelling		
	Dramatic Society		M.J.C.
	Table Tennis		Don Percival
	Badminton		R.C. Dimmock, P.W.W.
1954	Music.		M.J.C.
	Chess		G.E.O.
	Badminton		D.G. Keen
	Aero Modellers		A.G.W.B.
	Table Tennis		Don Percival
	Library		
	Swimming		A.C.P.
1955	Swimming		
	Music		JMS
	Dramatic		MGS
	Chess		M.J.G.
	Table Tennis		D.E.W.
	Badminton		D.E.N. Robertson-Fox
	CCF Band		
1956	Badminton		M.E.S., E.P.L.
	Debating		M.I.K.
	Music		M.I.K.
	Table Tennis		M.P.G.
	Drama		D.P.S. + <b>Mr W. Siney</b>
	Swimming		P.H.T.
	CCF Band		
1957	Badminton		M.E.S.,
	Debating Society		M.I.K. & <b>Mr Jarvis</b>
	Music Society		M.I.K.
	Dramatic Society		C.B.P.
	Swimming		P.H.T.
	CCF Band		



1958	Badminton	A.G.S. & A.H.G.-H.
	Music	A.C.C. & <b>Mr Smith</b>
	Chess	D.J.R.
	Swimming	N.K.W.
	CCF Band	
1959	Philately	D.L.W.
	Debating	MHM
	Badminton	W.M.A.
	CCF Band	
	Chess	J.M.S
	Music	<b>M.J.L. + Mr Smith</b>
	Swimming	
	<a href="#">First Pricean, overseas School holiday trip, to Oberamagau, Austria.</a> <a href="#">Pictured: ? Ron Barton, Garry Edwards &amp; Richard Bridgland</a>	
	Railway	Roger E. Gisborne
	Sailing	J.T.
Library		
1960	Railway	Roger E. Gisborne
	Debating	Ian Rankin & MHM
	Swimming	
	Bridge	Hugh Roddis
	Sailing	
	Badminton	Ian A.Johnston
	Model Railway	John F. Tanner
	Chess	R.J.Tyack
	CCF Band	
1961	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	<b>Mr M Howard-Jones</b>
	Lion Editorial Committee:	Peter J. Vibert, R.O.Smith, L.Y.Garvey
	1 <sup>st</sup> Land's End Hitch-Hiking Race	Barry Shurlock
	Small bore Rifle Club	I.A.Johnson
	Rugby	I.A.Johnson
	Swimming (1 <sup>st</sup> year as an Inter-House competition)	<b>Cyril Briscoe &amp; Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	Sailing – 6 Counties Championships in Nottingham	R.B.Aldridge & <b>P.W.Mollard.</b>

	Choir – performed Stainer’s “Crucifixion” in Parish Church. Combined performance of Tenors & Bases with Fareham Girls Grammar School Choir. Involved with Fareham Philharmonic Concert	Peter Tudge, R.J.Tyack
	CCF Band	John F. Tanner
	Photography	N.A. Halls, J.Packham. B.Taylor
	Badminton	Marcus B. Heritage
	Bridge	Hugh Roddis & R.G.S.
	Campanology	Peter Tudge
	Chess	R.J.Tyack, B.A.Keen
	Debating	Roger E. Gisborne
	Music	J.H.
	Philumeny	D.R.A.
	Squash	Marcus B. Heritage
	Christian Union	N.Bailey, J.Packman
	CCF Band	John Tanner
1962	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Land’s End Hitch-Hiking Race	
	Lion Editorial Committee:	B.Shurlock, A.C.Clarke, P.J.Vibert
	CCF Band	John Tanner
	CCF Signals section	Alec Harris, Hugh Roddis
	Small bore Rifle Club	P.F. Sheppard
	Badminton Club	M.R. Beavis
	Chess Club	R.J.Tyack, Barry A.Keen
	Choir – combined with Fareham Girls Grammar School for a shared concert	R.J.Tyack
	Christian Union	J.A.Packman, N.F.Bailey
	Cycling	David Goldring
	Modern Jazz	G.A.Edwards
	Photography	N.A.Halls, B.Taylor
	Radio	Hugh Roddis
	Sailing	<b>Mr P.W.Mollard.</b>
	Swimming	
	Tennis	A.J.E.H.
	CCF Band	John Tanner
1963	Small Bore Rifle Club	David Howard-Jones
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Land’s End Hitch-Hiking Race	
	Badminton	N.F. Bailey, S.A.Welch
	Basketball	
	Gymnastics Club	J.G.Morris
	Chess	Barry A.Keen
	Choir	A.R.Houghton
	Christian Union	N.Bailey, J.Packman
	Debating Society	John F.Tanner
	Modern Jazz	J.Harris

	Radio	J.Peck
	Sailing Club	
	Stamp Club	John F. Tanner
	CCF Band	John F. Tanner
	Cruise	Brian Turner
1964	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	<b>Mr Mike Howard Jones</b>
	Lion Editorial Committee:	Frank E.C.Gregory, J.Keith, R.A.Lewis, C.Phillips, G.J.Steele
	Small Bore Rifle Club	Frank E.C.Gregory,
	CCF Band	R.D.Walker
	Drama	P.J.Stubbings
	Library	P.J.Stubbings
	Christian Union	P.J.Stubbings
	Chess	C.L.Mason
	Swimming	<b>Mr Cyril Briscoe</b>
	Sailing	P.J.Stubbings
	4 <sup>th</sup> Land's End Hitch-Hike Race	
1965	Lion Editorial Committee:	N.E.Buckland. P.J.Stubbings, G.H.Roberts, R.J.Pipe
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	<b>Mr Mike. Howard Jones</b>
	Small Bore Rifle Club	G.A.Roberts, J.Durrant
	CCF Band	Mike Bayliss
	Drama	F.J.Pitt
	Library	<b>Mr A.D.Alderson</b>
	Christian Union	P.J.Stubbings
	Chess	M.Parisot
	Swimming	<b>Mr Cyril Briscoe</b>
	Rugby	
	5 <sup>th</sup> Land's End Hitch-Hike Race	
	Photographic Society	G.C.Pollinger, D.Coates
	Modern Jazz	G.C.Pollinger, R.M.Shaw
	Music	P.J.C. Hitchcock
	Badminton	N.E.Auckland
	Trampolining	D.R.Astley, R.P.Naylor
1966	Lion Editorial Committee:	
	Drama with Fareham Girls' Grammar School	jointly
	Youth Against Hunger Campaign with FGGS	
	Small Bore Rifle Club	R.Fisher
	Duke of Edinburgh Award	<b>Mr J.B.Chaffey</b>
	Chess	M.Parisot
	Trampolining	R.P.Naylor, D.R.Astley
	Rugby	
	Youth Against Hunger Committee Hitch-Hiking Race	R.P.Naylor (Treas.), D.R.Astley (Chair), J.Perry (Sec.), J.E.Hair (V-Ch)
	Badminton	K.F.R.
	Debating Society	I.K.Dashmitt
	Table Tennis	I.J.Reeves
1967	<b>Drama (Sixth Form)</b>	<b>Mr Herbert R. Thacker</b>



	Swimming	<b>Mr Cyril Briscoe &amp; M.B.Perrin.</b>
	Camera	I.M.Kenway, S.G.Reddaway
	Christian Union	S.G.Eyles
	Sailing	
	Chess	M.B.Perrin
	Library	
	Drama	
1968	Shooting	<b>A.J.E.H. &amp; Mr Nash</b>
	Library	
	Chess	M.L.Newbury
	Stamp	B.J.H.
	Aeromodelling	A.D.Sandham
	Junior Debating Society	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Cricket Dinner	
	Community Service Volunteers	B.J.H.
	Basketball	
	Tennis	A.J.E.H.
	Swimming	<b>Mr Cyril H.Briscoe.</b> S.J.Reddaway
	Sailing	R.D.Llwellyn & S.Keith
	Dramatic Society – Mikado	
	Charity Walk – Shelter	
1969	Rifle	C.F.J.Bard
	Chess	T.S.Smithin
	Astronomy	M.A.Seeley
	Junior Debating	P.C.Whitby
	Senior Debating	C.F.J.Bard
	Model Car Club	R.Arrow
	Bridge Club	P.Woods
	Railway Club	P.Woods
	Aeromodelling Club	A.P.Sandham.
	Stamp Club	M.C.Matthew
	Basketball	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Cricket Dinner	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – Isle of Wight	
	Tennis	M.Palmer
	Swimming	M.S.Crawshaw
	Sailing	D.J.Entwhistle
	Library	
	Music	S.J.Reading
	There was a lunchtime <b>Music club</b> in Room 17 hosted by Mr Chadwick where records were played for mutual appreciation and comment – I did periodically attend that and from memory Mr Chadwick was more modern jazz than Captain Beefheart.	
	Drama Society: Iolanthe	C.F.Jackson
1970	Rifle	Ian Virgo
	Debating Society	
	Judo	I Spencer
	Stamps	<b>Mr Hill</b> M.C.Matthew

	Table Tennis	R.Thomas
	Chess	T.Smithin
	Modelling ( aka Model Car Club)	
	Transport	P.Woods
	Astronomic Society (Meteor Section)	P.R.Dear
	Astronomic Society	A.Smith
	Bridge Club	P.J.Shore
	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Hockey Dinner	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Cricket Dinner	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – Dorset & Channel Islands	
1971	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme	S.E.
	Christian Union	D.Couchman, R.Mortimer & M.Seeley. <b>Mr Glynn Howell &amp; Mr Ellis</b>
	Computer Group	<b>Mr J.Cole,</b> Francis
	Community Service Volunteers	H.N.E.
	Swimming	A.Scutt
	Tennis	A.Pettiles
	Sailing	<b>Mr Eric B.Iredale</b>
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – Guernsey & Jersey.	
	2nd Annual Hockey Dinner	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Soccer Dinner	
	Debating	I.D.Forder
	Transport	E.Cowton
	Aeromodelling	S.E.Ellis
	Bridge	A.C.Burford
	Chess	T.J.Smithin
	Astronomical Society	V.S.Freeman & M.D.Long
	Library	E.H.F.G.
	Music	T.Bayliss
1972	Library	E.H.F.G.
	Music	N.G.Armstrong
	Community Service	P.Russell
	Christian Union	P.Hancock, M.Lloyd, J.Ayrton
	Computer group	P.M.J.Timms
	Basketball	R.J.P., C. Merwood, A.Marks, R/J.P.N.Groves
	Tennis	A.J.E.H., D.B.
	Swimming	M.C.T., A.Scutt
	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – 4 days in Jersey, 2 days in Guernsey	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Hockey Dinner	
	Astronomical Society	V.J.Freeman
	Small bore rifle team	G.S.
	Sailing	N.J. Groves & <b>Mr R.Hedley</b>
	Badminton	G.S.

	Bridge Club	K.J.Ashman
	Chess Club	G.D.Walker
	Debating Society	P.Whitby, P.Russell
	Electronics club	M.J.Lloyd
	Judo Club	I.Jones
	Transport Society	
1973	Library	
	Swimming	<b>Mr Cyril Briscoe</b>
	Sailing	Gerald Pigney
	Tennis	S.Spencer & D.C.B.
	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – Guernsey & Jersey	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Soccer Dinner	
	Basketball	R.J.P. & C.Wilson
	Dramatic Society	N.Armstrong
	Astronomy	
	Christian Union	M.Lloyd, M.Long, J.Ayrton
	Music	N.G.Armstrong
	Chess	I.E.Shields
	Judo	P.B.Smith
	Transport	E.Cowton
1974	Dramatic Society	N.Armstrong
	Debating Society	T.Jagger
	Christian Union	<b>Mr Alan Glynne-Howell</b>
	Music	V.J.J.
	6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Cricket Tour – Channel Islands	
	Combined Hockey & Soccer Dinner	
	Astronomy Society	V.J.Freeman
	Bridge Club	J.H.J.
	Aeromodelling Club	Mr O’Neil, A.McKenna
	Stamp Club	B.Thompson
1975	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Cricket Tour - West Indies	<i>NB Where there are gaps in the list of sports Dinners from 1968 onwards, it is because of the lack of reports in Lion magazines</i>
1976	Astronomy	Robin Burston
	Christian Union	Mary Pike
	Old Priceans’ Association	<b>John D.Cole</b>
1977	Poetry Reading	R.H.
	Christian Union	Phillip Walters
1978	Old Priceans’ Association	<b>John D.Cole</b>
1979	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	Michael Hughes
	Film Society	Peter Hardingham
1980	Film Society	Sarah Williams
	Computer Studies	M.S.

Beyond the 1974 Lion magazine, which does have the sort of listing that is evident in earlier years, there is a diminishing record of extracurricular life beyond the CCF which lasted up to 1979, and of various sports teams, and of visits and trips. That does not mean there were no more activities

additional to those listed, merely that they were not reported on in the “new style” College magazine.

Beyond the 1980 issue of the Price’s College magazine, no traces of any further equivalent publication have been found.

**If any of the listed pupils care to pen a tale of how their activity functioned, please submit asap, for possible use in a follow-up publication, say, in 2025**

---

## The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme



The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Scheme was introduced in 1961 and became a staple part of the School’s programme over many years. With camping practices and expeditions at Silver and Gold award levels, activity tended to be focussed in the New Forest and Brecon Beacons areas. But later, trips further afield into the Lake District and Dartmoor added variety. DoE training was added to the CCF curriculum also and practices were held in conjunction with CCF Arduous Training courses – these were frequently at Leek in North Wales. In 1966, there was a 2 week DoE expedition in Le Massif Central, in France, led by the indomitable Mr John Chaffey. But local areas continued to be used – Rother valley in West Sussex, Heol Senni in Wales. And, as just reward for their commitment, achievements and endeavours, Gold Award winners received their acknowledgment at Buckingham Palace.



**DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD:** This scheme has recently been introduced into the School and has met with a very gratifying reception. Twenty-five boys have begun their preparation for the second series, the Silver Award. The series is divided into four groups: Physical Fitness, Hobbies, Public Service and, finally, the Expedition.

Each boy has his own particular hobby and we have discovered a wide range of pursuits, including Judo, Marksmanship, Motorcycle Repair, Sailing, Fishing and even Bird-watching! These hobbies have to be pursued consistently for at least six months.

For the final test in the Expedition, 25 boys and 4 masters will be going to the Brecon Beacons on 14 July. They will spend two nights under canvas and will cover about 20 miles across country using maps and compass. They have to cook their own food and carry all their equipment. Training expeditions are now in progress and the orange coloured lightweight tent, which they use, has already been seen on the School field. Busy mothers will probably relish the fact that the boys are

learning to cook for themselves; we are endeavouring to break them of the custom of cooking the eternal sausage.”

These boys will, I hope, progress to the Third Series, the Gold Award, next year. Further groups for the Silver Award will be started next term and any boy who is interested should keep a sharp look-out upon the notice-boards. M.H-J.

Gold Award Year	Gold Recipients	Other
Founded as a National Award Scheme in 1956 by the then Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Philip. Following his death in 2021 and the accession to the throne, the new King Charles III awarded the title to Prince Edward. The Award Scheme was introduced into Price’s School during the School Year		
1961		9 x Silver
1962	R.O.Smith, J.A.Pryde, M.P.Short, K.K.Crane (The first Gold Awards in the School)	16 x Silver
1964	J.M. McGary, R.C.Nicholls, P.A.B.Thomas, P.Wake.	9 x Silver
1965		9 x Silver
1966	David Astley Fred Pitt Roger Fisher Graham Hartridge	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p><i>David Astley</i>, who earned his DoE Silver and Gold Awards in the same year!</p> </div> </div>
		20 x Silver
1967	R.Naylor	
1968	S.D.Bush-Harris, M. Dennison, R.Boyce,	5 x Silver
1969	M.G.Lusty, + ?	11 x Silver
1970	12	
1974	D.Hutton, N. Groves and J. Lamont	

## **1961.**

This scheme has got off to a good start. Twenty-four boys decided to enter for the Silver Award this year. After the GCE examinations had ended, fifteen went on the Expedition section. They were accompanied by four masters, who acted as an Examining body. They left by train, for Abergavenny and completed a testing expedition in the Brecon Beacons. Some had already completed the other sections—Pursuits and Physical Fitness Tests. The third section (First Aid) was carried out by the RAMC from Netley Military Hospital. We are indebted to Captain Lucas, RAMC, for his invaluable assistance. It is hoped that most of the fifteen boys will have obtained the Award; the results will be known next term. For next year, forty-five boys have entered for the Award scheme. This response is most encouraging and shows that the spirit of adventure and of public service is very much alive in Price's School. We plan to extend the range of Public Service activities to include Fire-Fighting and Police work. Full details of the Expedition side of the training are given in another article in this magazine.

