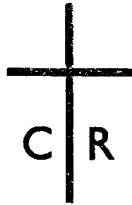


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OUR NEW DISCUSSION CIRCLE by D. E. BATES.

Some people have the gift of the gab, and because only some people have it, it logically follows that other people haven't got it.

Despite the fact that not everybody is a fluent orator, we still intend to hold our first discussion circle, for we feel that the majority of people in the club are competent and capable of expressing their own opinions.

Death can take a discussion circle quickly if a minority secure control and do most of the talking. To prevent this occurring, we have secured the services of a discussion leader whose job it will be to restrain the verbosity of the accomplished orators, once they have said their piece and to encourage the more reticent to expound their views and sentiments without fear of being ridiculed.

In many discussions in which I have participated, christian principles were often at stake and I feel certain that our conclusions were not always in accord with the Catholic Church's teachings. Because of the nature of our club we feel that the discussion leader should be someone who not only is competent in promoting the discussion but should have sufficient religious knowledge to act as a spiritual and moral guide. This guidance being based on the errors we have expressed during the preceeding debate.

Some of you will have already met our discussion leader, but for those who have not as yet had that pleasure, on Wednesday September 9th at 9 p.m. do join your fellow clubmembers and the Rev.Fr. Francis J. Ripley, Director of the Catholic Information Centre, at the inauguration of our discussion circle.

If you are in favour of holding these discussions, we can arrange a series of one a month during the winter season - the choice is yours.

Rambling Programme:

| <u>Date:</u> | <u>Destination:</u> | <u>Leader:</u> | <u>Meet:</u> | <u>Approx. Cost:</u> |
|--------------|--|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Aug 30th | Joint Walk HAS BEEN CANCELLED | | | |
| | Moel Famau | | | |
| Sept 7th | Nant-y-Ffrith | There will be a substitute ramble to:- Bill Clay Woodside | 10.50. | 6/- |
| 13th | Snowdon X (Coach) | Ron Curtis | 9.50 Central Stn. | 6/3d. |
| | | (a) Bill Potter | 9.45 St. John's Ln. | 11/od. |
| | | (b) Larry Fagan | | |
| 20th | Church Stretton X (Football) (Coach) | Chris Dobbin | 10.15. St. John's Ln. | 11/od. |
| 27th | Annual Mass 11 a.m. at St. Nicholas, Hawke St. Copperas Hill, Liverpool, followed by an afternoon of recollection at Immaculata House, Aigburth. at 1-30 p.m. Further details will be announced at the clubroom. | | | |
| Oct 3-4th | Chalet Weekend | Details at Clubroom. | | |
| 11th | Winsford | Kevin O'Leary | 10.25 Lime St. | 6/6d. |
| 18th | Ribchester X (Coach) | Pauline Curningham | 10.00 St. John's Ln. | 6/6d. |
| 25th | Llansatffraid D.C. (Coach) | (a) Eddie Quinn | 10.15. St. John's Ln. | 6/6d. |
| | | (a) Eddie Highton | | |

X Coach Trips. Names must be given personally three weeks beforehand, or given in writing. No verbal bookings on behalf of someone else will be accepted. All bookings render members liable to the full cost.

Any alterations to the programme will be announced in the clubroom.

The rosary will be recited on the first Wednesday of each month in the clubroom at 8-30 p.m.

TENNIS 1964

Since our last report, the two teams have completed their league programmes. It has been a best ever season for the men who obtained $17\frac{1}{2}$ points out of a possible 33. Their record was as follows:-

| <u>Played.</u> | <u>Won.</u> | <u>Drawn.</u> | <u>Lost.</u> | <u>Pts.</u> |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 11 | 4 | 4 | 3 | $17\frac{1}{2}$ |

The draws included one point for an unfinished match. We also drew with Owen-Hughes at their courts. They were league champions being undefeated all season, drawing two matches and winning the rest. Altogether a most satisfactory season for C.R.A. and further proof that the standard of team performances has improved over the last two seasons. Our thanks to Peter Atherton for his captaincy and to the following who formed our squad of team players - Tony Atherton, Johnny Burns, Mike Marsden, Brian Kelly, Harry O'Neill, John Leddy, Cyril Kelly, Bill Potter, Eddie Dulson and Chris Dobbin.

