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D.O.R.A.

Who governs all we say or do,
And holds the reins for me and you,
So that the nation may pull through ?

Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

Who put up fares and made us stay,
At home and work each holiday ?
Though B——y dodged it, so they say,
Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

Who cancelled trains I do declare
At 4 a.m. for Southall, where
I had to walk the whole way there ?
Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

Who's rationed sugar, marge and meat,
And nearly banished every sweet,
But yet ensures enough to eat ?
Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

Who urges all remaining men
To stay out gardening late, and then
Turns out the lights at half-past ten ?
Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

Who is it has those powers so wide,
That though I've most sincerely tried
To master her I've been defied ?
Why D.O.R.A., lovely D.O.R.A.

THE PIERROT.

ON DIT:—

That the Brentham correspondent of the *M.C.T.* is poor at percentages.

That comment first and facts second is not unusual at Brentham (or anywhere else).

That the ladies have been and gone and done it—nearly.

That the 'Ite Sec. has a receipt awaiting YOU. ANON.

EVENTS.

A Lecture, on "Practical Beekeeping," was delivered in the small hall of the Institute on Wednesday evening, March 20. F.W. Green, Esq., was in the chair, and the lecturer was W. Herrod-Hempshall, Esq., F.E.S., Expert and Lecturer to the British Beekeepers' Association. Lantern slides illustrated the lecture, which dealt with the subject very fully; too fully, in fact, for those of us who had hitherto regarded beekeeping as a simple pastime. The aim of beekeeping appears to be to obtain honey, not a difficult job at all, but to get the best honey in greatest possible quantities, and at the same time to keep on good terms with the bees, there is where the art comes in. The audience was a large and interested one, and the lecturer's temperament, evidenced by his ability to lecture and manipulate his own slides, appeared to be the chief asset of a successful beekeeper. Those of the audience who know themselves to be at all fussy know just where to start beekeeping—with themselves.

Dances and Whist Drives have been held on each Saturday during March. They have been uniformly successful. Mr. Ridsdale and his committee have worked these events to everyone's satisfaction.

FOOTBALL RESULTS.

Saturday, March 2.—Avondale (home), 4—3, win.
 " " 16.—Avondale (home), 4—3, win.
 " " 30.—Avondale (home), 3—4, lose.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1918.

REVENUE.	£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.
Advertisements ...	31. 5 6	Deficit to February, 1917	5 0 5
Subscriptions ...	3 15 6	Printing and Publishing...	46 6 0
Donations ...	12 10 5	Stationery ...	12 6
Entertainments ...	2 19 4	Postages, Petty Cash and Sundries	13 1
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We have examined the books and vouchers, and find the above is a correct statement of the Accounts.

B. J. GOODRIDGE,
4th April, 1917. Hon. Treas. (Signed) T. G. AUSTIN, } Hon.
F. W. GREEN, } Auditors

Mr. C. S. J. Crutchfield, of Meadvale Road, has invented and patented a grilling apparatus, in which a wire gauge heated by gas supplies the heat to the food to be cooked. Congratulations to Mr. Crutchfield.

Congratulations to Brentham's one-time Tennis Captain, Mr. Garrett, who has received a commission in His Majesty's Army, and has proceeded East on work of investigation for the War Office.

The black fence that has pretended to separate the Recreation Ground from the Park (to which latter it belongs) has been repaired, and is now boy-proof. The problem of enabling users of the rec. to pass directly into the Park is as far from solution as ever. If a gate were made in the fence it would belong to the owners of the fence and there could be no control from our side. Right-of-way for all from the Park would be the result and _____, well it would not be *our* rec. for long !

From an announcement of the B.H.S. it will be seen that jam-making may be taken up co-operatively this year in Brentham. The bee enthusiasts appear to be about to get going also, so we may look to Brentham this summer as flowing with jam and honey. Every housewife should look out her jam-jars now and earmark them "For Brentham Jam."

About the middle of March this year Cricket commenced in Brentham—not the solemn white-flannelled variety that we knew years ago, but the unorthodox bat and ball with a folded coat for a wicket. The organised juniors' cricket is starting now, we are glad to see, but we have more than a warm corner for the irresponsible, make-up-your-own-rules game that is the wild ancestor of Real Cricket. May it thrive, wearing bare batches on the turf, and produce a coming generation that shall keep the sporting instinct alive in Brentham.