M.H.J.

## **Jan 1962**

The second group of candidates for the Silver Award of this scheme are now fully engaged in their various activities; forty-six boys are involved and are working well. All have undertaken one training expedition and have tasted the delights of bivouacking and of eating of their own cooking! The Public Service arrangements are working well. One group is pursuing a course in First Aid under the supervision of Capt. Grimshaw, RAMC from the Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley; another group visits the Fareham Fire Station for instruction from Station Officer Jupe while the third pursues its training under the watchful eye of an Inspector from Fareham Police Station. If anyone saw a Black Maria full of Price's School boys passing through Fareham, I can assure him that they were not being 'taken in'. It was part of their instruction—a visit to the cells! Several boys have already achieved the necessary standards in the Physical Fitness tests, and the Pursuits section is also progressing.

M. H.-J.

## **May 1962**

The Easter vacation will see the culmination of the scheme for some 24 boys. We go to the Lake District on Easter Monday complete with food, extra clothing, sleeping bags, tents etc. It will be quite a gruelling test but success should provide each candidate with a sense of satisfaction. It has been necessary to select for this expedition, mainly on the grounds of expense. The other 24 boys in the Silver Award scheme will take their test in North Hampshire next term, Mr Eric Hopwood, the Area Awards officer, assures me that the test will be every bit as exacting, Five boys are attempting the 4-day expedition for the Gold Award, This will also be in the Lake District, under independent supervision. The various other aspects of the scheme are progressing satisfactorily. Most of the boys have succeeded in their Public Service section and the representatives of the Police, RAMC and Fire Services were well pleased with their work.

M. H.-J.

## **Sept 1962**

The Award Scheme continues to make good progress. This year 38 boys have undertaken the expedition for the Silver Award; most of them have successfully completed the test. They now have to complete one or other of the four sections. We were obliged to tackle the Expedition in two



groups. The first group, of 24 boys, went to the Lake District in the Easter vacation; they were extremely fortunate in the weather, The other group of 14 boys were tested in the North Hampshire area. Both groups have done very well, Of the last year's Silver Award candidates, some six boys decided to continue with the Scheme and try to achieve the Gold Award. Five of them went to the Lake District (also in the Easter vacation) and they successfully tackled the four-day Expedition. Two boys have now completed all four sections for the Gold Award and their records are awaiting confirmation. The other three hope to complete very shortly, If they are successful they will go to Buckingham Palace in December of this year to receive their Awards. M. H.-J.

### Jan 1963

The highlight of our report this term is, of course, the visit of four of our boys to Buckingham Palace to receive their Gold Awards. It is unfortunate that these lads (**R. O. Smith, Crane, Pryde and Short**) were not able to receive them from the hand of Prince Philip himself; it seems that the pressure of numbers has made this an impossibility. However, we are very pleased with their success. Next year we may have an even larger number attaining this very high standard. Seven boys have already taken their Expedition for the Gold Award. They braved the rigours of Dartmoor in November. All seven completed the course, and have submitted the logs of their expedition to the assessors. We now await the results. For the Silver Award we again had no lack of aspirants. This scheme is becoming very popular and since its inception over 80 boys have worked for the Award. We are very indebted to the Fareham Police Force for their assistance in this scheme. They have provided a course, on Police Work, which has been most interesting and instructive. This is for the section on 'Rescue and Public Service'. It is hoped that some of the candidates for the Silver Award will go to Dartmoor towards the end of next term for their expedition test. M. H.-J.

### Oct 1963

The popularity of the scheme continues unabated. Some thirty candidates were enrolled for the Silver Award at the beginning of this School year, and twelve were selected to attempt the Expedition on Dartmoor this Easter. All were successful and stood up very well to the climatic conditions. Snow, rain, fog and sunshine were all experienced — all 11 the boys enjoyed the challenge. Later in the Summer term, after the School examinations are over, we propose to test a further two dozen for their Silver Award expedition, this time in the North Hampshire area. Most of these boys still have one or more sections, fitness tests or hobbies, to complete before obtaining their awards. About a dozen boys have progressed to the quest for the Gold Award and several are within measurable distance. The Expedition seems to be the most attractive part of the scheme, from the point of view of the boys. I should however like to see greater effort made in the other three sections of the Award Scheme. I expect that many more boys will be enrolled towards the end of this term when the opportunity is offered to boys from the Third forms. We shall probably repeat the Dartmoor expedition in the Easter of next year.

M. H.-J.

### May 1964

.... there was a combined Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme expedition and CCF Arduous Training course on Dartmoor, with five masters, which met rough conditions.

Boys still continue to show interest in the Award Scheme. About a dozen boys are still in the hunt for the Gold Award and about forty are at various stages in the Silver Award activities. One of the highlights of the Scheme, the Expedition, takes place from 23 to 30 March, on Dartmoor. Training is now in close conjunction with the CCF Arduous Training courses. Those boys who were not yet

ready to undertake this expedition will, I hope, go on the Summer expedition. The Public Service training this year consisted of a course of Fire-fighting and we are greatly indebted to the Fareham branch of the Hampshire Fire Service for providing a course of lectures and practical teaching and also for examining our boys. The result was most encouraging as all boys passed and we were congratulated by the Station Officer. I believe that the Fitness Section has not been strenuously followed up; Candidates must get down to this section. Perhaps the finer weather of next term will see greater efforts forthcoming. No Award can be obtained without perseverance and effort!

M. H.-J.

#### **Oct 1964**

The scheme continues to attract boys throughout the upper school. In late March fifteen boys and five masters set out for southern Dartmoor where a second scheme was to be run on similar lines to last year, Unfortunately, bad weather ruined our entire programme, and only a modified schedule was possible. Great credit must be given to the boys who managed to pass – a display of both tenacity and endurance, The summer expedition followed the same pattern as last year, with a trek over the Hampshire Downs in fine hot weather. Next year we look forward to a combined Gold and Silver training programme which will involve a walk along much of the finest country of the South Downs. Some general points about the scheme are worth mentioning: it is open to all boys over 15, and the Silver Award is well within the capabilities of every boy in the school. It must be remembered however, that the expedition is only a small part of the scheme. Far too many boys successfully complete the expedition and then rarely bother to complete the hobbies section or to attain the necessary standards of physical fitness. These are equally important and it cannot be overemphasised that an all-round interest in the scheme is looked for, rather than in the camping section alone.

NB Mr Chaffey has taken over administration of the Scheme.

J.B.C.

#### **May 1965**

The scheme has continued to attract a large number of boys. Since September nine Silver Awards have been gained, and there is the promise of a considerable number of successes at this standard later this year. Ten boys are now working towards their Gold Award, which will culminate in their tough expedition in the Brecon Beacons in October. Two Silver Expeditions are planned, both in the West Sussex – East Hampshire region. It is hoped that some of the boys in the scheme will be able to demonstrate their skills and acquired knowledge before the Duke of Edinburgh, when he visits the County in May to see the working of the scheme, Response to the call for more active participation in all sections of the scheme has been encouraging, Since Friday night is now virtually established as "Award Scheme Night," more integration of the sections is possible and the overall result is most gratifying.

J.B.C.

#### **June 1966**

"The scheme has continued to attract many boys in the Upper school. Last year we gained no less than 23 Silver Awards, and so far 4 Gold Awards have been won in 1966. The expedition has still perhaps the largest appeal but all participating in the scheme may well be reminded that the more neglected sections, the physical fitness and hobbies, are just as important in gaining the award.

Successful expeditions have taken place in both the in the New Forest at Silver Standard, and in the Brecon Beacons at Gold Standard. In the summer term we have another Gold Expedition in the Brecon Beacons and a Silver Expedition in Dorset.

In the summer, too, we are breaking by organising an Expedition to the remoter parts of the High volcanic Massif Central of France. Boys taking part in the Gold Award have been invited to participate in what will be one of the most exciting ventures undertaken by the School for many years, We shall climb the Puy de Dôme, the Puy de Sancy and the Plomb du Central – all peaks over 4,000 feet, camp on the waterless Causses, and explore the wild Gorges of the Tarn. We hope that the experience gained this year will be sufficient to enable us to arrange expeditions to the mountains of Scandinavia and Central Europe in future years.

J.B.C.

### **Memories of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award** (About 1967/8)

I have fond memories of participating in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme while at Price's School. Perhaps the most vivid was taking part in the fairly gruelling 50 mile expedition in the Brecon Beacons which took in Pen y Fan. Having set off with fellow Priceans in a member of staff's car the first event of note was said staff member's car accidentality hitting the car in front on the top of Birdlip Hill in the Cotswolds en route. Fortunately the car was not damaged too badly and we duly arrived at the Hampshire County Council Outdoor Education Centre at Heol Senni which was to be the starting point for the expedition. There the County Council's Outdoor Education Advisor took control and briefed us on what was expected of us during the expedition.

We were required to carry everything we needed for the three-day trek around the Brecon Beacons. My abiding memory was the weather which was extremely cold and the nights we spent out in the wilds were pretty uncomfortable. I recall sharing a tent with Norman Pasley. We found the expedition challenging but enjoyable under the watchful eye of adults with hawk like eyes for any contravention of the standards required including any evidence of leaving any trace that we had been in the places in which we chose to camp.

The biggest disappointment was saved for our debriefing on our return to Heol Senni when Bob Frith, HCC Outdoor Education Advisor informed us that we had completed the expedition successfully but that due to a technicality it could not count as the Gold Award Expedition. As we had embarked directly onto the Gold Award without doing the Silver Award the expedition we had completed would be counted as a Silver Award Expedition.

Twelve months later I did repeat the Gold Award Expedition in the Brecon Beacons this time partnering up with the Army Pay Corps candidates from Worthy Down near Winchester. That was another memorable expedition but suffice to say that having completed it I was able to obtain my Gold Award.

Another part of the Gold Award at Price's involved undertaking a public service and I opted for the Civil Defence. This involved being trained by the Public Services such as the Fire Brigade and Police to be in a position to respond in the event of a national disaster with skills in first aid and other life-saving activities. Interviewed by the Southern Evening Echo whilst undergoing training a fellow Pricean was asked what motivated him to undertake this particular public service to which he replied "in what other circumstances can I put an axe through a plate window without getting arrested!". Interestingly, near the end of my time working with the Civil Defence I received a formal

communication informing me that I had been promoted to the role of Assistant Deputy Post Control Officer – I never did find out what the post entailed as soon after that the Civil Defence was disbanded. However that led to me receiving a very nicely worded letter from the Queen thanking me for my service to the Civil Defence.

Just a couple of my memories of participating in the Award while at Price's.

*[Ed: This Report also appears under Mike Lusty's name in the Gazetteer, Part, aka A Price's Who's Who].*

**Mike Lusty**

**Dec 1971**

This scheme is underway at the School again and so far 22 boys have decided to take part. **S.E.**

*Ed: Sadly, there was no further report in any of the remaining Lion magazines, or in the College's annual magazine. Thus this is an unfinished story.*

---

## **Educational, CCF Field Days, Exchange and other Trips**

What Schools do and how they organise to do it is generally governed by the Curriculum. "The" Curriculum is a bit of a misnomer for much of the Educational history of Schooling in the UK, although there have been phases of different kinds of centralism and autonomy which are beyond the capacity of this Report.

Price's School was founded as a Charitable bequest of William Price, for the education of 20 poor boys and girls on Christian lines with the end product of being able to read The Bible. And that was what formed the bulk of in-school learning time. The delivery was left largely to the inclinations of the appointed Master whose endeavours might have subject to occasional oversight by the local Clergy and later, Inspection – all being answerable to the Charity Commission's authority.

There was ever a tale of struggle between central authorities and those closer to the locality of benefaction, in this case, the Fareham area.

The focus of the Report is the life and times of the new, 1908 Price's School on its new site in Park Lane, Fareham. At its opening, there were but 18 pupils, most of whom were Boarders. Little is known of the regime of boarders and only some account of their co-existence with day-pupils emerges later. It is not so much the shape of the day and its contents that are of concern here, but what of the after-School hours and their time in the Boarding house, otherwise known as the School House?

In another Chapter (Boarding and up to 1949) in this Report, there are a number of reflections by boys on their experience of boarding environment, but what would have added interest is a little on which to base any comment about the 40 years of the boarding life of the School. There is acknowledgment that the domestic environment was a warm and embracing one, the consequence of a caring and nourishing environment delivered by the Headmaster of the time – Mr S.E.N. Bradly, and his wife. But there is no detail. Boarding is reported-on separately.

Under a separate heading in this Review, the implied benefits of what was then a serious attempt to develop a good, School-sporting tradition is taken now, to have made an important contribution to

the extracurricular and boarding facets of the working days. Boys on site all day, aside from “Prep” time, would have had time to while away. Sports practices would have been very useful in filling that gap, as well as for the other associated benefits through participation.

And so, sports team practices would have been a part of their diet, I am sure, though that likelihood is not mentioned anywhere. An interesting aspect of the School 1<sup>st</sup> XI teams is that, for several years, there were teachers playing as well, bolstering not only numbers, but capability too. Doubtless that shared experience did much to foster good relationships.

The School’s sporting calendar – in Major and Minor sports is covered in a separate Reports, along with Athletics and Steeplechase, and the Cadet Force. Taking an active part in all that there was by way of sport, and the Cadet Force added enormously to the overall extracurricular experience, and that to overall, enjoyment and sense of belonging that will have melded the years spent in Price’s into a wholly engrossing experience.

In their reporting, it has been interesting to see the organisational formality that recurs, with elections to post holders, sometimes including the Headmaster, as if he would attend a meeting! Groups were generally run by older pupils with an eye to succession and continuity that would form an adjunct to the rest of the curriculum.

The nature of the groups has varied, from hobby-centred affairs, such as Stamps, to pursuits such as Chess, to activity sessions e.g. Badminton and finally to loftier interest such as Music recitals or Debates. The names of the reporting correspondents recur elsewhere in the Lions illustrating what a variety of interests some boys have in and amongst their organisational aptitudes. ‘Twas ever thus, and ever will be”. One deficit stands out, especially as the groundwork for it exists in the Debating Society, and that is Public Speaking. Or is that an aspect of more modern School life prompted by English subject curriculum changes that is yet to stake its claim to prominence in Schools?

Hm! A public Speaking team developed over a few years in the Price’s Sixth Form College, and that is reported on in the “Price’s Sixth Form College Years” Chapter.

Even in the post-1922 Lions, there is evidence for the foundation of the three major team sports which carried through the ensuing 52 years until Price’s School transmogrified into Price’s College. In the early years, pupil numbers were low, and spread across what we would call Years 5 – 11 now, that would have meant few of any age available for a given team. Teams were defined chiefly on ability then, and supplemented with the participation by up to three or four Masters – Cricket score cards bear this out. But the adults weren’t always dominant, even with the ball.

Grammar Schools such as Price’s were in competition with the higher profile Boarding / Public Schools, and especially the Minor ones. But Price’s origins were not on a par with the lesser Public Schools, and a reputation was needed to attract Teachers as well as Pupils. A visit to a Boarding School these days (2020) illustrates just on what kind of scale and attention to detail, provisions for extracurricular activities are organised.

So, from the boarding era which ended in 1948, there had to be a distinctive start, with something tangible that was a hallmark of the value of life at the School.

There wasn’t much evidence for extracurricular life until about 1934 when a Stamp Club was formed, so the only evidence of extracurricular life would be in the existence of Teams, etc. – the 3 major sports teams. Lion magazines show little evidence of team practises / coaching etc. beyond what is implied by occasional reference either coaching *per se*, or to the oversight of a team by a Master.

