

C U L T E R C H R O N I C L E

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Dear Readers

It is very largely due to the personal efforts of Brian Cook and Myra Hay that this, our first news sheet, has been produced.

It is their intention to publish news sheets monthly in the future and it is hoped that these will give pleasure and interest to all of us who work at Culter.

The news sheets will not be used by Management to preach the gospel of efficiency and profits - I can imagine where they might end up if that happened!! - they are to be used to circulate news about Culter Mills and those who work at Culter Mills, and to provide the means whereby anyone with a talent for prose, poetry or art (serious and humorous) can share it with the rest of us.

The success of this venture will depend on contributions coming from all over the Mill.

If you have an item of news, a good story, poem, a cartoon or anything else which you think would be appreciated, then pass it on to Brian or Myra and you will shortly see your name in print.

With best wishes to you all,

Yours sincerely

Alasdair MacCallum

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"AND NOW _ FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT"

(Apologies to John Cleese)

Congratulations to our Managing Director and his wife for adding yet another figure to the statistics - on Friday, August 20th, Baby Adam No. 3 ventured into the world, and the Culter Chronicle wishes to put on record its best wishes to Mum and Dad.

"WATCH THE BIRDIE"

Most of you in the mill are no doubt aware that a few of the employees partake in the sport of hitting a wee white ball into eighteen formidable holes on a golf course.

I think it is true to say that the majority of these sportsmen - we call ourselves golfers - are members of the Mill Golf Club.

Since the Club was founded 4 years ago, we now have a membership of approx. 30 active and not-so-active players. Several outings are arranged throughout the summer to local courses, also a knock-out competition is run, the winner receiving a trophy donated by our Managing Director, Mr. Adam.

Whether a beginner at the game, a low handicap player or bandit, we all take part for the enjoyment it gives us, and will welcome any new members to the "clan" next season.

Two other events which I have not mentioned are our Annual match against Guard Bridge and the end of season dinner dance and prizegiving, both having proved very popular in the past. For those with diaries and not so good memories may I mention that the dance this year has been provisionally fixed for Saturday, November 20th. Further details will be published in the next issue.

Well, that's a general outline of what goes on. I hope you will find this column of the Chronicle interesting, if never hilarious, and if you cannot take part in the game yourself, well too bad we're not all mad.

See you in the next issue.

GEORGE L. SMART
Club Secretary

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A NOTE TO CULTER GOLF FANATICS - If you go to Russia for your holidays, don't bother packing your clubs - there's not one golf course in the whole country. Sad, eh?

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"AND NOW THE GOOD NEWS"

Brigitte Bardot's bedroom window was broken the other day. The Police are looking into it.

"ANY OLD IRONS"

STOP PRESS: Now only 7,603,200 seconds till Christmas!!!

HARK, now hear the Culter Bards
Asking you to buy their Cards.
Christmas is not far away
So act now! Don't delay.
Catalogues are yours to view
There, we've told you what to do
Waiting here at your request
Cards, et cetera of the best.
B B Funds will be enhanced
If you care to take the chance.

(Any resemblance between the above and Hark the Herald Angels Sing is purely intentional).

Is Christmas shopping a chore you put off as long as possible? Do you find yourself rushing around at the last moment, trying to find nice, unmarked cards which are not exhorbitant in price? If so, why not do some early shopping, without so much as leaving the comfort of your fireside, and choose from the large selection of Christmas Cards, wrapping papers, calenders etc. in the catalogue. There are also suitable presents for first footing, and casual gifts for friends, all at very reasonable prices.

Not only will you be saving yourself time and money, you will be aiding a very worthwhile cause - the Boys Brigade.

Catalogues available from :

Mrs. O. Scott, Production Secretary, Tel Extn. 20
Miss M. Hay, Sales Secretary, Tel. Extn. 44

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Have you got something you wish to sell? Are you looking for something to buy but can't find a willing seller? Let us know, and we will advertise for you FREE!!!!

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LONELY WINTER EVENINGS?

Centres in Culter, Cults and Aberdeen run courses on such things as golf, photography, motor maintenance, angling, dressmaking and many other educational and recreational subjects.

"A Guide to Evening Classes" can be obtained from most Post Offices, newsagents, libraries etc., and copies can be seen at the Personnel Office. If you are stuck for something to do during the long winter evenings, why not try something new.

Enrolment is in another two weeks.

"THE WAY TO A MAN'S HEART"

It is hoped to run a column each month giving original recipes that are not expensive and yet are different from the usual "run of the mill" sponges, cakes etc. This we can do only if we receive recipes from you.

We begin this month with "CARAMEL FINGERS"

<u>Ingredients</u>	1 cup Soft Brown Sugar	1 cup Plain Flour
	2 ozs butter or marg.	$\frac{1}{4}$ cup chopped nuts
	1 egg	(peanuts can be used as an alternative)
	Pinch Salt	$\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon vanilla essence

Method

Melt butter and sugar and allow to cool
 Beat in egg, then flour, nuts and essence
 Bake in greased tray Reg. 4 for 20 minutes

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H E L L O We welcome back James Booth who restarted on the Conditioner on Monday 9th August, and also hope that Roy Gibb from Aberdeen and Albert Middler from Culter are with us for a long stay on the making machines.

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G O O D B Y E Ian Ross, Project Chemist, has left us to become Production Manager Designate at Smith and McLaurin, and we wish him every success in his new job.

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"LET THEM ROLL"

The Bowling Club has had a very successful season. Due to the good weather, we have been able to play many games. We would like more people in the Mill to take advantage of the facilities offered at the Club, which include tennis and putting. Everyone will be made very welcome and help would be given to all beginners.

The highlight of the season is our game at Guardbridge on Saturday 28th August. We leave Culter in the morning, have lunch at Dundee and bowl in the afternoon. The day ends with a social evening. Culter has won the last three games, and we hope to continue in this winning vein.

BOB GILL

"IN MEMORIAM"

A Tribute to Ian M. M. Ross (Dearly Departed)

From the Isle of Arran on the Costaclyde
 There cam' a lad tae Milltimmer tae bide.
 Wi' Culter Mills Paper Company he took employment
 Much to everyone's enjoyment.
 He was educated at Glasgow Uni,
 And on the pipes he could play a bonny tunie.
 His intellect we will all remember
 Of Mensa he was a member.
 Logic to all things he employed
 Bridge was a game that he enjoyed.
 His skill with a comb had us all in awe
 With two pence men and a half pence ba';
 On the shove ha'penny table he had no peer,
 The same can be said for drinking beer.
 Jim Sweenie has made quite a profit
 Out of Ian Ross' pocket.
 His undoubted courage was revealed
 When he strode onto the football field.
 His pedentary artistry
 Filled centre half's with great dismay.
 By virtue of his ample frame
 As a rummler-upper he made his name.
 But now he's returning to the west,
 He'll got back to rugby which he likes best.
 He's off to work at Smith and Mac
 At Culter he'll be welcome back.
 We wish him luck and say cheerio
 We're truly sorry to see him go.

KENNY ANGUS
Laboratory

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Did you hear about the man who stole a calendar? He got 12 months!

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OBITUARY

It is with regret that we report the death of Vic Simpson on the evening of August 2nd. Vic had been with the Company for 49 years and was due to retire next February. He had spent much of his time here on the making machines before moving to the lodge and was liked and respected by all.

Many of his friends and colleagues attended the funeral on Thursday, 5th August, and we would like to extend our sympathy to his family at this sad time.

"DRINK TO ME ONLY "

Do you know how to make Parsnip Brandy, Turnip Wine, Nettle Beer and so on? If so, let us all into the secret. Let us have the recipe and it will soon be circulated.

We kick off this column with a recipe for Advocat :

Ingredients

3 eggs
1 lb Castor Sugar
3 large lemons (or squeezey lemon)
1 tin Carnation Milk
1 Gill Brandy

Method

Warm lemons in the oven or soak them in hot water, then squeeze

- Soak eggs in their shells in the lemon juice for 3 - 4 days, turning the eggs in the juice daily

Sieve eggs and juice into another bowl. Mix with other ingredients, leaving brandy till last.

Strain and bottle.

This makes over a full lemonade bottle of advocat - and it's delicious!

BETTY WILSON
Invoicing

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The Legion of confirmed bachelors in the area will no doubt be saddened to lose yet another young man from their ranks. However, we are delighted to note that Denis Horne (Chief Colour Mixer in No. 8) has hit the marriage trail with Miss Audrey Stewart of 60 Coronation Road, Culter. They were married on August 6th. Our best wishes for the future to both.

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BRAIN TEASER

You have 10 stacks of coins, each consisting of 10 tenpenny pieces. One entire stack is counterfeit, but you do not know which one. You do know the weight of a genuine tenpenny piece and you are also told that each counterfeit coin weighs one gramme more than it should. You may weigh the coins on an accurate pointer weighing machine. What is the smallest number of weighings necessary to determine which stack is counterfeit?

ANSWER NEXT MONTH.

"A PAGE OUT OF HISTORY"

The history of Culter Football Club goes back at least as far as the 1890s and a photograph of a team of these times is in the club album.

Culter were featured in Association Notes in the "Bon Accord" dated 17th November 1894. Under the "Record of Leading Clubs" the following result was recorded:

Aberdeen 4 Culter 1

An interesting extract from the Notes is reproduced below :

"Football is growing popular in the village of Culter.

Three matches were played on Saturday. The Senior team was vanquished by the 'Varsity. Brunswick obliterated the reserves but the Hawthorn came up smiling in their tussle with Maybank.

The 'Varsity are by no means of the milk-sop order, but really the fashion in which football is played by its Culter exponents calls for some comment.

At one time the students were leading by 4 - 2.

Then the match, which had been all through of the forcible order, degenerated into a series of tripping and hacking contentions.

The referee, though obviously rusty on the rules of the game, tried his best to give fair decisions - the more to his credit, be it said - but the Culter lads seemed to utterly disregard his presence.

Now, ye Culterites, this is too bad. Quit yourselves like men in future.

The 'Varsity played a grand game, even though several subs had to be called into requisition.

At the same time, Culter are no mean foes, and we trust they will endeavour to sustain their popularity by evading unfair tactics and obeying the ruling power".

Culter won many cups from these early days up to the time of the 2nd World War. After the War, Culter formed an amateur team and were original members of the Aberdeenshire Amateur F.A. which was founded with 14 teams in 1947. There are now no fewer than 66 teams in membership of the Aberdeenshire Amateur F.A. and there are five league divisions. Culter had not won a cup as an amateur side until this year.

Culter won the premier trophy, the North of Scotland Cup, and for good measure added the Hans Fyfe Trophy. Culter were the only amateur team to win two cups in 1970/71 season and in fact only lost one cup tie during the whole season on the field of play. Culter finished third equal in the first division last season and the main ambition now is to win the Division I league championship.

Culter are well supported by youngsters and senior citizens at home and away matches. The increasing support gives the club great encouragement and the stage is set for another bid for honours in the 1971/72 season.

ALBERT J. MOIR
Club Secretary

WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

Saturday 28th August

Annual Bowling Match at Guard Bridge

Sunday 29th August

10.30 a.m. Recreational Club - Meeting to discuss proposed Social Club. Good attendance requested.

Saturday 4th September

Golf Club Outing - Ballater Golf Club

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"TO BE OR NOT TO BE" So spake Prince Hamlet in the play by Shakespeare. Obviously, Hamlet was not to be, for he died as a result of wound from a poisoned sword.

What, you may well be wondering, has this to do with the Chronicle. Simply this -- this paper will succeed ONLY if you are prepared to contribute towards it. If you're shy, and don't want your name to be published, never fear. WE'll let you remain anonymous. All we're asking is just a little of your time. You never know - you might have a flair for writing, and soon become a second "Ian Fleming"!

REMEMBER - it was the Blood, Sweat and Tears of a dedicated few that made this edition possible. Please don't leave it all to them next time.

Here endeth the first Chronicle.