WE TAKE OFF OUR HATS TO:

- The young lady whose shorthand speed was not quite equal to the Bee Lecturer.
- The Chairman of the Staircase Committee.
- The prospective api-culturist who now says that beekeeping isn't all honey.
- The contributor whose article on "Grass-widowhood" we have returned with our tears.
- The Institute Committee members who needed an interpreter for their own byelaws.
- The distinguished visitor who from force of habit wandered into a Committee Meeting.

BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE**FUNCTIONS FOR APRIL**

Mondays, 8th and 22nd — Bridge Drive.

Mondays, 15th and 29th — Whist Drive.

In Ladies' Room. Members only. Admission 3d.

DANCE (LARGE HALL)

AND

WHIST DRIVE (SMALL HALL)

At 8 p.m.

SATURDAYS, APRIL 6th, 13th, 27th,

WHIST DRIVE in LADIES' ROOM

(By kind permission of the Ladies' Sub-Committee)

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th, at 8-15 p.m.

Admission 8d. Members 6d.

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ON

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BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE, Ltd.

Allotments.

The statement made in last month's issue that the *rents* had been reduced was not exactly correct. The allotments remain the property of Ealing Tenants, Ltd., and the actual rent remains as before. The Institute Society has been asked to assume the management of them, and it allows a rebate of 25 per cent. to residents and 50 per cent. to its shareholders. These rebates are a loss to our Society's revenue from the grant it receives from Ealing Tenants, Ltd., for relieving that Company of the management of the Allotments. Should the Society fail to carry on its activities (which is by no means likely) and the control of the Allotments revert to their actual owners, there is but little likelihood that the granting of this rebate would be continued. We, therefore, appeal to all allotment holders who are not already shareholders in the Society, to take up shares (and, if possible, join the Institute) on the double grounds of showing their appreciation of the Society's action and of helping to place it in an unquestionably strong position.

Allotment Rents are now due, and may be paid to Mr. F. W. Green, at the Pavilion, on Tuesdays and Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., and at the Institute, 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m., on Saturdays. Enquiries in regard to Allotments may be made at the same time.

Holders of Allotments who cannot cultivate the whole of their holding are asked to inform Mr. Green, who will undertake to find working partners in order that every square foot may be fully cultivated.

The Institute.

The activities have been remarkably well attended considering the times. Notes on the various sections will be found elsewhere.

Programme for April.

See advertisement on opposite page.

Outdoor Activities.

The following points in the byelaws do not seem to be quite clearly understood by everyone :—

- (1) Only shareholders in Brentham Club and Institute, Ltd., can become members of outdoor sections.
- (2) Shareholders, who are not members of the Institute, may become eligible to join any or all the outdoor sections on payment, to the Society, of a registration fee of 5/-.
- (3) There are no further ground fees this year. The Institute Membership Fee, or the 5/- Registration Fee, whichever is paid, covers all ground fees for 1918.

Members wishing to introduce visitors to a participation in outdoor activities must take for them a visitor's ticket at the bar (6d.). The various sections are entitled to make any further charge they may fix. The visitor's ticket entitles the person, as now, to the ordinary privileges of an Institute Member for the day.

H.W.B.

B.H.S. Although no B.H.S. Notes appeared in the *Brenthamite* last month, the Society is not defunct. It has never been more alive than during the past two months—some of its Committeemen probably half wish it had been less so—with two evenings a week and every Saturday afternoon at the Pavilion, getting grimed with dirt and choked with assorted artificial manure dust. Add to this practically continuous “behind the scenes” work in corresponding, bagging, receiving goods, &c., &c. Those who in the winter just passing had to spend half the morning baling water before they could start digging would have been more grateful had it been possible to have had the drain-pipes, which the Council have now provided for “Pinches’” Allotments, systematically laid down some four months ago, but I understand circumstances did not permit of this.

With fear and trembling that the Editor may regard it as “advert.,” I would like to whisper in these Notes that, in the near future, the B.H.S. may break out in a new direction, namely, as Jam Makers. The Society has under consideration a scheme for making jam, in order, among other things, to do its little to save some of the fruit of the country for the time when it may be most needed. The venture would need the co-operation of the women and children, and with sufficient voluntary helpers it should be possible to make some tons of jam, which would prove a great boon, especially to the children.

It is too early yet to say it will be done, or to outline the scheme, but it is not too early for any helpers to declare their willingness to give their services to pick, boil, and bottle the fruit, also to keep their jam-jars, and place them at the disposal of (or sell to) the Society.

M.

Rifle Club. The new year of the Rifle Club commenced on April 1. Subscriptions (1/-) are now due. Will those who have not yet paid send or bring same to the Hon. Secretary.

