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A WELCOME.

So BRENTHAMITE you live again,
After three years of silence long,
And now we note those quiet years
Have only added to your song ;
And young and old hail with delight,
Your second birth, O BRENTHAMITE.
You have a greater tale to tell,
And wider fields in which to "Trek,"
Such glorious deeds, and done so well,
Can only happen in "Our Rec.,"
And youth and age, and slack and tight,
Are mentioned by you BRENTHAMITE.
Before I close, I wish you'd speak,
A word to those who "Won the War?"
About the noisy engine squeak,
Which constantly goes past our door,
Waking the kiddies up at night,
Give them the Bird, O BRENTHAMITE.

"EMO."

THE LAY OF THE LOST MINSTREL.

I dropped my pipe, I sought a chair, I found my fountain pen,
For I'd been reading THE BRENTHAMITE, the fifty-ninth ye ken,
And there I saw that "Pierrot" had passed to pastures new,
So I'll storm the Garden Suburb where the *Bridges* are so few,
My task complete I'll hasten where the Editor doth dwell,
(I wonder if some day his dog will chew my doggerel).
Then underneath his milk jug I'll place these words of power,
(Cream of my thoughts I wonder if you'll turn that milk quite sour,)
Or if in blest obscurity he will not let me bide,
I'll fling next time my bomb of rhyme through his window open wide,
And if the metre should explode I trust you won't be burned,
But realise, dear Editor, that "Minstrel" has returned.

MINSTREL.

["Minstrel" was an occasional contributor to
THE BRENTHAM MAGAZINE.—ED.]

EDITORIAL.

THE streamlet of clear water that finds its way through our Rec. to the Brent has been successfully hidden within a concrete pipe. The grounds have lost a pretty feature, the children a scene of somewhat dangerous adventure, and the football players an excellent excuse for shooting into the goal-net. This clear spring water deserves a better fate than being led away to uselessness, and if it could not be utilised for watering purposes on the grounds it might have been run into a shallow paddle-pool for the children.

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We know something of the Institute Society's difficulties regarding the grounds : the apportioning fairly of spaces among the various sporting sections. We are not permitted to hear the official discussions, but we hope that they are inspired by wider ideas than are some of the unofficial "pow-wows" that go on wherever members are gathered together. We believe that the Committee will not be so worshipful of the "Business Proposition" Fetish that it will work everything out at so much per square yard, nor so unbusinesslike that it cannot find accommodation for all Brentham Sports on Brentham's Recreation Ground.

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If the Institute Society is to be saved from a series of half-hourly crises some effort must be made to view matters in their true prospective. A modest request for cloak-room facilities during summer afternoons has been allowed to assume an alarming importance. The cloak-rooms belong as much to the people using the grounds as to the same people using the building, and only some insuperable structural difficulty should have prevented the Committee answering with an immediate "Yes." Yet the air became thick with petitions, a deputation waited on the mat outside the Committee-room, and the threat of a Special General Meeting darkened the sky. Indeed, there lacked but one of the concomitants of a first class crisis : a few resignations flung as a challenge at an ungrateful crowd. This storm in a tea-cup may lead to a more rational relationship between the Sections' representatives and the Society's Committee, and save Brentham's social organisation from incipient mandarinism at the top.

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Our thanks to the writers of congratulatory letters and to those who have answered our invitation for contributions in verse. These shall appear as space permits and occasion arises. Meanwhile, we shall watch carefully the effect of the specimens published this month upon our readers. Brentham has had perforce to get used to rough fare in the matter of prose, but anything masquerading as poetry is another matter. We are not unmindful of a sense of protective duty to our readers.

Announcements.

Literary and Section Matter should be sent to the Editor, 27, Neville Road, Ealing, W. 5, by the 22nd of each month.

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BRENTHAM EX-SERVICE MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

(See also page 25).

The United Services Fund Sports Grant has now been received, and in accordance with the decision agreed to at the Special General Meeting held on 20th May last, will be distributed as follows :—

<i>Members participating</i>				<i>Approximate sum per head</i>			
					s.	d.	
Tennis	-	-	36	...	6	9	
Bowls	-	-	21	...	6	9	
Cricket	-	-	14	...	6	9	
Golf	-	-	9	...	6	9	
Institute Membership			6	...	6	9	
Rifle Club	-	-	2	...	5	0	
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The Committee will be in attendance to pay out the money on Tuesday, 5th July, from 8 to 9 p.m. Each application must be accompanied by the Sports Section receipt, together with the Association's Membership Card for the current year.

