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**"YOU THOUGHT  
WE WERE DEAD  
SO DID WE!"**



**"Wake up Paddy"  
Grandad Not That Boring**



**THE "CAPITAL" FANZINE ?**

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THE CLOCK END TIMES  
"Better than a punch in the mouth"

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THE INDEPENDENT MONTHLY FANZINE PRODUCED  
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FRONT COVER : Poor Paddy Scott was selected for a random drugs test after a game in Bolzano but couldn't pass water. To help him a long he was given bottles of Bud to drink as there was no water. Needless to say he was a bit worse for wear later that night. Team Captain, Chris Kelland thought he'd better check Paddy was feeling okay.

## Clock End COMMENT

campaign. A fortnight or so later than our rivals, with no pre-season schedule, like the last few years we've got a lot of catching up to do.

So, who's fault is it? Certainly not Steve James, his Summer has been spent almost exclusively in one type of negotiation or another in an attempt to put a slide out for 94-95. Some help appears to have come from the Park Authority, in the guise of free ice time, however they have increased the percentage of home gate they require from the club (Catch 22?). To the supporter it seems that Lee Valley Park have become less interested in Ice Hockey since the mid-eighties when the Lions were a First Division force. They do however, keep the Ice Centre in superb condition, a fact that many visiting players have commented on over the years. Therefore, would it not be in the best interest of the Park to ensure that a team using their excellent facilities & bearing their name were among the front runners BEFORE courting sponsorship such as we are now so priviledged to enjoy?

So to the season ahead, as usual it'll be tough but, we have come to almost expect this. Welcome new Imports Constantin & Latos, hope you guys enjoy your time in the Capital, it's a hard act to follow but hopefully "Knuckles" & "The Con Man" can help us all forget the loss of Fred & Darcy.

Brian "W" Biddulph returns after a year out, he became a bit of a favourite a few years ago, hopefully a year out will have given him fresh impetus, "Zimmerman", "Grecho" & Big Rob return plus the majority of our British squad.

Stevens biggest coup is in net where "The Guvnor" Lloyd Clifford will pull on the Black, White & Red, now reclassified as British Lloyd will be a vital part of the team. Last season favourite, John Matassa has surfaced between the pipes at Romford. A pity, as with a ridiculous schedule of at least 56 games, two competent guys would have been a plus for us, always more a blow when a player chooses to throw in his lot with your local rivals too.

We understand that the 52 match League was agreed by the Division One Management Committee, no doubt in anticipation of the extra revenue. Make no mistake, Hockey Fans are not all "made of money", many supporters may be selective in which games they go to. Still, we will soon see.

Pool A in Italy was fun in the Summer, at least OFF the ice, surprisingly, some people expected us to stay up, with the kind of preparation we had it was an achievement just to be there (though I started to believe we were gonna survive for a short time against Norway). Never

mind we all thought, the team we be all the stronger for the experience, we can regroup & prepare for Pool B in '95 PROPERLY, so as not to be disgraced like this year. The BIRA have other ideas however, in their infinite wisdom, have arranged the Wembley finals to clash with the Tournament, claiming that the situation is "unavoidable"?? We await developments on that one (we hope at least SOMETHING can be done.

Returning to the Lions, it is well known that our financial situation is less comfortable than we would like it to be (to put it VERY mildly), GEF hope to support the team as much as possible & with the help of Dave at the Lord Brooke Pub will try to arrange a series of events at intervals throughout the season to swell the coffers, any ideas anyone may have are welcome OF COURSE!

This coming month will be a trying time on the ice as the team try to make up the lost ground on everyone else, here's hoping Lady Luck's on our side at the START of a campaign for a change. If any of the team are reading this, don't forget, a collection of Lions is known as a PRIDE!  
'NUFF SAID!

Till next month, keep well.

**WILL** (THE BIG ED)

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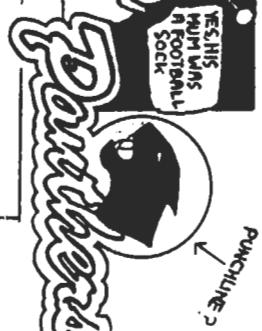
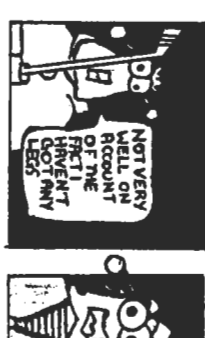
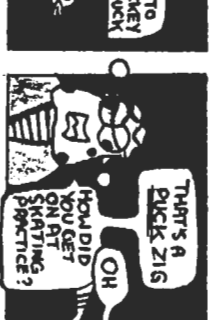
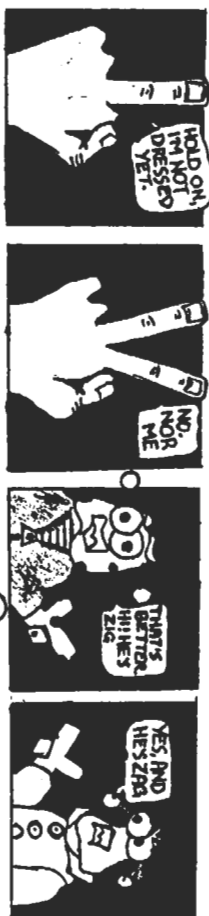
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**AND NOW.....  
FOR A REAL MIRACLE.**