The ladies' team has not fared as well as its male counterpart, winning only two matches. As mentioned in our last report however, they have been very short of players of team standard and it is to their credit that the team have rallied round and completed all their fixtures. In spite of everything, they will ~~recall with considerable satisfaction, their win of~~ 6-0 away from home against St. Helens U.G.B. which is, so far as we know, the first occasion any club team, male or female, has recorded a 6-0 win away from home. Even Fred said he couldn't remember it happening before. Our thanks to Ronnie Walker, the ladies' captain, and the following who played in the team:- Marie Corkery, Maureen Howerd, Anne Donnelly, Jean Brown, Pauline Cunningham, Mona Roberts, Monica O'Hare and Helen Taylor.

Turning to club matters in general, Brian Kelly became men's singles champion by beating Mike Marsden in two sets in the final. Neither player reached top form in a tense struggle. The final was played during our July American Tournament, which was very well supported, 28 members taking part. Bernard Duffy and Eddie Dulson, and Betty Turner and Maureen Howerd were respectively winners and runners up in the two sections.

We hope to stage one more tournament before the season ends and the date of this will be announced in due course.

As this is our last report before the A.G.M. I would like to thank the tennis committee for the work they have put in during the year. In particular, a special thank you to Pauline Cunningham and Mona Roberts for doing match refreshments.

'Chairman'

Annual General Meeting - 23rd September

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held at Cathedral Buildings on Wednesday, 23rd September at 8-30 p.m. Any resolutions you wish to make should be submitted to the secretary (Miss Betty Turner) in writing by the 7th September.

This is an occasion when the club members select their committee for the ensuing year. It is therefore an important occasion and all members should make a serious attempt to be present. Those of you who are willing to serve on a committee or to give your services in any other way for the benefit of the club should write their name on the nomination list exhibited in the clubroom or advise the secretary.

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THE A.G.M.

Annual Mass - 27th September

Please make a special note of the date of the Annual Mass - Sunday, 27th September - at 11 a.m. at St. Nicholas' Church, Hawke Street, Copperas Hill, Liverpool.1. The mass will be followed by an afternoon of recollection at Immaculata House, 35 Aigburth Drive, Liverpool.17, commencing at about 1.30 p.m. and will probably conclude about 6 p.m. Final details have still to be arranged. This is a day in the year when we remember deceased members of the club, and a day when, as a Catholic club, we demonstrate our faith.

If you wish to know further details, please contact Monica Connor, who will have the information of times and cost etc.

Keswick Weekend - late-October

We are attempting to arrange a club weekend in Keswick the end of October. The cost at the Guest House is approximately 1gn. per day and to this should be added the coach fare. If we obtain the full coach of 33 people the cost per head will be £3 5s. 0d. Would you let the organiser, Mr. Eddie Quinn know if any of you wish to take part in the weekend.

The Guest House we have in mind is "The Gales" Applethwaite, under Skiddaw.

Lyme Park - 14th June

A good walk this - enjoyed by all from the spartan Eddie H. to the "don't come out often people" who as it happens did. It was notable too that two certain young ladies set quite a "male" pace over the walk. This was a welcome sight and an answer to those "experts" who seem to think that 'A' parties, when they are held - unfortunately not often enough I might add, should be an all male affair. The young ladies know I'm sure to whom reference is made. So come on girls keep it up.

We started from St. John's Lane via Warrington to our destination Lyme Park. Here the walk started with a pleasant stroll through the park itself towards a lunch break at a cafe at the far end. On the way across, many deer were sighted, on the green slopes in the wooded glades of this large and beautiful place. After the lunch break we entered into the country behind the park and enjoyed a good afternoons walk. This was punctuated by the locking of Win O'C in a disused mining hut, and some excellent stone throwing by big Mike M. down a disused quarry.

We returned back via a rain shower to the cafe of our original lunch stop and then after tea a scene worthy of mention in any physicians case book took place. A playground was overrun by members of the C.R.A. In it we had Ron C. entering his second childhood on the swings, Terry C. burning her trousers on the slide, Agnes V. riding the rocking horse as if she was "Chief Crazy Horse" and last but by no means least Sheila F. being sea sick on a roundabout.

