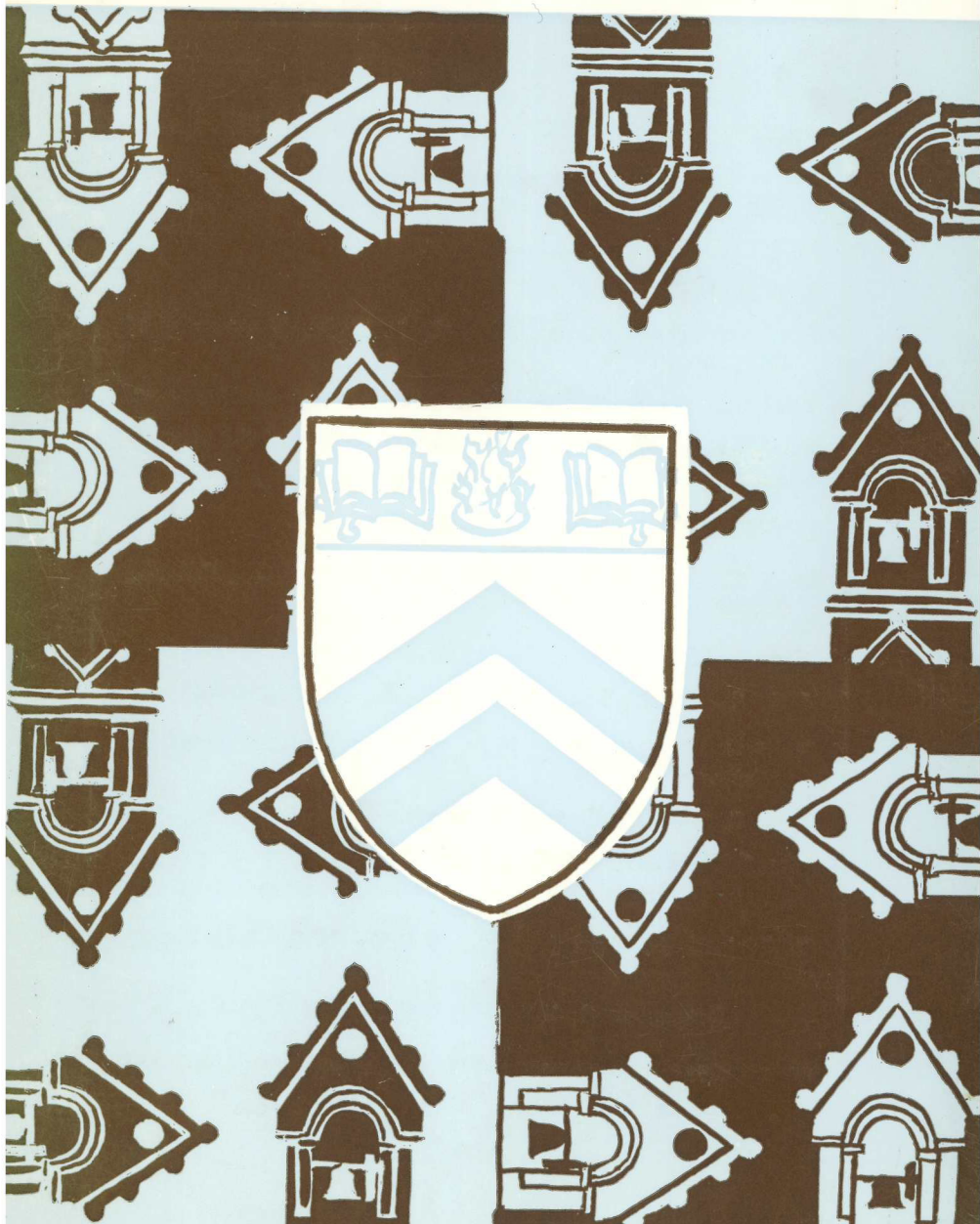


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editorial

Following the example of our editorial ancestors, we have once again made this gem of literature available to all and sundry (at a price!). Largely due to our suave salesmanship, our persistent persuasion and our sore feet, we have managed to coerce the required quota of advertisers, and we can truthfully say it is thanks to your modest heroes that the price increase is as minimal as 2p.

The Lower School have, as usual, provided a surfeit of contributions, while the traditionally lethargic senior pupils have shown the customary lack of enthusiasm. In a more serious vein, the articles this year have generally been of a very high standard.

Once again we are faced with the inevitable staff changes, and it is with sincere regret that we, on behalf of the pupils, bid Mr "Stevie" Lauder a fond farewell, and we wish him well in his retirement.

We conclude this pearl of wisdom with a few heartfelt words of gratitude for Mr Andrews, "without whom none of this would have been possible."

SCHOOL NOTES

School Officials this year are:

School Captain : D. J. WEST

Vice-Captain: G. C. SHARP

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Drummonds : J. L. STRANG

Campbells : G. C. SHARP

Grahams : A. S. CLARKE

Murrays : D. J. WEST

School Prefects : I. S. Allan, S. D. Cameron, R. A. Claase, T. J. C. Heggie, N. A. C. McWilliam, G. F. Milne, W. L. Milroy, J. S. Naismith, I. T. Rankin, D. J. Rossiter, D. R. Scobie, R. B. Sylvester and E. T. Watson.

The new teachers' careers structure has brought changes to our staff this session. Mr C. A. Thomson became Assistant Rector, in general charge of guidance and careers; while Yearmasters, with responsibility for specific classes, were Mr Findlay for S3, Mr Boyle for S2, Mr Ashworth for S1 and, when they move up with their classes next year, Miss MacBean for next session's S1. Lest confusion should arise from these announcements, as it seems to have already done, Mr Williamson remains Deputy Rector, with continuing administrative responsibility, particularly for S.C.E. examinations and for school examinations generally.

A new Careers Room has been established next the Library, in what was once the Prefects' Room, and there have been several visits to the school for talks and advice on careers. This has included a comprehensive Careers Night held in conjunction with the Girls' School. Further changes include the translation of Miss MacBean from the Lower School to a new Biology Laboratory, where she also teaches Maths. The new Biology Lab is in the annexe which has variously housed technical subjects, domestic science and P4.

The arrival of new County Scholars in S3 in September has meant the promised expansion of the English and Maths departments also. We are glad to note how well these boys, the first under the new system of County Scholarships, have settled to our ways and how much they have become involved in all the activities of the school.

We are most grateful to Mrs F. Todd, M.A., who has spent the whole session with us in temporary succession to Mr MacLennan. Mrs Todd taught French and German in Grantown, Dollar and Laurel Bank, Glasgow, and has willingly and helpfully added the burdens of the classroom to more mundane domestic duties. During the Easter Term Mr Sutherland became ill. We are happy to see him back with us now, at least a long way towards recovery and with customary wit sharper than ever. For the vital period of preparation for highers, Mrs E. C. MacIntyre taught his Economics classes and thus resolved a crisis which could have been serious for S.C.E. candidates. We express our sincere thanks to both these ladies.

In September we were happy to welcome Mr George Carson to the new appointment of Science Lab Technician. An Aberdonian, Mr Carson was a C.P.O. in the Royal Navy, in which he served for twenty-four years, and he now lives in Comrie. His workshop is in the John Smith basement, once the home of Boarders' Social Evenings. We hope he will be happy in his new post.

With the retirement of Mr Lauder, to which reference appears elsewhere in this issue, Mr McI. McLauchlan has been appointed to succeed him as Head of the Lower School. In recording this appointment, a happy recognition of Mr McLauchlan's great talents as a teacher and qualities as a man, we wish him well.

We had a general Open Day for parents in November, and we are to have several more this term, for specific groups this time. Thus, with the annual parent-teacher meetings for parents of boys in S2 and S4 in the Easter Term, a wider possibility of parents' visiting the school and talking with teachers has been opened.

Last June the combined Choirs of the Boys' and Girls' Schools sang Schubert's Mass in G in St. Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh. Despite all the nerves which understandably preceded such an occasion, it went well and a recording was made, of which over a hundred copies were sold. Some of these are still available. This session we again had a Carol Service in St. Michael's Church — of which an account appears separately — and two performances of Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel" were given in Academy Hall at the end of May.

During the session there were several visits to the theatre by senior boys. These included Molière's "Le Malade Imaginaire" at Glasgow University, and Ibsen's "The Woman from the Sea" in Alloa. Olivier's film of "Hamlet" was once more shown to boys and girls in S5, and the MGM version of "Julius Caesar", with Brando, Gielgud and James Mason, is to be shown to S3 in June. The sixth year had a French Day in Perth Academy in February.

The Boarders' Social continued to flourish with a mixture of dances and films on Saturday nights. There was also a ceilidh and two visits to Perth Theatre, to see "Dracula" and "How the Other Half Loves". The boarders were very grateful to the committee, and to Mr Thomson in particular, for their work, and the masters who give of their time to supervise these evenings.

The School Dance was once again successfully held in Academy Hall at Christmas, and the Summer Dance will be held there in July.

Last summer four boys, A. S. Clarke, I. G. S. Cunningham, A. B. Millar and B. D. Robertson, attended the Outward Bound Course at the Moray Sea School, Burghead. At Easter, D. J. West took part in a similar course, and this summer D. R. Scobie, I. R. Scott, J. D. Stevenson and P. T. M. Stewart will also be climbing, sailing, canoeing and walking in this rugged tradition. All the boys benefit greatly from these activities.

We congratulate M. J. Anderson on being awarded a John and Isabella MacDougall Bursary in English, French and German. Anderson will read Arts at St. Andrews University.

he feels to get each one to make the most of his talent, by understanding, by learning, by using it. He has a sparkle which can brighten up what might be dull, an unpredictable variety in approach which makes quiet slumber next to impossible. We all know his mastery of the witty comment, the flash of fun, the apt anecdote, the wonderful gift of mimicry, which he never used unkindly: all these have been exercised as means to an end by someone who has cared very deeply that boys should make the best of themselves.

STAFF DEPARTURES

Mr Stephen M. Lauder, M.A.

Seeing is believing, so they say: perhaps the authoritative print of the Morrisonian will convince you that we really have to say goodbye to Mr Lauder this term — yet how can we conceive the Academy, and especially the Lower School, without him?

When he came to Crieff in September 1948, there were three primary classes scattered about the school, living and moving somewhat uneasily and uncertainly as 'small fry' among the big fellows and their concerns: Mr Lauder came as the first Head of Lower School and from the start the forceful liveliness of his personality, his natural sympathy for the feeling and needs of the eight-to-twelves, and his strong sense of their importance in themselves as well as for the school in which one day they would be seniors — all these began to work together to bring into being what we have today, a Lower School strong in its own individuality, managing its own life, and yet fully and proudly part of the School. The boys themselves showed a sound appreciation of all Mr Lauder has meant and achieved, when they christened their new building 'Lauder Hall'.

There will be few of those who have been through our Lower School who will not remember with gratitude and affection the qualities of the man and the teacher. Mr Lauder looks for and finds ability of some kind in every boy and there is no mistaking the personal concern

The same qualities, especially the personal kindness and concern, made his housemastership of Ogilvie House such an important and valuable time for those who were his boarders: and, of course, for this part of his work for the Academy and for Morrisonians, our gratitude must be expressed in equal measure to Mrs Lauder, who shared fully the tribulations and the rewards with him: it is good to

see how the rewards go on, in the continued contact, by letter and visit, which his old pupils maintain with him — contacts which made his recent and characteristically Lauderian lightning world-tour a progress from one welcoming Morrisonian household to another.

