## **Bulletin**



SPECIAL ISSUE

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## Social Round Up

This Special Issue of the Bulletin is devoted to a 'round-up' of the Social Activities at the Laboratory. With the summer drawing to a close you will probably be planning Christmas parties and next year's holiday. This Issue should encourage you to try out some new activities during the coming months. Whether it be a strenuous game of football, or regular yoga exercises, a quiet game of chess, an angling weekend or just to sit and listen to music or watch films, or whatever, may your social activities blossom as your summer sun-

## RECREATIONAL SOCIETY

The Recreational Society exists to promote various Recreational and Sporting Activities at the Laboratory. It also takes part in Sporting Activities arranged with other SRC establishments and competes in Civil Service events. The membership at present stands at 324.

The Officers of the Society are:

President : Dr G H Stafford Chairman R E Thomas P E Craske Hon Secretary Hon Treasurer D Evans Vice Chairman J N Rice

Minute Secretary : Mrs L J Claringbold

The Committee Members are:

R	Brandwood	R27	Ext	6671
J	E Ellis	R2		6689
A	Forster	R6		6300
R	A Hilken	R26		345
R	W Roberts	R25		6280
P	E Smith	R25		334

SOCIETY MEMBER CLUBS

If you wish to join any of the Member Clubs, please contact the people listed below:

ANGLING	P E Craske	R2 Ext	232
CHESS	P E Craske	R2	232
CRICKET	M W Butler	R58	6178, 548
DARTS	A Forster	R6	6300
FOLK CLUB	S Halliday	R25	351, 6297
FOOTBALL	R A Lawes	R1	6328, 6333
MODEL RAILWAY	R W Roberts	R25	6280
MUSIC	E G Sandels	R2	6373, 502
NETBALL	Mrs M Goodchild	R27	429
RADIO	P A Braham	R18	6258, 6638
REMAP	P D Hey	R25	432
TABLE TENNIS	J Varley	R51	6363, 6681
WEIGHT LIFTING	J Varley	R51	6363, 6681
YOGA	Mrs L G Cooke	R1	443

Anyone wishing to start a new Club or Activity would be most welcome. Please contact P E Craske, Ext 232.

There are two Sports Days per year - an MAIN SPORTING EVENTS indoor event held early in the year at Runcorn (Cheshire) and an outdoor event

at Chiswick (London) in the summer. Hence most sports are covered by these two Sports Days.



The Recreation Society has access to several first-class facilities:

A CLUB HOUSE The Society uses building R15 as a Club House. It is well equipped and used mainly by the Table Tennis, Music, Radio and Model Railway Clubs. Do pop in any lunch time and join in the fun.

We are fortunate to have our own Sports Field located outside the site fence near the R22 Restaurant. The facilities include:

2 Football Pitches These are in use practically nonstop during the year with teams from AERE, NRPB and Rutherford taking part in Cup and League competitions.

1 Cricket Pitch used by Rutherford to play in the local Downs League, and against local teams in friendly matches. We have two cricket teams in the AERE Evening League competition.

These provide excellent facilities for concerts, lectures, film shows LECTURE THEATRE AND RESTAURANT and dances throughout the year.

GOLF This is played once a year between all TOURNAMENT the SRC establishments, with each Lab taking turns to organise the event.

This year Rutherford organised the Tournament which was won by a team from Daresbury. Rutherford's team did however win the Annual Match between AERE, Aldermaston, the Met Office, IBM and Rutherford and finished third in the Civil Service Southern Area Team Championship played at Winchester.

CHESS Due to start in October is the Tenth TOURNAMENT Annual Chess Tournament - Rutherford's longest running competition. Over the years the numbers taking part have dwindled and so we welcome new players this year.

The Rec Soc organises Dances during the winter months from October to April. These are very successful and everyone is sure of a good evening out. This year we are planning to revive the Folk Club which used to meet once a month in the Coffee Lounge of building R22.

CRICKET This Club is made up of two separate TOURNAMENT teams, one competing in the Berkshire Downs League and the other against a variety of local teams, eg Harwell, Culham, etc. The club has been in existence for approximately 3 years.

MODEL RAILWAY

People interested in making up model trains, embankments, track, huts, etc are welcome to join the creative hands of the Railway Club. We assemble during the lunch hour in building R15.

WEIGHT LIFTING This is a proposed club for the future. A committee has been elected. This facility is to help members keep fit

especially those participating in other sports.

TABLE TENNIS

The recent club has been in existence for 3 years and won a number of league cups. The new evening league season begins in September and extra teams are required to play in the Didcot & District Table Tennis League.