Slough fan, Harry Er-jump was lucky enough to be granted an audience with the Pope during the Summer months. Harry asked the Holy Father if he would speak to God & get his leg, crippled from birth, made whole so that he may walk unaided for the first time?  
"That's not the way he does things." said the Pope, "You need to ask for something less selfish."  
Straight away, Harry replied: "Forget me then, how about asking him if Slough Jets could gain Premier Hockey?"  
After pondering for a few moments, the Pope looked him in the eye & said:  
"Let's have another look at that leg of yours!"

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**LET'S MAKE A GAME OF IT!**

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"How about asking him if Slough Jets could gain Premier Hockey"  
appears, you simply substitute it with an alternate request from the options listed below:

1. An atmosphere at "The Hangar"?
2. A personality for Tim Cranston?
3. A sporting cheer at Medway Ice Bowl?
4. A decent kit for Basingstoke?
5. A shift for Paul Marshall?
6. A new song for Romford?
7. A winning season at "The Den"?
8. A realistic fixture schedule for the BIHA?
9. An open chequebook for Steve James?
10. A wash for the "plexiglass" at Swindon?
11. A new hairstyle for Alex Dampier?
12. An attack of Laryngitis for Dave Simms?
13. A Testimonial for Eddie Joseph?

Fantasy is what it's all about, so let our imagination run riot!  
The great thing about this game is that everyone wins, the not so great thing is that there are no prizes (this ain't womans Own y'know), happy hacking.....

**PAGE SEVEN FELLA**

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**JON SHORT**

**Age: Old enough**

**Nickname: Solihull**

**Hobbies: Baking  
scones & needle-  
work**

**Influence: Marc Pievesana & alcohol**

**Ambition: Karen Brady**

**Most Like To Meet: GOD?**

**Dislikes: Drunkards**

**Message To Fans: You wont get past  
me piles & Shuv it up 'em**

**Autograph**

# ANOTHER GREAT FREE GIFT COURTESY OF YOUR C.E.T

It is with deepest regret  
that I have to inform you  
it is your turn to buy  
the next round of drinks

**"So What if you got the winner,  
Get the Bloody Beers!"**

How to use your Great FREE GIFT:

Cut along dotted line & hand to  
Hockey player of your choice.

N.B: Please ensure that you are  
in the Bar (or comparable  
establishment) & that it  
is open when trying this.  
Yes Folks, it's as simple as that!

**LET'S FACE IT,  
IT'S PROBABLY ABOUT  
TIME HE BOUGHT YOU ONE!**

THE SECRET DIARY OF DENTERN MOLLAREA  
aged forty six and three quarters  
(or is that my Anorak size?)

**DENTERN'S GOIN'  
TO WEMBLEY.  
'IS TUMMY'S GONE  
ALL "TREMBLE"!**



DEAR DIARY:  
Fri 22/04/94:

Steelers are at Wembley, Oh Joy!  
Unfortunately I'm banned from the supporters  
Coach (see CET ish 5 last season), so must  
make my own way to London on the Train.  
Phoned the Arena first to find out which  
strip we will be wearing, apparently it's our  
ninth choice, pink one (it was Jim Salmons  
favourite). Pack it, & head for the Capital.  
Don't know why they say Londoners are so  
unfriendly? The welcoming committee I received  
at Kings Cross was superb. A man offered me  
sweets or a cigarette, a svelte blonde  
suggested we go to her car, we'd only just  
met & she was offering me a lift!  
In the car she suggested I remove her skirt  
& pull down her knickers, still, it was nice  
wearing her clothes while it lasted.  
Phoned my pal, Dilly Lyre, asked her to pick  
me up, am staying with her for the weekend.  
Forgot to write to Ice Hockey News Review  
(On the shame).

