

## CLAPHAM OLD XAVERIANS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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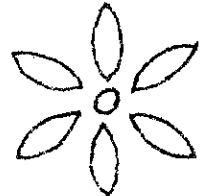
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By this time all members should have received their brochure for the Spring Ball and no doubt carefully read and digested the details. This is the big event of the Association year and we promise all comers real value for money and a most enjoyable night out. More effort and time goes into the organisation of this function than any other. Now that the Committee's work is nearly complete please take advantage of your opportunity to dine, wine, dance and meet your friends in a cordial atmosphere.

Please let Andy Anderson have the names of your party in good time so that seating arrangements can be settled. Don't forget that the more of your family and friends you bring the merrier the night will be. Bring them all and have a ball.

WASHINGTON HOTEL  
SATURDAY 12th APRIL  
7.15 p.m. for 7.45 p.m.  
50/-



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The bad weather has bedevilled this season's fixtures ever since October, and a record number of our matches have had to be postponed and rearranged. The league programme overall has been harder hit than in any year since the 1960/61 season, when the competition had to be abandoned.

The position has not been made any easier since we have had to play our home matches on the mud-prone I.L.E.A. ground at Rosehill, Morden. Unfortunately, it was never confirmed that the second phase of the drainage operation at Norbury was planned for this winter, until the end of the summer, but thanks to the I.L.E.A. we were able to find alternative accommodation.

At the end of March, both the 1st.XI and the 2nd.XI are in the top half of their divisions and the 3rd.XI have a clear lead at the top of theirs. Most clubs have quite a few matches left to play, so that the final placings still remain wide open. To complete our fixture list evening matches are now necessary, and the 2nd.XI must play both on Good Friday and Easter Saturday.

On Saturday 12th. April, supporters for our 1st.XI will be most welcome at the now famous 6-a-side tournament held by the Royal Exchange at East Molesey, where we were losing finalists last year. There will still be plenty of time to get along with our players to the Spring Ball afterwards..... Derek Rowe, Secretary.

Believe it or not, winter is nearly past, and the cricket season (or summer as it used to be known) is not far away. The Association board of selectors is always looking for new talent to supplement the existing stock.

The new season promises plenty of good sport and social contact, and provides one of the few sports which wives and girl-friends can watch and enjoy, chatting to each other and applauding in the right places.

So, in anticipation of those long (lazy?) afternoons that lie ahead, any new potential players are invited to join the old faithfuls and contact the section Secretary: Stan Miller,  
22, Urlwin Street,  
S. E. 5.



## POP HOP

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More details have been settled for the dance for younger members and Sixth Formers.

DATE ::::: 9th. May (Friday).  
GROUP ::::: The New Look.  
PLACE ::::: The College.  
TIME ::::: 7.30 - 12.00.  
TICKETS ::: 6/- each.

Invites are to be sent to local girl's training colleges and sixth forms. Refreshments will be available and an appropriate atmosphere will be created by special lighting effects.

Tickets will be available from the New Members' Representative, Dany Doyle, through the Social Secretary, Andy Anderson, 116, Basildon Road, S. E. 2.

## ROUND-UP

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## Careers Evening

With a choice of nearly twenty careers represented in the College Gym, this annual event proved to be very worthwhile and successful. The educational and social content of the evening was enjoyed by all those present, Old Boys, students and parents, and it pleases us to know that a number of the parents congratulated the Association and College on the high standard of organisation and presentation.

## Sausage and Mash

Another occasion which was thoroughly enjoyable took place at the 'Brown Bear' in Holborn at the end of February. The forty or so members who came to this Stag Night included many new faces, and a lot of old acquaintances were renewed. It was especially satisfying to see those who came specially from well out of town.