There is not much reference to Curricular provision for Games either, as we would know it. A note in 1928: *“Board of Education intended to discontinue the use of Drill Sgts., and to train graduate teachers in Physical Education work – mainly for upper School pupils”*. Sergeants remained for the time being, for the younger boys. I haven’t come across any references to the recruitment of PE specialists yet, but it was an almost unwritten presumption then that teachers applying for jobs would be able to “offer” something extra – mostly sport, and there are plenty of examples of that in the Lion.

Team practices would have gone a long way to occupying boys after School and maybe there were various kinds of activity in free time that go unremarked-upon.

The benefits of retaining on site many potential games playing pupils as boarders has been the root of the higher performances of Independent / Boarding Schools, a model which Grammar Schools struggled to emulate. This is an often understated factor in games success.

Many extracurricular activities evolved into well-supported Clubs that went on to produce fully fledged School teams e.g . Sailing, Tennis, Rugby, even Chess, and I want to find out at what point that transition occurred because then, they seemed to satisfy the definition of an extracurricular activity, *and* be an adjunct of the PE Department’s extracurricular activities such as Judo, Gymnastics, Table Tennis didn’t really make the grade as full School sports.

The first recorded Visiting Speaker, from the Selbourne Society, delivered an address in 1932 on the benefits of observing Nature rather than collecting it.

The first “Club” activity was “Stamps”, which started in 1936 – when there were no issues of UK commemorative stamps – that was the year of the three Kings: George V, Edward VIII and George VI (although his Coronation and with it, his first Commemorative stamps was in 1937). Quite a simple focus then, compared with today, 2020, when there are planned 15 different commemorative issues, + new definitive and regional issues. But at least then, there was a Commonwealth to widen interest.



The onset of outward, educational visits awaited some further years until the first of two visits by a Sixth Form group to the Houses of Parliament.



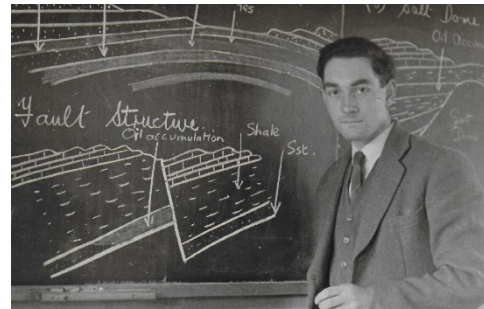
But in all of this time the Cadet Corps / CCF had been setting the trend with the annual highlights being the Summer Camp at a variety of Army bases. Later the RAF section and then the RN section added more variety, with flying experiences and sea time being eagerly anticipated elements of their own educational programmes. The Army cadets had opportunities to go on a wide range of specialist courses – Physical Instruction, armourers, engineering etc. and for the Naval section, there was extended sea time on Mine Sweepers around the coast of Britain. Undoubtedly, the RAF section had the most interesting and useful options, including air experience for all cadets, gliding courses at various levels, Pilot’s License options – many of these delivered through Flying Scholarships which, in commercial terms

would have a current value of several thousands of pounds. These courses were intensive, no sinecures. And there were Star Camps available for cadets with Officer potential, and available at very little cost.



The 1960s were to see a flourishing of opportunities and courses for all. Some of these were parts of annual programmes of organisations such as the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra concerts, the Faraday Lectures. There were sailing courses, the start of the annual French exchange with a School in Grenoble, and the School's first holiday – a week's visit to Innsbruck in Austria. Historians had their annual Lecture at the University in Southampton. There was a start to legitimate relationships with the Sixth Form Girls at FGGS (Dancing Lessons), and even a jolly for Headmaster on an RAF sponsored flight to Cyprus.

But really, this was the era of Field Trips which, added to the Field Days of the CCF meant quite a lot of time out of School. These were the days of Chaffey & Oxford, two young, modern, interesting, lively, imaginative teachers who knew the value of practical field work. Geography is much more macroscopic than Biology and with so much syllabus-relevant places to be seen within reach of Fareham, John Chaffey devised a programme of annual visits for all years that led to Geography becoming one of



John B. Chaffey

the most popular subjects in the School. On top of these shorter field trips came the longer, residential, 1-week VI form trips, usually to established Field Studies Council Centres, for Biologists and Geographers.

With the added time spent in a less academic, and more sociable context, it is no wonder that these types of residential opportunities led to the establishment of high quality learning experiences and excellent Teacher – Pupil relationships, reflected in the overall respect and value for the School proving such life-chances.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme started in School at this time (1961), adding yet more value to the overall School endeavour. Instructional experiences, as well as the self-propelled pursuit of other aspects of the scheme, such as hobby, service etc., overnight practices allied with trekking challenges, formal Expedition rehearsals and then the definitive Test Challenge itself, how was there time for classroom learning, and School sport?



1962 visit to Houses of Parliament

The first DoE Scheme Gold awards were gained by four pupils in 1962. Although the DoE scheme was reported-on in the Lion, there was a lack of detail that would permit a valid appraisal of its overall impact in the School..

This was the era of pupil initiative, big time, though there had been some spectacular examples in earlier years. Imagine a trip from Fareham to Glasgow, across to Edinburgh and back home! Not by rail, or private car, or bus route, but hitch-hiking. Sleeping rough, in fields, in Police cells, turning-up at an RAF Station to ask if there was a plane going south that could provide a lift! Well, it happened, and is written-up in the section: "Spirit of Adventure". Two 17 year-olds, before the days of-motorways, pre-computers, pre-mobile phones, pre-risk assessments, pre rough-weather clothing, and in 1947 and 1948, two boys completed this phenomenal task. The first pair did get their lift by



*High Profile Hitch-Hiking*

a Lancaster Bomber (!) to Hurn Airport, and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> such hike, the pair ended-up in London and later got a lift that overshot their mark and ended-up in Exeter, with a night in a Police cell (granted at their request), before getting home next day.

The tragedy of this example of initiative is that the lad who was in both pairs, was later killed before he took his “A” levels.

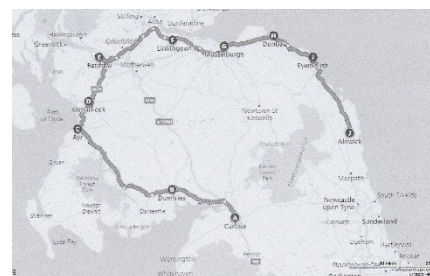
Starting in 1951, for 5 years, there was a series of pupil-organised Hitch-hiking Races to Land’s End. In pairs, these Sixth formers undertook another amazing initiative without prompting by Staff. What is different about these events is that they were conceived as Races! Sadly, after the first two Races, the values of them and their intrinsic interest seemed to wane as is shown in the diminishing write-ups in the “Spirit of Adventure” Chapter.

A recent contact has suggested that a new phase of challenges was set under way, with the aim being to get as far away from Fareham in 24 hours as possible! In the context of other similar activities being reported, that seems quite plausible, although there is no evidence for it in our archives.

In 1953 a group of 5 scouts\* undertook a challenge to “Adventure in North Wales”. \*These were boys who had been members of the former, now closed 9<sup>th</sup> Fareham (Price’s School) Scout Troop formerly run by the Revd E.M.Royds-Jones. Their Adventure was not organised by the School, and is described in the “Spirit of Adventure” Chapter.

In ways that could never be imagined these days, a certain kind of almost dissident, anti-establishment, even lazy, kind of pupil was commonly to be found “working” (aka skiving) in the CCF Armoury, where they could play all afternoon with the rifles etc., unsupervised, and yet be responsible for ensuring the cleaning-duty group were made to use their pieces of 4 x 2 rag to maximum effect to get the barrels clean! It is not easy to wonder what extra precautions were in place for the safety of blank ammunition and thunderflashes when that was delivered to the School. Not a very good type of initiative displayed here! Not much of a risk assessment, either!

The late 1960s saw a change in the scale of these initiatives with a retraction into more local, Fareham area territory, when there was a series of circular walks, this time in association with a specific Charitable collection. That they were local and not of great length was no disappointment, for they were Walks and not Hikes, and there was a chance taken by some to complete more than one lap, wholly or in part. And there was much engagement with other local, non-school organisations in the process.



*A combination of the northern section of the 1<sup>st</sup> outward route, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> return route of the Scotland Hikes.*

Virtually none of this kind of spirited, self-challenging initiatives would be possible these days, surrounded by mountains of risk assessments, health & safety measures and insurance cover having to be in place, and with plenty of adult supervision.

The CCF Band was within my personal experience. It used to meet on Thursday evenings for practise in the old Hall. Almost none of us could read music and at no stage was there a teacher / Cadet Officer in charge. Peer group tuition was the norm. I joined the Band at the start of my 2<sup>nd</sup> year and spent a further 6 years in it, even having a final Parade with the Band after I had left School and the then Drum Major was not available. There was a Band Master – Bob Jarman had been a Pupil at the School. He played trumpet in a local Dance Band. He attended a few Practice nights and occasionally came to external Parades with us. No adult exercised any leadership over us, though plenty

complained at the noise of the lunchtime practices in the old, main block classrooms. There was no adult care of instruments ever, in storage or for performance, not at any time during my years.



*Baden Powell Centenary parade in Fareham, 1957.  
Notice all the Scouts were in step!*

The Band shown here was 22 strong, but it did develop into a larger unit. Like all School groups, the nature of its performance changed over the years and hit a low point in the Fourth year and faced closure. But that didn't happen because in response to initiatives from John Tanner and myself, we were given consent to turn the Band into a full time platoon. That meant we Paraded on Friday afternoons, as a Band and because we were much more visible to the other cadets

some decided to join in. We wore white webbing as normal and rank chevrons were in green for Corporals and Red for Sergeants. On full parades, we also wore dress cords, drummers and buglers had white gloves and on the lower right arm of uniform, we wore musician, bugler or drummer badges backed by green or red felt, according to 2<sup>nd</sup> or 1<sup>st</sup> class player. Thus, the Band became a colourful unit, good in size, quite good in performance, and every aspect of its management was run by the NCOs. Only on external Parades, when we might have needed coach transport was anyone from the School management involved. As to what we played, that was up to us also. We did have set-piece in a Sunset ceremony, but otherwise we made it up as we went along.

International trips gradually made their way into the School calendar, with Innsbruck in Austria, at "Gasthof zum Schwartz Adler" being the first in 1958, with Boppard am Rhine a year later. Ski trips happened also, into Switzerland and Austria, and there was regular uptake of holidays on board the SS *Nevasa* and *Dunera* – generally into the Mediterranean, but also to the Baltic. One such cruise involved a flight to Greece then on the SS *Uganda* to the Crimea and Turkey. The School's first French exchange trip took place in 1960 with the inauguration of several years of enjoyable visits to Grenoble, with French students hosted at home, in return.

1968 saw the start of a new level of School experience – with the inception of the first Annual Cricketer's Dinner in the School. As in other Sports, players rise through School teams to County representation and occasionally get near International selection. But Price's sporting ambitions reached a new height in 1975 with a Tour to the West Indies. One good thing begets another, and Hockey Dinners and Soccer Dinners followed, all on the premises and catered for by School Catering staff.

But Visits weren't always spectacular, and there were more mundane occasions such as Book Fairs, History Exhibition at Winchester, a Science Symposium, Computer courses, Theatre trips and so on. I wonder how much of that exists nowadays with such high pressures on work and School assessments. The OFSTED School Inspections I later became familiar with had no way of evaluating a School's extracurricular life beyond perhaps just mentioning it, and it should not be a surprise that a kind of "if its isn't measured, why do it?" mentality settled on Schools. Severe reductions in team

sports followed too, accelerating the trend of losses consequent upon Teachers' "Industrial" action of the 1980s.

Educational trips were not always for groups and there are several examples of an individual or small group being involved in intensive courses, generally in pupils' own time – a 4-day athletics course at Motspur Park, University of London, a fortnight's International Youth Science Festival in London, a month with the Royal Greenjackets on active training in Germany, Christian Education fellowship course, a CCF Cert. T Railway Engineering course at Marchwood, and by far the most impressive were the Gliding courses available through the CCF RAF section, the Flying Scholarships that funded these and the Officer-potential Star Camps taken-up by several cadets. These are reported-on in other Chapters.

There must have been many pupils whose lives were greatly enriched with such opportunities, all of the sport and routine CCF activities and in some years, many months might have passed without families seeing much of their boys for all that was engaging their time. The same applies also to the commitment of many Staff, and their tolerant families, yet again without husband or dad while he was away making possible the enjoyment of opportunities for many others.

For resourceful boys, and enabling families, life as a whole must have been like a rich and ornate jigsaw, with all this on top of what hopefully, would have been an engrossing education. Now, in 2020, I wonder what range of life-enhancing experiences are available to the teenagers of the Fareham area through their Schools.

It will be interesting to contrast this era's cohort (1950s – 1970s) with the Priceans of earlier years whose post-education employment took them to places new and afar, there to stand on their feet. And then, notionally removing all of the electronic entertainment, social and educational aids from modern lives, to assess what, in the locality of Fareham, represents a modern diet of opportunity.

### **Table of Educational, CCF Field, Exchange and other Trips**


CCF content is in black font. Other content in blue font.

Much more detail of the CCF is reported in: "Price's CCF: A Report on its Life and Times" by D.Goldring, Dec. 2010.

Listings here for the CCF can do little justice to the many cadets who took part, singly or in small groups in a wide variety of short courses offered by all services.

Year	Destination	Involving	Leader(s) + correspondent
1937	Eastleigh railway Works	Scientific Society	
1939	ACF Field Day on Wickham Common		
1939	ACF Summer Camp at Marlborough	63 cadets	
1940	ACF Summer Camp at Marlborough		
1943	ACF Summer Camp	Lots!	
1945	ACF Summer Camp at Basing Park.		
1946	ACF Summer Camp at Basing Park NCOs on a Bren Gun training course Whole Price's Company on Parade for Armistice Day, in Fareham.		