Sat 23/04/94

Niether Dilly or I have tickets for the games,  
"Trust me!" she says & we are outside Wembley  
Arena early.  
After a couple of hours the muscular frame of  
no-nonsense defensive Impert, "Sock" Curdle  
appears, as I turn to Dilly she is gone, with  
one arm around "Sock" and Lawther knows where  
the the other she saunters in whispering:  
"Just copy me, it's easy." Luckily for me  
Messrs Ferrer & Wigdon arrive & with an  
embarrassment of riches entry is a snap.  
Met Panthers fan swapped latest "2 Unlimited"  
single for Robin Hood hat, think I was duped.  
Settled down to watch Steelers v Panthers,  
apparently we won 8-0, find it hard to believe  
as never heard Dave Simms, but we're in the  
final against Cardiff, who beat Fife, seems  
the Devils fans are bored with winning, they  
keep hitting themselves about the head in an  
effort to stay awake!  
Went to Eddie Hotel next to Arena, spoke to  
Coach Alan Dumpier, said he was considering a

move to Basingstoke as the "Wella" backed club may have the answer to his "bad hair" problems. As my Sister runs a "Meadowhall" Poodle Parlour we came to an arrangement, Alan will Coach the Steelers again next year. Chatted with crowd favourite, Jim Branstom, asked him how he enjoyed his first full season in Sheffield, he said he was "Enjoying the Crack".

Went back to Dilly's & wrote to Ice Hockey News Review.

Up early, Dilly & I went to the Junior final between Fife & Swindon, one all draw, no wonder, all the players were BRITISH!!!

Went to Ice Hockey News Review stall, introduced myself to Editor, Mick Bookbinder, he punched me on the nose. When I got up he told me that his wife is the local Post-Woman (person?) & is always too tired when she gets home, THANKS TO ME! That's gratitude for you, will write to Powerplay in future.

As the tension reaches a crescendo, Game Announcer Norbert De Moschino introduces the Steelers, No "Rocket", "Turbo", "Duke" or "Lazer", in fact it seems we have a totally different line up to that we used all season, the new guys aren't as good either, we are trounced 12-1. Not much cheering from the Sheffield fans again, Dave Simms failing to give us the necessary prompting, precious little opportunities to dance, Norbert De only played one song & he only played that THIRTEEN times.

Head home depressed, they're all gangning up on us.

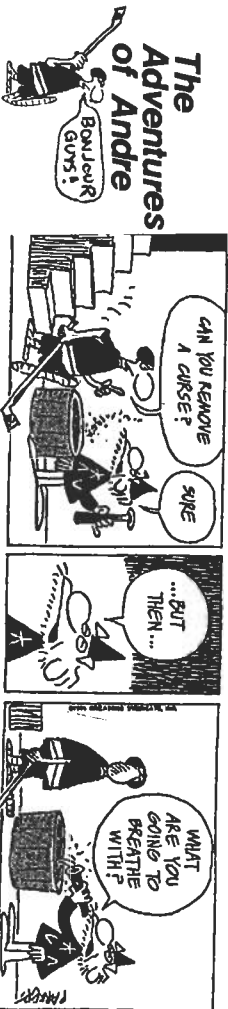
End of the season now, back to train spotting again, wrote to Ice Hockey News Review (Powerplay don't have a letters page do they). Old habits die hard.

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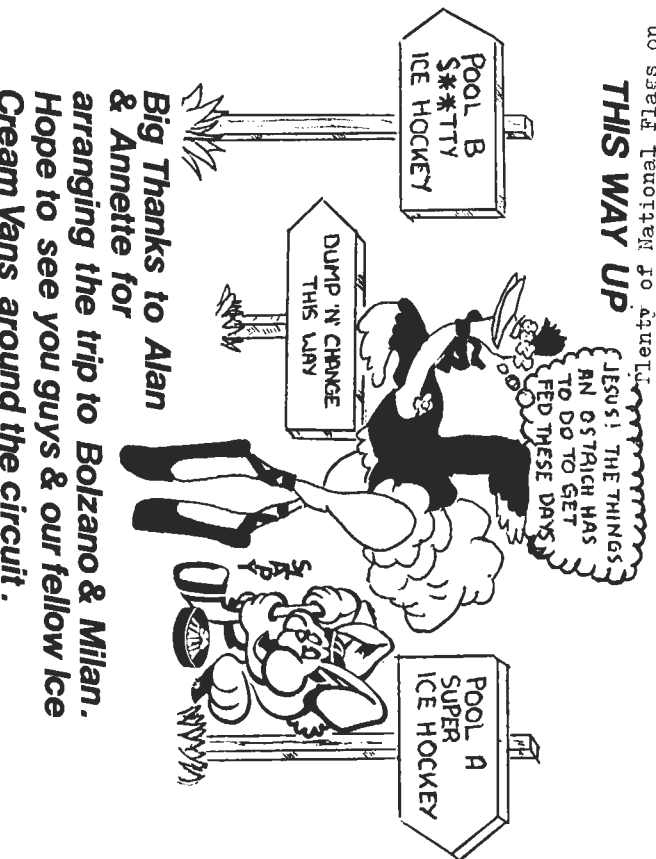


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**THIS WAY UP**



**Big Thanks to Alan & Annette for arranging the trip to Bolzano & Milan. Hope to see you guys & our fellow Ice Cream Vans around the circuit.**

When we ended our season with a victory over Streatham Steve James was already trying to negotiate all aspects of the Lions for 94/95. We almost followed Streatham into oblivion but are still here. I managed to catch up with Jamesy one Sunday in early August to find out more about the hectic close season.

