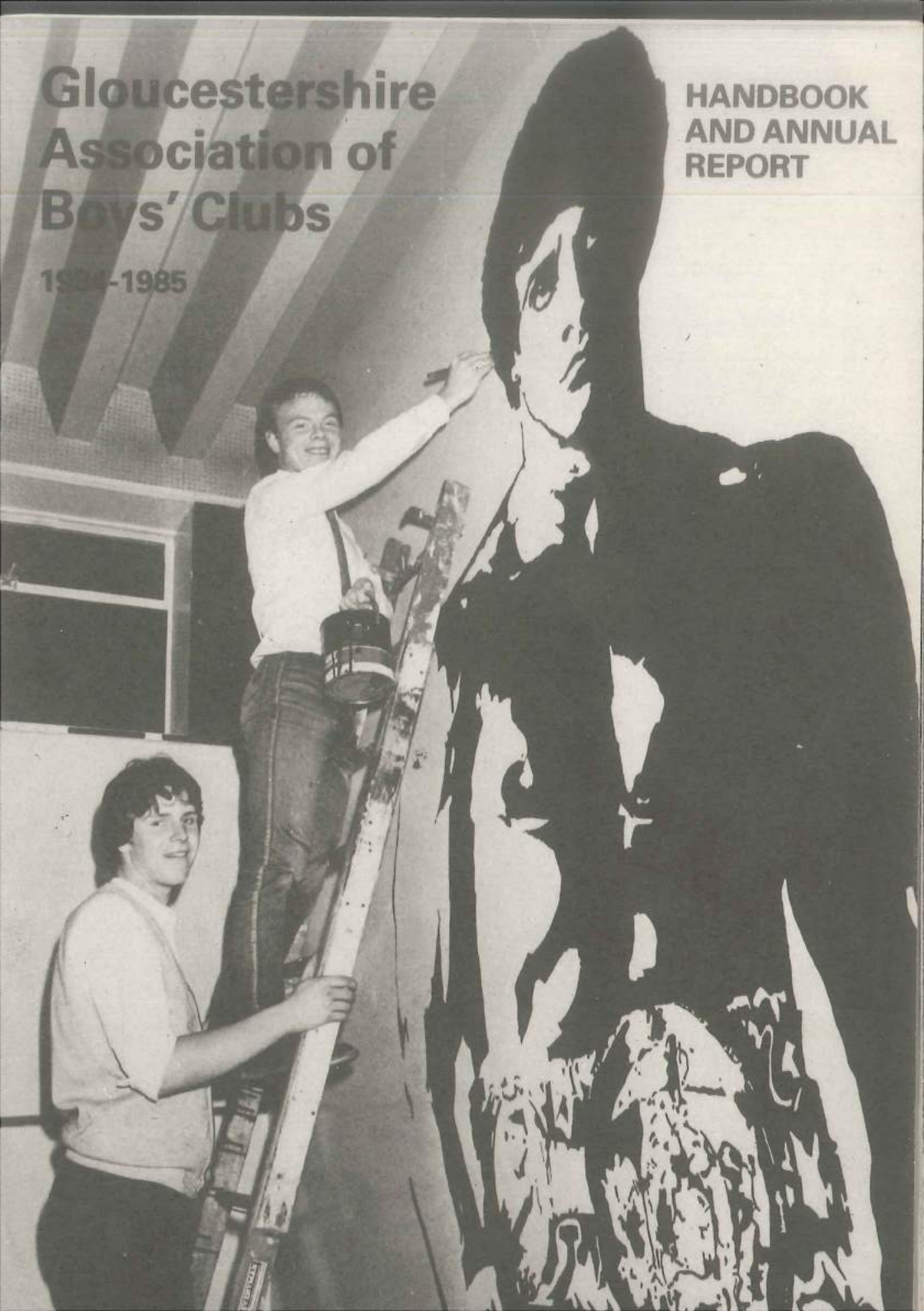


Gloucestershire Association of Boys' Clubs

1984-1985

HANDBOOK
AND ANNUAL
REPORT





GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

(Affiliated to the National Association of Boys' Clubs)