Staff room, at least as much as school, will find a gap which will not easily be filled. Stephen Lauder had an abiding interest in people, an easy manner of getting to know them, a remarkable memory for them, and this makes him an inexhaustible source of information about almost everybody who has had a connection with Morrison's. He is not only witty in himself, but the cause of wit in others, and no-one else has so many good stories about and from his pupils, or can tell them half so well. As with his pupils, so with his colleagues, he has only to discover a need for some kind of help and he will give it if he can.

We shall all miss him in the daily life of the school: we are very glad that he and Mrs Lauder intend to go on living in Crieff: with warmest thanks for the years passed in the Academy, we wish him and Mrs Lauder many more of happiness and contentment in retirement.

Mr D. H. MacLennan, M.A.

Many will know that Mr D. H. MacLennan left us in July 1972 to join the staff of George Heriot's School, Edinburgh as Principal Teacher of French. He came to Morrison's in September 1959, to his first teaching post in this country, having graduated from Glasgow University, qualified from Jordanhill College of Education, and taught for a year in Germany. From 1962-69 he was housemaster of Dalnavor.

Few teachers can have made such an immediate and sustained impression of skilful competence as Mr MacLennan brought to every part of his work amongst us. He had a constant influence for good with his pupils, both with those whom he guided to Bursary successes, and with the less gifted, whom he could edge through the obstacles of an "O" grade pass, sometimes, as he would modestly suggest, to the happy amazement of both pupil and teacher.

His activities in school were varied and always appreciated — in cricket, squash, drama, and especially in music, where his position as secretary of the Strathearn Arts Guild formed a fruitful link between town and gown.

It was hardly a surprise that promotion should come his way: indeed, to us who knew him well, it is rather a source of thankfulness that he should have been pleased to remain and serve so many of us for so long.

In gladly recording these things, we wish him every success in his new position.

J.A.F.

Mr J. E. G. Martin, B.Ed.

It was with a real sense of pleasure that we welcomed Mr Gordon Martin to the Mathematics Department in September 1970. A Morrisonian himself, he came to us after completing his studies at Loughborough College and Nottingham University where he qualified in both Mathematics and Physical Education and the skills he there acquired have been made available both in the classroom and on the playing fields of Morrison's to the benefit of scholar and athlete alike. There can be few senior mathematics classes, as was Mr Martin's this year, who one period are being led through the mysteries of the integral calculus and the next are being coached expertly in the butterfly stroke in the baths by the one and the same teacher, but such is the breadth of his skills — mens sana in corpore sano.

We are sorry to lose him. He will be greatly missed not only in the Mathematics Department but in the Physical Education Department and in the extra-curricular activities in which he took part and gave so willingly of his time. His concern for the boys who came under his care, his enthusiasm for his subjects and not least for his affection for his old school have been much appreciated by both boys and colleagues alike and we wish him every success and happiness in his new appointment in Stranraer.

C.T.

NEW MEMBERS OF STAFF

In September we welcomed three members of staff to Morrison's: Mr G. M. Hartley, M.A. Oxon., to the English Department, Mr E. R. M. Milne, M.A. to the Mathematics Department, and Mr M. D. White to the Lower School. Both Mr Milne and Mr White had taught previously at Morrison's.

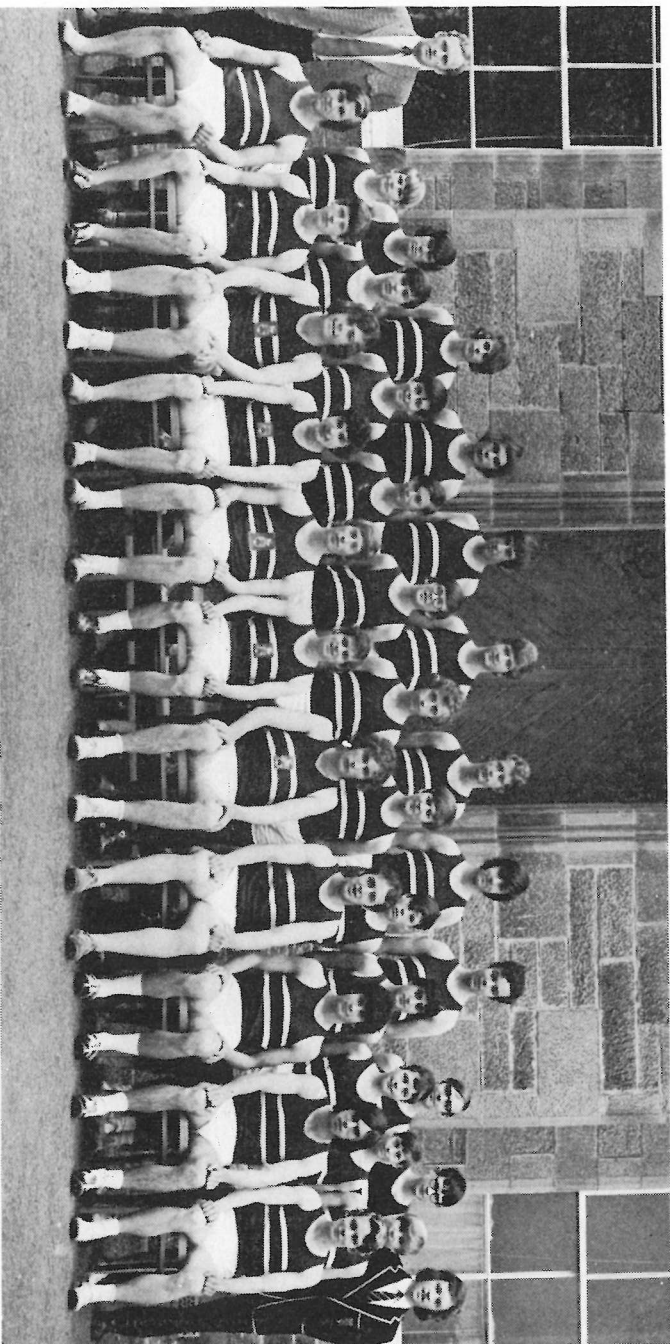
Mr Hartley comes from the East Riding of Yorkshire of Anglo-Scots parentage. He was educated at Hymers College, Hull, and Mansfield College, Oxford, where he graduated B.A. with Honours in English in 1969, completing his Certificate of Education there in 1972. In the intervening period Mr Hartley lived and travelled extensively in Western Europe and the U.S.A., and thus brings a cosmopolitan breadth to his teaching.

A native of Aberdeen, Mr Milne was educated at Robert Gordon's College and at George Heriot's School, Edinburgh; Edinburgh University, where he graduated with Class II Honours in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, and Jordanhill College of Education. Mr Milne lectured at the Royal College of Science and Technology (now Strathclyde University) for eighteen years, and thereafter at Kirkcaldy Technical College, where he became Head of the Mathematics Department. He spent one session here at Morrison's before going to Rhodesia for a "working holiday" in 1967. Mr Milne comes to us more directly from Crieff Secondary School, where he has been teaching for just over two years.



Mr STEPHEN M. LAUDER, M.A.
Head of Lower School, 1948 - 73

ATHLETICS TEAM, 1972



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Front Row: A. B. Millar, N. A. McCowan, W. L. Milroy, N. A. C. McWilliam, G. D. Stalker, A. R. MacLean (Captain), I. T. Rankin, E. T. Watson, C. J. L. Miller, J. S. Scobie, T. J. C. Heggie.

Mr White taught in the P.E. Department here from 1965 to 1967, when he was also House Tutor in Avondale. He then spent a year at Moray House College of Education, where he gained his Certificate in Primary Education. Born in Edinburgh and, like Mr Milne, educated at George Heriot's School, he had trained in Physical Education at Jordanhill, and Morrison's was his first appointment. From 1968-72 he was in charge of P.E. at Beechwood Park Preparatory School near St. Albans. Now he brings these varied talents to the benefit of boys in P5.

Already these members of staff are firmly established in the life of the school, and in offering them a tardy welcome, we hope they will have a happy and fruitful stay at Morrison's.

SPEECH DAY, 1972

Speech Day was held in St. Michael's Church on Friday, 7th July, 1972, and there was a large attendance of parents and friends. The Principal Guest was Dr. Christopher Clayson, O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P., Past-President of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and currently Chairman of the Scottish Council for Postgraduate Medical Education. Dr. Clayson addressed the Schools before presenting the prizes.

The Chairman of the Governors, Professor A. J. Beattie, referred to the completion and opening of the new Lower School Building earlier this session, to the continuing building programme in the two Schools, and he expressed a welcome to the new Headmistress of the Girls' School, Miss Aileen D. Mackinnon, B.Sc.

The Rector's Report opened with a tribute to Mr James Donaldson, Rector of Morrison's from 1923 to 1947. Mr Quick then described the full use of the Lower School Building during the session, and the gratitude which all felt towards the Governors for providing such a suitable building, thus creating accommodation in the old building for the increase in numbers to come in September 1972.

The Rector referred with satisfaction to the Bursary successes achieved during the year and the large proportion of sixth-year boys who had obtained definite acceptances for the Universities. On the games side of the school, the record of the First XV compared poorly with the previous year, but the selection of two Morrisonians to play in the Scottish XV offset that disappointment to some extent. Weather played havoc with cricket fixtures, which otherwise had produced satisfactory results, while a poor athletics season had its compensations in Scottish Schools' Championships successes.

Mr Quick referred in some detail to the varied activities going on in and around the school, and thanked all those members of the staff who gave of their time to extra-curricular work. In concluding, the Rector thanked Mr MacLennan for his work in the school and at

Dalmhor, and wished him well in his new post at Heriot's; he thanked the school captain and prefects for their work throughout the session; and he wished staff and boys alike a very happy holiday.

Among the principal prize-winners were:

Dux of the School: N. G. Laing; **MacRosty Medal:** T. J. Macaskill; **George T. Duncan Prize for English Literature:** T. J. Macaskill; **C. M. Taylor Prize for English in Form V:** E. Blades; **Strathairn Prize for History:** I. Bruce; **Forbes Hynd Prize for Modern Languages:** A. A. Inglis; **John Smith Prize for Mathematics:** C. D. M. Adam; **Kippen and Moffat Prize for Science:** N. G. Laing; **Reid Technical Prize:** I. G. S. Cunningham; **Smith Prize for Geography:** S. Donaldson; **Baker Prize for Economics:** G. D. Stalker; **Baker Prize for Art:** J. Denholm.

Governors' Bursary Award: C. D. M. Adam.

House Cups and Trophies were as follows:

Tennis: Grahams; **Swimming:** Grahams; **Rugby:** Grahams; **Cricket:** Murrays; **Lower School Championship Shield:** Murrays; **Crieff Shield for Championship House:** Grahams.