Why did Fred & Darcy leave when both were happy at Lee Valley?

Fred was more than happy to stay but as the future was insecure the package Guildford offered was too good to turn down. Steve fully supported Freds decision especially as he has a young family to support. A man who has given full entertainment wherever he has played deserves a bit of security.

Darcy proved to be a different matter. Calls from Humberside, Bracknell and Peterborough about his services were taken. After talking it through with Steve, Darcy decided to try out in the Premier for Humberside. Steve encouraged Darcy to try his luck knowing he could never match their (Hawks) offer. Hockey at the Hull rink is a number one priority so it was a good offer to take. Darcy wanted to come back but again the financial aspects won the vote (C.E.I. says - Let's hope he sets the Premier alight like he did Div. 1).

The Contract to run the Ice Hockey and British Engines involvement?

July arrived and there were still no firm commitments from the Park Authority even though British Engine had pledged to still put money into the team despite the rumours from the end of last season. British Engine were going to pull out and help find a new sponsor but this came to no avail. By the time The Park had made its decision the original Imports Steve had lined up decided to stay in Austria because a deal was guaranteed over there. Once again the Lions were in trouble. Despite the original deadline for entry into the League passing, Steve was given a few extra days to confirm the Lions entry. On 31st July at 9.30pm (the deadline) Steve confirmed with the B.I.H.A. we were up and running killing any rumours that he had pulled out.

Finding new Imports (again)

Grecho and Rob were returning so that left two places. Paul Constantine contacted Steve inquiring if he needed a player.

Steve didn't take long to sign him. Paul had close to 100pts in the Premier with Bracknell last season. Jim Latos filled the other vacancy. He is known to many of his countrymen over here and has seven years experience in the I.H.L. Has many nicknames due to his style of play "Knuckles" is one.

Why does he put up with it every year?

Steve said he's lost so many brain cells it becomes a habit like sniffing glue and being on a downer. No seriously he says it's fun and worth putting something back into the game he loves. He does get a buzz out the involvement which he still enjoys and is always prepared to listen to others opinions. He doesn't expect a shrine to be built for him though.

The Wembley Lions and the future of Lee Valley?

Steve's opinion on a team in London the scale of Sheffield is much needed in this sport. It would probably kill the Lions of Lee Valley as they wouldn't be able to compete. One of the reasons he kept the Lions going was to have a team in London because their needs to be one. The Lions could probably become an ED1 team or a feeder team for the new Organization.

Asked if next season will start the same as this, Steve was unsure perhaps another sponsor may be picked up who knows. Again the Park Authority have the say what happens. With a venue to be proud of, for an eleven year old rink there is none in the country that is kept like this. Ice Hockey is only a small cog in a big wheel for the Lee Valley Park to take interest in.

The C.E.I. says : Make no mistake, without Steve James there would be no Lee Valley Lions. There is no doubt it is the hardest job in Hockey, battling against many handicaps week in week out. We all get frustrated many times during th campaign but think what he's going through.

We shall differ to agree on occasions during the season, we should though stick by him and the Lions. All we can say is the very best of luck because he bloody deserves (needs) it.

**T.V. GIPS**

**(Phone) up 4 the Cup!**

Back on World Cup semi-final night during the Summer, BBCI showed the Brazil-Sweden match. After the game, Des Lynan proudly announced to the watching millions that before the final, viewers would be privileged to witness "The Three Tenors". And to be sure not to miss Sunday night. Des should really have noted that "The Three Tenors" are Opera Singers: Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo & Jose Carreras in Concert. Come Sunday evening, V just as most of the nation settled down to watch Brazil, Italy the BBC switchboard was jammed by callers claiming to represent one Hockey club or the other claiming their "Free Teners"!

