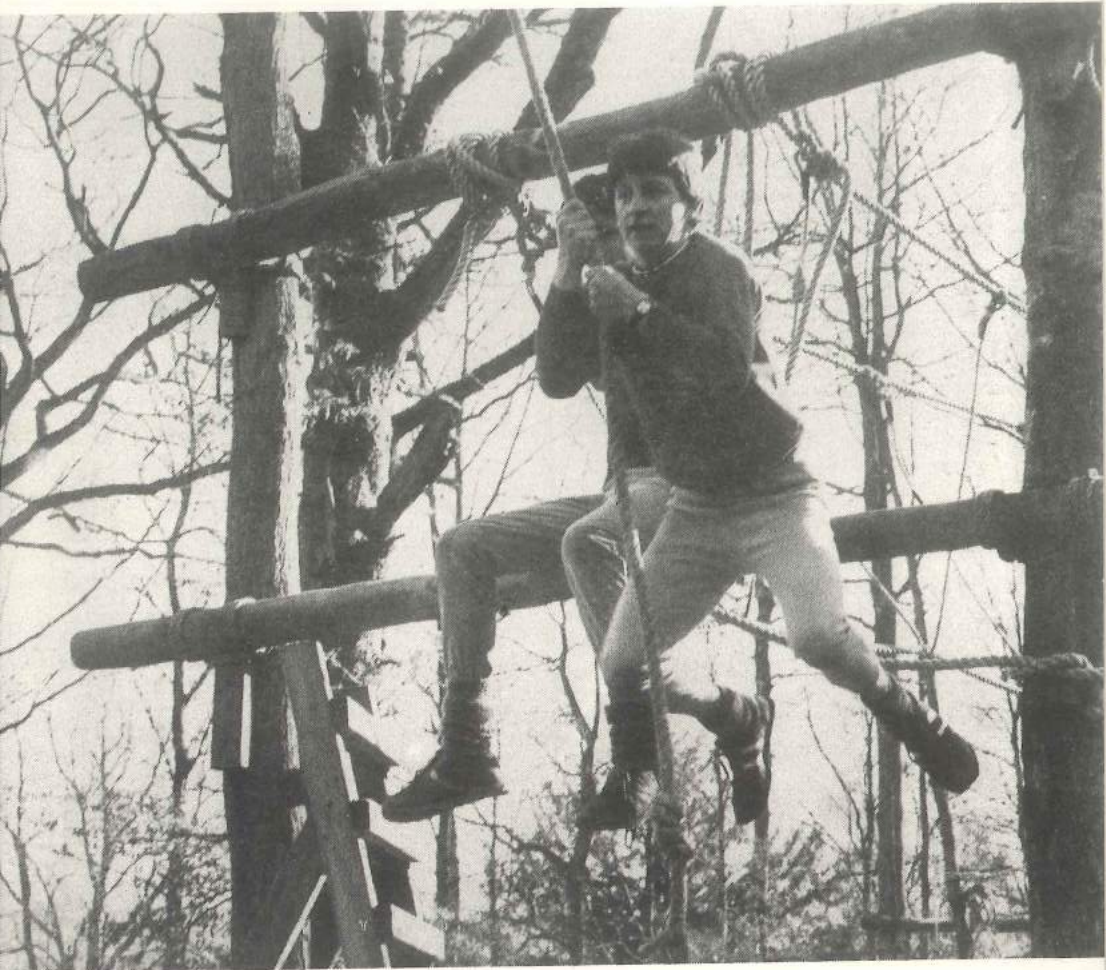


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HANDBOOK & ANNUAL REPORT 1987/88



GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

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(Affiliated to the National Association of Boys' Clubs)



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GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

At our AGM last November we were able to hear from our Guest Speaker, David Stickels, the Principal Youth & Community Officer for Gloucestershire County Council, the outcome of a Review of the Youth & Community Service in Gloucestershire. This has resulted in a "Development Plan for the Service 1987-90" which had only two months previously been adopted by the Recreation & Leisure Committee.

A short time later the Association was asked to respond to a Development Review of the Boys' Club Movement initiated by the NABC. In order to make the response the Association set up a small Review Group from the Executive Committee under the Chairmanship of Mrs Anne Cadbury JP. The Group took the view that it was more appropriate to review the work of the GABC in light of the changes already taking place in the county. Consequently a number of recommendations were presented to the Executive Committee where they received unanimous support. These recommendations (not in order of priority) were:-

1. Officers of the Association should meet with opposite numbers from GYA (and other organisations as required) to discuss areas for future co-operation and support.
2. The services of the Association should be extended to boys and young men 'wherever they are' rather than restrict to Clubs and formal youth groups.
3. The Activity programme should be reviewed with a new emphasis on a balance of Creative as well as Physical Activities and on the improvement of methods by which these are publicised and made known to members.