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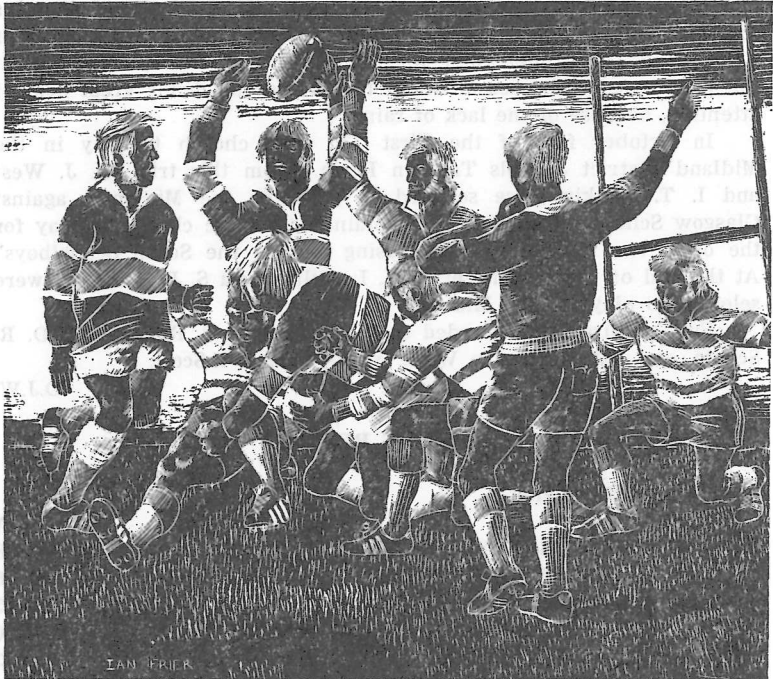
Captain : D. J. West

Only five of last season's team returned to school, and as was the case with last season, the side tended to be young and inexperienced. Towards the end of the season there were no fewer than six fourth form boys in the team. There were hopes of a good season, especially after our promising effort against the Old Boys, but this was not to be. One possible reason for disappointing results was the lack of a competent scrum-half, and during the season five players were tried. Generally the forwards were the strength of the team, with the backs lacking in some of the basic skills. Six of the pack are returning next year, as are several backs, and the prospects of a good side next year are very promising. Those of us who are leaving wish them luck.

The first match of the season was against a young Old Boys' side, which must have been one of the best teams to turn out for them for many years. It included at least eight Colours players, and a full Scottish Internationalist, Nairn MacEwan. We were very pleased that Nairn had decided to play in this match, and he undoubtedly raised the standard of the game to its highest level. It was indeed one of the fastest and most enjoyable games of the season. With only five minutes to go, the school were leading by 16 points to 12. Then the Old Boys scored and converted to make it 18-16 in their favour.

The first school fixture was against Dollar Academy. Our side, with a great deal of team spirit after their previous match, won by 15-6. In the following two games we failed to take scoring opportunities and narrowly lost due to silly mistakes and lack of concentration. The second of these games, against Hutcheson's Grammar, was lost by the last kick of the match.

We just failed to win against George Watson's in a game of several missed penalty kicks, and drew 3-3.



Our second win came in a tough, bruising game against Dunfermline High School, showing determined play by the whole team. After half-term we were outplayed by a very competent Robert Gordon's side. The three remaining games in the Christmas Term brought us narrow defeats; the first three games of the New Year gave us a depressing run of three more defeats — our worst of the season.

We beat Hillhead, however, in another rough game. Our team played very well, especially the forwards, who won a lot of good ball. Against Boroughmuir we played the better rugby, but failed to take our scoring chances and only drew. As had happened in previous games, a few bad mistakes were all that was required to let Glasgow Academy defeat us in our next game. In this match, however, the team played well once again, and although our forwards were considerably

lighter than theirs, they performed very creditably and emerged the better of the two scrums.

Our last game of the season was at Dallerie against Aberdeen Grammar, and the team was determined to end the season with a win. This was accomplished, with I. T. Rankin succeeding in scoring the two tries that he required to equal his total of seven last year.

In conclusion our sincere thanks go to all masters who helped with rugby teams, and to those masters who travelled on Saturdays to supervise away games. In particular we should like to thank Mr Macintyre for his hard work throughout the season, and for his "encouragement" from the touchlines. Sincere thanks also go to Mr Grieve and the ground staff for attending to Dallerie, especially at the beginning of the season when the pitches needed a great deal of attention, because of the lack of rain.

In October five of the First XV were chosen to play in the Midland District Schools Trial in Perth. From this trial, D. J. West and I. T. Rankin were selected to play for the Midlands, against Glasgow Schools, with West as Captain. Both were chosen to play for the other two district matches, losing only to the South Schoolboys'. At the end of the Easter Term, W. L. Milroy and S. D. Cameron were selected to play for the Midland "B" XV.

Full colours were awarded to D. J. West, I. T. Rankin and D. R. Scobie, and half-colours to W. L. Milroy and I. R.Scott.

D.J.W.

FIRST XV RESULTS

Date	Opponents	Results	
		F	A
1972			
Sept. 16	MORRISONIAN CLUB	16	18
Sept. 23	DOLLAR ACADEMY	15	6
Sept. 30	MELVILLE COLLEGE	9	15
Oct. 7	HUTCHESON'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL	9	10
Oct. 14	GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE	3	3
Oct. 21	DUNFERMLINE HIGH SCHOOL	14	0
Nov. 4	ROBERT GORDON'S COLLEGE	0	12
Nov. 11	ROYAL HIGH SCHOOL	3	7
Nov. 14	STRATHALLAN	0	7
Nov. 18	PAISLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL	Cancelled	
Nov. 25	DUNDEE HIGH SCHOOL	Cancelled	
Dec. 2	GLENALMOND	6	12
Dec. 9	PERTH ACADEMY	Cancelled	
1973			
Jan. 13	GEORGE HERIOT'S SCHOOL	4	24
Jan. 20	DANIEL STEWART'S COLLEGE	Cancelled	
Jan. 27	GLASGOW HIGH SCHOOL	7	10
Feb. 3	EDINBURGH ACADEMY	3	46
Feb. 10	HILLHEAD HIGH SCHOOL	17	12

Feb. 24	BOROUGHMUIR SCHOOL	7	7
Mar. 3	GLASGOW ACADEMY	3	18
Mar. 10	ABERDEEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL	21	4

SECOND XV

Captain: C. M. Hunter

The team throughout the season was built round a hard core of regulars and thus was consistent in its pattern of play.

The pack played with verve and enthusiasm in every match, taking on and beating most opponents. The backs, however, although linking well with the pack, did not play as a unit within themselves and hence defensively were weak. Mention must be made of the team spirit which helped the side throughout the season, and in the end produced a creditable record.

THIRD XV

Captain: G. C. Sharp

This year the Third XV started the season with a very experienced side and we looked forward to a successful year. Unfortunately, as our record shows, we managed to win only three games. Nevertheless, of the games we lost, only four were by a margin of more than five points.

Despite the lack of success, the side played well throughout the season, and team spirit was always high. The pack, although dwarfed by the opposition at times, played hard, making many scoring opportunities for the backs. G. F. Milne played consistently well, and he must be mentioned for his useful cover tackling.

Although the side had many changes, the half-back partnership of G. C. Sharp and J. L. Strang was sustained for the majority of games and as the season continued, they developed a fine understanding. Three-quarters worthy of mention are D. Richard and J. C. Beaton, whose strong running was an asset to the side.

COLTS XV

Captain: J. A. Cargill

The Colts were strengthened in some positions by the arrival of new blood and some "promotions" from the "B" side. Their record should have been better, although they had a hard fixture list and two of the less formidable matches were cancelled. Their most spirited play was against older and bigger sides, notably against a Glenalmond Colts "B" team, who helpfully twice filled the breach left by cancelled fixtures. Paradoxically there was less success against fifteens whose size matched ours.

At scrum-half, C. J. Murray was erratic, though at his best he is most impressive. A. E. Rankin and E. W. Hamilton, who was dogged by minor injuries throughout the season, combined well and ran effectively. Both J. A. Cargill and I. A. Fotheringham, the scrum-leader, led with great determination and set a good example in their play and their attitude: they deserve the thanks of the side for their hard work.

Colts' Buttons were awarded to: J. A. Cargill, I. A. Fotheringham, E. W. Hamilton, C. J. Murray and A. E. Rankin.

FIFTH XV

Captain: A. P. Petropoulos

The points total is greatly assisted by the scores of four of the matches in which we scored 240 points, including 96 against Morgan Academy. The team found its feet early in the season and few changes from the reserves were required. Under G. Percy the pack worked hard and were particularly effective in loose, attacking play. Captain A. Petropoulos, coming in from the front row, brought some power to Centre and Stand-Off, and back play improved, but seldom did the ball pass to wingers in fluent running and passing movements. While rejoicing in such a successful season, we realise that, for the more competitive level of Colts rugby, much more incisive running by backs and a faster, tighter defence will be required.

SIXTH XV

Captain: G. Gorrie

This was a poor season for the Sixth Fifteen. The majority of opposing sides were physically larger and, as a result, at this level were able to dictate the pattern of play. In the match against Glasgow Academy both teams were well balanced in size and after a hard fought contest Morrison's emerged as deserved winners. Unfortunately this was to be the only victory of the season. Nevertheless, the side always played with courage and enthusiasm, and tackled each match with renewed vigour.

The backs ran well on occasions, but all too often good possession was wasted by lack of decision and of speed of thought; the forwards lacked sheer physical strength at the set piece, but made up for this, to some extent, by good handling in the loose.

Perhaps the experience of 1972-73 will act as an incentive for increased determination in the future.

PRIMARY XV

Captain: A. S. Biggart

The team's record scarcely reflects the enthusiasm and ability shown in their play. A knowledgeable side, but small of stature, they

frequently met with physically stronger and larger sides. In spite of this, they continued to give of their best, although well beaten on three occasions.

Those who deserve special mention are A. S. Biggart for his captaincy, D. S. Browne for his forward leadership, and D. J. Scott for his determined tackling.

TEAM RECORDS FOR SEASON 1972-73

	P	W	D	L	F	A
1st XV	17	4	2	11	137	211
2nd XV	15	7	0	8	143	172
3rd XV	13	3	0	10	129	217
Colts XV	13	6	1	6	113	132
5th XV	12	9	0	3	336	68
6th XV	12	1	1	10	60	279
Primary XV	6	1	0	5	34	141

CRICKET — 1972 SEASON

FIRST XI

This season (1972) our first fixture was against Royal High School at Dallerie. The bowlers began well, claiming the first five wickets for 23 runs, but then allowing the remaining batsmen to score 46 runs, leaving us with 70 to win. This we managed to do for the loss of 7 wickets. The next match, against Allan Glen's School, turned out to be rather one-sided, the school reaching Glen's total without the loss of a wicket.

After drawing with Robert Gordon's, we played Strathallan in a high-scoring match. We did not reach their total of 185, but batted very creditably to score 110. The weather then won the next three games, with matches against Crieff, Paisley Grammar and Comrie all being cancelled. The match against Glasgow High School was then drawn.

The next game to be played was against George Heriot's. This was definitely the worst innings that the side played throughout the season, in which not one person reached double figures. Unfortunately the Glenalmond game was drawn. At one point we had been in the stronger position, until we lost 5 wickets for 15 runs. At the end we were only 18 runs behind their total of 134.



We then travelled to Dollar, where we batted first, and declared at 131 for 8, with J. Haggart scoring a half-century. The side then played well to dismiss Dollar for 104. In the match against Perth Academy, the school were in a strong position after three hours' play, but the game had to be abandoned because of rain.

The Old Boys' game was by far the most exciting of the season, with an extremely close finish. The school batted first, and we were all out for 102. Tension built up towards the end, when the Old Boys, requiring 15 runs to win with 4 wickets in hand, only managed to score 101 before their last wicket fell.

The last game of the season was a new fixture on our list — against Melville College. The school opened the batting, and declared at 178 for 7, with J. Haggart playing the best innings of the season, scoring 115 runs. Unfortunately, with Melville at 78 for 7, time ran out on us and the game ended in a draw.

The opening bowlers, K. J. McNaughton and J. Haggart, both bowled very well throughout the season, and were ably backed up by several other wicket-takers. During the season there were several commendable innings by batsmen, but all too often there were collapses.

This year the batting prize went to J. Haggart, with an average of 33.1; the bowling prize was awarded to K. J. McNaughton, whose average was 8.28.

Thanks are due to Mr McGregor for taking the First XI, and to all the other masters, who gave up their time to take cricket practices and matches: it is all greatly appreciated. We should also like to thank Mr Grieve and the ground staff for the hard work that they put into the maintenance of the grounds.