**Sport in Question, The Directors Cut**

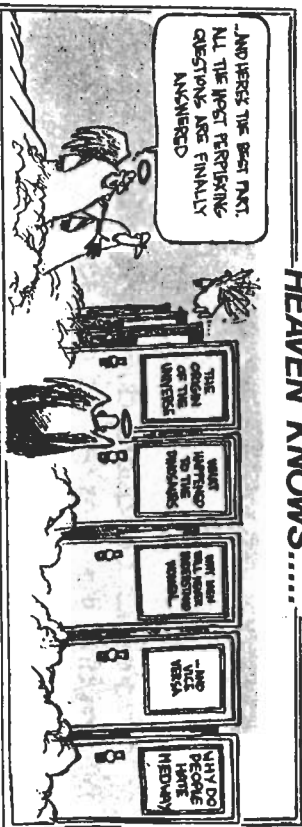
Over on ITV the Monday night sports debate show: "Sport in Question" has been enjoying its second series over the Summer.

Following the success of Lions fan Peter Livermore when he appeared last year (albeit to ask a question about Queens Park Rangers??) GB Supporters Club members, Dick Bellamy of Slough & a Medway fan, he who shall only be known as "Charisma" (the Patron Saint of Mollaree), made their debut, dressed in replica team shirts, the two bold men & true shone like a beacon among the sundry audience members. Throughout the sixty minutes of the show, neither brave individual asked anything of the assembled panel, BUT: This is not the whole story, it is believed that in rehearsals, one man spoke unto the sporting giants that are Saint & Greasvie. "Charisma" stood to face them, displaying no awe, just the gait of a man who knew he would not be denied:

"Why does everyone hate Medway?" he asked of the the heroes assembled before him. The studio was then in uproar, grown men crying with laughter, prim & proper females howling with mirth waving their legs in the air. Dick, being a Slough fan thought it best not to make any noise.

Needless to say the question had to be dropped from the show, "Charisma" however, has allegedly, since been approached by the ITV companies to write "Sit-Coms" for them, none of their current crop can make people laugh quite as much as the great man.

REMEMBER WHERE YOU READ IT FIRST!



**HEAVEN KNOWS.....**

**SUPPORTERS PROFILE**

**CHRISTINE ANN SNOAD**

14 September 1969 (late cards welcomed!)



<b>MARRIED</b>	Depends who's asking	<b>CAR</b>	MG Metro (White)
<b>HEIGHT</b>	5' 3"	<b>WEIGHT</b>	Never you mind
<b>NICKNAME</b>	None (than I know of)	<b>OCCUPATION</b>	City University, Administrator
<b>AMBITIONS</b>	I would like to continue to raise money for those less fortunate than myself. I also would like to travel to countries that I have not been to before.		

**- OTHER INTERESTS -**

<b>FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS</b>	Football	<b>VENUE</b>	Wembley
<b>FAVOURITE OTHER TEAMS</b>	Arsenal	<b>FAV. SPORTS PERSONALITY</b>	Gary Lineker
<b>LIKES</b>	Socialising, ice-skating, driving and fund-raising		
<b>DISLIKES</b>	Unsocial / ignorant people		
<b>FAVOURITE TV SHOWS</b>	Mr Bean, Hale & Pace	<b>FAVOURITE FILM</b>	Buster, Ghost
<b>FAVOURITE ACTOR</b>	Patrick Swayze	<b>FAVOURITE POP STARS</b>	Simply Red
<b>FAVOURITE RECORD(S)</b>	The Sign & I Will Survive	<b>FAVOURITE READING</b>	Danielle Steel
<b>TV SWITCH OFF</b>	Tennis	<b>FAV. FOOD</b>	Barbecue spare ribs
<b>FAVOURITE DRINK</b>	Baileys	<b>COUNTRIES VISITED</b>	Germany
<b>BEST FRIEND</b>	All my friends have special meaning to them		
<b>SUPERSTITIONS</b>	Walking under ladders		

**- ICE-HOCKEY -**

<b>STARTED WATCHING LEE VALLEY</b>	August 1992	<b>WORST RINK</b>	Romford
<b>FAVOURITE RINK</b>	Lee Valley	<b>WORST OTHER TEAM</b>	Medway
<b>FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM</b>	Swindon		
<b>FAVOURITE LEE VALLEY PLAYER(S) &amp; Why</b>			
<b>ALL TIME</b>	Fred Perlini - I think he had the most influence on the way the team played the end of last season		
<b>PRESENT</b>	Rob McCaig - always tries hard and has got a great personality.		

**FAVOURITE OTHER PLAYERS & Why**  
**ALL TIME** Daryl Linsay - Not only is he a good player but he always has time for supporters, which I think is very important for development of the game.