	Fareham area ACF Annual Camp at Freshwater, Isle of Wight. Transport there was in Landing Craft! Scout Troop to Beaudesert International Scout Camp, near Cannock.	24 cadets.	
1947	ACF Summer Camp at Aldershot		
1948	ACF Summer Camp at Corfe Castle	30 cadets	
1948	ACF Field Day listed		
1950	ACF Summer Camp at Camberley		
1951	ACF Summer Camp at Weymouth		
1952	ACF Summer Camp at Bourley	80 cadets	
1953	ACF Summer Camp cancelled – polio outbreak!		
1954	CCF camp at Castle Martin Air section Camp at RAF Cottesmore		
1955	ACF Summer Camp at Tidworth	63 cadets	
1956	ACF Summer Camp at Bourley Air section Camp at Pembrey.		
1957	CCF Field Day at Exton		
	CCF Summer Camp at Stamford	49 cadets	
1958	1 x CCF cadet on an RAF Field Craft & Hill Walking course in North Wales		
	CCF Field Day cancelled – Foot & Mouth disease outbreak!		
	CCF Summer Camp at Shorncliffe`		
1959	<a href="#">2<sup>nd</sup> Trip to Parliament &amp; Tower of London</a>	VI Form	With Reginald Bennett M.P. + <b>Mr M. Howard-Jones</b>
	CCF Summer Camp at Blandford	54 cadets	
	Air section Camp at RAF Ternhill	23 cadets	
	CCF Visit to Port Loading Regt., RE, Marchwood.		
1960	<a href="#">Faraday Lecture</a>		
	<a href="#">Bournemouth Symphony Concert</a>		
	<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> Land's End Hitch-hiking Race</a>	12	VI Form Pupils
	<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> School Exchange trip to Grenoble, France</a>		<b>Mr A.D. Alderson</b>
	<a href="#">French boys in School for 3 weeks</a>		
	<a href="#">Field Trip to Dorset Coast</a>	Geographers	<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	CCF Air section cadets to Hamble Air Experience.		
	CCF RAF section summer camp at Watton in Norfolk-	18 Air cadets	<b>Capt. Cyril Briscoe</b>
	CCF visit to watch Exercise Ambassador at Larkhill, Salisbury Plain.	30 cadets	
	CCF Field Day		
	CCF Summer Camp at No. 1 Training Unit, Blandford Forum		
	<a href="#">VI U to National Physical Laboratory</a>		
	<a href="#">Vi Form residential Field Trip at Flatford Mill</a>	“A” Level Biologists 12	<b>Mr Mike R. Oxford</b>
<a href="#">VI U Field Trip to Hurst Castle Spit</a>			

	Dinghy Sailing course at Hamble		
	VI visit to Oxford		
	VI A to Commonwealth Lecture		
	IV & V Geography visit to Cheddar & Mendips		
	II Form Geography visit to New Forest		
	II Form visit to Salisbury, Stonehenge and Romsey		
	III Form visit to Isle of Wight		
	III & IV Visit to Royal Academy		
	School holiday trip to Innsbruck, Austria		<b>Mr Thompson &amp; Mr Jarvis</b>
1961	VI Form History Conference at Southampton University		
	Start of dancing lessons with FGGS		
	Field Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Geography	<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	Headmasters' flight to Cyprus!		<b>Mr Eric Poyner</b>
	Field Trip to Malham Tarn	VI Form Geography	<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	Coastal Ecology Field Trip to Dale Fort	VI Form Biologists 8	<b>Mr Mike R. Oxford &amp; Eric W. Maclarty</b>
	Geography Field Day to Meon Valley, Blackmore Vale & S. Wilts.	L.VI Form Geographers	<b>John B. Chaffey</b>
	North Wales Arduous Training Course	CCF with DoE people	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Land's End Race	VI Formers 12	Peter Vibert +
	Exchange Visit to Grenoble, France		
	Malham Tarn, Yorkshire	Vi Form 9 Geographers	<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	Choir in joint Concert with Fareham Girls' Grammar School		
	Radio Exhibition, London		<b>R.W.E.F.</b>
	1-week sailing course, Botley.		
	Duke of Edinburgh Award introduced – Silver Expedition practise in the New Forest		<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver Expedition, Brecon Beacons	24 boys	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	CCF Field Day – north of Winchester	All Cadets (250!)	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	CCF Summer Camp at Chiseldon		
	CCF Night time Field Exercise on Portsdown Hill.	70 Cadets	W.O. Tim Pugh & Sgt Johnstone
	CCF RAF Camp at Linton-on-Ouse	24 x RAF cadets	<b>Capt. Cyril Briscoe</b>
	CCF Band – 8 Parades		
	Royal Tournament, Earl's Court, London	CCF	
	Southern Italy		<b>John B. Chaffey</b>
	Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra concert at Portsmouth Guildhall.		



	Drama Group to Stratford: "Hamlet"		M.Cleeve
	Headmasters' flight to Cyprus – RAF careers		
	CACTM Schoolboys' 3 day Conference, Jesus College, Oxford		Roger Gisborne
1962	Lower VI Form Geography Field Day in the Lower Avon Valley.		<b>John B. Chaffey</b> + Steve Dowse
	<i>Le Malade Imaginaire</i> at Portsmouth Grammar School	French Dept.	
	To a Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Concert		
	Esso Oil Refinery, Fawley, with members of the Portsmouth & District Physical Society	VI Form	John Tanner + <b>Mr Royds-Jones</b>
	Faraday Lecture in the Guildhall, Southampton: "Recent developments in Communications"	VI Form Science students	Hugh Roddis
	VI Geographers Lecture: Geography of Space		
	Recital: "Life During the Middle Ages"	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Forms	
	Field Day study of the industrialised Southampton Water	1 <sup>st</sup> Forms	P.Graham & J.Bone
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver Expedition in Lake District	24 students	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	Gold Award expedition	5 students	
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver Expedition in Lake District	12 students	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones</b>
	Visit to National Physics Laboratory, Teddington		<b>Mr Eric Iredale &amp; Revd M. Royds-Jones</b>
	To FGGS to see "Taming of the Shrew"	Drama group	
	RAF Flight to Singapore (award)	1 RAF cadet	
	Trip to Bilston Steel Works in Wolverhampton	30 x VI Form Geographers & Chemists	<b>J.B. Chaffey</b> + J.F. Tanner
	Residential Field Course to Slapton Ley	VI Geographers	M. Blake
	AAA Young Athletes' Course, Motspur Park, London	1 athlete attended	D. Goldring
	<i>SS Dunera</i> Baltic Cruise	6 x Sixth Form	
	Choir performs at Purbrook Music Festival		
	History Conference	15 x Sixth Form Students	<b>L.Y. Garvey</b>
	1 <sup>st</sup> Year Geography trip to Corfe Castle		<b>J.B. Chaffey</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Geography trip to Blandford Forum		<b>J.B. Chaffey</b>
	CCF group to SDRE Christchurch	Cadet Signallers	
	CCF Band – 7 Parades		
	CCF Air cadets on an experience flight with RAF	4	
	Skiing Trip to Kandersteg, Switzerland		Stephen Dowse

	Easter trip to Germany		D. Smith
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Exchange trip with Grenoble in both directions		
	Upper Sixth visit to House of Commons hosted by Mr Reginald Bennett MP		
		24 Sixth Form	<b>Mr Mike Howard-Jones, Mr Thacker</b>
1963	CCF Sea Cadets visit HMS Ariel, Lee on Solent		
	Fifth Year to an Art Shop / Gallery in Southsea.		
	4 <sup>th</sup> annual exchange visit to Grenoble		<b>Mr Openshaw</b>
	Choir in Purbrook Music Festival		
	Skiing trip to Switzerland		<b>Mr Hiles &amp; Mr Royds-Jones</b>
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Land's End race		
	Trip to the Rhineland with 30 boys		<b>Mr Tim Foster &amp; Mr Annetts</b>
	RAF section Camp at RAF Garden near Warwick, a V-Bomber station!	CCF RAF section – 24 places	<b>Cyril Briscoe &amp; Mr Vail</b>
	CCF Air Cadets Camp at RAF Swinerby		
	Flying Scholarships awarded: 2boys. Overseas Flight: Star Camps:		<b>PAB Thomas, B.Keen.</b> P.A.B. Thomas. <b>P.A.B. Thomas,</b> <b>R.Farr, B.Keens</b>
	Geography Field Course at Preston Montford	VI Form students	<b>John Chaffey</b>
	Biology Field Course at Slapton Ley	VI Form students	<b>Mike Oxford &amp; N.A. Halls</b>
	DoE to the Lake District for Silver & Gold awards Expedition testing. Gold Award Expedition coincidental but under independent supervision. 4 pupils receive Gold Award at Buckingham Palace.	24 Silver awd. students 5 students	<b>M. Howard-Jones,</b> <b>Eric Iredale, Chaffey,</b> <b>Mr Heal &amp; Mike Oxford</b> <b>????</b>
	DoE Silver Award Expedition in North Hampshire	24 boys	
	CCF Arduous Training on Dartmoor	20 cadets	<b>Mr M. Howard-Jones,</b>
	CCF Camp at Dibgate, Folkestone	86 cadets attending	
	CCF RAF section Gliding Certificates awarded	7 pupils	
	CCF RAF Section Field Day at RAF Hamble, with all Cadets getting at least 30 minutes flying in Chipmunks. Flying Scholarships cadets attached to Portsmouth Aero Club. 4 cadets accepted for	40 cadets took part 2 cadets	<b>Capt C. Briscoe</b>

	flying training courses. 1 flight to Singapore awarded.		
	CCF Band – 8 major Parades		
	Annual History Conference at Southampton University – Professor Asa Briggs (Univ. Sussex) – “Victorian Towns & Victorian People”	15 x VI Formers	<b>L.Y. Garvey</b>
	Hampshire Schools’ Hockey Coaching course.	5 students attended	
	Faraday Lecture at Portsmouth Guildhall	VI Science students	<b>Mr Eric A. Iredale.</b>
	1 week sailing course at Botley	11 boys	
	Canoing course at Botley	3 boys	
1964	CCF Air Cadets Field Day at RAF Hamble.		
	CCF Air Cadets Flying course at RAF Little Rissington	3 cadets	<b>Capt. Cyril Briscoe</b>
	CCF Air Cadets Summer Camp at AF Wildenrath, Germany	10 cadets	
	Gliding Certificates:		D.Kemp, KA Dunn, WR Goodwin,
	Flying Scholarship:		M.G. Hawkins, J. Keith
	Star Camps:		W.R. Goodwin, E.H. Dunn
	CCF Sea Cadets Camp at HMS Vernon, with 4 days coastal minesweeper sea experience on HMS Beachampton.		
	CCF Sea cadets – Camp at Margat, France		
	CCF Band – 4 major Parades		
	Faraday Lecture, Portsmouth Guildhall: Transistors	VI Science Students	J. Davies BSc, MA GTEE
	Sixth Form Geography Field day near Salisbury		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Form Geography Field Trip – Historic Salisbury area		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	Duke of Edinburgh Scheme Expedition on Dartmoor + CCF Arduous Training;	15 boys & 5 teachers	<b>Mr M.Howard-Jones</b>
	Duke of Edinburgh Trek on the Hampshire Downs		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	Sixth Form Biology Field Trip – Rock, Northumberland		<b>Mr R. Headley</b>
	Sixth Form Biology Field Trip to Skokholme		<b>Mr R. Headley</b>
	VI Geography Field Trip to Swanage		
	Theatre Visits: “Merchant of Venice” (Kings, Southsea), “Othello” (Chichester), “Hamlet” (BOC Chichester), “The Royal Hunt of the Sun”, Three Sisters (Southampton)		
	VI Arts to a Greek play by Aristophenes: “The Birds”		
	ASA Swimming Instructor’s Certificate:		A. Stutter
	DoE Awards: Silver - 9 boys		
	<b>DoE Awards: Gold</b>		<b>J.M. McGarry,</b>

			<b>R.C .Nichols, P.Walker, P.A.B. Thomas</b>
	University & CAT Conference at Southampton	VI Form	
	Royal Tournament, Earl's Court	CCF cadets	
	House of Commons, London	VI Form	
	National Physical Laboratory, Teddington		
	Chichester & Guildford Cathedrals		
1965	CCF Air cadets flying experience at Hamble	12 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets at RAF Halton	11 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets gliding at RAF Tangmere	12 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets Summer Camp at RAF Oakington	22 cadets	
	CCF Air Cadets at <b>Star Camp</b>	2 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets on <a href="#">Flying Scholarships</a>		
	CCF Sea cadets Sea Day on HMS Tiger & HMS Yarmouth (Frigate) with Dartmouth Training Squadron.	17 cadets	
	1½ days offshore boat training on Bermudian Cutter "Lily Maid"	11 cadets	
	CCF Cadets on day visit to Sandhurst	3 cadets	<b>Flt.Lt. Vail</b> , P.R.Peake
	<a href="#">Sixth Form to Lying in State of Sir Winston Churchill</a>	50 students	J.O'Shaughnessy
	Cadets on Naval Aviation course at HMAS Culdrose	3 cadets	
	Cadets on an Outward Bound course at Loch Ewe, Scotland	3 cadets	
	CCF Summer Camp at Wyke Regis with the Royal Engineers.		
	Armourers course at	2 cadets	
	<a href="#">Outward Bound Course in Scotland</a>	3 cadets	
	<a href="#">Geography VI Form Field Day on Dorset Coast</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	<a href="#">Geography VI Form Field Day – Urban Studies at Eastleigh</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	<a href="#">Geography Field Day in Rother Valley, W.Sussex</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	<a href="#">Geography UVI in Brecon Beacons for 3 days, then Industry &amp; Mining in the S. Wales Valleys..</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	<a href="#">As above, repeated for LVI</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	<a href="#">DoE <b>Gold</b> Expedition in Brecon Beacons</a>		
	<a href="#">DoE Practise Expeditions in East Sussex and then West Sussex.</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	CCF Band – 8 Parades		
	<a href="#">National Physics Laboratory visit</a>		<b>Mr Eric Iredale</b>
	<a href="#">Biology VI Course in Brecon</a>		<b>Mr R.Headley</b>
1966	<a href="#">DoE Expedition in France</a>	NB Precise date of this is open to speculation.	First major involvement by <b>Mr John Chaffey</b> in the DoE Scheme.



Peter A. Osborne has let us have this pic of a post-Duke of Edinburgh award trip to France. He believes it was taken in either 1964 or 65. left: 'Dog' Iredale, Mick Croker, Geoff Wheeler, [?], [?], Hedley, [?], Fred Pitt, John Chaffey.

CCF WO awarded a flight to Singapore.		
CCF Air cadets Flying Course at Hamble	40 cadets	<b>Capt. Cyril Briscoe</b>
CCF Air cadets gliding course at RAF Tangmere 4 awarded A & B certificates	19 cadets	
CCF Air cadets Summer Camp at RAF St Mawgam and also at RAF Waddington		
CCF Air cadets camp at RAF Bruggen, Germany	3 cadets	
CCF Band – 3 Parades (last recorded Band entry)		
CCF Naval section cadets on a week's voyage to the Scilly Isles and to a French port.		<b>Lt. Eric Iredale</b>
CCF Army section camp at Bovington		
<a href="#">DoE Gold Expedition to Brecon Beacons</a>	4 students	<b>Mr M Howard-Jones</b>
Youth Against Hunger Cttee' Sponsored Hike		
<a href="#">Penguin Book Exhibition</a>		
<a href="#">Geography Field Day to the South Downs</a>		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
<a href="#">Visit to Nuffield Theatre in Southampton</a>		
<a href="#">Nevasa Cruise to the Eastern Mediterranean Sea</a>	32 x Fourth Year pupils	
<a href="#">Nevasa Cruise to the Eastern Mediterranean Sea</a>	18 x Sixth Form pupils	
<a href="#">Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra at Portsmouth</a>		
<a href="#">Team in BBC "Sporting Chance" competition</a>		
<a href="#">Visit to Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell</a>		<b>Mr Eric Iredale</b>
<a href="#">History Conference at Southampton University</a>		
<a href="#">School Open Day</a>		
<a href="#">Geography visit to Southampton Water</a> RAF Camp in Cornwall		<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
<a href="#">DoE Silver Expedition</a>	23 students	<b>Mr M Howard-Jones</b>
CCF Arduous Training Camp a Newtown, Wales.		<b>Major M.Howard-Jones</b>
<a href="#">All 1<sup>st</sup> years to Winchester: 1066 Anniversary</a>		

	Exhibition		
	“HMS Pinnafore” production at FGGS.		
	Geographers Field day at Eastleigh (VI Form)		
	Geographers Field Day in Rother Valley (VI Form)		
1967	DoE Award Scheme Expedition <b>Gold Expedition</b>		
	CCF Arduous Training at Leek	20 cadets	<b>Major M. Howard-Jones</b>
	CCF Summer Camp at Lulworth, Royal Armoured Corps.		
	CCF Sea cadets camp at Lossiemouth, on a frigate and in HMS Dido		<b>Lt. Eric Iredale</b>
	CCF Air cadets Summer Camp at RAF St Mawgam	20 cadets	<b>Capt. Cyril Briscoe</b>
	CCF Air cadets Easter Camp at RAF Chivenor	20 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets’ WO awarded a flight to Singapore		
	CCF Air cadets at Flight Experience in Hamble	40 cadets	
	<b>Star Camp</b> awarded to G. McEddey		
	Geography Field Trip to the Mendips		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey</b>
	Biology Field Trip at Heol Senni, Wales.		<b>Mr Richard Headley</b>
	DoE 2 week Expedition to Le Massif Central -		
	Sixth Form visit to Winchester Cathedral		
	“Young Peoples’ Guide to the Automation” at Southampton Guildhall		
	Faraday Lecture at Portsmouth Guildhall		
	British Museum Lecture	VI Biologists	
	Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Concert in Southampton Guildhall	30 boys	
	Geography Field Trip: VI Form at Church Knowle, Dorset		
	DoE Gold Training weekend to Rother Valley		
	Ski Trip to Austria		
	VI Science students at a 1-day Symposium on Applied Science.		
	UVI Geographers on a Field Course at Heol Senni		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey &amp; Mr Bateman</b>
	DoE Gold Award Training Expedition, Heol Senni		
	VI Form Geographers 1 day Field Course at Swanage		
	DoE Silver Award Training weekend		<b>Mr M.Howard-Jones</b>
	CCF Airborne demonstration at Aldershot		
	DoE Silver Award Expedition to the New Forest		<b>Mr M.Howard-Jones</b>
	V Years visit Southampton Technical College – Computers.		
	V & VI Sixth Formers visit to National Physics Laboratory, Teddington	26	<b>Mr Eric A. Iredale</b>
	IV years at FGGS for Careers talks		
	CCF Camp at Otterburn		<b>Major M.Howard</b>