The Range is open from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and will shortly be opened during the evenings, and also on Sunday afternoons.

The Medals up for competition are the Bell and the *Daily Express*, also there are the *Daily Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph* Certificates to be shot for.

I also hope to arrange Monthly Competitions and Spoon Shoots, as I trust we shall have a good number of new members.

R.B.

Lance-Corpl. H. Clegg is in Hospital in Glasgow, after being gassed.

Pte. J. Milton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Milton, has been wounded in the thigh.

We learn with regret of the death, in action, of Lieut. G. Pedrick, formerly resident in Winscombe Crescent. He was a leader among sportsmen here.

Junior Section. Our small children are keeping up the Happy Hour regularly. When we arrive at the Institute on Tuesdays we are met by the smiling faces of the little ones. Mrs. Bentham and Mrs. Ridsdale are working hard in making the new dance a success.

The Junior Boys' Cricket team is in formation, and practice games will commence shortly. We are hoping to equip them with all the things required.

The Senior Girls' Sewing Class is making very satisfactory progress, and some good and useful work is being done at our Monday evening meetings. The numbers are well maintained at the Wednesday evening Dance.

Our Senior Boys' Billiard and Snooker Handicap was very successful, the winners being in the former Cecil Palmer, and in the Snooker Bert Palmer and Henry Gore, after very keen games.

A Cricket pitch is being formed on the old Cricket Ground, and we are to have the use of a portion of the Pavilion. We are hoping to have a good list of fixtures, and I feel sure we all wish the boys a successful season.

J.E.R.

Billiards. The Club Handicaps in Billiards and Snooker Pool are now completed. The first prize was won in both events by Mr. Golsworthy, who created a record in the history of the Club by scoring double honours, and won the congratulations of all his competitors and the other members of the Club.

Mr. Turner won the second prize in the Billiard Handicap, and thus demonstrates what excellence one may achieve in a short time by steady consistent efforts.

The second prize in the Snooker Handicap was won by Mr. Bryceson, the Club Secretary, who, though an extremely busy man, found time to do credit to himself and the Billiard section.

Since the conclusion of the season Handicap others have been held as follows:—

Flying Handicap of 50 up, March 6th, 22 entries, 1st prize, Mr. Back; 2nd prize, Mr. McClellan.

Flying Handicap of 50 up, March 15th, 1st prize (presented by Mr. Golsworthy), won by Mr. Back; 2nd prize, won by Mr. Lewis.

This latter event was preceded by a match captained by Mr. Golsworthy and Mr. Turner respectively. Result:—Mr. Golsworthy's Team, 272; Mr. Turner's Team, 212.

A Snooker Foursome has been started, but has not yet made much progress. Will competitors please play off their handicaps as quickly as possible, and so keep up the interest that has so far been keen and creditable.

J.H.

Tennis and Croquet. The Annual Meeting takes place on Friday, April 12th, at 8 p.m. All prospective members are invited to attend.

Although the days are lengthening, the Committee, at the request of a number of members, propose continuing the Monday Drives. The fixtures for April are as follows:—Bridge Drives, 8th and 22nd; Whist Drives, 15th and 29th. The Drives commence at 8.30 p.m. Admission, 3d.

The Committee offered the Social Committee the use of the Ladies' Room on Saturday, 20th April, for the purpose of holding their usual Saturday Whist Drive. The Social Committee have accepted the offer, and desire to thank the members of this section for same.

The second Bridge Tournament has been played, and the third Tournament of this season is now in progress.

Thursday evenings continue to draw a good attendance, but there is still room for more.

Members of this section are reminded that suggestions will be welcomed by the Ladies' Committee.

S.

We are hoping to get the Golf Course in playing order *Golf.* in the next few days under the direction of the Outdoor Committee. A meeting of this section was held on Tuesday evening, 26th March, in the Institute, Mr. H. Boxall in the chair. Mr. J. E. Ridsdale was re-elected Hon. Secretary, and a Committee of six members: Mrs. Boxall, Miss Suggett, Mr. de Lacy Lewis, Mr. S. A. C. Smith, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Squires. It was decided that an inclusive subscription of 2s each member, 3s. for two members of one family, be charged.

The Chairman explained the position of the Outdoor Committee, and the great difficulty he had to get the grounds in anything like order, and hoped for further improvements as the season advanced. The Golf Committee offered to give their united efforts in assisting him in keeping the ground in something like order.

The Hon. Secretary has received upwards of 20 applications for new membership.

J.E.R.

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