<b>BEST OTHER FANS</b>	Cardiff	<b>WORST OTHER FANS</b>	Medway	<b>BEST BAR</b>	Milton Keynes	<b>WORST BAR</b>	Where do I start??
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**MOST MEMORABLE GAME**  
 Against Swindon last season. Daryl scoring winner in last seconds, challenged by Glen Moorhouse to win 8-7. (WELL ABOUT 600 SECONDS FROM THE END ED)

**WORST GAME(S)** Blackburn / Trafford games away weekend last season

**ALL STARS LIONS IMPORT TEAM** (No import keeper avble - John M ??), McCaig, Brown, Perlini, Cahill & Grech  
**ALL STARS LIONS BRITISH TEAM** Wren, Moorhouse, Andrews, Beckett, Dodds, Anderson

**WHO WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE STRANDED ON A DESERT ISLAND WITH?** Too shy to say.. he might be reading this

**IF ANYTHING, WHAT FRIGHTENS YOU?** Wasps  
**ANY SUPERSTITIONS?** Walking under ladders  
**MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT** Kissing J M (I can assure you it was a one-off)  
**IF YOU WERE STEVE JAMES WHAT WOULD YOU DO?** Rob a bank!  
**WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE INVISIBLE FOR THE DAY?** Find the invisible man / rob a bank for Steve!  
**WHAT ARE THE GOOD THINGS ABOUT ICE HOCKEY?** I enjoy following the games. Also, being introduced to Ice-Hockey. I have met a lot of new friends, not just at Lee Valley but from other rinks as well.



## G.B STAR FAILS DOPE TEST.

It has become clear that a member of the Great Britain squad that competed in the World Championships Pool A in Italy failed a mandatory dope test before jetting off with the rest of the team. Wishing not to disclose the identity of the guilty party (he had a funny accent) to hide his embarrassment we have listed below some of his crimes.

1. What is the Capital of England? . Tunbridge Wells
2. If you had 2 beans and added 3 more beans how many would you have? . 88
3. Can you, with the aid of diagrams if need be, explain the Import rules? .

If you have played in Canada you can play for G.B.

(actually question 3 is possibly correct)

To spare his shame we haven't printed the rest. It just goes to show that although there are good players some are as thick as two planks. Everyone knows the Capital of England is Walthamstow E17.

### WANTED

Have you got what it takes to be a Hockey Groupie. What we are seeking are gorgeous men to come and give us some support and who knows, perhaps we can bully off someone later.

All girl Field Hockey team.



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Life of Squirt

To Squirt — Cardiff  
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Mr Tari Suwari showed his worth before Romfords home game with Sheffield in the B & H Cup recently. In front of not only the Raiders fans but also over four coach loads of Steelers bods he stood at centre ice with microphone in hand and bit back at his critics. Due to lateness of paperwork Raiders could ice only one Import. Tari introduced Romfords other three Imports to prove that they were here. He gave a speech which went on par with any given in Parliament. Entertain the fans and have pride in the colours was his final message. It took a lot of guts for Tari to do this and the whole crowd including the Sheffield fans stood up and applauded him.

Best of luck to the Raiders this season but none against us though.

(We at the C.E.I. don't like to gloat but with back to back home shut-outs it gives us a chance to have a chuckle at your expense for a change.) - This was written before the Lions have played a game.

### BEER, BEER, WE WANT MORE BEER

We're not saying the Canadians took it easy during the Group Stages in Bolzano (well they did) but they did like to slay out late. Drinking with us Brits led to many interesting conversations on what the British game is like. One NHL'er in particular Kelly Buchberger of the Oilers wasn't too impressed on the money payed over here. On hearing that crates of Beer are given out as Man of the Match awards he was stunned.

" You mean a whole crate for myself " was his only comment.

### Some call him Daryl - but what a nice guy

Us Lions fans and Swindon's Daryl Lipsey go back a long way to when we used to give him stick when he played for Bournemouth Stags. Although we still give him a bit of banter with the infamous "Some call him Daryl" tune, the C.E.T. crew and the man himself always have a chat in the bar after the game and we have found him to be one of the best guys to come to this side of the Atlantic. He is a genuine diamond geezer and has got time for any supporters that want a chat. Daryl isn't like some of the Primadonnas over here now and he doesn't have anyone on his team (imports et al) treat supporters like they're nobodies. Others in this country should take note. We shall always continue to sing Daryl's theme tune (it wouldn't be the same if we didn't). Daryl's wife did point out that he isn't a poof though.

Here's to a few more years of giving you some stick. See you soon maybe.

## ISSUE FIVE, AN APOLOGY.

With reference to the article in issue 5 (93-94 season) "Hockey Shirts as a fashion item" CFR felt that we should offer an apology to our loyal readers.

We stand by the notion that the Hockey Shirt is the height of cool, throughout the Summer many Pop artistes have been seen sporting their colours & several others have followed suit but, in bringing the cult to the fore we feel we have created a monster, worse than that, it appears we may have had a guiding hand in creating FASHION VICTIMS!!! One afternoon during the Summer months, a couple of us had enjoyed a leisurely pint in a Pub in London's Leicester Square. As we stepped into the July sunlight, two figures stood out from the vast crowd of bodies milling by. Dressed in shorts, carrying rucksacks & wearing BASINGSTOKE BEAVERS HOCKEY SHIRTS!!!