BRENTHAM BOWLING CLUB.

(See also page 26).

MEMBERSHIP of the above Club is open to all men residing on Ealing Tenants Estate.

Members are asked to play off their Championship and Pairs Handicap games.

The following are the fixtures for July :—

July	2	...	Aeolian	Away	3.30 p.m.
"	4	...	Ealing	...	(Shield)	Away	6.30 p.m.
"	11	...	Ealing Dean	...	"	Home	6.30 p.m.
"	16	...	Pitshanger Park	...	"	Away	3.30 p.m.
"	23	...	Ealing Conservative	...	"	Home	3.30 p.m.
"	25	...	Ealing	...	"	Home	6.30 p.m.
"	30	...	Hampstead Garden Suburb	...	"	Home	3.30 p.m.

BRENTHAM LAWN TENNIS AND CROQUET CLUB.

(See also page 26).

MATCH RESULTS against BOROUGH ROAD COLLEGE,
on June 4th :—

	RESULT.	EVENTS.	SETS.	GAMES.
1st team at Brentham	Brentham won	8 to 3	17 to 8	146 to 108
2nd team at Osterley Park	Brentham lost	6 to 3	13 to 9	111 to 100

MATCH RESULTS against W.E.S.A.C., on June 11th :—

1st team at West Ealing	Brentham lost	11 to 9	24 to 20	206 to 199
2nd team at Brentham	Brentham lost	11 to 7	24 to 22	224 to 236

MATCH RESULTS against HAMPSTEAD on June 18th :—

1st team at Hampstead	Brentham won	10 to 1	21 to 3	134 to 78
2nd team at Brentham	Brentham won	8 to 4	17 to 8	140 to 108

MATCH RESULTS against BOROUGH ROAD COLLEGE,
on June 25th :—

2nd team at Brentham	Brentham won
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BRENTHAM v. SPRINGFIELD PARK CROQUET CLUB.

Brentham won on May 28th	at Brentham	by 2 games to 1
Brentham lost on June 4th	at Springfield Park	by 3 games to 0

HARLESDEN MATCHES postponed to August 20th.

BRENTHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

(Affiliated to the National Union of Allotment Holders.)

(See also page 25).

Hon. General Secretary:

ROBT. A. BACK, 49, Woodfield Crescent.

Hon. Trading Secretary:

JAMES W. SMALL, 45, Brunner Road.

Subscription: 1/6 per annum.

To enable allotment holders to have full benefit of co-operative purchasing, the Trading Committee handle seeds, fertilisers, etc. The Society's Trading Shed—next to the Cricket Pavilion in the Recreation Grounds—is open on Tuesday evenings during the hours 7-30 and 9 p.m.

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BRENTHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ROSE SHOW

The first Rose Show in Brentham since 1916 was held on June 25th, at the Institute, and was in all ways a success. The number of entries was 70 and of exhibits only 6 less, and they were tastefully arranged. The Show was opened to visitors from 4 to 7 p.m. and a large number passed around the tables and admired the exhibits.

Roses were splendid in spite of the heat which made Friday's blooms useless on Saturday, and the Canterbury Bells in the cut flower classes were exceptionally fine. Ramblers and Violas were below the usual standard. The fruit was the best seen since 1914. Mr. Huard's Rhubarb was magnificent. Only one table decoration was shown and a real competition among Brentham's 650 ladies is expected on August 27 next.