Full colours were awarded to: D. J. West, J. Haggart and K. J. McNaughton. Half-colours were awarded to D. Richard, W. L. Milroy and G. D. Stalker.

D.J.W.

TEAM CAPTAINS

1st XI — D. J. West	Junior "A" XI—D. R. Carruthers
2nd XI — J. Denholm	Junior "B" XI — J. I. Glen
Colts XI — G. A. Fotheringham	Primary XI — N. J. Marshall

TEAM RECORDS, 1972

	P	W	D	L	Ab.
1st XI	11	4	4	2	1
2nd XI	8	4	0	4	0
Colts XI	5	2	1	2	0
Junior "A" XI	6	5	0	1	0
Junior "B" XI	6	3	1	2	0
Primary XI	4	2	0	2	0

ATHLETICS

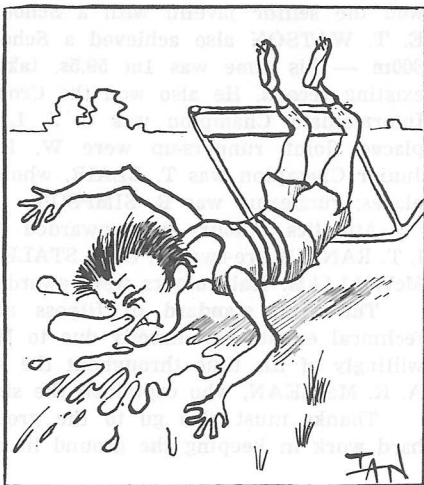
The Athletics Team, captained by A. R. MacLEAN, had a most disappointing season: we lost both our matches, and the third, against George Heriot's School, was cancelled due to rain. In spite of these results there were many outstanding performances.

In the first contest, against Dollar Academy, they again had a very strong junior section, but it should be pointed out that T. BLAIR managed to achieve three first places: javelin, high jump and hurdles. In the Intermediate section W. L. MILROY won the discus, javelin and shot with three very good throws; and in the Senior section E. T. WATSON and A. B. MILLAR both ran a remarkably fast 400m. in 53.1s and 53.5s respectively, taking first and second places. E. T. WATSON also had the good time of 2m 5.9s in the 800m.

The second contest, against George Watson's, was closely fought, with Watson's the eventual winners. W. L. MILROY again proved himself a very competent thrower, winning the Intermediate discus, shot and javelin: all three throws were close to best performances. The seniors were well ahead of Watson's seniors, but again the juniors were rather badly beaten.

There were seven members of the Athletics Team entered for the Scottish Schools' Championships and there were some notable performances recorded. In Group B (15-17 years) N. A. C. McWILLIAM won the bronze medal in the triple jump and gained a badge standard in the long jump. E. T. WATSON won the bronze medal and gained a badge standard in the 400m in a time of 52.0s. Also in group B, I. T. RANKIN won the silver medal and gained a badge standard in the discus, and also won the bronze medal and gained a badge standard in the shot. The relay team of A. G. MILLAR, N. A. C. McWILLIAM, E. T. WATSON and I. T. RANKIN were fifth in a time of 46.8s. This was a satisfying day for these boys after a great deal of hard training.

The weather on Sports Day was perfect for athletics, and a remarkably large crowd watched some fine performances. On Sports Day itself G. D. STALKER became Senior Champion, winning the 110m hurdles, high jump and javelin. Runner-up to the Senior



Champion was I. T. RANKIN, who gained two firsts. Prior to Sports Day some excellent performances had been achieved: G. D. STALKER won the senior javelin with a School Record of 51.38m (168' 7"); E. T. WATSON also achieved a School Record in the heats of the 800m — his time was 1m 59.5s, taking over six seconds from the existing record. He also won the Cross Country and the 1500m. The Intermediate Champion was C. J. L. MILLER, who had four first places. Joint runners-up were W. L. MILROY and D. M. LYLE. Junior Champion was T. BLAIR, who convincingly won with six first places; runner-up was R. SIMPSON.

Athletics Colours were awarded to A. R. MacLEAN (re-award), I. T. RANKIN (re-award), G. D. STALKER, W. L. MILROY and N. A. C. McWILLIAM. Half-colours were awarded to C. J. L. MILLER.

The high standard of fitness and a better understanding of technical events are directly due to Mr J. E. G. MARTIN, who gave willingly of his time throughout the season. We are also grateful to A. R. MacLEAN, who captained the side throughout the season.

Thanks must also go to the ground staff at Dallerie for their hard work in keeping the ground in excellent condition.

I.T.R.

SWIMMING



In October a team entered for the Perthshire Schools' Gala, held in Perth. Several of our swimmers had good performances, and in all we gained four firsts, three seconds and eight thirds. Among the best performances were: C. D. MONCRIEFF, G. D. BROWN, the Under-19 Relay and the Under-14 Relay, all of whom gained first places.

A week after the Gala came the Glenalmond Time Trials for the Scottish Schools' Championships. Again, some good times were recorded, but the Trials were a disappointment as none of our swimmers managed to reach the finals of the competition.

Towards the end of the term the traditional Inter-House Gala was held, and once again the Grahams emerged as victors. However, there was a hard fight for second place, which ended in a tie between the Murrays and the Drummonds. The final result was:

1st, Grahams — 119 points; 2nd (equal), Murrays and Drummonds — 99 points; 4th, Campbells — 86 points.

During the Easter Term there was only one competition in which we had representatives. This was in an Inter-County Gala held in Dunfermline, in which C. D. MONCRIEFF and T. J. C. HEGGIE were selected for the Perthshire team.

Also during the Easter Term several boys were being prepared for Life-Saving Examinations, which were finally taken in March, and 29 boys gained Intermediate Certificates, 9 gained Bronze Medallions, 4 gained Awards of Merit and 4 gained Bronze Crosses.

Too late for inclusion in last year's "Morrisonian" was the award of Colours to C. D. MONCRIEFF.

On the whole, this has been a reasonably successful swimming year, although better years have been known, and we are all looking forward to doing better in next year's competitions.

C.D.M.

TENNIS

The 1972 season saw once again a keen interest in tennis. The Dye Cup singles competition especially produced some excellent games and ended in a fine win for T. J. Macaskill over G. D. Grant in a very entertaining final.

The school team also maintained a high standard of play, and succeeded in reaching the last round of the Midlands Trophy, defeating Blairgowrie and Perth Academy in the early rounds, and Morgan Academy in the semi-final. In the final itself, however, we were beaten by a strong team from the holders, Dundee High School.

In our friendly matches we defeated teams from Strathallan, the Old Boys and the Girls' School, with a match against Glenalmond being cancelled.

Members of the 1972 team were:

T. J. Macaskill (Captain), G. D. Grant, K. J. McNaughton, C. J. Armit, P. F. Craig, and J. A. Scrimgeour.

Full colours were awarded to T. J. Macaskill and half-colours to G. D. Grant and K. J. McNaughton.

The Grahams won the House Matches for the third successive year.

Our thanks must go to the Girls' School for their generosity in allowing us the use of their courts, and also to the professional, Mr Woodcraft, who helped us to improve our tennis with his advice and example.

C.J.A.



GOLF



The Belch Cup was won last year by J. Haggart with a three-round total of 228 strokes. Runner-up was D. G. McCartney. J. Haggart also won the Senior Match-Play Tournament with D. G. McCartney runner-up. D. S. Foster won the Junior Match-Play event and D. War-nock was runner-up.

The match against the Old Boys resulted in a draw, two matches all.

This session the team of C. M. Hunter. D. G. McCartney, T. G. Muirhead and J. S. Naismith finished in fourth position in the Perthshire Schools' Stroke Competition.

The school is taking part this session in new match-play and stroke-play events inaugurated by Perth and Kinross Schools' Golf Association.

BADMINTON

This year saw the school team once again at the Bell's Sports Centre, competing for the third successive year in the Perth and Kinross Schools' Badminton Championships.

The team was less successful than last year; nevertheless the tournament was enjoyed by all those who played. This was especially so in the case of E. K. McLean and D. G. McCartney, who had little success, but did enjoy confusing their opponents, the eventual winners of the event, with their rather unorthodox style of play.

G. S. Townson and J. A. Smith also entered, as a doubles pair, being slightly more successful in that they took their opponents to three sets, being beaten by 19:18 in the third set.

G. S. Townson reached the semi-finals of the singles, but, as in the previous year, he failed to reach the final, being outplayed by the eventual winner.

G. S. Townson and J. A. Smith also entered an open tournament later in the year, and although they failed to get past the preliminary rounds, they did gain some valuable match-play experience: something which is much needed by all.

G.S.T.

SAILING CLUB

After a lapse of a year, the Sailing Club is in business again. Sailing instruction is being given by a National Sailing Coach, Mr

Barry Holmes. The dry land preliminary instruction is now complete, and boys are sailing in the School boats on Loch Earn. We have quite a few experienced helmsmen in the Club and hope to do well in the Schools' Races on 5th June, in spite of the short time available for practice. With all our helmsmen coming back to school next year, and some for many years, we have every chance of attaining our former "glory".

R.K.F.

CURLING CLUB

Practice sessions were held throughout the season in Perth Ice Rink.

The school were represented in three tournaments, the most important being the National Schools' Championships. By beating Perth Academy in the area decider, the team then met Inverness Royal Academy in Aviemore, in the district eliminator, and eventually won through to the finals in Crossmyloof, Glasgow. The finals took the form of a triangular contest with George Heriot's School and Hamilton Academy, who were representing the other districts. Unfortunately, the team played below their usual standard and although they led for a time in their matches they lost both games. However, to finish third in the Schools' Championships was a fine effort indeed, considering over fifty teams originally took part.

Of the other two tournaments, the boys finished third in the J. & D. South Trophy in Aviemore, and were runners-up in the Loch Ness Trophy, also held in Aviemore.

The players who put up this creditable performance throughout the season were:

T. G. Muirhead (Skip), J. S. Naismith, D. G. McCartney, R. A. H. Naismith and N. Drysdale.

C.C.F. NOTES

Senior Cadets 1972-73:

C.S.M.: A. S. Clarke

C.Q.M.S.: B. D. Robertson

Sgt. No. 1 Platoon: N. C. W. Dunkley

Sgt. No. 2 Platoon: A. C. Campbell

Sgt. No. 3 Platoon: A. T. K. Rutherford

Pipe-Major: G. F. Milne

Drum-Major: R. B. Sylvester

Prize-Winners at the 1972 Inspection:

KENYA CUP (Best Senior N.C.O.): Sgt. A. S. Clarke
SWORD OF INDIA (Best Junior N.C.O.): Cpl. B. D. Robertson
CULTYBRAGGAN CUP (Best Recruit): Cdt. J. Ryan
MUNGALL VASE (Best Senior Shot): Cdt. N. C. W. Dunkley
DOBIE CUP (Best Recruit Shot): Cdt. I. J. Hirst
ROBERTSON DOBIE CUP (Piping): P/M. J. A. S. Campbell
FINCH CUP (Inter-Platoon Competition): The Murrays

The strength of the Contingent remains at about 90. Because of inequality of numbers among the four Houses, the House basis of the platoons had to be suspended this session. The Finch Cup will, however, still be awarded to the best House.

Annual Camp in 1972 was once more in Skye. The weather was not kind and one day towards the end of camp the cadets met a member of the school staff on his way home, having terminated his Skye holiday prematurely. The next few days were beautiful.

Adventurous Training this year was also in Skye. This time the weather was atrocious, including every phenomenon except heat. However, quite a lot was accomplished, including a revisit to the Table in the Quirang. We also had the privilege of recording for the first time ever the reading on the monthly rain gauge at the mouth of Loch Coruisk. The cadets then continued over the Bad Step, taking a set of bagpipes with them: another first? We are glad to report that from a shaky start a few years ago, we now have more cadets wanting to go on Adventurous Training than we are officially allowed to take.