We were of course horrified, & consumed with guilt that the well meaning Clock End Times could have inspired such a dispicable crime.

In an attempt to help (& to absolve ourselves) it was decided to contact fashion experts to hopefully find a way to put an end to the monster we had created.

We spoke to Maggie Quad, who said:  
"The Basingstoke Beaver was around in the old days. When I invented the sixties, it was the trendy name for the fur lined panties that sold so well, designed to be worn beneath draughty Mini-Skirts you see."

We decided to test the maxim a little further, we showed a replica shirt to Vivienne Eastwood, who is believed to have invented Punk Rock, she said:

"AAAAARRRRGGGHHH! Get it away. That's it, I'm never dropping those bloody Night-Nurse tabs again!"

Miss Eastwood then climbed out on to the Windowsill of our fourth floor Office & jumped, she has not been in contact with us since that moment?

So we can only apologise for any harm we may have caused, we can assure everyone, that no attempt was made KNOWINGLY to cause such offence. Hi to our readers in "Beaverland" & PLEASE, don't report us to the Fashion Police.

Bobby Brown on the Romford Raiders -

"I'm not used to playing in teams that lose 11-0"

Tari Suwari on Bobby Brown -

"He's not used to playing in teams that win 11-0"

## 10 WAYS TO HELP THE LIONS

In the unfortunate event that we were unable to get THE LEGEND, Alan "Fluff" Freeman, his Great Niece twice removed (forcibly after closing time), Will "The Straight Man" Freeman has bravely stepped into the breach at short notice with "A Top Ten" of his own. ALLRIGHT!!!

Hi, Will (CFR Editor) here, we are privileged to have sterling support from great sponsors. British Engine have been more generous than we dared hope. Sunday Express, Jofa, smaller individual names, maybe even the Lee Valley Park Authority, the Management, Team & Supporters are grateful to them all. The bottom line however is that it is not enough, I (that's me, Will, CFR Editor) have listed below ten ways that YOU can lend a little extra support to the club:

1. Join the Supporters Club.
2. Buy some 50/50 Tickets.
3. Buy Raffle Tickets.
4. Attend organised events at the Lord Brooke Pub.
5. Buy a Programme
6. Buy the CFR (Oh, it appears you already have)
7. Win the Pools
8. Rob a Bank
9. Buy Merchandise
10. Spread the Word
11. Pray
12. Learn to Count Properly

NB: Please avoid No8 unless you are a professional.

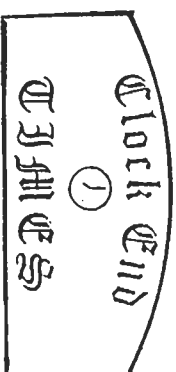
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## An Employed Guide To The Summer

Every Hockey supporter suffers withdrawal symptoms at the end of each season, so here are some tips on avoiding cold turkey

- 1) Go to the pub get drunk and play table chess.
- 2) Watch the World Cup in the pub and realise why you don't pay 50 quid to watch 22 blokes kick a pigs bladder around and sometimes kick the rest of the policeman.  
(But wasn't it great to see Holland beat the england B team.)
- 3) Go to a place to listen to the gentle thwack of leather on willow and watch the Bears stuff everyone. The best place for this is in the bar at Edgbaston.  
(Wait for next season when we have got rid of Lara and bring back the Big Don.)
- 4) Go to the out-door (Off Licence), get drunk at home and phone the B.B.C. over the lack of coverage of the Hockey World Championship when they lead Grandstand with the Hackney Tiddley-Winks Open.
- 5) Go to the nearest drinking establishment and try and find out where Brataslava is or what ever the place Great Britain are at next year is called.  
The closest answers I have had is "where" and "abroad"
- 6) Phone Lions Call (from work as it's far too expensive to ring if you've got to pay) and find out the Lions are already training so go to a hostelry and practice either drowning your sorrows or celebrating a win.
- 7) Break your wrist so you can spend time watching Surrey wishing you could use it.

Answers to No. 5 on a postcard please!!!!

## WHAT A LOAD OF BOLZANO

Unless you went to the outer reaches of Kent during the close season you would know where the G.B. Hockey team were. Bolzano in northern Italia was the place and yes we were there.

God knows how the team felt after the Wembley beer binge but we were knackered as well. We arrived at Heathrow a tad early (about seven hours before the flight) so we went on a tour of Terminals 1 & 3. After we got bored of racing along the walkways, Terminal 2 was our resting ground. Layed out before us were beasts of various guises (sorry Hockey fans) mostly asleep. We bumped into fellow Lions fans Steve n' Eve who were still awake and chatted away the hours. (Would just like to point out that six Lions fans made the trip giving us the largest proportion of fans going by our home gates). Sold the C.E.T. to people as they awoke, still suffering from the Wembley week-end.