The awards were:—

		FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
Class 1.	Roses (nine blooms)	P. McCarthy,	J. W. Small,	R. T. Sprunt
„ 2.	Roses (six blooms)	P. McCarthy,	W. R. Sutton,	B. A. Back
„ 3.	Roses (three blooms)	P. McCarthy,	R. A. Back,	J. W. Small
	Best Rose in Show	P. McCarthy		
„ 4.	Ramblers (three sprays)	T. Bowles,	C. F. Huard,	R. T. Sprunt
„ 5.	Sweet Peas (twelve sprays)	R. T. Sprunt,	W. R. Sutton,	J. B. Martin
„ 6.	Cut Flowers	R. T. Sprunt,	P. McCarthy,	R. A. Back
„ 7.	Violas (nine blooms)	R. T. Sprunt,	P. McCarthy,	W. M. Small
„ 8.	{ Ladies Table } { Decorations }	Mrs. J. Coburn		
„ 9.	Rhubarb (six sticks)	C. F. Huard,	J. W. Small,	W. H. P. Smith
„ 10.	Fruit (one dish, any two kinds)	T. Bowles,	T. Luxford,	W. R. Sutton

BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE.

THE flourishing condition of the membership of the outdoor sections is causing some "unrest," and the popularity of tennis has brought to a head the question of the allocation of the grounds.

This is a problem which must not be looked at from a mere Section point of view, as it affects everyone, and the Central Committee have called into consultation the representatives of outdoor sections likely to be affected by the necessity for providing further Courts. No solution has, however, been discovered up to the present, and a further meeting will be held and a scheme submitted, when any counter proposals will receive every consideration.

The plain fact is that we have outgrown our accommodation for sports, and Mr. John Hearn, as Official Referee in the matter, has an unenviable task. Unfortunately, he does not appear to receive much assistance from the representatives of the sections concerned, whose attitude is that of Counsel holding a watching Brief on behalf of interested parties; but it should be borne in mind that the Court expects the assistance of Counsel in the difficult proposition of getting a quart into a pint pot!

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The other little difficulty — the provision of cloak-room accommodation in the afternoons—has been satisfactorily arranged.

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It is necessary to mention that Institute subscriptions run from January to December. The Secretary has occasionally been asked to place names on the list of members "as my 12 months has not yet expired." Copies of the Bye-laws are available for everybody, and any member not possessing one will find prints on the table in the Secretary's office.

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The Committee have had the pleasure of acknowledging Mr. Godwin's gift of a handsome Cup for competition in the Children's Sports on the 16th July. The Cup event will be the Boys' half-mile, ages 14—16, the trophy to be competed for annually.

The Senior Sports will be held on the 27th August.

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The Club is now affiliated to the Village Clubs Association.

J. G. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE.

The Children's Sports will be held on July 16th (if wet they will be postponed till the following Saturday). Entry Forms should now be in.

A collection will be made on behalf of St. David's Home.

The Dances and Whist Drives are to be continued during the month as at present.

On July 2nd the Concert Committee are giving their next *Al fresco* Concert.

It is early yet to speak definitely or in detail of the Educational and Lecture Section "fixtures." We have affiliated to the Village Clubs Association, an Organization whose objects and aims are on "all-fours" with those of the Brentham Club and Institute. This is especially so in the matter of having the services of the distinguished list of Lecturers, Entertainers, &c., who are at the disposal of the Association. Negotiations are also in progress with other leading lecturers: chiefly men and women who have seen or done something of interest and can talk about it entertainingly. It is expected that most of the Lectures will be assisted by suitable lantern illustrations.

The present plan of the Lecture Committee is that each Tuesday evening from 4th October next, to the last Tuesday in March, 1922, shall see one of this "Section's" arrangements in swing. It is thought the best and most interesting way will be to have a popular lecture, or instructive entertainment, on alternate Tuesdays, and on the other Tuesday to give Brenthamites themselves a chance of saying and doing something, either by way of debates or speeches, with opportunities to criticise or question, or in some other fashion.

It is hoped, however, that these Tuesdays will be but one feature and a start: there should be at the Institute specialized courses, or classes or circles. Why should not the ladies have an opportunity of hearing something to their advantage in the way of cooking, dress-making, &c. Why, again, should not the men renew their long-discontinued craftsmanship (woodwork) courses? Some may wish to pursue language, economics, history, literary, art, scientific or other courses. Others may care to get together with those of kindred spirit and talk about books, or authors or philosophies (or even politics or religion). Why not? As soon as sufficient show themselves as desirous of facilities or arrangements in any of these directions, there is no reason why matters should not be fixed up to meet them. The Secretary, pro tem., of this "Section," Mr. W. H. Morris, 8, Neville Road, will welcome suggestions, &c. They can be assured that the Committee will not be behindhand in doing its best to make arrangements to meet any indicated need. It is for residents to make their wishes known, and I am sure the B'ITE (not 'ITE, Mr. Editor) will help.