C.Q.M.S. Robertson and Sgt. Dunkley attended the U.K. Land Forces Leadership Course at Thetford in April. This is an exciting and exacting course which includes motor-cycling and (unfortunately not this year) training in helicopters.

Injury on the assault course at Thetford unfortunately put Dunkley out of our team for the Highland Cadet Competition. We are most grateful to Cdt. Garven, a Form III Recruit, who came into the team at the last minute and completed the course. This was held at the weekend 18/20 May at Cultybraggan and this was the first time we had entered. In view of our inexperience and difficulties in training caused by S.C.E. Exams, we were satisfied with our 8th place, just behind Dollar, but we shall do better next year.

Many interesting courses, etc., are open to the Cadets, and more Cadets might well take advantage of them. In January B. D. Robertson spent a very interesting weekend at Otterburn with the Artillery sections of the Scottish University O.T.C.s. In August Robertson and Dunkley are to spend a week with 4 R.T.R. at Catterick and similar visits are being arranged to other Regiments.

Sgt. Angus Campbell attended a Port Operating Course at Southampton in April and, besides having a most enjoyable time (the food was marvellous), he came out second in the examination at the end of the course.

At a dinner on 26th March the principal guest was Brigadier F. Coutts, Commander Highland Area.

Our C.S.M., Angus Clarke, leaves at the end of the session with the intention of entering the Army via a University cadetship. Angus has been accepted for commissioning in the K.O.S.B., provided he passes his Regular Commissions Board and performs satisfactorily at Sandhurst. On past performances he should. In any event, we wish him every success in both.

Many former Cadets will be interested to know that Brigadier Proudlock, Schools' Liaison Officer, has retired. His successor is Brigadier Snowball.

The Contingent continues to be well served by the S.S.I., Mr G. Robertson, and by 36 Cadet Training Team from Perth, who visit us every Monday. The Team is now commanded by W.O.I Danells.

PIPE BAND

The Band has competed in the two competitions as usual, but brought back no trophies. The Band also played at two Highland Nights in the Market Park, organised by the local Tourist Association.

At the moment we are short of pipers, but we have a flourishing group of youngsters who are tutored separately by Mr White of the Lower School, to whom we are most grateful.

CAROL SERVICE, 1972

Those of us who enjoyed and appreciated the 1971 Carol Service and hoped that the event could become an integral part of the School's annual activities, were not disappointed when again the Combined Girls' and Boys' Choirs presented an evening of Christmas Music in St. Michael's Parish Church. This took place on Sunday, December 17th, 1972, and was attended by a full and enthusiastic congregation.

The opening voluntaries, J. S. Bach's Chorale Preludes "In Dulci Jubilo" and "Watchet Auf", provided an impressive and dignified beginning to a service whose predominant quality was one of whole-hearted participation. The Choirs sang with evident enjoyment, and this was transmitted very tangibly to the congregation, whose singing of the hymns "While humble shepherds" and "Hark! The herald angels sing" provided a good foil for the descant.

Both "Unto us is born a son" and "A child this day is born" were sung by the Choirs with great confidence, and it was particularly pleasing to hear the pure, unmistakable tone of the treble voices coming through in the latter. The younger boys sang "The Kings of Orient", with Stewart Thom, Sean Rathbone and Jack Meredith as

soloists: Stewart Thom's diction and tone were especially commendable. It is to be hoped that the younger boys will continue to be encouraged to sing with the Schools' Choirs.

Following this, the Choirs sang two contrasting works: the "Coventry Carol", where they achieved a beautifully restrained opening and a good balance of the different parts; and the "Gallery Carol", where there was perhaps a slight tendency to speed up after the more soulful "Coventry Carol". Shira Miller sang Peter Warlock's "Adam lay y-bounden", a considerable challenge to a younger singer, with admirable confidence and mastery; and Fiona McRobbie and Stewart D. Cameron acquitted themselves well as soloists in the traditional carol "I saw three ships". The popular "Masters in this hall", arranged by Holst, was sung with obvious enjoyment by the Choirs, while the congregation, not to be outdone, joined with zest in the singing of the Patricia Noble and Douglas West, and the service was conducted by final Hymn, "O Come, all ye faithful!" The lessons were read by the Chaplain.

It became obvious during the evening that the Choirs had made considerable progress since last year, and sang with greater accuracy and confidence. This was achieved only by the continuing hard work and the encouragement given by Miss Luke and Mr Andrews, to whom the Schools owe grateful thanks and appreciation. We look forward with anticipation to further occasions when we shall enjoy the Choirs' singing.

M.L.M.

TRIP TO HOLLAND

The trip to Holland arranged by Mr Lauder for a party of 61 boys from Forms I, II and P.7 took place during the Easter Holiday. The route to the hotel at Noordwijk enabled us to see the French and Belgian countryside between Calais and Bruges — where we spent our first night abroad — and later, as we followed the coastal road, the islands, rivers and dykes of Holland.

By the time we arrived at Noordwijk we had visited a working windmill at Sluis, crossed the longest bridge in Europe, ascended the Euromast at Rotterdam and visited a pottery factory at Delft.

The following day (Thursday) our sight-seeing continued with a visit to the Keukenhof Bulb and Flower Park, a demonstration of clog making and a visit to the Rijksmuseum, before boarding a boat for a trip round the canals and harbour of Amsterdam.

Friday was a free day spent by the majority of boys enjoying the local amenities, but for a few a trip had been arranged to the nearby university town of Leiden. On Saturday we visited Almeer flower market and the airport of Schipol, returning to Noordwijk in time to do last-minute shopping and prepare for the return journey next day.

We returned by an inland route which enabled us to see the Lilliputian village of Madaurodam and the great sea-port of Antwerp, before returning to Bruges, where we were taken to see lace being made before being taken on a tour of the old canals. Our last night abroad was spent at Ostend and from there we went by road to Zeebrugge to board the ship for Dover. This sea journey was in happy contrast to the crossing of the previous week which was by Hovercraft in rough, windy conditions — an experience best forgotten.

Throughout the entire holiday the party was most ably and enthusiastically led by Mr Lauder, who was assisted by Messrs. Mc-Lauchlan, Stuttard, Thomson and White; and the boys, who enjoyed the holiday, are most appreciative of their efforts which ensured its success.

DAVID STUTTARD, Form 2 Star.

School Societies

DRAMATIC CLUB

It was with deep regret that last year's summer production of "Wild Decembers" had to be abandoned because of Mrs Chatburn's illness. With a supreme effort on the part of the sixth-year boys and girls, with help from Mrs Adam and Mr Boyle, a collection of prose readings, poems and musical items based on the idea of the Seven Ages of Man, was gathered together to form a pleasant evening's entertainment.

It was very much a team effort, and all credit to the whole group, but few will forget the charm of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" with James Denholm, Susan Donaldson, Barrie Ivison and Mary Bell; the amusing rendering of a passage from "The Lumber-room" by Lorna Simpson, Roderick Davidson and Tom Macaskill; the rich voice of Derek Greig singing a love song; the vamping of soldier Macaskill by the seductive Margaret McLean; the many characters in Alan Todd's court scene from "The Wind in the Willows"; and the beautifully spoken final poem of the evening read by Alistair Laidlaw. With so much talent, I am sure that everyone felt the effort had been well worthwhile.

This year we lost Mr Hugh MacLennan, who had been a keen supporter and an able stage manager. He is sadly missed. We welcome Mr Hartley and Mr McGregor as helpers to the Club. We lose Mrs Adam this summer, and take the opportunity of thanking her for her work with the Club.



AS

A new venture this year was the foundation of a junior section run by Miss Molly McCallum for boys of Primary 7. It has flourished well and at Easter staged a charming play based on a Chinese story — "The Stolen Prince". Roderick Wishart, Kevin Ashworth and a delightful property man in Ian Kirkwood all played with commendable assurance.

The Senior group have been busy in various fields. Mr Hartley has taken a group which he is entering for the Perth Schools' Festival. The play is "Cuchulain", a play in several scenes adapted from two plays by W. B. Yeats: "The Only Jealousy of Emer", and "The Death of Cuchulain", the last two plays in Yeat's cycle about Cuchulain's life and death.

The production team is helping with the opera, "Hansel and Gretel", and the summer production in July, it is hoped, will be "The Caucasian Chalk Circle" by Brecht.

M.C.B.

DEBATING SOCIETY

During the session we had five debates, and one speech-making contest. It was decided this year to combine the Boys' and Girls' Societies into one Debating Society: by doing this it was hoped to improve the numbers who attended, and the standard of debating.

The first debate took the form of a discussion on "Alcohol". Two boys and two girls gave their opinions on the vices and virtues of drink. The debate was well attended, and there was a good response from the floor of the house in the form of questions to the speakers.

The second debate saw the girls unsuccessfully arguing that "The characters in children's literature are predominantly male". The high standard of speaking was marred by the low attendance. This was partly because the debate was held in the afternoon.

The Toastmasters' visit provided perhaps the liveliest evening of all. Four girls and four boys entered as contestants. The girls stole the show, winning first and second places, in spite of a fiery speech by Kenneth Blair on "Peace", which won third prize. Again we must thank the Toastmasters for judging the speeches, and generously presenting the prizes.

A debate held in January about the commercial aspect of Christmas suffered from a lack of original material. Perhaps the subject-matter in this instance was too topical. A debate on the abolition of censorship suffered from the same shortcomings. However, it was well attended, and produced excellent speeches from Iain Hirst and Douglas MacKenzie, two of our younger members. Both continued to show their earlier promise as gifted speakers. The House, perhaps surprisingly, decided by a convincing majority that censorship should not be abolished.

Our final debate on the merits of boarding-schools never fulfilled its earlier promise. This was partly because it was held in the afternoon, and many members of the Society were unable to attend.

Some difficulty about the timing of meetings occurred throughout the session. The Girls' Society's customary time is after school: no afternoon in the week suits both boys and girls, and the only evening which is acceptable to all is Friday. It was a pity that some compromise was not possible, especially as the claim by some that this was not working satisfactorily was belied by an attendance of more than 120 — over half of them girls — at the last meeting.

We must conclude on a happier note by thanking Mr Andrews for putting up with the turmoil and confusion, and for faithfully taking the Chair throughout the session.

J.M.R.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

This year the Christian Fellowship has seen a greater participation and enthusiasm, especially from Forms 3 and 4.

We had the pleasure of two visits from "Boss" Meiklejohn, the second being a talk on Romans I, which was for many of us a most penetrating and revealing study. The Rev. H. Tait spoke to us about the changing attitudes and movement to a less formal approach that was to be found in many Churches today. We also received a visit from the Rev. G. Leitch of the Scripture Union and in our attempts to reach a larger section of the school we showed two Fact and Faith films. These, we are happy to say, drew large and attentive audiences.

There has been a great deal of lively discussion within our group, especially on prayer, the problems of Christian living and on the power of the Holy Spirit. Bible Studies in Acts and St. John's Gospel were taken up and aroused much interested concern. We also had a number of combined meetings with the Girls' School S.U.

We had two visits from the Training in Evangelism Volunteers — the TEVS for short — from St. Ninian's. A talk on the cost of discipleship and later along with Barbara Buntin from the Girls' School they shared with us some of their experiences while on Mission during Easter in Edinburgh. The liveliness and good humour of these visits was much appreciated.

The Junior Scripture Union had an interesting programme although numbers attending have fluctuated throughout the session.