Rutherford's Yoga Club meets regularly on Mondays in the R61 Conference Room at 12.30. The experience leaves you feeling refreshed, relaxed and revitalised - whether you practice for 3 minutes or 30 minutes. Why not try it yourself?

CRIB TOURNAMENT This is the first year that a crib tournament has been attempted at Rutherford, and the response was

overwhelming. It will be held in the Coffee Lounge in building R22 on Friday, 29 September.

RUTHERFORD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB This club was founded in 1973 and is now equipped with telephony and telegraphy transmitters and takes part in world-wide communications under the call-sign G4DRL



LUNCH TIME FILMS

The Library, with the kind assistance of the Harwell Film Society and the Culham Music and Arts Society is organising lunch-time films. These will be shown on alternate Wednesdays commencing in September. The programme is as follows:

6 Sept

- THE PERFORMING WINDOW - solar control glasses WOMAN

20 Sept - To be announced

- FOLLOW THE WIRE - B.I.C. Cables CORNISH VENTURE - tin mining

18 Oct

- CARPETS THROUGH THE AGES NEWHART/HOLLERITH

8 Nov

- FACTS OF FATIGUE - welding OUT IN FRONT - terylene sails



CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The Rutherford Laboratory Christian Fellowship has been

holding regular meetings for some 14 years. The Fellowship welcomes all members of staff and being interdenominational and evangelical in its approach often invites local ministers as guest speakers. Other meetings include Bible Studies, Discussions and a monthly Prayer Meeting. Twice a year films are shown in the Lecture Theatre and a regular feature of the Fellowship is the organisation of the Christmas Carol Service. An Easter Service was also held (for the first time) during 1978. At present the meetings are held in the R2 Conference Room (on the top floor) at 12.30 pm on Fridays. For further information please contact Frank Smith (ext 6616) or Dennis Williams (ext 6370).



The Bulletin Editor thanks all those who kindly contributed to this Special Issue and apologises for any activities which may have been omitted.

## **Rutherford Wives**

COFFEE MORNINGS AT THE COSENER'S HOUSE

Many years ago - in the days when Rutherford Laboratory was mainly concerned with high energy physics (HEP) - it was realised that the wives of visiting scientists had little opportunity to meet Rutherford Lab families other than those in their husband's group. The visiting wives, especially those with young children keeping them close to home, wanted the chance to meet people and make new friends. A couple of enterprising ladies came up with the idea of holding monthly coffee mornings for the HEP

The idea caught on - the visiting ladies were delighted to make new friends, to talk over the pleasures and difficulties of the British way of life, to pick the brains of the long-term residents of the area and to get some answers to the many questions that arise following a move to a new place. Other Divisions too started to arrange coffee mornings - you can't keep a good idea down! Many of the coffee mornings were held at The Cosener's House which is delightfully situated in the Abbey grounds at Abingdon.

Besides coffee mornings, other activities were arranged by the ladies such as a coach trip to London for a shopping spree or a visit to the Ideal Home Exhibition. These events not only involved spending a small fortune, but required their husbands to stay at home for the day to mind the children. Hence the early days provided lots of fun for all the family!

Eventually some of the original organisers of the coffee mornings found themselves transferred to Geneva when their husbands became involved with experiments at the CERN Laboratory. Other ladies came forward to keep the coffee mornings going, and they have continued to be enjoyed by all concerned for the past twelve years.

Nowadays the coffee mornings are open to all Rutherford wives, and they still attract the newcomers and visitors to the Lab to meet and make friends with ladies who are no longer strangers to the area. We therefore warmly welcome any lady whose husband works at or is associated with the Lab to stop by at The Cosener's House for a cup of coffee on one of the appropriate mornings.

Fortunately there is a large TV lounge where young children can play together or watch Playschool - out of reach of the cups. The Cosener's House staff provide coffee, orange juice and biscuits - the latter proving very popular with the younger visitors. The dates for the coffee mornings will be published each month in the Bulletin, together with information about any other outings or activities arranged by the Rutherford Wives. The monthly coffee mornings at The Cosener's House, Abingdon, recommence following the summer break on:

Wednesday, 13 September, from 10.30 to noon

Future dates for coffee mornings are:

Thursday 12 October Tuesday 14 November Wednesday 6 December

If you would like to be notified by letter of the dates of future coffee mornings, please return the slip below to the Editor of the Bulletin

RUTHERFORD WIVES COFFEE MORN	ING
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Name:

Address:

Telephone No: