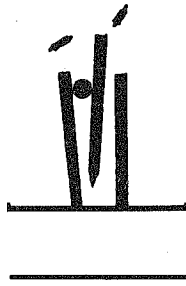


THE PRIMARY CLUB

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April, 1996

Dear Member,

This year has been one of ups and downs for the Primary Club. I do not think we have been affected much by the National Lottery, as I am sure our members would see to that, nor by the creation of the Brian Johnston Memorial Trust, which has very kindly made a generous contribution to our funds. We certainly miss the presence of Brian Johnston on the Test Match Special team, but some of our members have been most helpful in getting us additional publicity.

We have received several substantial donations, which have helped us considerably. Among these was a sum from Mr. and Mrs. Syrett, who opened their garden to the public, and also provided food at a stamp fair where their firm was exhibiting. The company, 3i plc., held their usual carol concert in December at Southwark Cathedral, to which they invited some of us from the Primary Club. We thoroughly enjoyed the occasion, and they donated the collection to the Primary Club, matched by a similar amount from the company, which resulted in a handsome addition to our funds.

The National Westminster Bank again generously sponsored the Old England XI, led by Jim Parks, for £1 a run for our benefit. Several cricket clubs have helped us, too; among them the J.P. Tutt Charity XI, with a donation collected during the year, and the Ten to Eleven Cricket Club, who sent us the balance of the money they had when they most unfortunately had to close down. We have also received contributions from various charitable trusts. To these and the others we have not mentioned we send our gratitude.

Once again, we thank all our regular contributors. We welcome the new members who have joined us during the year, and hope they will be with us for many years to come. Our special thanks go to those who have signed deeds of covenant in our favour, and those who have given through "Gift Aid", both of which allow us to reclaim tax, and thus increase the value of their donations. As you will see from the accounts overleaf, we ended up in a financial position a little down on last year's figure.

You will see in the accounts a list of the projects we have undertaken or to which we have contributed this year. Some of them are ongoing, such as the White Rose Cricket Club for the Blind, where we originally financed the laying of their square, and this year are paying the final instalment towards their small pavilion. The kindergarten swimming pool at Dorton House School comes in this category too. The amount of money involved is large, and we have been able to finance the whole thing over a period of four years. The pool is now near completion and will be ready for use very soon. It will be officially opened in the summer, and you will see from the enclosed form that Primary Club members are invited to attend. Should you wish to do so will you please complete and return the form no later than 31st May.

We, in partnership with Royal Blackheath Golf Club, sponsored the British Blind Masters Golf Tournament again last August. Thanks to the generosity of Blackheath, we have been able to promise to do the same for the next three years. The security that this gives the organisers is very much appreciated. We help sponsor the knock-out cricket competitions held in Leeds and Birmingham, and also the final of the National Knock-out tournament at Lords, which is to be held this year on August 10th.

This will be the last newsletter that will come from me as, on 31st October, I shall be handing over the running of the Primary Club to Robert Fleming - born and bred in Beckenham - who, with his wife Marion, is happy to take it on. Robert has just retired from the world of television production, and is looking forward to the challenge. After eleven years - and a few health scares - I feel it is time to give way to someone who is younger and with new ideas. My wife and I feel we have made many friends through the Primary Club, and we thank all those members who have written to us with their donations. They have made the work so rewarding, and often a lot of fun.

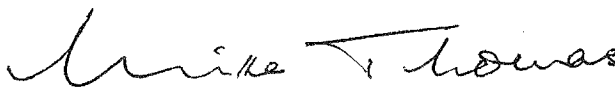
I would like to put on record my thanks to all those who have given me such support, namely my wife, Tonie, Joan Harris and, particularly, Tony Bentall, who has done such a wonderful job as honorary treasurer. The Primary Club could never have achieved as much as it has without his hard work. Tony will be carrying on, and I hope he will be as great a help to Robert as he has been to me. I hope all our members will be the same!

Our annual reminders are:

1. Deed of covenant forms can be obtained by ticking the box at the bottom of the application form.
2. We regret we are unable to keep members on our mailing list if we have not heard from them for a period of three years.
3. Two forms are enclosed - one for your donation and one for introducing a new member.

Wishing you all an enjoyable season in 1996.

Yours sincerely,



E.C.M. Thomas
HONORARY SECRETARY

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SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Year ended 31st March	1996 (estimated) £	1995 (actual) £
Joining subscriptions, donations, legacies and profit on sales of ties		62,300	69,000
Interest receivable and income tax on deeds of covenant		6,500	5,800
		<u>68,800</u>	<u>74,800</u>
Printing, postage and other administrative expenses		(3,000)	(2,300)
		<u>65,800</u>	<u>72,500</u>
Undistributed income of earlier years		1,700	2,400
Donations (see below)		(66,000)	(73,200)
		<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,700</u>

Notes: The Royal London Society for the Blind meets the cost of printing and posting this newsletter.

Copies of the Club's full accounts can be obtained from the Honorary Treasurer

DONATIONS TO SCHOOLS AND CLUBS FOR THE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED

Dorton House School, Sevenoaks	Kindergarten swimming pool	36,000	50,000
Dorton House School	Additions to all-weather play area	10,000	-
Metropolitan Sports & Social Club	Cricket equipment	750	750
British Blind Sport	Lords national final	500	500
British Blind Sport	Swimming tournament	500	500
White Rose C.C., Leeds	Cricket pavilion	3,000	3,400
White Rose C.C.	Northern cricket tournament	350	-
Henshaw's College, Harrogate	Gymnasium - Trotter 3300Step	3,750	-
St. Vincents School, Liverpool	Power jog	3,000	3,000
Leeds Sports & Social Club	Goalball equipment	700	1,500
Birmingham Sports & Social Club	Midland Cricket Tournament	750	750
English Blind Golf	British Blind Masters	2,500	2,500
Pennine Bowling Club	Equipment, bowls, etc.	1,500	3,000
Andlaw House, Exeter	Outdoor equipment -Sea legs	2,000	-
Linden Lodge School, Wimbiedon	Golf netting	700	-
Royal National College Hereford		-	3,500
Exhall Grange School, Coventry		-	3,800
		<u>66,000</u>	<u>73,200</u>