Our thanks must go to Mr Thomson for his help and encouragement throughout the year and in whose room every Friday of term at 3.30 p.m., a warm welcome awaits all boys who care to come along and join with the rest of us in the Christian Fellowship.

I.S.A.

SKI CLUB — VISIT TO AUSTRIA, 1973

On April 14th, 1973, a party of thirty-nine pupils and four teachers, from the Boys' and Girls' Schools, left for Sölden in Austria for an eight-day skiing holiday. Unfortunately the flight from Glasgow to Munich was delayed by one hour, but this time was soon made up by a speedy bus journey from Munich Airport to our destination. We reached the "Post Hotel" in Sölden at one o'clock in the morning, and soon we were all asleep after our long journey.

By ten o'clock the following morning we were skiing on a low, sparsely covered hillside, where we had been split up into three groups with instructors. By the afternoon the top group were using the nearby cable-car and drag-lifts and enjoying the long runs back down to the village. After a little more practice, the other groups also enjoyed these pleasures, and the week was spent skiing in glorious and excellent conditions.

The small village of Sölden was still quite quaint, although partly commercialised by the tourist trade. The "Post Hotel" at which we were staying was quite comfortable, and the menu, although Austrian, was highly acceptable to everyone. The evenings were taken up with visits to nearby discotheques and cafés, which were a pleasant source of relaxation after a hard day's skiing.

On the fourth night of our stay we were awakened at 1 a.m. by someone knocking on our doors and shouting "Fire!" We left our rooms to find the hotel filled with smoke, caused by a small fire in the kitchens. A swift and efficient evacuation took place, two boys having the time to pack their suitcases and worry about the soap which had been left in their room. Rumour has it that one member of staff, on seeing the smoke, had wanted to jump out of a third-floor window, but was persuaded to go down the stairs.

On the last day we had a most enjoyable drive back to Munich, where we experienced being "frisked" before boarding the plane, which took us on a smooth journey to Glasgow.



Finally the girls and boys who were in Austria would like to thank Mr McGregor, Miss Simmers, Miss Hartley and Mr Boyle for organising the trip, and for being so patient with us in times of exuberance.

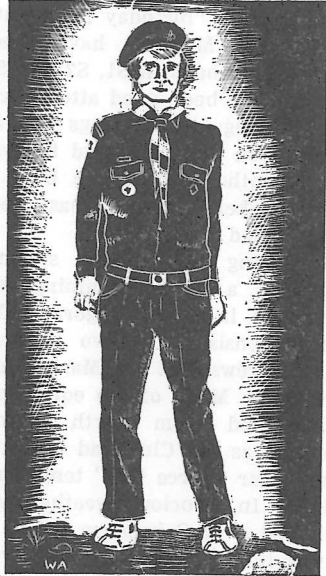
W.L.M.

27th PERTHSHIRE SCOUT TROOP

The Scout Section has had a full and successful year, highlighted by the instruction from the First Aid Section of the 15th Paratroop Regiment (T.A. & V.R.) and a joint course in Firefighting with the Guides. There has been a marked improvement in the progress in Badge work, and P.L.'s Fotheringham, Fryer and Macintyre are to be congratulated on gaining their Chief Scouts Awards.

On this high note of success, it is with real regret that we have to announce that next session there will be no Scouts. Gregor Wilson, a Morrisonian and an experienced Scouter who has led the Troop, often single-handed, for the past fourteen years, is now to live permanently in Hamilton; while Mike Todd, whose experience in outdoor activities has given the boys a wide interest in skiing and climbing in addition to normal Troop activities, has intimated his retirement for business reasons. This is a School sponsored Troop, which started under the leadership of members of the Staff. It is sad to note that because both these men, who are outside the School, are leaving, some thirty boys will find their weekends less cheerful next session.

The Cubs, we are pleased to say, continue to thrive, thanks entirely to the most welcome assistance given by four Crieff ladies, whose sons are all at School. Without their help, the Cub Pack could not have continued. We have thirty-two boys and as there is a waiting list, there will be a continued demand for places next session. Badge work has been successful and we hope that there will be some Silver Arrows to place alongside the 12 Bronze. Over two-thirds of our Cubs hold one of the Swimming standard badges, and we are grateful to Mr McGregor for his assistance with test work. A successful First Aid course was run in the winter term by Mrs Blair and there is already a demand for a repeat next year. If noise was any indication, the visit to the Pantomime at Christmas was a great success, and this is now a "must" in our calendar.



CLIMBING CLUB

I wonder how many clubs have celebrated their first anniversary with an iced cake and lit candle on the top of a cold and windy hill. This we did on Sunday 13th May, as it was the Club's first "birthday". To date, thirty-one Munros have been climbed by boys in S1, S2 and S3. There have been good attendances at the regular meetings for S2 and S3 on Tuesdays, and the vigorous enthusiasm of the boys at the weekend climbs has been maintained throughout.

During last year's summer holidays a week's camping was arranged in the Cairngorms. The party consisted of two masters, Mr Andrews and Mr Martin, and five boys. Much of the equipment was hired from Perth County



Council as the Club had at that time no camping equipment. We now have four "Force Ten" tents and are about to buy our own stoves and dixies. In atrocious weather, which lasted throughout the week, we climbed over Cairngorm (4054) to our campsite on the banks of Loch Avon in the heart of the Cairngorms. During that week we climbed Ben Macdui (4296), Braeriach (4284), Derry Cairngorm (3788) and Beinn Mheadhoin (3883).

This year there have been two trips to Fearnan Outdoor Centre, a converted school and schoolhouse on the north bank of Loch Tay, and all who went there enjoyed it very much. It is very well situated with many hills in the area, and we now seem to have climbed most of them. Lawers and Schiehallion seem the most often climbed — we have been forced off both by wind — but perhaps Beinn Narnain the most memorable for the small party who climbed it, with its rocky summit and the mists and gale-force winds which met us then.

In November we had our first encounter with snow, on Ben Ledi. Ice-axes proved helpful even in deep drifts. The best snow was at Easter at Fearnan. We needed ice-axes each day for safety, and by the end of the week we were proficient and practised in their use. We even did some glissading and braking on an ice slope with a convenient pad of snow at the bottom.

This summer term S1 boys have been introduced into the Club, and there has been a good response to their Monday meetings. They have had one climb without the "seniors" — Ben Vorlich — and have

now joined the regular outings on Sundays. Six S3 boys have now been chosen to lead parties of S1 boys up hills of their own choice. A master is always watching them, but in no way helps or advises the leader.

The final highlight of this term will be a preparatory camp during a weekend in Glen Etive. This is to gear the boys going to the summer camp, which is in the Ben Nevis region, a totally new area for us.

Finally, we would like to thank all the masters who have made it possible for us to climb in the Scottish hills.

I.A.F., G.G.M., D.W.

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Contributions . . .

THE SECRETS OF THE SEA

The secrets of the deep blue sea
Stand revealed unto me.
The waves which splash upon the land
Trickle up the soft brown sand.

The weird creatures of the deep,
In and out the weeds they creep.
The frogmen who are you and I
Will find out more before we die.

W. DAVID STEWART, Primary 5.

SPRING PEACE

The gentle rustling of the wind through the leaves,
The sound of the rumbling stream nearby,
The song of the lark as it soars high in the sky,
All this as I lie in the shade of the trees.

And the soft hum of the wasps and the bees,
The rays of the sun as they shine all around,
And an inquisitive dog as it smells the ground,
All this as I lie in the shade of the trees.

The agility of the cat as it jumps the wall with ease,
The odd scattered cloud as it scuds overhead,
And away in the distance the cows being fed,
All this as I see it in the shade of the trees.

ALAN E. MATTHEWS, Form 1 Star.

ODE TO A SCHOOL DESK

The desk stands there in the silent room along with thirty more,
The desk was put in this room in nineteen forty-four.
Alas, poor desk, you're nearly done, I write this with some sorrow,
For soon you are to be replaced, a new desk comes tomorrow.
You may have woodworm, dear old desk, your top looks like a sieve,
You're just a desk to many folks, but to me you live.
The bar that is black-painted, holding desk to seat,
Is worn to a brilliant silver shine by who knows how many feet.
Your top is carved with many names, of girlfriends, groups and teams,
Your top holds many people, and memories it seems.
The inkwell, like a single eye, holds everything, I think,
From bits of rubber to pencil wood, everything but ink.
Your belly holds a Biro pen, some toffee papers too,
But the lid is stuck with bubble-gum, so the people who've seen them
[are few.
And so that that Final Resting-Place, behind the Baths you'll go,
And I wonder when you're broken up, how many will die also.

CLIVE P. L. YOUNG, Form 3A.

Still, at night,
The calm sea with an occasional ripple,
Of the water lapping,
Gently against the side of the boat,
Then silence,
Until another wave comes,
Illuminated by the bright moon,
Lighting up a golden path over the sea
The rain starts pattering
Making rings in the water
Silence again.

JULIAN H. KITCHING, Form 1 Cross.

The pictures came across the TV screen,
The dead were half-hidden by mud,
As rain came continuously down.
The refugees walked, crawled, cycled along the road.
Suddenly they grabbed their children and ran:
Into ditches, behind a sheet, anywhere
As the jet fired showers of bullets across the road.
— While my father slept peacefully in his chair.

JIM A. CARGILL, Form 3C.

THE WAY OF WAR

Like bars of a prison cell,
The walls of earth enclosed
The soldier . . . and his freedom.
And from his position, in the bottom
Of that mud-filled trench,
He looked up, up into
The wide and clear sky.

A flash of white caught his eye,
A dove gliding gracefully,
Twisting in the wind.
It was free . . . he was not.

He saw himself, running, effortless,
Free.
The wind blowing in his hair,
Free.
His feet glancing across the ground,
Free.
Never stopping. Never turning.

The image faded,
His eyes rested again on the bird,
He saw no white dove —
Instead a raven, black, black as death.
The sky darkened, the air turned cold.
He stared at the raven,
The raven, symbol of fate.

The door of life was slowly closing on him.
Paralysed with fear, he could only listen
As the whine of a shell became louder,
Louder until it reached a climax.
The door of life was shut abruptly.
Then, silence,
Peace.

(Epitaph)

So one more clean white cross,
In the endless rows of dead,
One more poppy to fall.
As the sun goes down of them,
The fruits of war.

WILLIAM S. DINGWALL, Form 4A.

SUMMER

Across the sky,
Swallows fly,
Criss-crossing,
In the air,
Making a handsome
Pair.
A woodpecker rattles,
In the trees,
Hiding,
Under a canopy,
of leaves.

Blissfully we lie,
On our backs,
The summer sun,
Makes us relax,
Silent are the tree aisles.
As a dove coos,
For a while,
And a rare butterfly,
Pushes,
Through the dry,
Bushes.

— ANDREW M. SCOTT, Primary 4.

THE MOOR

Unchanged by time
The desolate landscape remains
Windswept and as wild as the heather
Which covers the cold, infertile soil.
Boulders, strewn across the land
As far as the horizon,
Shelter mosses and lichens in their lee.
Peat bogs
Dark and threatening
Appearing bottomless
Loom from among the heather.
The cotton plant's tuft of white
Waves violently
In the merciless gale.
It has always been like this,
I wonder how long it will last.

— CHRISTOPHER R. SWAN, Form 3A.

DEATH

The beginnings of life had just begun
When the ends of death crept near.
Entangled in their horrid knot
They conceived the human fear.
"You must not try to untie the knot,"
Wise men shall always cry,
"You must journey slowly through the knot,
"You must learn how to die."

DONALD L. WHITE, Form 3B.

OUR REJECTED MASTER

A guy came down from heaven to earth,
His name was Jesus of Nazareth,
Throughout the land he spread Good News,
Healing the sick and sharing God's views.