The co-operation already established between GYA and the GCC Y&C Service should be developed to avoid unnecessary duplication. More prestigious events at 'County' level should be held as well as more local 'taster' events aimed at broadening Club programmes.

4. The Association's finances should be strengthened by increased fund raising through the establishment of a Fund Raising sub Committee rather than expect this to be undertaken by staff.
5. The Joint Industrial Training Committee should maintain at least our present level of Courses and aim for a gradual development of them to increase our market share of this area of work.
6. There should be more co-operation with other agencies involved in training for club-based work in order to maximise the use of the training resource to the benefit of members and adults involved in youth work in Gloucestershire.
7. Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre and other residential Centres should be used as much as possible by affiliated Clubs and Kerne should be properly maintained.
8. The work of many Clubs in their programmes for children of 11 to 14 years should be supported, particularly in smaller communities where very limited provision exists.

The progressive implementation of several of these recommendations has since started to take place and significant progress made to enhance the overall work and objectives of the Association.

The renovation of Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre has been a major feature of the work undertaken during the year. The contractor, P M Ashton, started the work in June 1987. Although originally scheduled for ten weeks the contract soon encountered several problems, made even worse by the seemingly continuous rains during June and July. The Building Inspector insisted on a reinforced concrete raft foundation being built for the extension to the station building, which would take the dormitory, shower and staff rooms. This obviously increased our costs quite considerably and it also interrupted the scheduling of the other work which in turn increased the overall time of the project.

As the work progressed on the station building additional work proved to be necessary, including a completely new floor in the kitchen and a new septic tank.

The contractors eventually finished their work in January 1988. Unfortunately this did not make the Centre immediately available for use because the additional structural work during the renovation used up the funds set aside for furniture and decorations. Fortunately Smith's Charity and the NABC appreciated our difficulties and gave additional grants to help with the furnishings and decorations. Even so the final furnishing could only be completed by doing much of it ourselves, so the Association's staff together with a few volunteers spent several days down at Kerne redecorating the Centre, whilst Tony Crane did an outstanding job of building all the bunk beds.

During this time many youth groups who had been regular users were pressing us to make the Centre available to them again. So even though the decorations were not finished and the furniture and fittings not yet in place, groups were anxious to commence use of the Centre and without exception told us afterwards how pleased they were with the 'new' Kerne Bridge.

Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire, Colonel M St J V Gibbs, CB DSO TD JP, officially re-opened Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre on Friday 6th May 1988 (two days after the Centre had been broken into! - fortunately with no loss or damage other than to the door). This event gave us the opportunity of inviting and expressing our thanks to all the Trusts and Supporters who made the renovation of Kerne possible and to enable them to see the fine facility that is now available to young people.

We are very grateful to the following who made the renovation and extension of Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre possible by their very generous support of our Appeal:-

The Bill Butlin Charity Trust
The Building Industry Youth Trust
Alan Cadbury Esq Charitable Trust
Edward Cadbury Charitable Trust
Caradon Mira Limited
The Ernest Cook Trust
The Dowty Group
The Dulverton Trust
Gloucestershire County Council (Capital Building Programme for Voluntary Youth Organisations)
The Godinton Charitable Trust
The Langtree Trust
National Association of Boys' Clubs
North London Boys' Swimming Club
The Joseph Rank (1942) Trust
The Royal Jubilee & Prince's Trusts
Severn Sound Money Mountain
Smith's Charity
The Tudor Trust
The Woodlands Trust
Gloucestershire Association of Boys' Clubs (Sponsored JAILBREAK by Club Members & Supporters, Fund Raising Events, Recitals, Concerts).

We would not have been able to achieve all this without the very substantial support of Gloucestershire County Council, who through the Capital Building Programme for Voluntary Youth Organisations, administered by the Recreation and Leisure Committee, gave us grants over two years of some £31,600 - 75% of the original estimated cost. Clearly this amount of support would have been difficult to find elsewhere and would have taken an immense amount of time to raise by other means. To the Gloucestershire County Council our very grateful thanks!

Our Joint Industrial Training Committee continues to organise Courses for young people at work. Over the past 12 months 4 x 5 day Adjustment to Industry Courses were held at Cowley Manor, including a mixed Course to cater for young employees in the commercial sections; 3 x 6 day Attitudes in Industry Courses at the Poole & Dorset Adventure Centre and 1 x 11 day Responsibility in Industry Course at Plas yr Antur, Fairbourne, Gwynedd for Senior Apprentices and Student Engineers.