			<b>Jones</b>
	LVI Physicists to British Association Lecture: Metals, in Southampton University		
	VI Form Computer Course at Southampton College of Technology		
	DoE <b>Gold</b> Award Training Expedition		<b>Mr M.Howard-Jones</b>
	VI Form Geographers Field Day in the Mendips.		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey &amp; Mr Bateman</b>
	CCF visit to Larkhill School of Artillery	12 cadet + Officer	
	Hockey international visit	45 boys +	<b>Messrs Gros, Hiles, Perrin &amp; Nash</b>
	Hampshire Cruise no 74	31 boys	<b>Mr M.Howard-Jones &amp; Mr Boote</b>
	Geography Field Course to Heol Senni		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey &amp; Mr Bateman</b>
	Cruise No.78	16 boys	<b>+ Headmaster</b>
	VI Geographers to Southampton water		<b>Mr John B. Chaffey &amp; Mr Bateman</b>
1968	CCF Air cadets on gliding courses at RAF Tangmere. 3 Advanced Gliding Certificates. 2 places awarded for Advanced level courses at RAF Halesland	6 cadets	
	School Performance "Iolanthe"		
	CCF RAF section Easter Camp at RAF Chivenor. WO R.Vincent awarded a flight to Singapore. 2 Flying Scholarships. Star Camp awarded	20 cadets	<b>Capt. C. Briscoe</b>
	CCF RAF flight to Singapore awarded		
	CCF Arduous Training camp at Leek	20 cadets	<b>Major Howard Jones, Mr Nash &amp; Mr Daysh</b>
	Christian Education Fellowship Course	1	S.Reddaway
	Shelter Charity Walk		A.N.Roberts
	SS Nevasa Cruise – Mediterranean	30 boys	<b>Mr C Briscoe &amp; Mr Jay</b>
	Cricket Dinner	Lots!	<b>Mr Charles Tuck</b>
1969	CCF Air cadets Summer camp at Little Rissington	14 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets at Link Trainer course at RAF Gutersloh in Germany	6 cadets	
	CCF cadets Summer Camp at Wyke Regis	23 cadets, all sections	
	SS Uganda Cruise		
	German holiday in Boppard		<b>G.Sheridan + Mr Jay &amp; Mr Kerley</b>
1970	CCF Sea cadets visits to Lee on Solent, Whale Island, HMS Phoenix, HMS Collingwood & HMS Seafield Park.		
	CCF Sea cadets flying experience course at :Lee on Solent		

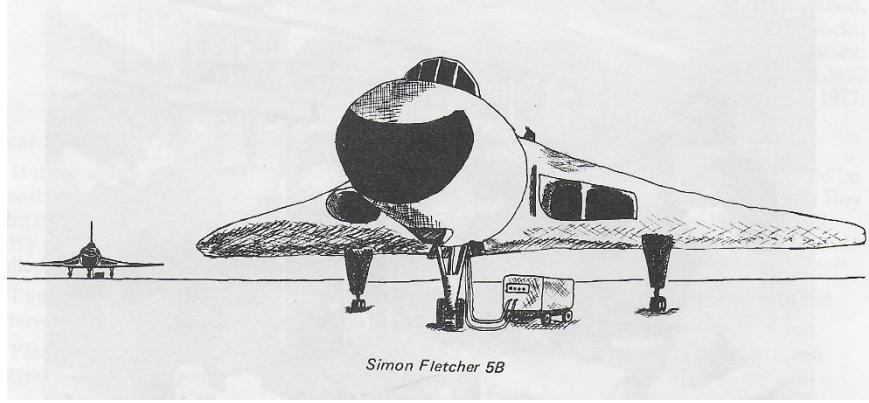


	CCF Arduous Training course at Leek	20 cadets	
	Month's placement with Royal Greenjackets in Munster, Germany, inc. 2 day SAS exercise, a 2 day exercise with Blues & Royals, a 2 day armoured exercise and, arduous training	1 cadet	
	CCF Air cadet Summer Camp at RAF Lindholme	15 cadets	
	<a href="#">Cricket Tour to Guernsey</a>		
	<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> Hockey Club Dinner</a>		
	<a href="#">IBM Computer Competition</a>		
	<a href="#">Sixth Form general Election</a>		
	<a href="#">School Play – The Crucible</a>		
	<a href="#">SS Nevasa Cruise – Med.</a>	25 boys	Mr Charles Tuck & Mr Eric Brown
	<a href="#">Sail Training Ship Malcolm Miller Cruise</a>	5 boys	
	<a href="#">School Holiday in Austria</a>		
	<a href="#">VI Form Geography trip to the Netherlands</a>	38 students	
1971	CCF Summer Camp at Crowborough		
	CCF Air cadets Summer Camp at RAF Hullavington	20 cadets	WO Virgo & Fl. Sgt. Lowe received very high praise from Camp Commandant
	CCF Sea cadet visits to RNAS Lee on Solent & HMS Collingwood		
	Adventurous Training (aka "Arduous Training") in Brecon Beacons		<b>Major M. Howard Jones, Mr Hobson &amp; Mr Newman.</b> Sgt. Balchin
	CCF Summer Camp at Crowborough		WOII B.Draper & Sgt J.A.Miller
	<a href="#">VI Form Biology Field Trip</a>	Snowdonia	<b>Mr R. Headley, Mr Smith.</b> M.R. Lawes
	<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> Form Trip to Portsmouth</a>		P. Davey
	<a href="#">1<sup>st</sup> Form Trip to London</a>		P. Davey
	<a href="#">2<sup>nd</sup> Hockey Dinner</a>		R. Hackman
	<a href="#">Cruise to Mediterranean Sea</a>		
	<a href="#">Cricket Tour to Jersey</a>		
	<a href="#">Journey's End School Play</a>		
1972	CCF Summer Camp at Penhale		
	CCF Air cadets Camp at Abingdon		
	CCF Air cadets Camp at RAF Wildenrath	5 cadets	
	<a href="#">2<sup>nd</sup> Year Residential week trip to Tan Coed</a>	55 boys	<b>Messrs: Hiles, Stevens, Newman</b>
	<a href="#">VI Form Biology Field Trip, Beddgelert</a>	14 boys	C. Nash
	<a href="#">Hockey Dinner</a>		
	CCF weekend visit to Port Transport Regt. RCT, Marchwood		
	CCF Summer Camp at Brecon		
	CCF Air cadets Flight Experiences at Hamble		



	CCF Air cadets Field day at Thorney Island	10 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets Camp at RAF Colerne	23 cadets	
	<a href="#">Calshot Sailing week</a>		<b>Mr Hedley, Mr Collenette. J.A.Innes</b>
	<a href="#">VI Form Biology Field Trip, Snowdonia 1973</a>		
1974	CCF Summer Camp at Crowborough	44 cadets	
	CCF Camp in Germany	20 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets Camp at RAF Wyton	24 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets at Air Experience Flying at RAF Hamble	80 cadets	
	CCF Sea cadets Camp at Loch Ewe	7 cadets	
	<a href="#">Skiing Holiday to Einsiedeln</a>		
	<a href="#">Soccer Annual Dinner</a>		
	<a href="#">5<sup>th</sup> Cricket Tour to Channel Islands</a>		
	<a href="#">West Indies Tourists' Trip to Nottingham Test Match</a>	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	A.G.Smith
	<a href="#">Hampshire Cruise SS Nevada</a>	20 boys	
	<a href="#">IBM Computing Competition – Programming Winner</a>		
	<a href="#">DoE Gold Award winners to Buckingham Palace</a>		
	<a href="#">"Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew"</a>		
	<a href="#">Calshot activity Centre – sailing</a>	16 boys	
1975	CCF Naval section cadets on an 8-day minesweeper experience in the River Clyde.		
	CCF Arduous Training in the Brecons	20 cadets, all sections	
	CCF cadets on an NCO course at Frimley Park	3 cadets	
	CCF Summer Camp at Senny Bridge		
	CCF Sea cadets at Camp Loch Ewe	10	
	CCF Sea cadets on an 8-day coastal minesweeper in R. Clyde	6 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets at RAF Wildenrath, Germany	8 cadets	
	CCF Air cadets Camp at RAF Valley		
	<a href="#">Public Speaking Competition</a>		
	<a href="#">Cricket Tour to West Indies</a>		<b>Mr C. Tuck</b>
	<a href="#">Hampshire Cruise SS Nevada – Mediterranean - on final cruise prior to breakage</a>	28 boys	J.R. Buscombe, <b>Mr Roy Daysh</b>
	<a href="#">Christmas Cruise – flight to Greece, then SS Uganda – Crimea &amp; Turkey</a>		Joyce Young, Sally Alford, <b>Mr Poyner, Mr Briscoe, Miss Herron</b>
	<a href="#">17<sup>th</sup> London, International Youth Science Fortnight, London</a>	1 boy	R.E.Horlock
	<a href="#">Shooting: range was still in use in 1975.</a>		<b>A Mr Gerald Smith</b> (Biology teacher) used to run a lunchtime club
December 1975 marks the final publication of the Lion, and with it, reference to the CCF. At this stage – 12/04/08 – I have no knowledge if the CCF survived for long in the Sixth			

	Form College. [ <i>Ed: added later, it did, closing in 1979</i> ]
1976	CCF Cadets to HMS Daedalus
	CCF cadets at a weekend camp in New Forest
	Arduous Training in the Peak District
	Survival training at Loch Ewe
	Air cadets to RAF Hamble for flying (x2)
	Air cadets Easter Camp at RAF Waddington
	Live .303 firing at Browndown ranges, Gosport
	Sea cadets to RN Aircraft Yard in Gosport
	Sea cadets Field Day
	VI form geologists visit Isle of Wight
	U.VI geographers to Portsmouth Poly for a lecture
	Fourth Form to Cherbourg
	U.VI Geographers visit the Mendips
	Music students to "Schools Prom" in London
	L.VI Geographers to New Forest
	VI Form Spanish students to a meeting in Southampton
	U.VI Chemistry students visit Southampton University for a Lecture on "Infra-red Spectroscopy"
	VI Form geologists visit Studland & Durston Bays
	VI Form Economics students to Stock Exchange
	Astronomers visit Science Museum and Greenwich Observatory
	French students on trip to Vannes.
	VI English students to Nuffield Theatre, Southampton "Death of a Salesman"
	English Students to Salisbury Playhouse for "The Importance of Being Ernest"
	L.VI English students to Nuffield Theatre for "The Next Stage"
	VI Form English Students to King's Theatre, Southsea for "Pride and Prejudice"
	Music students attend "Schools' prom" in London
	VI Arts students visit London Museum
	V Form attend RST, Stratford, "Henry the Fifth"
	Vth Form visit Young Vic Theatre in London: "MacBeth"
	Evening of Mime, Drama & Music in Hall
Rock Opera Mr MacBeth	
Music concert	
1977	Sea cadet & Army cadet Summer Camps
	Girls are able to join the CCF
	RN Presentation at the School.
	CCF cadets caving at Cheddar
	Sailing Course at Calshott
Air cadets flying at RAF Hamble.	



The Easter 1977 CCF RAF section Camp was at RAF Waddington, Lincolnshire, home of the V-bombers. Travel there was by minibus and Major Taylor's car, arriving midst the incredible noise of the Vulcans flying. Good food, good billets. First day there, it was about air traffic control, viewing the bombers, visiting the armoury, and watching film presentations. Five other events engaged us – a night exercise to find and blow-up a minibus with top secrets inside. A VC flight took us over to Wales and much of England. Next day it was a Chipmunk flight, with parachutes that were way too big for us. An evening-off spent in Lincoln is best not described here, and a final morning at shooting. David Ingram

- VI Form Geographers visit Portsmouth & Southampton
- L.VI Geographers visit Brecon Beacons
- VI Biologists visit Sparshalt
- VI Geologists visit Sandown Bay
- VI Form Geographers visit the Dorset Coast, and also the Mendips
- VI Form Geographers attend a Lecture at Ports. Poly. on "France"
- VI Form geographers weekend visit to South Hants. Coast and, separately, to Salisbury Plain and the New Forest
- VI Form Geologists to Swanage
- L.VI History students visit House of Commons and, separately, to Osborn House, IoW., and Greenwich.
- VI form Spanish students on a course at Palma
- L.VI Geologists to the Mendips
- Latin Students visit Pompeii Exhibition in London
- L.VI geographers visit a shopping centre in Portsmouth
- VI Geologists to the Rother valley
- VI Geographers to Shaftesbury & Fordingbridge
- Fourth Year students visit the Mayor's Parlour and Council Chamber
- VI Form English students visit Regents Park Theatre for "Othello"
- V & VI Form English students visit the Shaw theatre for "Romeo and Juliet"
- Drama students produce "The Business of Good Government" at local Churches.
- VI students see a film "Othello"
- College Musical Vivaldi's "Gloria"
- College Play "The Birthday Party"
- Ski Trip to Leysin, Switzerland

1978	CCF Annual Inspection, with the 1978 Guard of Honour shown right.	
	Sea cadets Field day	
	Army cadets attend Aldershot Army display	

Army cadets' Summer Camp at St. Martin's Plain, Kent	
Air cadets flying at RAF Hamble	
Sea cadets sea training in HMS Isis	
CCF Field day at HMS Vernon	
CCF cadets visit St George's Barracks, Gosport	
CCF Cadets Ten Tors practice Expedition.	
L.VI Geologists to Cotswolds and Malverns	
L.VI geographers weekend on Dartmoor	
L.VI Geographers visit Portsmouth & Southampton shopping areas.	
L.VI Biology Field work at Sparshalt	
L.VI Economist students visit the Ultra factory	
"S" Level Chemistry students visit Ports. Poly.	
Challenge of Industry conference	
L.VI geographers visit Brecon Beacons	
L.VI Economists visit Cyanamid factor.	
VI Historians visit Hampton Court	
L.VI geographers to the South Downs	
U.VI Geographers visit London and, separately, Stratford	
Dressmaking students visit London Stores (this is the first recorded visit for girls!)	
VI Form RS students visit the British Museum.	
Geology students visit Cotswolds and Malverns	
Fourth Year attend "British Genius is Alive" Exhibition at Battersea.	
L.VI students visit Bedales School	
L.VI Geographers visit the Dorset coast	
L.VI Geologists visit the Isle of Wight	
U.VI Geographers visit Eastleigh	
VI Form attend the Schools' prom at the Albert Hall	
VI Form Science students attend Faraday Lecture in Portsmouth: "Let there be Light"	
L.VI geographers visit the Rother Valley	
L.VI geologists visit the East Mendips.	
Economics students attend lecture at Portsmouth polytechnic.	
U.VI Geographers visit the Mendips	
L. VI Geographers visit the New Forest	
L.VI English students see "Salome" in London	
Vth Formers see film of "Romeo and Juliet"	
Fourth Year students see "Julius Caesar" at the new National Theatre	
Fifth Year students see "Julius Caesar at the Chichester Theatre	
Fifth & Sixth Formers visit Nuffield Theatre and Sadlers Wells Theatre for an evening of "Mime"	
U.VI English students visit Nuffield Theatre for "Othello"	
VI Formers attend "The Schools' Prom" at the Albert hall.	
L.VI Form English students attend Nuffield Theatre to see "Hamlet"	
VI Form English students attend "The Importance of Being Ernest"	
Vth Forms attend Chichester Theatre for "Julius Caesar"	
A Leslie Norris Poetry Workshop in the new Studio	
Film "Wuthering Heights" for "O" Level English Literature class, and later film of Julius Caesar.	