He was the Lord in human form,
Wandering round with his clothes all torn,
Cruelly treated and rejected,
Upon a cross he was erected.

Above his head there was a sign
(But on the cross a man was dying),
It read like this: "King of the Jews",
Men killed him, but they were excused.

IAIN J. HIRST, Form 4A.

A Man,
Innocent,
Hung up to die
On a rough piece of wood.
His back,
Red and bloody,
Raw from the scourge,
Rubs against the wood.
Pain
Shoots through his mind.
His hands, his side, his feet
Gored.
He shouts,
" 'Tis finished!"
He dies,
But yet lives on.

DAVID M. ARNOTT, Form 4A.

A PRAWN COCKTAIL

Swimming in a beautiful pink sauce,
Five pink prawns.
With little red spots speckled all over.
And two white whiskers on each side,
All curled up.

Six bits of cucumber,
Opaque green rounded windows,
With dark green frames.

All inside a crystal glass.
A sparkling, beckoning diamond.
Inviting one to have a taste
With a silver glistening spoon.

Make Haste!

DOUGLAS I. KERR, Primary 6.

FOSSILS

A fossil,
Is found in stone.
Sometimes —
They are made of bone.
They can be big; they can be small;
They can be wide;
They can be tall.
They can be found,
In the sea-bed.
But always,
Positively,
Dead!

DAVID A. GLEN, Primary 6.

BLACK

As black as night,
As black as soot,
A black as the rubber on your wellington boot.
As black as shoes,
As black as skunks,
As black as Morrison's swimming trunks.

STUART A. MacNICOL, Primary 5.

ODE

Now Sporta are a football team,
And they have world-wide fame,
Not for winning every week,
But for losing every game.
They're also the only team from Crieff,
To win a prize this season.
Not, as I've said, for being good,
But for quite a different reason.
'Cos STV a contest ran
For the worst team in the land,
And Sporta walked away with it —
With several games in hand.

DAVID G. FRIER, Form 2 Cross.

REMEMBRANCE

The bridge still stands,
A rotten grave,
A place of remembrance,
For the many who died.

I can hear to my right,
The roar of the guns;
To my left,
The ear-piercing screams.

As they charged out in front,
Again and again,
The mound of human débris,
Grows higher and higher.

Then day did appear,
For the few who remained,
But a heart-breaking sight,
Lay out on the bridge.

The area all around,
Is seething with fungus,
But the bridge oddly enough,
Is called "Paradise Rest".

CHRISTOPHER I. MILLAR, Form 1 Star.

REQUIES AETERNA

A flash from the start and
then
nothing,
nothing but disintegration.

A dove
flew from a tree, a
gnarled and gutted relic of a
world which had passed,
flew out, an
isolated stain
on the perfect, eternal
darkness.
Eastwards it flew,
to the dawn,
to the blessed, sunbird-plumaged dawn,
which would
no more
illuminate Earth, a
dead planet,
like all the others.

Only total blackness remained in the
ruins of a
destroyed world, a
world which had passed,
like all the others.

In the cold,
infinite
gloom,
the last human
died.

A dove
flew back, exhausted, from the
non-existent dawn, and
plunged
earthwards,
leaving the universe
at rest,
dead.

DAVID M. COULL, Form 4A.

OLD BOYS' NOTES, 1973

At December 1972 the total membership of the club was 1175. During the year 45 new members joined and 3 deaths have been reported to the Secretary.

Monthly Luncheons are held in the Blythswood Hotel, 320 Argyle Street (between Central Station Bridge and the Kingston Bridge near Robertson Street) on the first Friday of each month except July and August. Those wishing a reminder to be sent regularly a few days in advance should send their names to the Secretary.

Annual General Meeting — The Annual General Meeting was held this year on 26th April in the Royal Scottish Automobile Club, Glasgow.

The usual meeting of members took place in the pavilion after Sports Day on Saturday, 24th June, 1972. A gathering of 20 members were addressed by the new President, A. S. Brown, and the Rector.

In the subsequent past v. present golf and cricket matches, the old men won the golf and lost the cricket by one run.

The golf team received a bye into the second round at the Q.E.C.S. golf tournament at Barnton only to be knocked out by Hutcheson Grammar School Old Boys.

At the rugby match in September with Internationalist Nairn MacEwan playing, the Old Boys successfully overcame the school to win the McNaughton Cup.

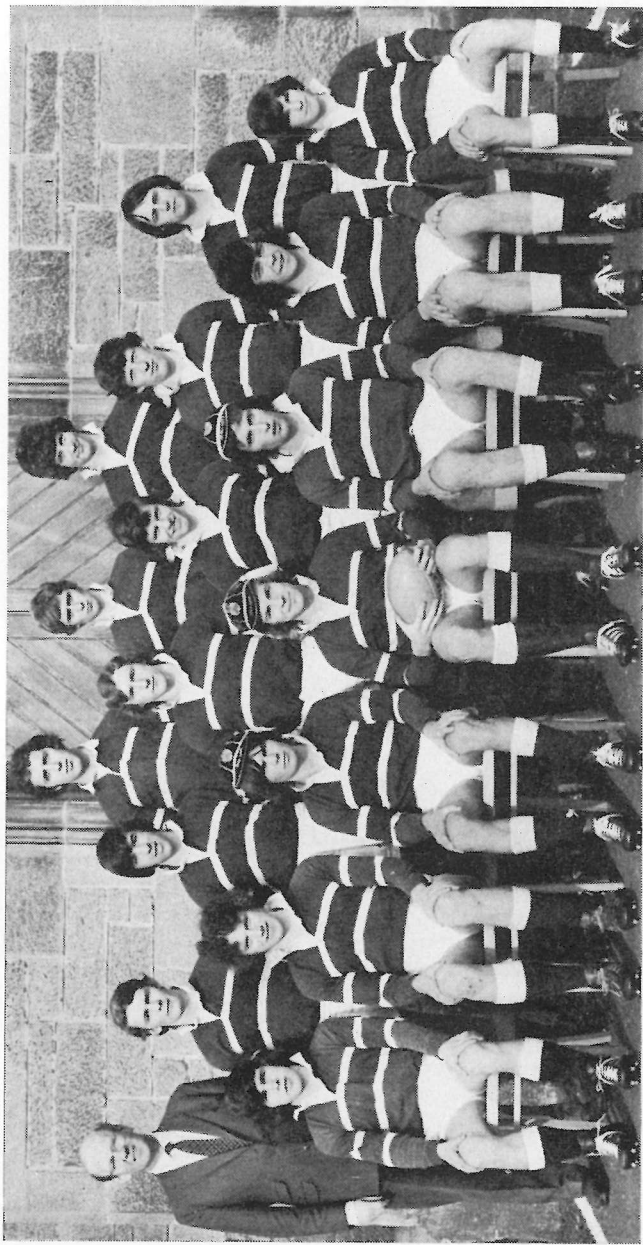
The dinner dance was held this year for the first time in The Exchange Restaurant, Queen Street, Glasgow. It was as usual smoothly and enthusiastically organised by Stuart Thomson, supported by Alastair Deakin. Seventy attended and had a very enjoyable evening. The dance this year will again be at The Exchange, this time on Friday, 26th October. Mr and Mrs Lauder will be guests of the club this year. Members are urged to apply for tickets now to the Hon. Treasurer.

The Dux Medal was presented at Speech Day by A. S. Brown, the President, on behalf of the Club.

1973 Calendar of Events

June 23rd	—	Sports Day meeting in pavilion after sports. There will be the customary unofficial social reunion in the Murraypark Hotel from 6.00 p.m.
June 24th	—	Past v. Present golf match.
June 25th	—	Past v. Present cricket match.
September 15th	—	Past v. Present rugby match.
September 22-24th	—	Q.E.C.S. golf tournament, Barnton.
October 26th	—	Dinner Dance, Exchange Restaurant.

RUGBY FIRST XV, 1972-73



Back Row: E. T. Watson, P. T. M. Stewart, C. J. L. Miller.

Middle Row: Mr A. P. Macintyre, T. J. C. Heggie, S. J. Raith, S. D. Cameron, J. D. Stevenson, N. A. McCowan, C. J. W. Armit.

Front Row: G. W. Ashworth, I. R. Scott, D. R. Scobie, D. J. West (Captain), I. T. Rankin, W. L. Milroy, G. S. Bell.

Climbing Club - Cairngorms



ABOVE LOCH AVON AND "HELL'S LUM".



CLIMBING ABOVE LOCH AVON.

BRIAN PATON is now living in Sandbach, Cheshire and would like to hear from other Morrisonians resident in Cheshire or Staffordshire. He is a travel agent.

D. DUNCAN KIDD (1930-1939) has been a planter for 26 years and is a plantation manager in Selangor, Malaya. He starts his letter on a sad note referring to the loss of Lt. Col. S. P. (Pat) Morrison who died in London on 13th August, 1972. Pat was seconded to the Royal Malaysian Army in Kuala Lumpur from 1967-70. A tribute to him appears in this issue of "The Morrisonian".

ALAN WANLESS is manager of Kalumpang Estate, Perak and BRIAN JAMIESON manager of Tampin Linggi Estate, Negeri Sembilan.

IAN STEVENSON is manager of Sungei Chinoch Estate, Perak.

JAMES FAIRBAIRN has taken 1st Cl. Hons. in Chinese at Edinburgh and writes from Kowloon, Hong Kong. His new address is: Flat C4, 17th Floor, Chung King Mansions, Nathan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong. For a number of years James has organised the Old Boys' cricket team. Did the School's win by one run have anything to do with his move to the other side of the world?

JACK LILLEY in Ontario, Canada, would also like to hear from F.P.'s in his area. He has met LINDSAY STURROCK, M.D., now Chief Pathologist in one of the major Vancouver hospitals. Jack (1939-43) has his own ideas of how to find Morrisonians. "There must be Morrisonians crawling out of clubs and bars all over the world". Must be the training he received in Academy House in these days!

G. STUART GRAHAM writes from Transvaal, South Africa. He regrets that distance precludes him from attending any of the Club's functions and he envies those who can, a sentiment repeated in most of the letters received from abroad. Stuart (1924-31) thinks that South Africa is a wonderful country to live in.

DR. J. E. N. DICKIE has married and has returned to Canada with his new bride.

COLIN MACNAB is an architect with Tanzanian Government actively engaged in designing hospitals.

Another architect, HARRY WOOD, formerly of Glenearn, is now a partner in the firm of A. McInnes, Gardner and Partners of Glasgow.

BRIAN McLEAN who for years has organised the golf matches took time off from golf and Dunlop to get married this spring. Brian now lives at 49C Bonnyton Drive, Eaglesham.

IAN ROBERTSON (1946-53) (Dalmhor) is returning to Scotland after a spell with the Ministry of Overseas Development in forest management and game preservation in Abyssynia and Zambia.

TOM DUNSIRE is now the Club's representative on the Board of Governors.

JIMMY SCOBIE writes from the Estate Office, Chyandour, Penzance, Cornwall asking for Morrisonians in Devon and Cornwall to get in touch with him. He hopes the London Club might arrange a luncheon before Calcutta Cup games.

A letter has been received from William Lang, the nephew of William Muir of Wolfville Kings Co., Nova Scotia. Mr Muir died in July 1971 aged 83. He had been a member of the Club since leaving school. He has lived in Canada since 1927.

ROBERT (MEL) LUNAN, formerly of Glenearn, is still in Canada and can be found at 19 Strathallan Boulevard, Toronto 30, Ontario.

A. M. McLEISH (1959-63) is settled in Edinburgh where he occasionally sees fellow C.A.'s Ian Downie and Denis Carr.

FLIGHT LIEUTENANT E. T. M. DANKS is now a flying instructor at Cranwell. He is keen to arrange an Old Boys v. school tennis match over the June weekend. Some of you will recall he did this for several years in the sixties.