T. F. NICHOLSON,

Hon. Sec., Social Committee.

'ITE—MS FROM MANY SOURCES.

The Rifle Shed is setting a good example to the neighbouring fence ; it is trying to harmonise with its surroundings. It was unkind of someone to mistake it for a motor garage, however, but of course the illusion was produced by the backing therein of a gardening barrow. A car that arrived a few evenings later had to be content with shelter behind the Pavilion.

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Experienced Stewards of Children's Corner have discovered that their duties are even more varied than was suggested in last month's 'ITE. They include repairing and refixing tennis nets while you wait, re-threading, without a bodkin, the wires of same, scoring for two junior sets at once, saving children from the wrong side of the fence enclosing our gee-gee, assisting in a game called "Catch-penny," returning tennis balls to yelling fiends on the seniors' courts, climbing the swing poles to rehang the ropes, reading to innocents of fourteen the notice forbidding standing and, when nobody is looking, breaking all the rules by having a swing all to one's self.

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"One of 'em" writes :—

It was no doubt a brain-wave which led the Tennis Committee to request members desirous of playing in matches to acquaint the Selection Committee. It would be interesting to know the number of modest members who responded. The Committee has not far to look : just behind (courts 5 to 7) working off the ground fee in the the deck chairs provided by the Central Committee.

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"In the case of Mr. C ———, this is his third son, but it is Mr. Mc————'s son and heir."—VETERAN, in *Ealing Gazette*, June 11th.

We hope Mr. Mc. was grateful !

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"Bartholomew (66) had ample support from Luks (21)." Cricket report.—*E.G.*

Mr. Luks must really live up to this.

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The new garden seats in the rec. were not made to measure. They are size $2\frac{1}{2}$: two large and one very small. Used by two only there is a considerable draught in between ; tried for three, someone must get a nasty nip.

Stop Press—

Institute will open 3 p.m.—Cloak Room accommodation only—from July 12th (official).

Overheard on the Courts :

1st Lady : Your balls are rather old, aren't they, my dear ?

2nd Lady : Oh ! no. Why, I only bought them *just before the War*, and they haven't been used much since.

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We notice among recent book reviews : *Introduction to Psychological Problems*, by FRANK WATTS. (Allen and Unwin.) The author was formerly a Brentham resident, and for several years a fast and, to opponents, somewhat terrifying bowler in the cricket team.

History, the Teacher, by FREDERICK J. GOULD, has come to our notice. The author, our literary neighbour, of "Armored," Woodfield Avenue, contends that the aim of education should be the service of family and commonwealth expressed through industry, inspired by history, and perpetually responsive to the claims of humanity. Here is a fine subject for study and debate for the Educational meetings at the Institute next winter.

ON DIT :

That the Captain of the 2nd Cricket XI. keeps his cap, gown, and wand of office in his cricket bag.

That "Each for Himself" is a Committee man's suggestion for a Tennis Club slogan.

That Mugs' Alley has made an acquaintance with the sprinkler.

That it was not the "Posh" sprinkler.

That the above-mentioned piece of machinery refuses to do anything revolutionary.

That no-one felt like Tournament Bowls on the 12th ult.

That the long and perilous journey from Ealing Conservatives' Green on the previous evening had something to do with that feeling.

That the "Sea" was very rough as they passed the reservoir.

That the cheering on the boys' cricket field is very annoying indeed.

That it has disastrous effects on one's golf, and ruins one's tennis service.

That the net-ball posts are quite ready for the coming season.

That the boat-swing will come along on the next tide.

That the gentleman who once advocated all-night dances now understands them.

That wobbling woods have not been seen on the Bowling Green since the 18th ult.

ANON.

SECTION NOTES.

By the HON. SECS.

Cricket Club.

The first team gained a very creditable victory over Brentford Gasworks, our excellent fielding had much to do with the win. Since then the first's have developed a 'sag' in the batting; the head is steady and the tail wags but the middle batsmen seem in a hurry to get out; this 'sag' undoubtedly lost us the game against Southall. We hope the remedies applied will be apparent against Upton Park.