1979	CCF Ten Tors training
	Army cadets to Pen hale Camp.
	Army display at Aldershot
	Sea cadets sea training
	French film "Le Grand Meaulnes"
	History students political survey in Titchfield
	History students visit Carisbrooke and Osborne House.
	Chemistry students visit Portsmouth Polytechnic Open Day and, later also to Imperial College, London
	Economics students visit Lloyds of London and the Stock Exchange
	Spanish students conference in Southampton.
	Physics students attend Faraday Lecture: The Diagnostic Electron"
	History students attend National Theatre: "The World Turned Upside Down"
	French students' film: "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme"
	History students attend lecture at St. Alfred's College
	RS Students attend a Theology course at Southampton University
	English Students see film at Salisbury Playhouse: "Murder in the Cathedral":
	English students see film "Macbeth"
	Music writing competition
	Music students attend Covent Garden Opera.
	Art Students visit Portsmouth and Southampton Art Galleries.
	English students visit Nuffield Theatre to see "MacBeth"
	Poetry afternoon with Mr George MacBeth.
	Film in the Studio: Hamlet USSR
	College Play: Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead"
	Carol Service
	College Pantomime: Jack and the Beanstalk"
	L.VI Geographers to South Hants coast
	U. VI & CEE Geologists to West Dorset and "O" level Geologists to Isle of Wight.
	L. VI Geographers to Dartmoor.
	Geography trip to the Isle of Skye.
	L.Vi Geographers to the South Downs
	U.VI Geographers to Birmingham and the Black Country
	Geography Field Trip to the rivers of the Western Weald.
Geology students field trip to West Country.	
Geography students to the New Forest	
1980	Geography students to Barton-on-Sea
	Geography students on a Field Trip to Portsmouth
	Geology Students visit the Mendips and Severn Estuary.
	Geography students visit the New Forest
	Biology students attend a course at Sparshott
	Electronic systems students attend a course at Vosper Thorneycroft
	Geography students field trip to South Downs, and later, to Portsmouth
	Geography students on a field trip to Southampton and Eastleigh, and later to the Dorset coast.
	Earth Sciences students visit Isle of Wight.
	Dance Music group visits the Rother Valley.
	Physics students visit Ports. Poly. For lecture on Target Tracking Radar, and again later for a lecture on Colour Vision, and another on Solid State Electronics

Computing students visit the Science Museum.
Spanish students at an annual Conference at Southampton University
German students attend Royal Shakespeare Company's Performance of "The Caucasian Chalk Circle".
Physics students attend a lecture at Portsmouth Polytechnic on the Jet Fusion project and later, another on Superconductivity, and then, on the Voyager Mission.
Environmental Studies students visit London
Sociology students on a course at Birmingham University, and later to the Crown Court.
French exchange students to Vannes
German students attend
English students on a weekend trip to see "Othello" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor"
English students travel to Havant Bench Theatre for "Waiting for Godot"
Play produced in the Studio: "Women of Troy"
English students attend Chichester Festival Theatre: "The Importance of Being Ernest"
Plays produced in the Studio: "Fumed Oak" and "Forty Years On"
English students to Oxford Playhouse "King Lear"
Students attend Nuffield Theatre: "Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat"
Students attend National Theatre for: "Death of a Salesman", and later at the King's Theatre for "What the Butler Saw"
Mock Elections for the European Parliament
College Mastermind Finals.
Students on a trip to Leningrad and Moscow
Lunchtime concert in the Studio.
RE students attend a "Quiet Day" at Park Place
No more College magazines are available after the 1980 issue. The College close in 1984 and all buildings on the Park Lane site were demolished in 1989.

### Star Camp and Flying Scholarship Awards

Both of these types of awards were available only through the RAF section of the CCF.

Details available from the Lion magazines. This section appears also in the Lion Pride Chapter 8 "The Cadet Force".

From School, or whilst at RAF section Camps, it was possible to apply for **Flying Scholarships**. These would be taken at recognised civilian Flying School with a certain minimum of in air instruction, possibly in Simulators too, and also written examination, from which Pilot's Licenses could be earned. These were high prestige achievements and there would be a nominal cost towards what, these days, would amount to a several thousand pound bursary. The Scholarships were much in demand from the School and within a given local area (County, probably) there would be competition from which Price's cadets always did very well. The Lion record shows at least 35 Flying Scholarships awarded.

Award Year	Recipients	Other
1958	2 x Flying Scholarships completed at Camp, 1 more to follow:	

	Cpl. Crosby-Clarke 4 on Gliding courses	
1959	Cpls Rousell & Pepper on a gliding course	
1960	Flying Scholarship and "Wings" for Flt.Sgt. Marcus Miller Cpl. M.Dugan awarded a Fleet Air Arm Commission Star Camp for Cpl. M.Keith Gliding courses for: Duffy, Keith and Bennett.	
1961	2 Star Camps awarded to N.Bennett and P.Johnson 2 Flying Scholarships 3 on Gliding course at Camp: P.A.B. Thomas, Keen & Andreason, + another 7 in the Summer	
1962	2 x Flying Scholarships: Sgt. B.Keen & Sgt. P.A.B.Thomas Gliding wings: Flt Sgt. R. Shepherd, Cadets G.Dubber, R.King, P.J.Stone Overseas Flight to Singapore for Sgt. P.A.B.Thomas	
1963	4 x Star Camps: P.A.B.Thomas, R.Farr, B.Keen, K.Walker, - Flying Scholarships: Sgt. M. Hawkins and J.Keith 4 x Gliding courses awarded Officer Cadet gains admission to Cranwell.	
1964	2 Star Camp Awards: W.R.Goodwin, E.H. Dunn	NB RAF section is now the largest in the CCF and, given the flight options available, Flying Scholarships and Star Camps it isn't surprising!
1965	2 x Star Camps awarded 1 x Flying Scholarship 12 on a Gliding course	
1966	Flying Scholarship for Cpl Fisher & K.R.Collyer, both cadets earned flying "Wings" / Pilot's License 1 x Star Camp Overseas Camp awards: R.Kinge, P.Pearce & R.Fisher	
1967	3 x Flying Scholarships: J.R.Thacker 2 x Star Camps: Sgt. Middleton & G.McEdey One overseas flight to Singapore awarded	
1968	2 x Flying Scholarships: F/Sgt. K.Middleton & Sgt. Dashper 6 on a gliding course W/O R.Vincent awarded an overseas flight to Singapore. Star Camp awarded to F/Sgt Middleton Sgt. B.Moxey* & Cpls, Burgess* & Scott gained Advanced Gliding certificates, with * offered a place on an advanced gliding course	
	20 x Cadets from each CCF section, on an Arduous Training course at Leek.	
1969	5 x Flying Scholarships 6 x gliding courses 1 x Staff cadetship	
1970		



1972	Flying Scholarships – I.Virgp, S.Emery, P.Hannam & R.Ward, S.G.Emery
1973	4 cadets earned gliding wings 4 Flying Scholarships
1974	4 cadets earned gliding certificates 3 x Flying Scholarships for Sgts.T. O’Leary, J.A.Banks and Herbertson
1975	
1974-79	Reporting of RAF section activity during this period is less detailed, though it remains as a major set of options with many flying sessions. The CCF was closed in 1979.

The peak of cadet achievement was a **Star Camp** award, commonly given to outstanding cadets displaying clear Officer leadership potential. These Camps involved several days at various RAF facilities. Price’s cadets were prominent in the award list for these honours.

Cadets entering a “select” subsection of the Cadet Corps, will be those with a level of motivation to access resources and opportunities not available to rest. In a Grammar School context, this will usually mean the “select” group, in this case the RAF section, will have candidates with higher than average ability, and this is reflected in the significantly higher levels of success in the proficiency Examinations. Maybe the fact that the instructors – NCOs in the Section were of a better calibre, but also worthy of note, is the fact that there were two retired Regular Service Warrant Officers who had come to work in the School after their retirement.

**The Flying Scholarship scheme:** Any member of the RAF. Section of CCF over the age of 16 may apply for an RAF Flying Scholarship. The cadet obtains an application form from Captain Briscoe which is then forwarded to OASC Biggin Hill (Officer and Aircrew Selection Centre). is accepted for the tests he will spend two nights at Biggin Hill doing medical and flying aptitude tests and being interviewed by a Wing Commander and Squadron 98 Leader.

Once past these tests, the successful candidate is recommended for a Scholarship and sends another application form to Headquarters Air Cadets. The long wait then begins. A cadet who gains a Scholarship is sent normally to a local flying school to do his training. The course covers a period of twenty-eight days in which the pupil does twenty hours dual instruction and ten hours solo flying. He also attempts to pass an examination on air law and one on navigation and meteorology.

The actual flying time is spent doing stalls, steep turns, effects of controls, crash landing procedures and cross-country flying. This all comes after the first solo which in turn comes after eight to nine hours basic instruction. The memory of one’s first solo, usually ten minutes of blind panic, is something that stays with you for the rest of your life. There is also the feeling that you are superior to the poor devils down below as you fly over a jammed motorway or a train that stops at every station. All good things come to an end sometime, and at the end of twenty-eight days you return to the station to travel home by an inferior method of transport.

Ian Virgo

## 1962

I was fortunate enough to be chosen to attend a **Star Camp** this summer. It was held at RAF Valley, in Anglesey, home of No. 4 Flying Training School of the Royal Air Force, and of a Search and Rescue Helicopter Unit of 22 Squadron, Coastal Command.

I arrived at the Officers' Mess at Valley on 1 September, with twenty-two other cadets from all parts of the country and, after signing in, we were shown to our quarters. Two cadets shared each room which was well furnished. After unpacking we had a marvellous dinner, everything being served by waiters; afterwards, on looking around we found a billiards-room, a lounge, a bar and two television-rooms.

During the next six days we were kept busy attending lectures on Survival and Safety equipment, Aviation Medicine, Missiles, Meteorology, Ground Control Approach, Air and Sea Rescue, Vampire Servicing, and the growth of the Royal Air Force.

Each morning at 0745 hours, after breakfast, we attended Met, Briefing, followed by Chipmunk flying for one group and lectures and USAF film shows for the other. I had three Chipmunk flights totalling two hours and managed to see some of Anglesey from the air. One afternoon we went out in two RAF Air Sea Rescue launches. About a mile off Holyhead we threw a six-man dinghy overboard. Six at a time we jumped into the sea wearing denims and an inflated Mae West and clambered into the dinghy. Five minutes later we climbed back onto the launch and were taken about six miles out to the Skerries lighthouse and then back to base.

On our last day at Valley we were winched up from the ground into a Whirlwind Helicopter of 22 Squadron, by a strop, taken for a circuit of the airfield and landed again. Immediately afterwards we changed into denims and were taken by RAF coach to Llanberis where we started up Snowdon. An hour and three quarters later we arrived at the summit, had a drink and started down again. We arrived back at Valley by way of the Llanberis Pass and Menai Bridge and packed ready for home the next day.

The purposes of Star Camps are to give cadets some idea of all aspects of an Officer's life in the Royal Air Force of today, of the training he does whether in the air, or on the ground, and the work he must do to keep an airfield operational. For me it was an invaluable experience.

**K. Walker**

## 1967

**STAR CAMP** Held at RAF Scampton, near Lincoln, the home of Squadrons 617, 27 and 85 of the Royal Air Force

As well as myself, there were 2 other cadets from the Priory School, Shrewsbury, attending the Camp and each one of us was attached to a crew from each of the three squadrons. With his crew, each cadet was obliged to go through as much of the routine of an RAF Officer as was possible. This includes dinghy and escape drills and visits to other stations for a period in the various flight simulators, machines for reproducing the behaviour of a Vulcan Bomber.

At the end of the week, a flight in one of the stations bombers was arranged. This trip lasted 5 hours and took in Scotland, London, Fareham, Cornwall Wales and the north of England, together with large expanses of the North and Irish Seas.

At the Camp, we found a great deal of hospitality, not only in the Officers' Mess, which was our home for the week, but from every part of the camp. That we were allowed to visit without endangering the Nation's security.

85

G.McEddey

### 1973

Gliding courses have been held at RAF Old Sarum . The following have obtained their Gliding Wings: **A.M. Crouch, J.M. McKay, S. Woolmington.** Advanced Standard = J. **O'Leary, G.M. Parnham.** Royal Air Force [Flying Scholarships](#) awards including Pilots' Wings and Licence granted to: **S.J. Chilcott, K.P. Grigg, K. Kendell,**

These awards are granted by the Royal Air Force to Cadets who pass completion they are awarded their Pilots' Licence and Wings. The value of these Scholarships per Cadet is approximately £2,000 in 2023 inflation. [**Ed:** *I wonder how many Star Camp, and Flying Scholarship holders actually took up service in the RAF?!*]

### May 62

#### Flying With the RAF

Okay! Who's next?" and yet another was drawn from the circle of bodies huddled together near the hangar doorway, and into the warmth of life-jacket and parachute, One by one the experienced cadets answered the ATC Sergeant's call, and soon the novices were being briefed and fitted out. "Come on," shouted the Sergeant as loudly as he could; "Hurry up, ' he added, trying to make himself heard above the wind and the rattling hangar.

After holding back for a couple of seconds, I stumbled forward to be fitted with a parachute by a gentleman sucking for all he was worth at an old pipe, Helping me into the life-jacket, he explained how it worked. "Now, if you land in the Solent, you pull this red plug. That releases the carbon-dioxide and the jacket is inflated,' Then the parachute straps were brought across my shoulders. "This clips in here; and, if you have to bale out, wait until you are ten feet from the water, twist this catch round two places and hit it as hard as you can. It might come undone!" Then, indicating a pouch with his pipe-stem, "In here is a light which will last for days, so if you are ditched just remember all I have told you," Then, as he began to attend to the next chap, he added, "Rather cold today, isn't it?"

As I sat there, with the snow swirling round my cold feet, I wondered what would happen if we did crash. Those Chipmunks looked so fragile, the engine only seemed to be held on by a couple of bolts; the Air Training School was little better than a field. What if we should crash on landing, or taking off? Suddenly we were blinded by snow and dust; the noise of an engine similar to a two-stroke motorcycle indicated that a Chipmunk had landed.

Doubled up by the harness and with the parachute dangling between my legs, I hobbled out to the aircraft, feeling far from the confident cadet that the others looked. I was helped into the seat by two ATC chaps, who made me feel very inexperienced, because they had to fix my safety-belt, With the cry of, "Have a good flight, Sir!" we taxied round and started off, and I remembered that I was in the RAF and must address the head in front of me as "Sir!" The plane lurched forward, and as it

gathered speed I shut my eyes, waiting for the bump. But it never came. When I opened my eyes again and looked down, to my amazement we were flying, “Have you been up before?” came a voice over the intercom. “No, Sir,” I replied. “Have you been up before?” came the voice through the earphones again. Realizing that I had not switched on the microphone before, I replied, “No, Sir.”

“Where would you like to go?” inquired the head. “Hill Head, please.” I felt as if I were talking to the bus conductor, Bearing to port, we reached Hill Head, circled round a couple of times, and then flew off due east to Portsmouth Harbour, And then it happened, the worst thing on that flight. The pilot started whistling, Have you ever heard someone whistle over a very sensitive microphone?

After flying round Portsmouth Harbour, we headed out to sea. In the middle of the Solent we met another Chipmunk and followed it round in tight circles; then, as I looked out, I saw the other plane dart away, and I realized that we were flying on our side. We straightened out and proceeded to go into three or four rolls, We then turned for Hamble and, after circling, we were soon tearing along the field, reducing speed, and it was all over.

Later on, in the rest-room we all discussed our experiences, and though flying times were questioned everyone agreed it had been a very profitable afternoon, Our thanks are due to Captain Briscoe and Flying Officer Vail for arranging the trip.