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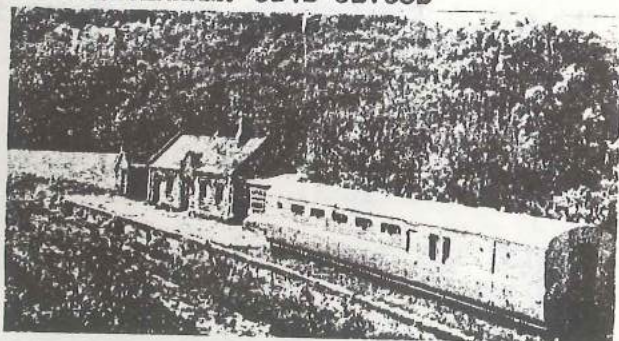
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GLOUCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

The cover photographs illustrate some of the activities that the Association has promoted during the last year -

Front cover:- Stuart Mansfield and Gary Bryan put the finishing touches to their mural of 'Rocky' which decorates the main hall of the Whaddon & College Boys' Club.

Inside cover

front:-(1) Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre on the River Wye, 3 miles below Ross, owned by the Association for 25 years during which time it has been extremely well used by groups from all over the country. We are actively raising funds - £50,000 needed - to carry out major extensions and renovations.

(2) Members of the Whiteshill & Ruscombe Youth Club preparing to 'escape by Rickshaw' at the start of our Sponsored Jailbreak from Gloucester Prison which raised £3,400 for 17 local, national and international charities.

back:- (1) Breakdancing - a youth street culture originating in America has been enthusiastically adopted by youngsters in this County. Our Arts Team organised a Breakdance workshop and brought a semi professional team 'Crazy Crew' from Birmingham to give instruction to members of Gloucestershire Clubs in Stroud and Cheltenham.

(2) Finish of the N.A.B.C. 100 Mile Canoe Test at Wainlodes Hill, Gloucester. Over 400 canoeists completed this event, which is a test of character rather than strength, after paddling for 3½ days on the Rivers Severn and Teme.

Back cover:- A bridge building exercise being undertaken by a group of Apprentices during one of the Association's Training Courses organised at the Poole & Dorset Adventure Centre.

We are grateful to The Times, The Citizen, Gloucestershire Echo and the Poole & Dorset Adventure Centre for allowing us to use these photographs.

1984-5 has been a very busy and successful year for the Gloucestershire Association of Boys' Clubs - several new Clubs joined us and the Arts Team (an MSC Community Project sponsored scheme) was organised to give practical help in 29 Clubs. The Community Development Project has been established and has made a major contribution towards the reduction of juvenile delinquency in its area. The Joint Industrial Training Committee introduced a new Course specifically aimed at helping young people in Commerce to make the adjustment from school to work. We launched our Appeal for £50,000 for the renovation and development of Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre and £42,600 has so far been realised in donations and promises. Many of our Clubs have gained national recognition by winning competitions, including Make-a-Mural, Seven-a-Side Rugby, Table Tennis, Super Club, Club Week Essay - these successes and the rest of our work are detailed in the following report.

Membership of the G.A.B.C. now stands at almost 60 Clubs - the highest number of affiliated clubs so far achieved by the Association. We have been pleased to welcome many new Clubs, yet inevitably sad to lose one or two. During the year the Association has had to become involved in the management of several Clubs, in particular Broadwell Boys' Club and Whaddon & College Boys' Club where the day to day control is now managed by the Organising Secretary and the Area Youth & Community Officer. The Ramblers have been encouraged to revive their youth provision after it had closed because of lack of leadership. We decided to make

a large loan to the Hereford Lads' Club in order to ensure the Club's future at a time when it was feared the Club might need to be sold to clear its debts. Fund raising has directly resulted in 19 Clubs receiving over £11,000 - quite apart from the efforts made by many Clubs in Club Week and our Sponsored Jailbreak.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING COURSES

This year has been a difficult one for our series of Industrial training Courses. Several of the companies which regularly support us have reduced their level of recruitment - a situation forced on them by the recession and changing work practices - and this has had an adverse effect on our overall bookings on Courses. Although we have been able to introduce several new companies to our training courses and thus maintain the same number of Courses as previous years the total number of students is slightly down as is reflected in the accounts.