The Training Officers who make up our Committee are well aware of the changing needs of young people and their companies, our series of Courses are therefore under constant review and evaluation. This was particularly evident this year and has resulted in several changes to the Adjustment to Industry Course programme which brought a greater degree of participation in business exercises and case studies and several new Speakers. Another feature that proved valuable was the introduction of an end of Course formal Dinner, in which the students play a major part hosting several visitors from their companies as well as a Guest Speaker. This more participative and demanding Course requires a lot from the Course Tutors, who are all volunteers from the Police and Industry.

In order to well equip the Tutors our usual briefing session was considerably extended into a full day's training when, with the help of Sergeants Mike Barton and Jerry Prendergast from the Police Training Dept, the Tutors undertook several exercises aimed at increasing their awareness of human behaviour and later in the day participated in exercises and case studies to be used on the Course.

The Attitudes in Industry Courses were the focus of a particularly searching review which highlighted changing needs which the Committee felt could no longer be met by our present format. The three Courses held at Poole this year are therefore to be the last. It is sad to leave a Centre that has served us very well for over 10 years, but it was felt that we need a different style of Course. Considerable work then took place to find a location and staff team who could deliver a Course tailored to meet our specific requirements. Many Centres were visited before we found a formula that does we believe, offer some very exciting prospects. We are planning to use a Methodist Conference Centre at Cliff College, Calver, Derbyshire as the base and the staff from Plas yr Antur to run the Personal Development Course. This will use outdoor pursuits such as Caving, Climbing etc to focus on learning in such areas as Communications, Leadership and Team Development. These Courses, 3 weeks, are to take place in February 1989.

This new format will strengthen our links with Plas yr Antur and whilst we shall be using different activities in a different part of the country we feel that the use of the Plas Staff team will be beneficial and will enable us to enhance and develop our Responsibility in Industry Courses as a result.

As a voluntary organisation our work could not continue without considerable support from numerous valued friends and Trust funds, not least of whom is the County Council. In addition to this support the Association is continually involved in fund raising to support its own work and that of our member Clubs. Some Clubs avail themselves of the opportunities presented to them by the NABC Club Week to raise funds, many others receive generous support for various projects and initiatives from such sources as Smith's Charity and the BBC Children in Need Appeal.

Our own Fund Raising Committee under Dorrie and Arthur Brown continue their sterling work for the Association. Thanks to the generosity of our President and Lady Vestey two Recitals were held at their home at Stowell Park by the Montpellier Piano Trio in October, and more recently by Miss Susan Bird in June. Our regular Carol Concert with the Thames Head Singers was held just before Christmas and the now well established, if somewhat more bizarre, Sponsored Jailbreak, again took place from Gloucester Prison and raised over £2,350 for ourselves and 7 other Charities.

A comprehensive report of the Association's Activity Programme follows later in this report. We wish however, to draw attention to a number of events that have taken place outside our more regular programme. Of these it is appropriate to highlight the co-operation that is growing in the county between ourselves, the Local Authority Youth & Community Service and the Gloucestershire Youth Association. This development has become possible after several joint ventures between the three organisations - Pop Quiz, Archery, Fishing etc., as well as occasions where each organisation has activity promoted events organised by other organisations.

We propose to build on co-operation and collaboration and thereby avoid duplication of effort and confusion of activities. We believe this will result in a better and more balanced programme for Clubs.

The Association has been actively involved in the development of residential and activity weekends within the programme of several of our Clubs, Whaddon & College Boys' Club, Nailsworth Boys' Club and the Gotherington Boys' Club, as well as running County Water Sports Weekends at South Cerney Water Sports Centre and Adventure Activity Weekends at the Biblins Adventure Centre.

It was hoped that these would be an encouraging factor in the take up of Senior Member Training but unfortunately this has not proved to be the case. The Association has however, again been active in helping participation in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and in enabling members of several Clubs to gain canoeing skills.

The Association and our Clubs continue to be very active participants of the NABC, both at Regional and National level. Successes at sports events are recorded later. Nailsworth Boys' Club, at the NABC's request, hosted the SW Regional round of a National Computer Competition sponsored by U.S Gold Computer Magazines.

Neil Skeen of the Whaddon & College Boys' Club was our representative on the Poole Sail Training ship week's cruise in the Channel. The Crew was made up of Boys' Club members from throughout the South West. Members of the Association's Executive Committee, together with several Club Leaders, were delegates at the Annual Regional Conference in Torquay.

It is at local Club level where the ongoing contact and work goes on with young people. The Association continues to offer support and practical assistance to Clubs - this will vary from an occasional visit, to help with fundraising or an insurance query, or sustained help and support over a particular period of difficulty. Quite rightly much of the Association's ongoing work is in the background supporting Clubs, their Leaders and Management Committees, utilizing the contacts and knowledge that our 'county' position provides.

This overview gives us a privileged insight into the considerable work undertaken by so many Leaders, Helpers, Committee Members and Supporters and it is to them we send our thanks.