**D.J. Rivett (IV B)**

It is arguable whether such activities as these CCF events should be regarded as extracurricular or not. But, to access them, it was necessary to be a pupils of the School, and in the CCF. Making this list forces an indelible impression of the sheer quantity there exists and with that, raises the matter of learning outside of the standard Curriculum. The novelty of these activities adds one dimension to participants’ lives – new knowledge and experience. Whether these imbue immediately valuable skills is not the point. They are informative, and adaptive, broadening the horizons. A retrospective view on the merits / compulsion there was in joining the CCF, there is no doubt that, even for the dissidents, there was a broadly educational perspective that would have its benefits elsewhere in the lives of those who “endured or suffered” their time served!

A second set of experiences arise from the need to adjust and adjust to new environments, about which there might have been little by way of preparation. No Parents, new authority figures, less of the comforting that goes with home life, new food, and new social company – each of these would have been a new challenge demanding an instant response and not the least of those would have been for those who were novices at life outside of and away from the traditional family context. This would assuredly have had the sandpaper effect in bringing forth coping strategies.

The most useful outcomes would have been those with intangible impacts, perhaps not immediately evident, or becoming aware of new people, in different environments and with an expectation of being able to adjust and be productive. New talents might blossom forth, with new personal qualities that fuel a new kind of interpersonal life, akin maybe, to the emergence of a butterfly from its chrysalis stage – a formative experience.

Working alone, on instructions from elsewhere is sometimes needed, whilst on other occasions, integrating to a new working mix might confront in ways that call on individuals to manifest leadership skills, or even to be well-informed followers.

The novel outcomes of all of these influences and benefits might not appear straight away – much will depend on the nature of the environment. All of these things, and more are potential benefits of

getting involved, and that is why life in the CCF was a good thing to experience! Love it, or hate it; it's one of those marmite things!

David Goldring

---

## Visiting Speakers

The first record of a Visiting Speaker, other than any who might have delivered a homily at the Annual Speech Night, is listed as being in 1932, when a speaker from the Selbourne Society spoke of the benefits of observing nature rather than attempting to collect from it. Quite a prophetic early hint at developing attitudes to wildlife conservation that characterise the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century. The Victorian habit of collecting is still evident in many British Museums, as it is ingrained into the minds of children or all ages.

Visiting Speakers tended to come in the following categories:

Regional Careers advisor: these would have been a part of the Education Committee's regular staff. The visits would have been of a general, procedural kind, informing pupils of patterns in the application processes, entry levels, need for CV etc. It would have been normal for those with specific interests and maybe out of the normal further education processes to have sought or been offered individual appointments to advise on further action. The process changed over time to merge with adult careers advisory services and co-incident with this came a reduction in the numbers of teachers with special, organisational oversight of the programme related to their schools. The Careers Advisory Service was privatised and with their new powers to make their own spending decisions (Local Management of Schools = LMS, introduced 1992), it was up to Schools to decide what services they bought-in. Very little of the kind happens now – few pupils leave education at 16. A graded series of visits would probably start in the IV Form and carry through to Sixth Form.

At its best, and this relates to experience in the Comprehensive School where I worked, a teacher would have the primary input, designing Careers education according to local needs, with the help of a Professional Careers Advisor working across an allocation of Schools. Large scale Careers Conventions became commonplace, as did in-School provision of Interview practise occasions supported by volunteer business folk. Even the admissions to University has undergone great change, with "Open Days" the norm, informing choice and with points targets replacing specific grade requirements. No Universities & Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS, founded in 1992), in my days – it was a matter of direct applications to each institution on your personal wish list. An ongoing story, methinks!

Uniformed Services Advisors from the Armed Force, Police and other blue-light services would come on an occasional basis probably when there was a perceived recruitment need on the horizon. Ordinarily, pupils interested in such options might have been advised to make direct contact with the respective recruitment programmes. Mainly VI Form orientated.

Further Education Advisors would probably focus on "new" courses, or alternatives to established, higher-profile courses in Universities. Their focus would have been largely vocational, mainly VI form orientated and directed at new technology and engineering skills development.

Health Advisors were a later adjunct to the services that local education authorities had, and would have dealt initially with Lower School pupils on matters such as dental hygiene, smoking and alcohol usage. Personal Health issues for Puberty were dealt with via visiting Doctors or Nurses and in later years the growing menace of drugs and alcohol addiction would have become available through specialist workers.

Domestic, cultural and international topics had a relevance in the later years of the School now displaced by the readily available Internet and Social Media content. Faith based concerns were addressed occasionally in much the same way. And there were also specific subject-related topics


A selection of such Titles is presented here:

Selborne Society; Pestalozzi Childrens' Village; Commonwealth Lecture; Race, Religion & Culture; Robert Burns, Geography of Oil; Geography of Space; The Arab World; Exploration in Greenland; Chemical Engineering; Nelson; The India of Nehru, Tudor Life; Christian Literature; Andean Archaeology; Liquefaction of Oxygen; VSO; Massif Central; Rome; The Problems of Living; Money Management; The Times; Russian Foreign Policy; American Foreign Policy;

All of the above would be interspersed with the examples before, and delivered selectively to a variety of audience sizes and particular interests. The practise begun in the days of ineffective television and a less incisive Press. An immediate experience in terms of delivery and some content would have been valued, though inexperienced speakers might reduce enthusiasm and attention – yes, but more importantly a contribution was being made to the widening-horizons expectations of Schools. Seen as an adjunct to the Clubs, Societies and other extracurricular opportunities available routinely throughout the years, these fit alongside the third part of this review quite nicely.

At the very least for come children, it got them off a particular lesson or two!

The Lion magazine ceased to list the work in School of any Visiting Speakers in and after 1968.

Year	About?	
1932	Lecturer from the Selborne Society (founded 1885 to follow philosophy of observation rather than collection of specimens from the wild.	
Post-war	2 x RAF Officers, including "Wg. Cdr. "Bob" Braham, wartime fighter pilot	
1947	Talk & Simultaneous match for Chess Club	Mr Pratten
1960	Regional Careers Advisor	M.r Hatfield
1961	Pestalozzi Childrens' Village Scheme	Mr . M. Buchanon
	Lecture "Race, Religion & Colour"	A.I.Polack M.A., Council of Christians and Jews.
	Lecture to U.VI "Robert Burns"	Mr Henderson, Midland Bank Manager
	Lecture "Dental Health"	Miss Griffiths
	Lecture: "Recent Developments in East and West Africa"	Sir Hilary Blood
	Sixth Form Discussion Group	Revd. Tim Pickering
1962	Portsmouth College of Technology	Mr Bates
	VI Form Careers (also to Parents' meeting)	Mr Hatfield
	"Health" (postponed because ... he was ill!)	Dr Wagland
	Commonwealth	
	Geography of Oil	Mr Young (Esso)
	Army as a career	
	RAF as a career	
	Police as a career	
Geography of Space		

	The Arab World	Mr Bushrui
1963	Common Market (VI Form)	
	Careers (V Form)	
	Aspects of the Chemical Industry (VI Science)	ICI
	Navy League (VI Form)	
	Personal Hygiene	Dr Wagland
1964	Avera Trio Recital	
	Lecture: "Exploration in Greenland"	Lt.Cdr. Brett
	Lecture: Chemical Engineering	Dr.Horsely
	Lecture (lower School); Tudor Life	
	Lecture (VI): Nelson	Captain Hardie
	Lecture (VI): The India of Nehru"	Miss Watt
	Year 1: Care of the Teeth	
	Years 1 & 2: Dangers of Smoking	
	Years 3 & 4: Careers	Mr Hatfield
	Hellenic Cruise 1963	
	1965	Lecture: "Christian Literature"
Lecture: "On Your Own" (at University)		
Lecture: Andean Archaeology		
Lecture: Careers		Mr Hatfield
1966	Lecture : Vi Science "Liquefaction of Oxygen"	
	Safari to Africa	
	Voluntary Service Overseas	Mr Burne-Green
	Le Massif Central	<b>Mr John B.Chaffey</b>
	Lecture: Rome	John L.Sayer
Conference: "The Problems of Living", at the FGGS VI Form		
1967	"Money Management" (VI Form)	Cdr. Ewen
	Careers (3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Years)	Mr Green
	"The Times"	Mr Hills
	Lecture: Banking Service (VI Form)	
	Careers	Mr Green
	Russian Foreign Policy (VI Form with FGGS + Gosport County Girls' School)	Yuri Pavlov, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Secretary at the Russian Embassy
	American Foreign Policy (VI Form with FGGS + Gosport County Girls' School)	Emmett B. Ford, 1 <sup>st</sup> Secretary, US Embassy
	Voluntary Service Overseas (Parents)	Mr G.L. Stephenson, Secretary
During this period, there is no record of any visiting speakers or music concerts etc.		
1976	French & Geography students attend lecture on "Paris and its Planning Problems"	Dr. Bateman
	Sixth Form Physics students attend lecture on "The Origin of the Universe"	Dr. Baldwin
	Music Concert	Michael Garrick Jazz Trio
	Urban Geography of the Benelux countries	
	Folk Concert	
1977	History Lecture	Mr R. Lockyer
	Concert	Fareham Philharmonic Society



	Lecture for Geographers 7 Geologists: "Tropical Geomorphology":	Dr. Small, Southampton University
1978	Key Studies Lectures	
	Spanish Guitar recital	Ivan Scott
	History Lecture	Dr. Feuchtwager
1979	Film in Studio "Hamlet USSR"	
	Spanish Guitar recital	Ivan Scott
1980	The Trident Scheme	Mr W. Simmonds
	Studio showing of the film "If"	
	Lunchtime concert in the Studio	
	Dance Music group visits the College	
	Poetry afternoon	George MacBeth
	Geography Lecture	Dr. Barton
	Lecture: Marwell Zoo Park	Mr J.Knowles
After the 1980 College magazine, there no further reports o		

---

## A Miscellany of other things



IN JANUARY 1974 THE SCHOOL WON THE SHIELDS AWARDED BY THE BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN RAISING MONEY BY A SPONSORED SWIM. THE AWARD WAS PRESENTED BY CDR. R.C. ALLEN, CHAIRMAN OF FAREHAM U.D.C TO HEAD BOY JOHN DEATH.

This image is probably of one of the final outward-faced School organised charity activities, prior to closure. But sadly, and not uncommon in Schools, there seems to have been no central record of charitable fund-raising. Such an absence will assuredly have disguised a reality of thoughtful and imaginative fund-raising.

### Educational Cruises

These have been interesting and worthwhile additions to the “straight jacket” kind of curriculum offered by secondary schools of all types and through their work have opened-up possibilities of visiting places not normally possible through traditional school or family programmes.

Boats such as the *SS Nevasa* and *SS Uganda* provided experiences of the “money can’t buy” type in the 1950s to 70s, with passenger lists of 700+ voyagers on trips that lasted 10 days or more. School groups with their own teachers received on-board lectures and enjoyed recreational facilities. In port, there were land excursions to classical tourist spots and sometimes to other less structured and exotic places such as markets.

Price’s School pupils took advantage of these opportunities which yielded benefits beyond the facts of this or that place or event – there was much social mixing in company with folks from other parts of the country – valuable precursors for the transition to residential further education.

### Cruise Destinations

Where there are gaps in the sequence, it might be simply that nobody submitted a report. Fuller accounts can be read from the Lion copies in the SOP website.

1960 Greece, Crimea and Turkey  
 1962 Hellenic Cruise with MS *Dunera* to the Baltic: via Kiel Canal, in fog, ran into a sandbank & damaged propeller. Later to find the radar and echo-sounder were also not working properly! Stockholm, a clean city, cars driving on the left. Leningrad next, gave a dour impression of old buildings. Helsinki visit cancelled because of a damaged engine! Copenhagen next –very clean, lots of bikes. Return home on the North Sea was very rough



J.Dunn

1963 SS *Dunera* – Baltic Cruise



1966 2 different cruises to the East Mediterranean  
 1967 Cruise No. 34 on SS *Nevasa*, via Gibraltar, Malta, Alexandria, Cairo, Venice and then a return flight home.



1968 Cruise No. 78: SS *Nevasa* to the Mediterranean. Cruise No. 74. Affected by the Arab-Israeli war, Haifa have way to Rhodes, Izmir and Corfu. Force 8 gale affected travel – 8 hours late arriving in Morocco. Crete next, then Rhodes, later Izmir and finally, Corfu, and Venice. Accompanied by Mr Boote and Mr Howard-Jones .

R.Lynch

1969 SS *Uganda* & SS *Uganda*

1970 This SS *Nevasa* group is when we were in the 4th year and cruised the Med.

It was in a park in Lisbon, Portugal - a group of us were befriended by a local lad. Back row left to right Matthew Bolton, Ian Bourton, Phil Cooper Front left: Glyn Balmer, Paul Cousins, local, Brian Greenaway, Andy Dykes



*Eric Brown, second from left in the group photo, can be seen here with Charlie Tuck in Venice.*

*Eric writes - Michael, Have been looking through some old Price's slides and have scanned one or two. You will get some more in a separate "we transfer". These shots are from the 1970 Hampshire Cruise. I was one of the staff, Charlie Tuck the other. Sorry images are not better - taken with a fairly basic camera and images appear to have degraded over 49 years!!*







1971



*A colour (!) photo of some chums from the early days. I think this is around April or May 1971 somewhere in the Mediterranean.*

I recall that we all got a chance to go on the cruise because the itinerary was changed and the ship was to call at the port of Alexandria in Egypt. This was unacceptable to a group from a Jewish school in London so we got their places really cheap, £25 I think.

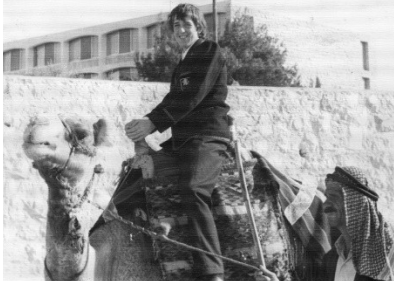


I can't recall the name of the ship but I do know it was an experience of a lifetime. We saw the Pyramids, the Dead Sea, ancient Greek ruins in Greece and Cyprus, and Venice. I also remember that we steamed past a crippled Russian warship which I later learned was on sea trials and was very new and very secret!

As for the people in the photo, the only one I can remember is Stephen Woolmington who is top right with his arm extended. Some of the others were Canadian as there were some from Canada on the same cruise.

If anybody recognizes anybody I would love to know who they are,

Regards,

**Victor Ward**

1973	<p>SS <i>Uganda</i>. 20 boys. To the Med. Malaga the Alhambra Palace, then off to Greece, 3 days later, calling in at Athens and the monuments. On to Santorini, landing by launch and thence, on a donkey to the crater rim. 2 more sea days and then to Dubrovnik – not so interesting!</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>P.Walters</b></p>	
1974	<p>Christmas Cruise 145 to Greece and Turkey, accompanied by Mr Poyner, Mr Briscoe &amp; Miss Heron. To the sights of Athens, then onto Yalta in the Crimean Peninsula. Batumi next for 2 days – rather bleak, then to Istanbul. Lots of entertainment – lots of girls to very few boys! A coach tour of beautiful Dubrovnik, then home.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Sally Alford &amp; Joyce Young</b></p>	
1976	<p>Piraeus – Rhodes – Alexandria – Cairo – Pyramids – Port Said – Suez Canal – Bethlehem – Jerusalem – Nazareth – Santorini – Athens.</p> <p>And then, to cap it all, on arrival back at School at 1 am, they were met by the Headmaster, Mr Poyner!</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Richard Dunham &amp; Simon Bennett</b></p>	
1977	<p>Andrew Jones, Louis Horsley, Lynn Westmore, Paul Hawkins and Katherine King on a Christmas Cruise led by Mr Charles Tuck.</p>	 
1978	<p>SS <i>Nevasa</i> Christmas Cruise Greece, Turkey &amp; Crimea</p>	

## **IBM Computer Competition (1970)**

This competition was organised by IBM for those schools which used the 1130 computer at Southampton University.

Four Schools entered. Price's entered 3 programmes: a Bus Timetable by P. Woods, a game "Nim" by P.J. Shore, and Noughts and Crosses game by Paul Gover.

P. Wood's programme was judged to be the winner of the trophy shown adjacent.



Mr. J.S. Stanton, Laboratory Manager, IBM (U.K.) Ltd., Hursley, presenting P. Woods with the cheque for £25.