Those who witnessed the 2nd team tie with Brookfields will never forget the game. Our first six batsmen failed and the pessimists began to jeer. But they counted without 'Bart'. With their backs to the wall he and Mr. Luks fought the bowlers; valiantly helped by the tail the total reached 135. Brookfields made a desperate bid for victory and we had all to back up Mr. Hill with our best in his grand attempt to bowl the visitors out. Well bowled Hill! An exciting and fitting ending. The pessimists ought to apologise.

The seconds won a fine game against Southall second, displaying good cricket in all departments.

The Sunday team beat 'Bramtoco' easily, Mr. Beardon making 78.

Another record! it was ten minutes to ten p.m. when we won our game against British Museum. Messrs. Berry and Young, the last batsmen had 25 to make and did it—in the gloaming.

Rivercourt were soundly trounced when we made 227 for 6 wickets; Phil Cane made 51 of them. The latent talent of the 1st team had a chance that evening and Frank Hender took 9 wickets for 30.

We are pleased to see Vic. Huggett back in the 1st team. There are some other earnest students of the game with an eye on that "sag."

Results :

1st Team	v. Brentford Gas	...	Brentham won	145 to 125
" "	v. Derelicts	...	Drawn	176 to 115 for 5
" "	v. Southall	...	Brentham lost	107 to 189
" "	v. Upton Park	...	" won	144 to 63
2nd Team	v. Bookfields	...	A tie	135 to 135
" "	v. Southall	...	Brentham won	179 to 123
" "	v. Australia House	...	" "	133 to 51 & 52
Evening Team	v. County School O.B.	...	" lost	73 to 106
" "	v. British Museum	...	" won	146 & 58 to 100 & 99
" "	v. Rivercourt	...	" won	227 for 6 to 93
Sunday Team	v. "Bramtoco"	...	Brentham won	200 to 81 & 86
" "	v. Harlesden	...	" "	138 for 7 to 127

BLYKR.

Golf Club.

Last month was devoted to the preliminary and first two rounds of the Championship, for which there were 40 Entries. It is hoped the Final Match can be played this month, and the result is awaited with interest.

The thanks of members are due to Mr. S.A.C. Smith and other members of the Committee for "putting-up" prizes for the Ladies' Championship. The first round is being played between the 1st and 12th of July. Competitors should read and comply with the Conditions.

On Saturday, June 25th, a novel Approaching and Putting Competition took place.

The notes last month with regard to Announcements posted on the Notice Board omitted to say "*both sides*" of the Board.

COLONEL BOGEY.

Children's Section.

The arrangements for the Sports Day on the 16th July are well in hand, and by the time these lines are in print we hope to be dealing with a large number of Entries for the various Events.

Several of our friends have already kindly promised to provide prizes, and the Sports Committee consisting of Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Nicholson and the Secretary will be very pleased to hear from anyone who is desirous of helping in this way.

With regard to the Junior Cricket it is very pleasing to report that these teams are now going strong.

On Saturday, June 18th, the 1st eleven commenced a match with Acton Central and made 37. Acton, in reply made 56 despite a good bowling performance by Luxford, who took 6 wickets for 8 runs. The match was continued on the following Monday when the respective totals were 19 and 45 runs, so that Brentham lost by 45 runs.

The 2nd eleven have played 6 matches, winning 4 and losing 2, the remaining match, *v.* Southfield, resulting in a tie. Jack Bartholomew is getting quite a number of runs for this team, while Melhuish is doing well with the ball.

J.

Ex-Service Men's Association.

The recognition of the Association by the United Services Fund, is a very gratifying result to the efforts of the Committee. Much time has been spent previously in endeavouring to help the necessitous cases on the Estate, with the limited means at our disposal, most of which will now go through the vast organisation of this great Fund. Already a pension claim and two instances of interrupted education have been satisfactorily settled.

We are indeed very fortunate in having two such good friends as the Chairman and Secretary of the Ealing Branch, whom we hope to see at Brentham (together with their Committee) on Sports Day, when Ex-Service Events will form part of the programme, and representatives of the Ealing and Hanwell U.S. Sports Association invited to compete.