To compensate for this reduced number we have taken the opportunity of adjusting some of our present Courses to cater for the needs of Y.T.S. Trainees. We have also developed a new Course 'Adjustment to Commerce' aimed specifically at the needs of young people in their early years at work in commercial organisations. During the year three Adjustment to Industry and one Adjustment to Commerce Courses were held at Cowley Manor; five Stage II Attitudes Courses were held at the Poole & Dorset Adventure Centre (two of these Courses specifically for Y.T.S. Trainees) and two Stage III Responsibility Courses for senior Apprentices and Student Engineers were held at Plas yr Antur Outdoor Education Centre in Gwynedd. We were once again grateful to the Staff at these Centres and to the many Tutors and Speakers, all of whom give a great deal of help and support to these Courses. Our appreciation also goes to Max Mines and the many Training and Personnel Officers on our Joint Training Committee who give us so much help, support and advice in the organisation of these Courses.

KERNE BRIDGE ADVENTURE & TRAINING CENTRE

In 1960 the Association founded an Adventure and Training Centre in a disused railway station at Kerne Bridge. The Station had been derelict for some time and was leased to us on a six month tenancy. With some financial help and a tremendous amount of work by the boys themselves, it was converted into an attractive residential Centre 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 facilities. Much of the attraction derives from 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 programmes which Clubs devise for themselves. Kerne soon became a popular Centre for groups from all over the country.

The railway 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 on advantageous terms and with the help of the Ministry of Education, the Gloucestershire County Council and many local supporters we were able to improve the station and coach by providing accommodation for 10 boys and 2 staff.

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

This constant use by so many youngsters together with deterioration caused by time and weather have again brought us to the need for a major conversion project. Unfortunately the coach, which serves as the dormitory, has deteriorated to such an extent that it will soon be unfit to sleep in. We therefore wish to build an extension to the station building which will provide sleeping accommodation for the same number of people. The coach, which gives the Centre such a unique appeal to youngsters, will be kept on site as a games room and canoe store.

Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre has proved invaluable for many years, having been used by thousands of boys from all kinds of organisations all over the country. This is far too attractive a facility for us to lose because it is getting worn out. We are therefore hoping to receive generous support for our plans to build a new dormitory block and to renovate the station building. Given the necessary help we aim to complete during 1986 the restoration of the Centre to a condition which will ensure at least a further 20 years of service to young people.

This total scheme will cost us about £50,000 and during the year we have been successful in getting support from numerous bodies including the Gloucestershire County Council - (through the Voluntary Youth Organisation Capital Building Programme), the National Association of Boys' Clubs, the Gloucestershire Committee of the Royal Jubilee Trusts, Smiths Charity, Tudor Trust, Dulverton Trust, Langtree Trust and many others including several user Clubs.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT - to help adolescents at risk.

This project has been funded by a once only grant from the G.C.C. Social Services Department and is aimed at providing a full-time worker based within a community where he will work with young people who have been identified by Teachers and Social Workers as those at risk of becoming delinquents. The aim of the project is to help these young people with their social behaviour and leisure activities and thus to

keep them out of trouble. This experimental project is controlled by a Management Committee consisting of representatives of the Social Services Department, Education Department, the local secondary school and the G.A.B.C. The Project Worker, Jim Gow, was appointed in May '83 and is now 15 months into the 2 year duration of the scheme. During this time he has worked regularly with a group of young people using the facilities of an affiliated Club and establishing a number of specialist activity groups. The cost of treating young offenders in residential institutions is so high that the Steering Committee feel that by keeping this group of youngsters out of serious trouble we are making an excellent financial as well as social investment.

ARTS TEAM PROJECT

This project, funded mainly by the Manpower Services Commission Community Programme scheme, seeks to help the long-term unemployed. It has enabled the Association to employ a full-time Arts Advisor/Team Supervisor and six part-time Arts Team Members, plus a part-time Book-keeper/Typist to provide the administrative support. The aim of the one year Project was to provide Club Leaders with an Instructor and equipment and thus make available a programme of creative and performing arts activities.

The Project started in March '84 and was due to run for 12 months - it was in fact extended for a further 3 months to allow it to cover the full seasonal activities. During this 15 months 29 Clubs received an input from Team Members and activities such as :-

- Murals
- Drama
- Painting & Sketching
- Photography
- Video Filming
- Silk Screen Printing
- Musical Instrument Making
- Clay Modelling and Pottery.