After this, all returned to the coach for the return journey and a welcome stop at a hostelry near Warrington. This was a very welcome stop indeed as shown by the fact that certain members were out of the coach before it had changed from top gear. The ensuing sing-song in good company ensured a fine end to a good day.

'Mud by Another Name'

Slaidburn - 5th July. 'A' Party

After being bullied into writing this article I suppose I had better make some sort of attempt. Well, here goes.

On a rather dull and gloomy day we set off on our journey into the wilds of Slaidburn. We, the 'A' party, departed from the coach leaving only a very minute 'B' party for Eric and it was thought at first that he would have no followers at all - poor thing.

For some time we walked gaily along a nice straight even path and everyone agreed that if the rest of the ramble was the same it would be a 'walk over' - ha! ha! We were all re-united on a quaint little bridge and after walking some distance came across a ram trapped by its nose in a fence. Our gallant crew rescued the poor dumb animal and after a nurse in the party proclaimed that it had good pupil reaction we continued on our way satisfied that the patient was none the worse for its nosey adventure.

The worst was to come, for wading through a marsh is not much fun and when your feet disappear it's a little more than uncomfortable to say the least. However, we rambled on and once more rested our weary bones on top of a hill with a lovely view of the surrounding countryside, but with aching feet and bones who wants a lovely view!

The rest of the journey was uphill and over very rough ground and there were cries of 'I can't go on', 'I'm jiggered' etc., and still the elusive summit remained out of sight. At last on the top we sank down into the groud and were very reluctant to get up again, but the slave driver (I mean our leader - Hughie) saw to it that we did. Trudging along once more one leg suddenly vanished down a rabbit hole whereupon I was asked by one corny member of the party if I thought I was Alice in Wonderland - funny. After falling down holes and over tufts we eventually started to go down hill and ended up on a very, very long path. We walked along this endless path for what seemed like hours, passing only the occasional sheep. Upon

reaching the road junction we rested for a short while and Keith (Scott) after nearly crushing a lady member of the party to death, decided to thumb a lift on a passing tractor, but without much luck.

We continued on our way back to the coach, but somewhere along the way half the party went missing. Apparently when passing the 'Hark to Bounty' (a little pub) they couldn't resist not nipping in just to see what it was like - which is as good an excuse as you will ever get from a rambler.

Once upon the coach we had our harwriting and palms read by a wise gypsy woman, and a gentleman - his name shall remain anonymous to save embarrassment - read our stars from a well-known womans magazine.

Thank you Hughie for a very tiring, but enjoyable ramble.

'Slayed'

Metro v C.R.A.

We regret to announce that inspite of the finest team the club has ever fielded, we are obliged to admit that we were beaten by the Metro by six wickets. Our score was 49 all out, and the Metro was 50 for four wickets. Our best player was Chris Dobbin who took three wickets for 15 runs.

Grafton Dance

Don't forget our big dance at the Grafton Ballroom, 8th October, Thursday night. (Not 15th October as stated on your clubcard) Tickets will be available from Chris Dobbin and Pauline Cunningham, 'phone STANley 4452.

Photography Competition

If you intend entering the photography competition, the closing date is 30th September. Please give your entries to Johnny Bruns or Eric Kavanagh.

SELECTAWORD No.2.

Use each word once only:-

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Rules

Select words from the list and enter them in 1, 2, 3 or 4 down so that when reading across the letters form words which may be found in an English Dictionary.

Congratulations to:-

Peter Hudson and Anne Bundock who were married at Our Lady and St. Joseph's Church, Prescot on Saturday, 27th June. Anne wore a full length dress in white nylon organza, embroidered with pearl and crystal beads, the back of the dress featured a train of frills falling from the waistline - she carried a bouquet of roses.

The three bridesmaids wore full length dresses in figured brocade, two in turquoise, their bouquets being pink carnations - and the smaller bridesmaid wore pink carrying a basket of flowers.

Congratulations also to:-

Joan (nee O'Malley) and Jim Shearan on the birth of their son - Brendan.

Solution to Selectaword.

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2. " " Saga
3. Down Crow
4. " " Wide