## THE PRIMARY CLUB

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Dear Member,

BUNJEE-JUMPING, Moto-Cross – just two ways by which our more adventurous members have raised money for our funds during the past year. Cricket and social clubs have supported us most generously, and we have received contributions from various charitable trusts. However, the largest part of our income still comes from our loyal supporters who send regular donations year after year, enabling us to honour our commitments to various organisations and institutions for the visually handicapped, and to extend our help to others.

Special mention should be made of Hove Medina C.C., Rising Sun Irregulars C.C., I.B.M. Hursley C.C., Ampthill Town C.C., Birmingham Municipal C.C. (sadly on dissolution), Thames Ditton C.C., Christchurch Conservative Club C.C., De La Salle Old Boys C.C. and the Wellington C.C., Old Portsmouth, also the Joe Peirce Trust, Lillee C. Johnson Trust and Miss I. G. Coleman Trust. We are grateful as well to the National Westminster Bank for sponsoring the Old England Eleven, to the tune of £1 per run, resulting in a cheque for £1,108.

Many of our members will know that, when the Primary Club started nearly forty years ago, the object was to help the blind to play cricket. This object has, of course, been broadened to provide facilities for many sports and leisure activities for the visually handicapped, but we are very pleased that a project we are now undertaking goes back to our roots. The White Rose Cricket Club for the Blind, based in Leeds, has been invited to join with the Hebden Bridge Cricket Club, using a part of their ground, where a pitch will be constructed for the sole use of the White Rose C.C. We have undertaken to finance the necessary work, with two instalments of £3,000, and are delighted to be involved in a project where visually handicapped cricketers can play alongside their sighted friends.

Other Clubs and Schools we are helping this year are the Royal School for the Blind, Edinburgh, and the West of England School for Blind Children, Exeter, both of whom have now received their final instalment of £2,500 for the completion of their soft play areas. We are providing two jogging machines for Henshaw's College, Harrogate, and a new electronic sight for archery to British Blind Sports, together with various pieces of equipment for Goal Ball. Improvements to the recreational centre at Queen Alexandra College, Birmingham is costing £3,000.

A small donation has been made to supply the basic needs of cricket for the blind to the Shree Ramana Maharishi Academy for the Blind in Bangalore. We hope that this will encourage the foundation of a Primary Club of India.

Our contribution to Dorton House, Sevenoaks, will, this year, enable a start to be made on a swimming pool expressly designed for blind children in the kindergarten school. It is planned that next year's allocation to the school will cover the remaining cost, making a total of approximately £100,000.

Members will be interested to know that two students from Dorton House School took part in the Paralympics in Barcelona. Mike Barker, for whom the Club provided a scholarship, came 7th in the Marathon, and Tracey Jones won two silver and two bronze medals in the swimming events. Some may have seen on television Goalball being played in the Paralympics, showing how very large are the goals themselves, similar to those provided by the Primary Club for British Blind Sports.

Increasing numbers of members are informing us that they have bequeathed money to the Primary Club in their wills. If any others are kind enough to do the same, we should be grateful if they would tell us, so that future newsletters will continue to be sent to them, whether an annual donation is received or not.

## Our four annual reminders are:-

- 1. Deed of Covenant forms are available, and we should be most grateful if more members would take advantage of this form of donation.
- 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.
- 3. Armchair Cricket a card game for all seasons and a nice Christmas present for £8.95; you will help the Primary Club at the same time.

We feel we should inform you that names and addresses of all members are held on computer, but you may rest assured that this list will not be disclosed for any purpose to any person or organisation.

Wishing you all an enjoyable season in 1993

Yours sincerely,

E.C.M. Thomas HONORARY SECRETARY

## THE PRIMARY CLUB SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

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Year ended 31st March	1993 (estimated) £	1992 (actual) £
Subscriptions and donations, including sales of ties and brooches	63,900	61,500
Allocation from legacy fund	2,600	2,500
Interest receivable and income tax on deeds of covenant	5,800	6,000
	72,300	70,000
Cost of ties and brooches	(6,600)	(7,800)
Printing, postage and other administration expenses	(1,700)	(2,100)
	64,000	60,100
Undistributed income of earlier years	1,450	1,300
Donations (see below)	(63,450)	(60,000)
Undistributed income carried forward	2,000	1,400
DONATIONS TO SCHOOLS AND CLUBS FOR THE VISUALI	Y HANDICAPPED	
Dorton House School, Sevenoaks	44,200	43,150
Metropolitan Sports and Social Club	750	500
British Blind Sport	2,500	2,600
Birmingham Sports & Social Club	500	_
Henshaw's College, Harrogate	3,000	3,500
White Rose C.C., Leeds	3,000	250
West of England School, Exeter	2,500	2,500
Royal School, Edinburgh	2,500	2,500
Queen Alexandra College, Birmingham	3,000	1,500
Joseph Clarke School, East London	1,000	2,000
Shree Ramana Maharishi Academy, India	500	_
London Sports Club	_	250
Leeds and District Sports & Social Club	-	1,250

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