After several non-alcoholic drinks; coffee, mineral water etc it was time to go. The flight didn't last long as we soon landed at a wet Milan Airport. Aboard the coach during our three hour coach drive to Bolzano we wondered what the hell we had let ourselves in for. It dawned on us eventually it wasn't going to be cold as we were told. Good job that pairs of shorts were packed in our suitcases because the temperature was rising considerably.

As we reached the outskirts of Bolzano (which was quite a few miles) the first group of supporters were dropped off. Next was our turn. The Hotel Regina was home for us in Bolzano and it was ideally placed near to the Town Centre. The rich girls were taken to a hotel not far from us - they had a bar so were well off. With all the argy bargy of dropping bags off over it was time to go for the Opening Ceremony and the opening games.

Canada met the hosts Italy in the first game and then the local grudge match Austria vs Germany. The first game showed us how much faster and more skill there was in Pool A. Great Britain were going to find it tough. Although going down 4-1 to the Canadians the Italians played well and showed they meant business especially in front of their home fans.

With a few hours to spare till the next game we decided to explore the beer tent which was erected for all the visiting fans. The Germans were in good spirits and everyone was bemused at our Lions shirts. Twenty four hours later we discovered that only low-alcohol lager was sold in the rink and beer tent. After nearly 40,000 hours without sleep we wondered why none of us had hang-overs.



### FLYING THE COLOURS IN ITALY

We contemplated giving the Austria - Germany game a miss but were glad we didn't - anyway what's a few more hours without sleep going to do? The atmosphere was superb as well as the game. Both sets of fans were behind their teams. Dave got a massive hug of an Austrian fan when they went 2-1 up. The Germans managed to get an equalizer at the games death. The German fans weren't pleased with the result but the Austrians fully deserved a draw even more so a win. The Tournament was going to prove very disappointing for the Krauts.

Next month - Part II How I lived on Ham and Mushroom pizzas by Cardiff fan Jonathon "Son of Dave" Williams.



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#### 1. The Omen

Look out for car number plates for instance, L1 ON! Not many of these around so they are a definite omen. Don't look if you see L1 ON 0 FLAM E201 Or you might see a firm's lorries with a significant name like S Cooper which I saw on my way to the Wembley Final this year and sure enough S Cooper was on the winning side! See, it works! Or like on semi-final day when we travelled to Wembley in a taxi which had the name Wild Thing on the side! Sure enough Tim 'Wild Thing' Cranston was on the winning side of the second semi-final! Are you beginning to believe me now? Here's what you do every Saturday and Sunday for the next 8 months. Go to your nearest newsagents and buy all the Lion Bars in stock and you will be sure to win! At least they are more appetizing than honey!

#### 2. Music

Take it in turns to make up a tape of different songs that the title relates to hockey for instance Straight Up by Paula Abdul for when the Bees went straight up from the ELD to the 1st Division and then to the Premier all those years ago and now it would be Holding On by Beverley Craven. There's a certain record by the Sex Pistols which could be played for one or two referees don't you think? What about The Lion Sleeps Tonight?

#### 3. The Welsh Game

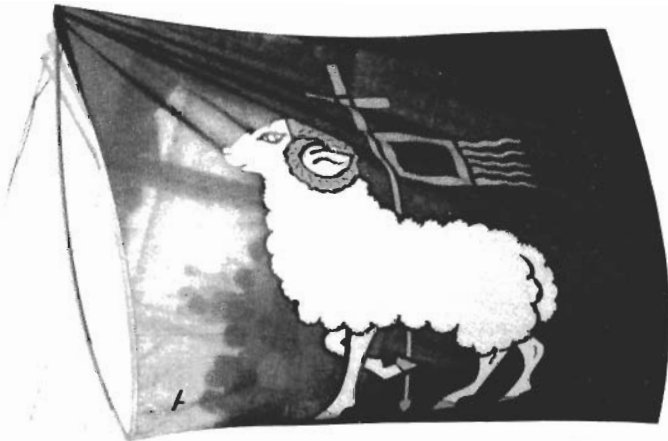
When or if you get to play at Cardiff you could play this game. First person to spot a sheep in Wales! Then there's the Romford game, first person to spot a Garage wins nothing because it's too easy or the Essex game, first person to spot a tart in Essex wins her because she's easy. What about the Basingstoke game where you have to be the first to spot a train spotter or the Medway game when the first person to find someone nice wins!

Then again you could sleep until the game is over and realise it was all a bad dream! Or was it?





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