Our thanks also go to our valued supporters, individuals, companies and Trusts, in particular Smith's Charity who have again given the Association and very many Clubs substantial support and encouragement, as well as to the County Council of whose substantial support we have already mentioned.

DENNIS FREDJOHN Chairman

BRIAN PARKER Organising Secretary

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT AND SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Year Ended 31 March 1988

The accounts shown on the next two pages are, following our now well established practice, in a summarised form, and copies of detailed audited accounts are available upon request or can be inspected at the Association's office.

In my report last year I gave notice of a sizeable reduction in our funds in the 87/88 financial year. This is clearly shown in the reduction of our Bank balances and decrease in investment income.

The fact that we have been able to end the year with a modest surplus shows that our Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre Appeal not only reached it's original targets but was also able to cope with the extra expenditure which the project necessitated.

Credit is also due to our Fund Raising Committee who once again raised substantial amounts, and the contribution we again received from our Industrial Courses and Sponsored Jailbreak.

SIMON SMITH
Honorary Treasurer

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1988

INCOME & EXPENDITURE

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1987</u>
Grants & Donations	30373	30603
Gross contribution from Industrial Courses	7980	8809
Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre net	(394)	185
Club Week net	73	435
Sponsored Jailbreak	1252	2404
Interest received	5630	7151
Clubs: Annual Subscriptions	606	609
Community Development Project	-	200
Surplus on disposal of fixed assets	676	286
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	46196	50682
 <u>Less EXPENDITURE</u>		
Staff - Salaries, National Insurance & Superannuation	34387	30770
Staff Training & Conferences	598	
Office	3407	3171
Motor Travel	3015	2962
Sports Events & Activities	593	218
Misc	233	659
Industrial Courses net of contributions	(1310)	(863)
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	40923	36917
Surplus for year (less depreciation 2644)	2629	11482
<u>Add</u> Surplus brought forward from previous year	70941	59459
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Accumulated surplus carried forward	73570	70941
 <u>COMPRISING:</u>		
Property & Vehicles (at cost less depreciation)	21894	8026
Investments (at cost)	31048	31048
Bank balances	15998	31209
Amounts owed to Association	8273	2270
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<u>Less</u> Amounts owed by Association	77213	72553
	3643	1612
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	73570	70941

NOTES

1 <u>GRANTS & DONATIONS</u>	1988	1987
Gloucestershire County Council	14440	14440
Smith's Charity	2000	2000
Sir Cyril Kleinwort Charitable Trust	1000	1000
Ernest Cook Trust	1000	500
Dowty Charitable Trust	500	500
Langtree Trust	510	500
Dulverton Trust	-	480
King George V Jubilee Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	-	500
National Association of Boys' Clubs	750	1000
George Cadbury Fund	300	300
Cheltenham Borough Council	200	200
BBC Children in Need	2000	1000
Spirax Sarco	150	150
Misc	7271	7044
Income Tax Received	252	339
Sainsbury Charitable Trust	-	400
Edward Cadbury Trust	-	250
	30373	30603

2 <u>INDUSTRIAL COURSES</u>		
Income from Courses	33232	36100
Less: Direct Course expenses	24242	26428
Gross Contribution to Association	8990	9672
Less: Indirect Association Costs	7980	8809
Net Contribution to Association	1310	863

Auditor's Note:

The cost of the additions to property (Kerne Bridge) is shown net of £31,900 received in grants from Gloucestershire County Council.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS
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Charity Registration
No: L.237120/1

DEED OF COVENANT and TAX RECOVERY FORM
For Individuals, Partnerships and non-corporate Associations

DEED NO:

Please insert full name and address

BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

I, of

HEREBY COVENANT with the GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS that for * years from the date hereof, or during my lifetime (whichever period shall be the shorter) I will pay annually to the said Association on the (i) day of such a sum as will, after the deduction of Income Tax at the basic rate for the time being in force, leave in the hands of the Association a net sum of (ii) £ (amount in words) so that during the said term I shall receive no personal or private benefit from the said annual payment or any part thereof.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of 19

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED

BY THE SAID
(Subscriber's Signature)

In the presence of:

Signature of Witness:

Address:

* Minimum period of 4 years.

(i) This date must be the same as or later than the date on which this Deed is signed.
(ii) This figure should be the actual amount of your annual subscription and the same as on the Banker's Order form.

BANKER'S ORDER (Do not send to your Bankers) Date 19

To: The Manager * Bank PLC.
.....

Please pay to the NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK PLC, Montpellier Branch, Montpellier Walk, Cheltenham GL50 1SF (Sorting Code No.52-21-25) to the credit of the Gloucestershire Association of Boys' Clubs, Account No. 04306503 the sum of £ and continue to pay the same on the same date every year until 19

Signature Company

Address:

Subscriber's Account No:

*Subscribers should fill in here the name and address of their own bank.