In addition 'Workshops' were held in each area of the County when the Team came together in a Club to offer a range of activities and give Club members the opportunity of trying different skills.

Breakdancing was an activity that several Arts Team Members soon found themselves involved in. Having no skills themselves the Team ran an all-day Breakdance Workshop in December based in two Clubs, Roxburgh House, Stroud in the morning and Westfields, Cheltenham in the afternoon. Crazy Crew, a semi professional Breakdance team from Birmingham, came down and gave demonstrations and instruction. They then 'challenged' Gloucestershire youngsters who came from all over the County, for the event. The Arts Team followed this with a series of 'challenges' around the County to find the 'top crew'. Thus a crew from Grosvenor Youth Club took part in the Regional round of the N.A.B.C. National Breakdance Championships where they were runners-up and one of their members, Simon Anderson won the individual championship. He now goes forward to the National Finals in October.

The Arts Team Project was something completely new for the Association - a scheme that has subsequently been copied in other counties - and we have been pleased with the feed back received from Clubs. It was our intention to run a second Project based on the Arts but including additional activities. Unfortunately the impending loss of our office accommodation and difficulties with the Youth & Community Workers Union have meant that we have postponed these plans for the time being.

NATIONAL SUCCESSES

A full account of the Association's Sports and Activity programme - which forms an important part of our service to Clubs - is given later, but we wanted to give special mention to the outstanding efforts of several Clubs and individual members who have gained national recognition during the year.

Encouragement from Arts Team members led to several Clubs entering murals that their members had painted on their

building in the Dulux sponsored N.A.B.C. Make-a-Mural Competition. Congratulations go to Sandycroft Youth Club, Churchdown for winning this national competition with a mural painted all around their Club depicting the changing music scene from the 50's to the 80's. The judges felt their efforts could be used as an inspiration to many other Clubs to use murals to transform what would otherwise be rather dreary buildings. Matson Youth Club Gloucester with a clown painted on an outside wall of their Club, and the Whaddon & College Boys' Club painting of 'Rocky' in their main hall (see front cover photograph) have also won national awards.

Gloucester Gordon League once again became the N.A.B.C. National Seven-a-Side Rugby Champions, a title that they have almost made their own having won the event more times over the years than any other Club in the country.

Considerable skill at Table Tennis found among members of Nailsworth Boys' Club was clearly evident in the County, Regional and National Finals of the N.A.B.C. Table Tennis Championship. 10 of their Club members dominated our County round and 7 went on to become Regional Champions. In the National Finals Keith Rodway and Neil Gingell were the winners of the Under 16's Doubles and Steve Rodway and Andrew Stratford won the Under 14's Doubles.

Each year two Club Members carry messages to H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester to mark the Launching of Club Week. We were represented in October '84 by Andrew Reece of Gotherington Boys' Club and Derek Lawrence of Matson Youth Club who both entered into the spirit of the event by going in fancy dress, depicting the theme 'Boys Clubs in the Future'. As a result Andrew was invited to become part of the N.A.B.C. float in the Lord Mayor of London's Annual Show. The Lord Mayor was so pleased with the N.A.B.C.'s contribution that he offered a prize of being his personal guest at a Banquet in the Guildhall later in the year to the boy who wrote the best essay. Andrew's essay won him a most memorable day in London, culminating in his sitting next to the Lord Mayor during the Banquet.

It has become an established tradition for a group of boys from a County to conduct the Service during the South West Regional Conference and 1984 was Gloucestershire's turn. We asked three members of Coleford Youth Club to undertake this task for us and they did so in a most outstanding manner. Chris Tose, Mark Brown and Paul Cutler conducted the Service in a most confident and sincere style, including a short drama presentation which enabled them to get over their message in a humorous yet effective way. For many delegates the Service was one of the highlights of the Conference.

FUND RAISING

Like many voluntary organisations the need to raise funds is always with us. We are particularly fortunate to have among our supporters people who are prepared to become fully committed to this task. Dorrie and Arthur Brown once again organised two outstanding musical events which were both very pleasant for the guests and financially beneficial for the Association. We are most grateful to Lord & Lady Vestey for the use of their home at Stowell Park as the venue for a Piano Recital given by Peter Frankl and to the Headmaster of Cheltenham College for once again allowing us the use of Thirlestaine Long Gallery for our now Annual Carol Concert given by the Thameshead Singers.