The Price's team was invited to attend a Dinner in their honour at a later date, The team was invited to IBM laboratories at Hursley, to select some manuals to purchase with the prize money, and to review the extensive computer installations.

Thanks and appreciation were extended to Southampton College of Technology's computer department for their assistance and support.

### **Reflections:**

The willingness of teacher's to engage with an extracurricular commitment is something that has changed markedly during my working life (1966-2005). In earlier years there was almost an expectation that job applicants would commit, and that specific focus needs would actually induce applicants to be attracted to certain Schools. The value of such opportunities was not inconsiderable. And, there seemed to be no shortage of young men willing to get involved in activities or Clubs that brought esteem to the School. In the years of Wednesday afternoon "Games", and Saturday morning School, there were two ready-made time slots within which to nurture a substantial fixture list amongst local, and sometimes distant opposition Schools.

That was certainly the case at Price's, fortunate to have contiguous playing fields though limited a bit by the slopes on the field. It was the Major Sports, written-up by Roger Starkey, that flourished thus. The Minor Sports, had to make do with a more imaginative fixture list and match timings, including evening and weekends. Ultimately, it was the size of the numbers on roll and decisions on which Sports to support.

Thus, Rugby took its place relatively late and, with several others, grew from a base of keen and capable sportsmen, and willing and capable teachers to guide, coach and make access to



competitions available – Swimming Sailing, Badminton, Tennis etc. (See the Lion Price “Minor Sports ,Chapter 6”) Some such teacher input was for post-School time only and occasionally, there were Staff with the interest to support weekend activity.

Extracurricular activity was much enhanced by the variety of Sport opportunities, but that was not the end of it, for there were many other opportunities created, and sometimes just for the occasional single participant. The CCF provided a huge variety of courses at very little expense, and will have given great opportunities of Service life to many. The table above, with CCF entries in black font, adds to the wide spectrum of experiences and personal development chances. More of the CCF role in the Lion Pride, Chapter 8. “Top Dog” as far as chances are concerned went to the RAF section schedules from which cadets could gain Flying Scholarships, Pilot Licenses and many social overseas air trips, e.g. to Singapore, or access to Star camps for potential Officer-level recruitment.

Another such broad set of opportunities was provided through the innovative work of Music and Drama teachers, from whom would spill over a great diversity of in-School performances for Choirs, Orchestras and Plays, alongside of which there was a Films Schedule and also visits by and to regional professional groups. And then came the “Gilbert and Sullivan” spectacles that brought so much to so many pupils, teachers and parents. It was not uncommon for there to be queues for involvement in various aspects of such productions. Into this melting pot arose the chances to mingle with girls from the Fareham Girls’ Grammar School and St. Anne’s School also. I recall the first visit to the FGGS site for the first joint Dancing classes! What excitement!

*Ad hoc* School trips such as to Parliament, the initial School holiday trip to Oberammergau in Austria, the French exchanges with a School in Grenoble, a variety of Cruises to so many European and Middle East destinations– it did seem a bit odd to see a Price’s boy atop a camel, in his Price’s blazer (!), entries into competitions, taking part in the early stages of the Oxfam campaigns, participation in the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award scheme and, probably most spectacular, the Land’s End Hitch-Hiking races and the three Hitch-hikes to Edinburgh, one including a “hitched” life back home in a Lancaster bomber!

Do take a look at the tables above, to see how many teachers took part – took the time, and gave-up family time, planned and made arrangements, took the risks, and compare with the modern era (2020s) to assess the contrasts. The loss of the Past v Present matches was probably close to the start of the trend which, for many Schools, has reached its nadir in more recent times, with only a scarce sight of a regular inter-school fixture list. The time of Industrial action by teachers’ Unions in the 1980s added to that impetus, and the growth in tick-box checklists to assure that just about anything that might happen and go wrong, would have been anticipated in Risk Assessments and mitigation plans, to avoid the perils of legal action in the event of trouble. What a joyless task that lot was, often requiring staff at the destination to have to provide their own, in-house Health and Safety plans for inclusion. Against such a barrage of inhibitory measures, who would willingly give up scarce time without pay, when so much contractual demand has to be met with public disapproval in default thereof? For an interesting example of such a problem, see Lion Pride Chapter 21 “Old Boys” – the R.O. Johnson & Arrest in Austria!.

The world of being a teacher with an active and willing involvement in the extracurricular life of a School, has passed – or mostly, for there still lies in the Independent sector, such means to diversify and enhance the life of the School and its pupils.

## In Conclusion:



The picture above, sums-up all that was great about the School. A Hockey Dinner in ...? with guests standing before the School Flag, and 5 tables of 10 boys who had played in the School's teams that year. (This picture is of far better quality, in resolution and contrast than most that have become available to us.)

Above all else, it is an example of the kind of "extra", and *special* function that is really a part of the broader extracurricular life over the years, that did so much to add something of real value to boys' experience, and, I dare say, to that of the adult guests who would have felt proud to have been included, and surprised that a small boys' grammar school could mount such an event. Not in a posh hotel or venue, *pas d'haute cuisine*, all males, no alcohol or loud music, no outrageous dress, every thing as it should have been, but simply conceived and brilliantly grafted into the life of the School.

There were lots of other sports dinners included – soccer and hockey, too, all in the same vein, and some Cricket tours.

There is just one other event that stands in the same stead:

---

## The 1975 Cricket Tour of the West Indies.

**This was arguably the crowning glory of the School, albeit happening in 1975, at the end of the first year of the college phase.**

Here is not the place to recount the detail – that is available elsewhere, but just consider all of the planning that went into the fulfilment of the vision – an event to acknowledge the closure of a highly productive School and herald in what? The start of a new era, with all its uncertainties. True to say that the early College years did flourish, enriched by the female student presence, and with the tail end of the School intakes passing through, with the best ever sets of "O" level results to their credit – pupils and teacher alike. Had they been able to foresee the ultimate demise of the William Price educational legacy, but a decade onwards, that would surely have cast a different light on matters.

The sense of fulfilment for the Tour planners, and participants must have been great. The credits were considerable, the memories enduring. *Well done, and thank you to all.*

Ed: David Goldring

---

## Price's School Parent Teacher Association

The PTA was formed as a result of a meeting attended by some 250 parents, in March 1960. This was a large number of people to attend such an inaugural meeting. It would be interesting to know of their motives in attending and becoming members. Inevitably, with the passage of time, numbers at the AGM declined even though there was usually an invited Speaker to add interest.

Initial membership was at a subscription of 2 shillings and sixpence (2/6), but was later abolished in 1963. That action was to make all Parents feel they were involved in the running of the School, but it was probably made clear to the Parents that PTA participation was not to be interpreted as an opportunity to raise issues of the individual child's education and progress. The essential role was of support to the School through fund-raising, and of promoting occasions of a social nature when Parents might hear aspects of School or general education policy explained.

Social occasions included American parties, a Winter Warm-Up, Any Questions Evenings, and latterly a representative of the PTA attended an introductory Evening for Parents of the next year's new Intake, supporting the teaching staff input with information about the role and activities of the PTA.

These Parent-Teacher interface situations were in the vanguard of a raft of innovations descending on educators, and I recall the impact of my Parents going to their first parents' evening, and coming back with comments that included "Universities" – "What does that mean?" etc.

The big event each year was the Fête, the first of which was held in 1971 – a generally good occasion on the School Field, but one with an unexpected air of novel intrigue – lots of Parents, Teachers, Pupils freely mixing and having a happy time! Parents worked to put on activities, some school groups put on displays and the CCF Band played 2 sets. I was the Drum Major on that parade. It was a hot day to be wearing those old '49 Pattern battledress uniforms.

On behalf of the general Parent contingent, the PTA made occasional retirement gestures to departing members of Staff.

The Fêtes continued until 1972 when, with bad weather all day, the activities were moved inside. The much-reduced attendance produced a poor financial yield and, with the disappointment of that experience, a decision was reached in 1973 not to have Fête that year, but to present a Social evening instead but, for unexplained reasons, that was cancelled.

There was no Fête reported in 1974 and so, we are left to wonder what happened to the organisation of the PTA, its social programme and its financial assets.

PTAs have had a good impact on Schools, the Price's PTA raised and donated into the School at least £3,000 over its 11-year history. The Bank of England inflation calculator for 1972-2019 equates that to c.£40,000, giving a good idea of potential value. A Treasurer reports that during her time, expenditure on: Swimming pool surrounds @ £300, Library @ £481, Bicycle racks & cover @ £228 + a variety of others, exceeds £2,000 of Support from the PTA

So, to the extent that the PTA was a voluntary activity, and that is provided social and entertainment sessions for Parents and funds for the School to spend on items which normal capitation allowances would not cover, it was an important and valued part of the extracurricular life of the School.

**David Goldring**

18/06/20

## Parents' Association funding

(As reported in the Lion)

Date	Item	Value	Donation	Value
1960, Mar	Founding of Association. 250 at inaugural meeting. Subscription of 2/6			
1961, Jan	American Party			
1961, Mar	Parents' Eve. With Heads of Department			
1961, June	Summer Fête	£270	Cricket equipment, Hall curtains and Duke of Edinburgh's Scheme equipment	
1961, Sept	AGM crowded. 1 <sup>st</sup> posting in Lion by PTA			
1961, Dec	Careers Talk			
1962, Sept.	Fête	£323		
	Talk by Dr Wagland			
	Any Questions Evening			
1963, Jan	AGM abolished subscriptions		New Painting for Hall: "Industry", Music instruments	
	American Party		DoE Equipment	
	Swap Shop			
	Talk on Colleges of Technology			
1963, Oct	Fête	£230	Drama lighting equipment	£50
1964, Oct	Fête	£260		
1965, Oct	Fête	£350	DoE Equipment, new Texts for the Library, and Musical instruments	
	Talk from Chief Education Officer			
	Any questions evening			
1967, Jan	AGM & Talk			
	Fête	£327		
	Careers Talk			
	Meeting for parents of new pupils			
	Winter Warm Up function			
1967, May	Fête	£301	Bike Shelter	£327
			School Fund	£50
			Library books in ,memory of Butler	
			Pool heating @ £1000+ to be under consideration.	
1968	No report			
1969	Fête	£300	Library books, Cricket Score board, New pictures for the Library	
			Isle of Wight Cricket Tour	£25
	Winter Warm Up		VSO	£17

	function			
	Drugs evening			
1970	Successful year. 26 on Executive Committee			
	Winter Warm Up function		Seat repairs, Bridge Club, Library books & gallery	
	Fête	£300 →	1721 Committee	£300
	Refreshments provided at events			
	Jumble Sale	→	Cricket Tour	
1971	AGM & Talk – these always provide a bit of incentive to attend.			
	Winter Warm Up function			
	Intensive planning for 1921			
	<u>250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Day.</u> All Day Cricket match, Garden Party, Ball		SOP donates a large trophy cabinet; Governors donate a School flag. A Plaque to Mr Crossman (Caretaker), a Cake to the attendees.	
1972	Winter Warm Up function			
	Talk			
	Jumble Sale	£79 →	History Dept.	£79
	Fête – bad weather, moved inside	No profit	Musical Instruments	£60
			Picture Frames	£15
1973	28 on Executive Committee		Book tokens to Mr Gros & Mr Smith for service to the School	
	No Fête, but a Social Evening planned – then cancelled		Library	£50
	Winter Warm Up function	£65	Stage drapes	£28
	Jumble Sale	£51	Primascope	£53
1974	<b>No further reports</b>			

Comments on the extracurricular Life at the Price's College are reported-on in the Lion Pride Chapter 9: "The Price's Sixth Form College Years"

### Lion Magazine: September 1961

These lines are being written at a time when clouds are massing over the educational horizon; the future appears black, indeed, with complete deadlock between the Government and the Burnham Committee, and much talk of strike action and non-co-operation.\* Here, we are not concerned with the rights and wrongs of the financial settlement – that is for the representative bodies to work out; nor with the moral issue involved in strike action – that is a decision which each schoolmaster must make for himself. *What does concern us here is to make quite clear something which is implicit in all the reports contained in this magazine, and which has always been one of the characteristics of the English educational system – the principle of voluntary service.*

Term by term the greater part of The Lion is devoted to a record, not of what goes on in the classroom from nine till four on five days a week, but of all those 'out-of-school activities which take place in the evenings, at the weekends, during the holidays. Whilst, obviously, these activities are performed by the boys, they almost always involve the co-operation of members of the Staff. Each, according to his differing talents and interests, devotes much of his spare time to help in: coaching and refereeing the various sports and games, attending CCF camps, organizing the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, taking groups on field-courses or educational journeys abroad, helping to run school clubs, and maintaining contact with parents. Taken separately, each of these may not seem to involve very much, but at Price's over the year they mount up to the equivalent of at least two full working weeks for each member of a staff of twenty.

This is some indication of the scale on which *the English school-master willingly gives of his time and energy*, very often quite outside the field of work for which he is paid. Abroad, such services do not exist at all, (in the USA, there is a different system in which teachers engage contractually to undertake such work, for which they are well-paid ), and the relationship between pupil and teacher begins and ends in the classroom; yet it is these activities which make of *an English school a community* in a sense that is completely unknown in other countries. Unfortunately, today the school-master is being made to feel that this voluntary service, given in so large a measure and so ungrudgingly, is not appreciated by the nation as a whole; in this feeling lies the real danger to our educational system.

A.D. Alderson (Lion Magazine Editor)

\*Ironic that this Editorial should be found at a time when (April 2023) the country has been blasted, nationally, by such a wide and long-lasting succession of strikes, by groups seeking to restore their income levels following the devastating effects of the Covid 19 Pandemic.

There are two very noticeable aspects of the programme of extracurricular activities that had become available: the sheer variety of interest groups, and secondly the realisation that so many of these activities were run by pupils themselves although as ADA states in his, some must have had a member of staff somewhere in the background.

Such aspects of schools' overall vitality were common in those days: the idea evolved from the ancient Public boarding schools which needed things to keep their pupils occupied. Schools of that kind were varied in their character and many, especially those struggling for a lifeline felt a need to offer programmes to attract custom. The Grammar Schools of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century got caught-up in that competitive swirl, and that is the background for the start of the expansion in Price's School.

The kudos of having School teams with regular schedules of fixtures even crept into the Secondary Modern Schools, adding to the attractiveness that their more practically-orientated curriculum ...

The outcomes of the serious Teachers' Strikes / Industrial action of the 1980s was to reduce severely the overall picture of inter-school games, resulting as it did in a late end to the working day, or intrusion into weekend and even school holidays. With such a loss, went the public image of modern, British Schooling. What happens now, in a much more regulated, monitored and litigious environment is but a shadow of its former standing. Many Independents remain capable of offering something worthwhile however. But in the large schools of recent times, has gone the sense of community, and loyalty.

Mr Alderson was a wise and perceptive teacher. (*Bay Alderson bilge ve anlayışlı bir öğretmendi.*)

**David Goldring**



## Chapter sequence in the Lion Pride

Chapter No.	Title	Pages	File Size (KB)
1	The Cultural Life of the School	43	6630
2	Introduction	11	4030
3	Boarding and up to 1949	44	21,285
4	The Buildings	47	136,380
5	The 50s, 60s and 70s.	56	7,236
6	Extracurricular Life of the School	45	7,230
7	The Charity School and the Family Price	50	3,901
8	The Cadet Force	62	21,452
9	Price's Sixth Form College	82	55,700
10	The Major Sports: Football, Hockey and Cricket 1 <sup>st</sup> XIs	76	7,388
11	Price's Timeline	13	1,492
12	The Price's (9 <sup>th</sup> Fareham) Scout Troop	65	57,545
13	Minor Sports	112	43,857
14	The Library	21	14,578
15	Athletics and the Steeplechase	26	3,769
16	Spirit of Adventure	45	19,214
17	Academic Performance	66	12,925
18	The Lion Magazine and Other Publications	46	12,925
19	Price's Creators	142	30,009
20	The Old Priceans	76	17,703
21	The Tercentenary Celebrations	53	40,099
22	Religion in the Life of the School.	36	11,634
23	A Portrait of William Price	13	2,500
24	Closing Thoughts	11	23,214