When completed please return the Deed of Covenant and Banker's Order to the
GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS, NORTHLANDS, PITTVILLE CIRCUS, CHELTENHAM GL52 2PX

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DEED OF COVENANT and TAX RECOVERY FORM
For Companies or Incorporated Associations

DEED NO:

Please insert full name and address

BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

THIS DEED OF COVENANT made the day of

19 by Limited/PLC. whose
registered office is at

("the Company") WITNESSETH that the Company hereby covenants with the GLOUCESTERSHIRE
ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS ("the Association") for the period of*years from
the date hereof, to pay to the Association on the day of
in each year (** the first such payment to be made on the day of
19

Please delete A or B as required.

A. GROSS COVENANT

the annual sum of £ (amount in words)
subject only to the deduction of Income Tax at the basic rate for the time being in force.

B. NET COVENANT

such a sum as after the deduction of Income Tax at the basic rate for the time being in
force shall leave in the hands of the Association the clear annual sum of £
(amount in words)

The common Seal of was hereunto affixed in the
presence of (signature of witness)

Address:

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** The date of the first payment must be later than the date of this Deed.

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KERNE BRIDGE ADVENTURE CENTRE

In 1960 the Association founded an Adventure and Training Centre in a
disused railway station at Kerne Bridge. The Station which had been
derelict for some time, was leased to us on a six month tenancy and,
with some financial help and a tremendous amount of work by the boys
themselves, was converted with bunk-room, day room and dining area,
small kitchen and toilet block. Trains were occasionally still running
so the platform side of the station had to be strictly out of bounds.

The scheme caught the imagination of Boys in Clubs and the Centre was in
almost constant use despite fairly spartan provision. Much of the
attraction rests on the unusual character of the station and its delightful
situation on the Wye with easy access to the Forest of Dean. Canoeing,
Rock Climbing, Expeditions, Night Adventures, Pony Trekking and Committee
weekends have all featured in the programme clubs devise for themselves.
Kerne soon became a popular centre for groups from all over the country.

The line was closed in 1964 and as a parting gift British Rail very
generously gave us a coach which they installed on the platform. This
encouraged us to draw up plans to provide better facilities and slightly
more accommodation. British Rail offered us the site at advantageous
terms and with the help of the Ministry of Education, the Gloucestershire
County Council and many local supporters we were able to convert the
station and coach into a most attractive Centre with accommodation for
10 boys and 2 staff.

Our hopes to cater for more boys and offer the facilities to groups
further afield were well received - the Centre was soon in use for around
3,000 bed/nights per year and has remained as popular for 20 years.

This constant usage by so many youngsters, together with deterioration
caused by weather conditions, brought us in 1984 again to the point of a
major conversion. Unfortunately the coach, which has served as the
dormitory, was deteriorating to such a state that it was becoming unfit
to sleep in. We therefore planned an extension to the station building
to provide sleeping accommodation and at the same time hoped to renovate
the whole Centre.

This project was estimated to cost £50,000, and thanks to the generous
support of the Gloucestershire County Council, many local and national
Trusts, together with fundraising activities of member Clubs and the
Association, the funds were raised and the work is now complete -
thus ensuring that Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre is able to serve young
people for many more years.