CAPTAIN C. G. M. ALLARDYCE writes a very newsy letter from Officer's Mess, St. Patrick's Barracks, Ballymena, Co. Antrim where he was on two months' special mission. He should now be adjutant with 12 R.S.M.E. Regiment, Chaltenden Barracks, Rochester, Kent. He married in 1969 and has travelled widely; building a road in Norway, losing his passport in Yugoslavia, sunning himself in Greece.

Other O.M.'s in B.A.O.R. are:—

STEWART SMALL: Major, H.Q. 4th Division at Hereford (still playing rugby!)

CHIZ CLARKE transferred from R.A. to R.A.P.C. Now Captain and paymaster in a cavalry regiment.

GRAHAM (BEEFY!) MURRAY: Company Commander in 1st Battalion Queen's Own Highlanders.

WILLIAM BICKETT: Lieutenant in R.A.O.C. Counts Prince Charles and other officers of the Royal Regiment of Wales amongst his friends.

DENNIS STEWART writes from South Africa where he is Senior Partner in a firm of Quantity Surveyors.

TOM SMITH (Dalmhor) has recently moved to Edinburgh to open and run the Edinburgh Office of his firm Smith, Gibb and Pate (Architects).

GORDON CAMPBELL is head accountant for British Rail in Northern Ireland and recently survived a 'bombing' of his offices.

T. W. RIMMER (1959-66) gained the Sword of Honour at Cranwell last year.

ROBERT HENDERSON is prospective Conservative candidate for Inverness-shire. After his time at M.A.C. he went to Glasgow University and then was commissioned in the Royal Artillery, serving in Cyprus.

R. KEITH MARSHALL (Avondale, 1950-62), a former Dux Medalist, has been lecturing in Eighteenth Century French Language and Literature at the University College of North Wales, Bangor.

Three Old Boys are teaching at Perth Academy: EUAN FAIRBAIRN (Maths), JIM DONALD (English) and ANDREW MORTON (Biology). Euan Fairbairn's new address is: 24 Muirend Avenue, Perth.

The PHILIPS brothers, DAVID, jr., and JOHN, are leading exciting lives. David, a partner with his father in the rapidly expanding family business in Crieff, visited Hong Kong earlier this year on a Ministry

of Defence "Editors Abroad" scheme. He was guest of The Black Watch and, during his stay, had interviews with Sir Murray Maclehoose, H.M. Governor of Hong Kong and Mr J. B. Kite, Director of the General Chamber of Commerce (both Scots). VIP arrangements for the trip were made by Sir Alec Douglas-Home, the Foreign Secretary, who is MP for Kinross and West Perthshire. He also tells us that a month ago, at a Gleneagles Hotel reception, he had the pleasure of dancing with H.R.H. Princess Margaret. Recent visitors to David's home, "Invernairn", Crieff have been NAIRN MacEWAN and MACMILLAN and wife (MAX, that is!)

Brother JOHN has worked in London for the past few years. He is production assistant manager in BBC Sport under David Coleman. Last year he was in Munich for the Olympic Games and is on the production team for most of the major sporting events which the BBC cover. He is married with two children and lives in Reading, not far from IAN "WEARIE" WILSON.

While his sons were globe-trotting, father Philips, DAVID, snr., was not to be left out in the cold, so he and Mrs Philips crossed the Atlantic to Mississippi to visit HUGH and DREDA ROBERTSON, their relations, who are also both F.P.'s.

COLONEL MORRISON

We are indebted to Brigadier W. L. Alston for the following

Appreciation.

I am writing to do honour to an old boy of Morrison's Academy, Lieut. Colonel Stanley Paton Morrison (Pat) who tragically died in his prime at the Queen Alexandria Military Hospital on Sunday, 18th August, 1972.

I came to know him only a few years ago when, as a Royal Signals Officer, his work on advanced equipment brought him to London and we in the London Morrisonian Club found in him a young man, not only obviously a distinguished member of his military profession but one of fine character, of great friendliness to all, and of great charm. Here obviously was a man to go far.

Too soon he was off with his dear Dravida, his Australian wife, and Elspeth and Annabel, his young daughters, to a senior Royal Signals advisory appointment in Malaysia. Not only did he do full justice to that appointment but typically soon became a key figure in that very Scots community.

On returning to a prospective N.A.T.O. appointment, a routine medical inspection revealed the affliction from which within a year he was to die. Indomitable and full of spirit, he fulfilled an undertaking to bring the Caledonian/B.U.A. pipe band to Kuala Lumpur for St. Andrew's night last year.

News from the Universities

EDINBURGH

FIRST YEAR

Craig Adam (Mathematics and Physics), **Sandy Bayne** (Agriculture) and **Nigel Laing** (Medicine) are all, as expected, doing very well in their courses, and have lunch together every day in the Museum. **Alasdair Foster**, who is doing Physics, also seems to be doing well once he has disentangled himself from the loving grasp of Kirsty. **James Haggart** is doing Agriculture, but leads a full social life and plays squash. **Roderick MacGregor** can be seen on a Friday night in the M.P. He works hard. **David Hay** finds Mathematics reasonably easy and is doing well. **Willie Duff** is very difficult to trace as he has a different car every week. He has grown a moustache. **Stewart Donaldson** has just returned to work after a one-day strike, but he has already received one merit and is in line for two others — or so he tells us. He is Secretary of the Labour Club and also of the Debating Club. **Alistair Macnab** is doing a Bachelor of Commerce degree whilst in the employment of the R.A.F. He is on the Canoe Club Committee. **Roderick Davidson** and **Tommy Macaskill** are continuing to work hard and are already one-twenty-third of the way to obtaining a Law degree.

Two boys doing a Diploma in Agriculture are **Mike Ryder** and **Donnie Allan**. Mike plays rugby for the Agrics and cricket for his home club, Comrie. Donnie can be seen at most pop concerts and is passing his exams easily.

SECOND YEAR

Peter Duncan does Chemical Engineering, watches football preview in the Union and shares a flat with **Dave McNeill**, who studies Modern Languages. **Bill Balfour** is repeating first year at the Royal Dick Vet, where **David Ashworth** is also to be found. He is moving into a flat with four Irishmen next year. **Andrew Godfrey** has had a riotous year but passes his exams with ease. **Neil Anderson** has changed to the Social Science Faculty this year, but hopes to move on to the Law Faculty next year. He is Editor of next year's University Handbook — it must have been the experience of his editorial days with "The Morrisonian" that got him the job. (I doubt that: all that taught him was how to spend hours out of class and school, legitimately. — Ed.). **Kenny Noble** is still doing Ecology. **Stuart Wilson** is doing well in Agriculture.

THIRD YEAR

Jack Watters and **Norman Begg** are doing Medicine. Norman is taking a year out to do his Honours degree. **Brian Simpson** is doing well at Mathematics, as is **Dave Thomson** at Engineering. **Douglas Brown** completes his Law degree this year but he hopes to go to Glasgow next year to pass more subjects to enable him to practise. **Ian Park** stays in Pollock Halls and studies Agriculture.

FOURTH YEAR

Mike Fiszer and **David Millar** study Psychology. David has recently secured a job for himself with a London firm: his work will be in advertising. **Douglas Watters** is in his final year of his Business Studies course. Two final year Honours students are **Robert Torrens** (History) and **Alex Johnstone** (Mathematics). **David Yule** is supposed to be doing Honours in Mathematics, but he has not been heard of since the first term. **Charles Yacomeni** does Chemistry and has been known to turn out for the Chemsoc rugby XIII. "**Alfie**" **Melville**, **Bill Stewart** and **John Corbett** are all continuing their Veterinary Science Courses. **John McRorie** is in fifth year Medicine. Also in his fifth year here is **David Sutherland**. He hopes to add his Law degree to his Arts degree which he gained last year. **Robert Simpson** (Agriculture), **Neil Sutherland** (English), and **Mike Innes** (Bio-Chemistry) are all doing well in their courses. **Robert "Kuddles" Kudelski** continues.

AT EDINBURGH COLLEGE OF COMMERCE

David Strang is completing his course this year and intends to go to York University next year to study Economics. **Jamie Crichton** is in his final year here.

On December 8th, 1972, Professor Beattie held a Wine Party for Morrisonians in Edinburgh. There was a plentiful supply of red and white wine and an enjoyable evening was had by all, for which we should like to thank Professor Beattie very sincerely.

In conclusion we should like to congratulate **Barrie Ivison** on his recent engagement.

R.I.D.

Stop Press News . . .

CRICKET

There are the following results to date:

- April 28 — George Watson's 109 for 9 declared
M.A.C. 39 (R. A. R. MacLean 25).
Result — lost by 70 runs.
- May 12 — Robert Gordon's College 64
M.A.C. 67 for 3 (W. L. Milroy 30 not out; MacLean 25;
Milroy 3 for 8; R. L. V. Payne 5 for 30)
Result — won by 7 wickets.

- May 23 — Crieff 68 for 7 declared
M.A.C. 69 for 6 (Milroy 29; MacLean 4 for 33)
Result — won.
- May 26 — M.A.C. 108. Paisley Grammar 109 for 4
(D. J. West 35; R. A. Claase 30)
Result — lost by 6 wickets.
- June 6 — Comrie 95. M.A.C. 88 for 8
(West 4 for 22; Milroy 25)
Result — Match drawn.
- June 9 — George Heriot's 127 for 6 declared
M.A.C. 119 for 8 (West 50; B. C. Davidson 30; MacLean
3 for 38)
Result — Match drawn.

TENNIS

The tennis team reached the semi-final of the Midlands Trophy by beating Perth Academy and Glensalmond. In the semi-final they were beaten by Dundee High School.

DRAMA FESTIVAL

We must congratulate Mr Hartley's drama group on being placed second in the Perthshire Schools' Drama Festival on June 7th. Their production of Yeats' "Cuchulain" was very highly praised by the adjudicator.

ATHLETICS

In the triangular contest held on May 31st, M.A.C. lost to George Watson's by 185 points to 162 and to Dollar by 205 to 145. In the Senior Section I. T. Rankin won the discus and W. L. Milroy the shot putt. In the Intermediate Section A. E. Rankin won the shot putt and javelin, and I. R. Macaskill won the discus.

SWIMMING

In the Perth Primary Schools' Gala the Lower School did very well to take eleven first places, two seconds and four thirds.

MAGAZINE

We again acknowledge the generous gift from an anonymous Old Boy of a prize for the best contribution to the magazine. This year the prize is awarded to Christopher Swan of 3A for his poem "The Moor".

GYM FIRE

Just at the time of going to press we are very sad to report that the gym was destroyed by fire in the early hours of Monday, 11th June. The swimming baths were not affected. No further details are available: our only sure but depressing knowledge is that we shall be without a gym for a considerable time.

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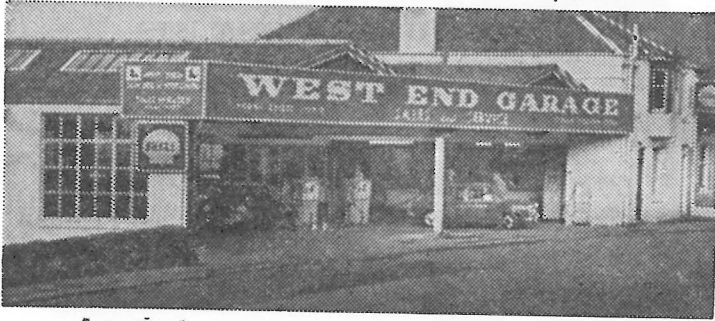
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