It may be here mentioned, that the Ex-Service Men in Brentham have created quite a good impression at the Town Hall.

Horticultural Society.

Members should now be directing attention to growing crops and flowers in order to obtain produce that will be ready for the Society's General Show, to be held on August 27th, next month.

In walking round Pinches Field Allotments one is surprised at the splendid condition of the crops, a striking feature is that with very few exceptions all the plots are completely under cultivation. Perhaps it is not generally known that the Society are the recognised stewards of these allotments and that if a pathway is encroached upon, or plot holder does not cultivate or becomes a nuisance, it is not necessary for neighbouring plot holders to subject themselves to the unpleasant duty of remonstrating. The matter if brought to the notice of the Committee will be investigated and, it is hoped, amicably put right without the exercise of authority.

Our neighbours, The Greenford Horticultural and Allotment Society, are arranging a show at the Village Hall, Greenford, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, July 9th. The schedule includes not less than 30 classes open to non-members. In connection with the Co-Operative Festival to be held at the Crystal Palace, on Saturday, July 16th, in addition to an excellent programme there is to be a Flower Show at which prizes value £350 are offered.

Any member wishing to exhibit at either of the above shows may obtain further particulars at the Trading Shed.

J. W. S.

Bowling Club.

The Pairs Handicap games are well on the way. Members who have not played their game in the first round are asked to do so as early as possible. It is necessary to get as many games played off as possible in view of the approaching holiday season.

The championship games are well on the way. This competition has produced some surprises, notably when Mr. E. Middleton beat Mr. F. J. Whitmore. Mr. W. G. Brown also had a bad fright when he managed to beat Mr. F. Turner by one point only, and finishing up limp and in a cold perspiration. No explanations were offered, but perhaps the games were played too soon after the strenuous match with Lammas.

The return friendly match with Pitshanger Park Club was played away on 4th June. The rinks were skipped by Mr. H. Boxall, Capt., Mr. J. Hearn, Vice-Capt., and Mr. W. G. Brown. The Brentham teams were well entertained in the Pitshanger Club's new Shelter, and after a keenly contested game Brentham won by 18 points.

In the Victory Shield Competition we have not been so successful. Our match with Ealing Conservative Club was a very close one, Brentham losing by three points only. Against Pitshanger, on June 25th, we won by two points.

We played our away match with Lammas on the 16th June, and apparently had two very strong rinks against us, Lammas winning by 49 to 24.

A list of July fixtures appears on another page.

Members, please watch the notices in the Shelter for announcements. S.

Rifle Club.

The Club form this month has been somewhat fluctuating. Nevertheless, they have achieved two very fine performances : first beating Walthamstow Ensign in the League, and deposing them from the leadership of the League, second beating Swansea and District by three points.

In the latter the Club made the highest score they have ever made for ten men, averaging no less than 97. It only serves to show what they are capable of doing, but they so seldom come off together. Perhaps, when they have got quite used to "Winchester" there will be no failures to record.

What has become of the Friday night "Working" party for the range. Little has been seen of them, but perhaps some of the party are reserving their energy till they get their holidays.

Why is it that the Cricket Section is so loth to give us a match on a Sunday afternoon ?—(Do it to keep them quiet.—ED.) Do they expect a shooting challenge in return ?

The result of the May and June Spoon Shoot will be announced next month.

Tennis Club.

The question of increased Tennis accommodation is a source of considerable anxiety to the Tennis Committee, and we are pressing our reasonable claims on the Central Committee. We have now booked 230 members, and have exceeded the revenue expected from us by the Institute Finance Committee. Seating accommodation on Sundays and cloak-room facilities during the afternoons of the summer months are problems of interest to the Tennis Section, and are at present being negotiated by the Social Committee with the Bowls and Institute Committees.

Mr. Roberts, Secretary of the Children's Committee, will welcome a gift of old tennis balls for the use of the children. Members can help the Children's Committee very considerably by responding to their appeal. Attention is directed to competition closing dates for July, and also to page 16 for match results for June.

On July 16th a box will be placed at the end of each court and players are asked to contribute 1d. per set played. All proceeds to St. David's Home.

H. B.