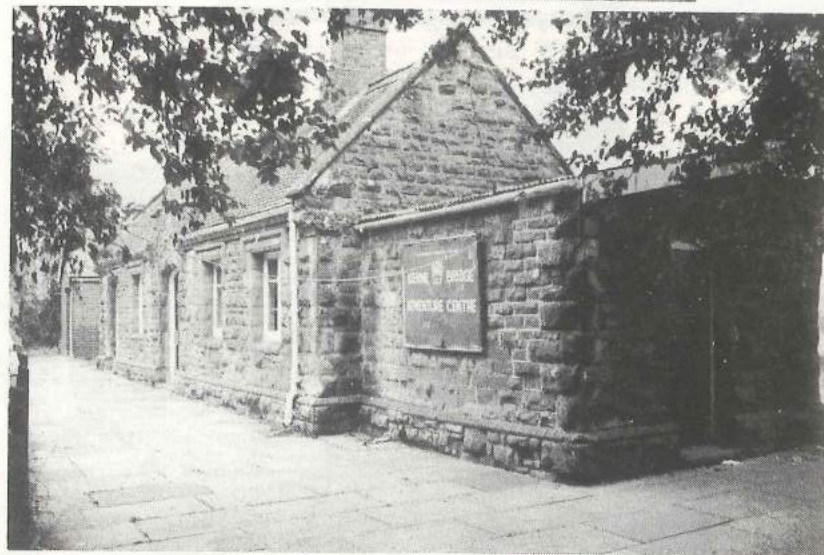
**KERNE BRIDGE STATION
CIRCA 1910**

**GREAT WESTERN LINE -
MONMOUTH TO
ROSS-ON-WYE**

**LINE CLOSED UNDER
'BEECHING' PLAN
1964**



**GRADUAL
DETERIORATION
DURING
25 YEARS
OF CONSTANT
USE.**



**EXTENSION - TO
REPLACE
CARRIAGE AND
COMPLETE
RENOVATION OF
THE STATION
UNDERTAKEN
IN 1987.**


**RE-OPENED IN
MAY 1988 BY
HM LORD**



**COACH DONATED BY
BRITISH RAIL AND
CONVERTED INTO
DORMITORY**



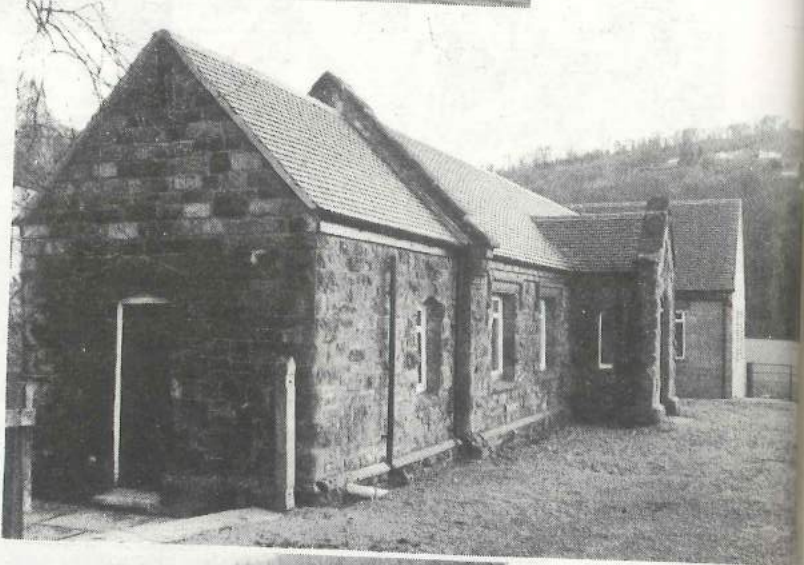
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THE 'NEW'
KERNE BRIDGE
ADVENTURE CENTRE


Clubs interest and involvement in our activity programme has been about the same as usual during the year, which in truth really means that more clubs could participate in certain events.

Our programme of activities has been a full one with our Sports & Activity Committee meeting regularly throughout the year. The season started with the annual Fishing Contest at Frampton, we were also represented in the NABC National Angling event at Peterborough by the Dowty Group Apprentices. Another Open Fishing event was held in conjunction with the Gloucestershire Youth Association and the County Youth Service on the Gloucester & Sharpness Canal when some 80 boys participated, with the winners receiving prizes kindly donated by the British Waterways Leisure Board.



AVAILABLE TO
CLUBS AND
YOUTH GROUPS
THROUGHOUT
THE YEAR

Unfortunately for the second year, our Swimming Gala was not held due to lack of support. Our first Five-a-Side Football Championships (14-16 years) took place in December with the winners going through to the Regional Finals, from which they could have gone through to the National event that would have resulted in playing on the Wembley pitch prior to the League Cup Final. However, this did not materialise due to us not winning the Regional event. Likewise our Under 14's and Under 19's Five-a-Side winners played in the Regional event at Exeter, but alas also did not proceed any further, although Nailsworth Boys' Club were Regional Runners-up (Under 14's).



ACCOMMODATION
FOR 10 YOUNG PEOPLE
AND 2 LEADERS

Our Chess Champion this year came from Westfields Youth Club and then had the experience to compete in the NABC National Finals at Keele University.

Once again we ran a successful Cross Country event in association with the GYA, from the Gotherington Boys' Club, this year without postponements, which allowed time to select our teams to represent us in the NABC National Championships at Keele University. Although we did not cross the tape in the first three, our Colts (11-12's) team gained a respectable 9th position from 22 teams. Also in the Senior event a Woodchester Youth Club runner attained the 9th individual placing, a very good performance indeed, with two other boys from the Lydney ABC gaining commendable places.

Badminton was especially well supported and as usual we had programmed this as a one-day event to cover our 3 age groups, but after receiving a larger than expected entry (for which we were well pleased) we had to play off the Under 14's and Under 19's on the original day and convene another day to play off the Under 16's age group. Winners from this event went through to the Regional round at the Gloucester Leisure Centre.

Unfortunately Table Tennis could do with a similar injection of interest from clubs, although there was a slight increase in numbers to the previous two years.

On the Cricket field, four Sunday fixtures were arranged but finished up victims of the bad weather that resulted in the Six-a-Side competition being called off, as did the two inter county matches against Wales and Oxfordshire Association. However, we did play the Bristol Association of Boys' Clubs and won the game that had an exciting finish.

Continuing in the wet area - so be it in the proper way! - Canoeing has been prominent in our activities involving a weekend at South Cerney Water Sports Centre and evening training sessions, culminating in the GABC 50 Mile Canoe Test weekend from Kerne Bridge on the River Wye, plus the NABC 100 Mile Canoe Test on the Rivers Wye and Severn from the Worcester Racecourse basecamp over the Spring Bank Holiday.

Our version of the TV Competition 'Super Stars' again attracted almost 100 boys, in teams of 4, to take part in the 10 events - Sprint, Swim, Javelin, Long Jump, Archery, Squat Thrusts, Dips on Parallel Bars, Basketball Shooting, Football and Cross Country, to find our 1988 Super Stars. Also this year entries were forthcoming for all 3 age groups, as this has not been possible for the previous two years.

Similarly our Multi-Sports event took place at the Stonehouse Youth Centre, with a disappointing number of teams not turning out on the day. However, the participating teams appeared to enjoy the event where Club Leaders have the task of finding a team of 6 to play Darts, Five-a-Side Soccer, Chess, Pool, Table Tennis and Table Football.

Members from the Winchcombe Youth Club were very successful in the NABC Middlesex Association Open Judo Championships, when they collected 2 Silver medals (2nd placings) and 1 Bronze (3rd placing).

The South West Regional Festival of Sport for the first time was split over two days, the first with Snooker, Pool and Five-a-Side Soccer being held at the Plaza Centre, Exeter, our only success here being the Under 14's pair from Longford JFC winning their event and going through to the National Finals at Leicester.

The second day at the Gloucester Leisure Centre was for Darts, Table Tennis and Badminton, where a number of our boys from Nailsworth Boys' Club and Coleford Youth Centre won their Badminton events and qualified for the National Finals.

Pool continues to be as popular as ever with the League Competition preliminary matches being played in areas and finalists coming together on separate nights to decide the winners. Also the competition leading up to the NABC Regional event produced some exciting games in all the 3 age groups. Similarly the Snooker event, in two age groups, created some keen competition played in a Gloucester Snooker Hall.

It was disappointing that we have a number of specialist Boxing Clubs affiliated to us, but alas no entries for the NABC Boxing Championships! Entries in the Darts event and the .22 Rifle Shooting held at the Dowty Range could have benefited with more teams participating. Gloucester Gordon League Club continued their usual success by winning their competition in the NABC Rugby Sevens tournament.

In the Arts & Crafts section St Michaels Boys' Club again were the only club to enter the NABC Festival and we were pleased to hear that Peter Kelly again won the Pottery Award for the 3rd Year Running! Peter has now left St Michaels so this will give someone else the chance next year. However, this is again likely to be a boy from the same club as his colleagues also won prizes in the same competition.

During the year some of the events have been run in conjunction with our colleagues at the Gloucestershire Youth Association and the County Youth Service, a Video Pop Contest and Archery being two of these events, in addition to some of those already reported.

We are grateful to many individuals, sponsors and organisations as well as our own Sports & Activities Committee, for their continued assistance which has enabled a successful programme to be completed.

TONY CRANE
Assistant Organising Secretary

WINNERS, RUNNERS UP and COUNTY REPRESENTATION

in G.A.B.C. ACTIVITIES

ARCHERY (Indoors & Outdoors)

2 COMPETITIONS RUN IN CONJUNCTION
WITH GLOS. COUNTY YOUTH SERVICE
& GLOS. YOUTH ASSOCIATION.

BADMINTON

(Venue provided by BOVIS HOMES)

<u>BOYS</u>	SINGLES: 1st R MOORE (Nailsworth BC) *
	2nd G SPROWELL (Coleford YC)
	DOUBLES: 1st R MOORE & M PERKINS (Nailsworth BC)
	2nd G SPROWELL & J MILLEKIN (Coleford YC)
<u>JUNIOR</u>	SINGLES: 1st M CHAPPELL (Nailsworth BC) *
	2nd S BACHELOR (Coleford YC)
	DOUBLES: 1st M CHAPPELL & K PRIDE (Nailsworth BC)
	2nd S BACHELOR & M LEWIS (Coleford YC) *
<u>SENIOR</u>	SINGLES: 1st S BROWN (Coleford YC)
	2nd C TOWNLEY (Coleford YC)
	DOUBLES: 1st S BROWN & C TOWNLEY (Coleford YC) *
	2nd S FREEMAN & R COOK (Nailsworth BC)

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: NAILSWORTH BC & COLEFORD YC

* NABC Regional Champions
Also S FREEMAN (Senior Singles)(Nailsworth BC)

CHESS

WINNER: DARREN COPPING (Westfields YC)
RUNNER UP: JAMES LAIT (St Michaels BC)

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: WESTFIELDS YC

CANOE TESTS

50 MILE (GABC) GLOS. VOLUNTARY POLICE CADETS
NAILSWORTH BOYS' CLUB
WHADDON & COLLEGE BOYS' CLUB

100 MILE (NABC) WHADDON & COLLEGE BOYS' CLUB

CROSS COUNTRY

(RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH GLOS. YOUTH ASSOCIATION)

BOYS MINORS: 1st C BROOK (St Johns YC)
2nd R DOHERTY (Winchcombe YC)
3rd S EDWARDS (Lydney ABC)

TEAM: 1st LYDNEY ABC
2nd GOTHERINGTON BC

BOYS INTERMEDIATES:

1st N SKEEN (Whaddon BC)
2nd D MULHOLLAND (Winchcombe YC)
3rd C PEARSON (Winchcombe YC)

TEAM: 1st WHADDON & COLLEGE BC
2nd WINCHCOMBE YC

BOYS SENIOR: 1st S LODGE (Woodchester YC)
2nd S TREMLETT (Woodchester YC)
3rd A MULLEN (Tewkesbury Baptists Cov)

NO TEAM EVENT

GIRLS INTERMEDIATES:

1st C HUDSON (Woodchester YC)
2nd N LODGE (Woodchester YC)
3rd L BAILEY (Woodchester YC)

NO TEAM EVENT

GIRLS JUNIORS:

1st D WALDEN (Fairford YC)
2nd K HOLNESS (Fairford YC)

NO TEAM EVENT

COUNTY REPRESENTATION AT NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY. -

WOODCHESTER YC, WINCHCOMBE YC, LYDNEY ABC,
GOTHERINGTON BC, TEWKESBURY BAPTISTS, WHADDON BC.

CRICKET

Representative Match played against BRISTOL ASSOC. OF BOYS' CLUBS and Matches arranged against OXFORDSHIRE ASSOC. OF BOYS' CLUBS & BOYS' CLUBS OF WALES, but called off through bad weather. Represented by DOWN HATHERLEY BC, GOTHERINGTON BC, and WHADDON & COLLEGE BC.

DARTS

JUNIOR: 1st WHADDON & COLLEGE BC
2nd TETBURY YC

SENIOR: 1st WHADDON & COLLEGE BC
2nd TETBURY YC

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: WHADDON & COLLEGE BC

FISHING

(Prizes donated by BRITISH WATERWAYS)

AUTUMN

INDIVIDUAL WINNER: N MARMAN (Longford JFC)
RUNNER UP: G WOOD (Frampton YC)

TEAM WINNER: FRAMPTON YOUTH CLUB
RUNNER UP: LONGFORD JFC

SUMMER (OPEN EVENT)

INDIVIDUAL WINNER: S FORD (Gotherington BC)
RUNNER UP: S WALKER (Gotherington BC)

TEAM WINNER: GOTHERINGTON BOYS' CLUB
RUNNER UP: SEVERN VALE SCHOOL 'A'

JUDO

COUNTY REPRESENTATION in N.A.B.C. OPEN EVENT:

WINCHCOMBE YOUTH CLUB

TABLE TENNIS

(Venue provided by Cheltenham College)

BOYS: SINGLES: 1st M PERKINS (Nailsworth BC)
2nd C CAREY (Whaddon BC)
DOUBLES: 1st S WEBB & J GILBERT (St Michaels BC)
2nd D MORRIS & C CAREY (Whaddon BC)

JUNIOR SINGLES: 1st A STRATFORD (Nailsworth BC)
2nd K PRIDE (Nailsworth BC)
DOUBLES: 1st K PRIDE & A STRATFORD (Nailsworth BC)
2nd L FOLEY & A CLOONA (St Michaels BC)

SENIOR SINGLES: 1st S FREEMAN (Nailsworth BC)
2nd R COLE (Nailsworth BC)
DOUBLES: 1st R COLE & S FREEMAN (Nailsworth BC)
2nd B COOKE & G DAY (Nailsworth BC)

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

WHADDON BOYS' CLUB & NAILSWORTH BOYS' CLUB

VIDEO POP CONTEST

IN CONJUNCTION WITH GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

BOYS SECTION WINNERS: LYDNEY YOUTH CLUB
GIRLS SECTION WINNERS: MINCHINHAMPTON YOUTH CLUB

N.A.B.C. POTTERY COMPETITION

1st PRIZE PETER KELLY (St Michaels Boys' Club)
3rd PRIZE SASHA WEBB (St Michaels Boys' Club)

RAMBLERS SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

NAILSWORTH BOYS' CLUB

NAMES OF AFFILIATED CLUBS AND LEADERS

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