A novel fund raising event was organised by us last October when - with the permission of the Governor - we challenged teams to take part in our 'Sponsored Jailbreak' and get as far away from Gloucester Prison as they could in 12 hours without breaking the law or spending any money. We were delighted with the response; 22 teams took part all suitably dressed, some with ball and chain. In doing so raised £3,400 which we shared with 17 other Charities. The 'Flying Billets' a team from Indalex Ltd won the trophy for travelling the farthest in the 12 hours - they got to Biarritz (12 kilometres from the Spanish border) France and back to Bristol in the time allowed. Other teams got

to Calais, John O Groats, Lands End, Edinburgh, Newcastle, London and Tewkesbury! The MAD Larks were awarded the trophy for the most novel means of escape and the Brockworth Breakers and a team called L.U.S.T. were both given a trophy for being the most convincingly dressed teams of 'convicts'. The trophies - we thought they were appropriate - pairs of handcuffs (kindly donated by the manufacturers, Hiatt & Co., Birmingham) mounted on a plaque.

NEW OFFICE WANTED

We finish what we believe to have been a most successful year with a further challenge on the horizon. Cheltenham College, who have been our most generous landlords for many years, now find that they no longer need 91 Montpelier Terrace, and the property is to be sold. This has given us the opportunity of seeking a permanent Office building which we hope will also provide a Committee/Seminar room, which can be made available to Clubs and used as a Training facility.

Cheltenham Borough Council have been approached and offered a site for which outline planning permission is being sought. We hope to build a prefabricated unit which while being cheaper than conventional building, is still a very good investment. The basic outgoings are not anticipated to be any more than those being paid at present in rent.

APPRECIATION

The Association is very grateful for the generosity extended to us by so many individuals and organisations. We would like to record our thanks to the Gloucestershire County Council, the National Association of Boys' Clubs, Smiths Charity, the Sir Cyril Kleinwort Charitable Settlement as well as the many other Trusts, Companies and individuals for their substantial support. We are grateful to the many Companies who sponsored our many Sports Events and the many individuals and organisations who make their services and facilities so readily available to us.

The strength of our movement lies in the very many volunteers, without whom we would not be able to function and then our work would be either left undone or become an ever increasing burden on the rates. Our sincere thanks to everyone who make our work with the young people of Gloucestershire possible; Members of our Executive, Training, Fund Raising and Sports Committees; Leaders, Helpers and Management Committees of our Clubs; Staff of the Glos. C.C. Youth & Community Service and many Tutors and Speakers who support our Training Courses, as well as the staff of Cowley Manor, Poole & Dorset Adventure Centre and Plas yr Antur, Fairbourne. Last but not least, the Officers of the N.A.B.C. for much practical help and support continually given.

DENNIS FREDJOIN Chairman
BRIAN PARKER Organising Secretary

SPORTS & ACTIVITY REPORT 1984-85

Angling opened our 1984-85 season with the Gotherington Boys' Club taking a party to Yorkshire to compete in the National Competition. Also 69 boys from 15 of our Clubs enjoyed a reasonable morning's fishing - 48 caught something - at Frampton Lake early in October. In the New Year after the original date had been called off due to flooding, another competition was held at Eckington on the River Avon when 51 boys competed over a three hour period with about half the number landing fish!

County Football trials for the N.A.B.C. Gillette Trophy proved somewhat of a disappointment with only 20 players turning out on the day from the 35 entered. However, an able squad representing 5 Clubs was selected and following a practice game playing on I.C.I. Fibres ground at Brockworth, we comfortably beat Somerset Association by 2 goals to nil. After two cancellations due to bad weather we eventually travelled to Berkshire to play under floodlights, and unluckily lost by the odd goal in three.

Again the Inter-Club Pool Competition was popular, starting in October with 22 teams competing from 11 Clubs, the final being played in the New Year.

Regrettably no interest was forthcoming for the N.A.B.C. Boxing Championships this time.

Following the previous season's increase in numbers, this was maintained for the Badminton event where the competitors enjoyed the excellence of the Westbury Homes Ltd Sports Hall to play in. Players from 4 Clubs qualified to compete in the N.A.B.C. Regional Finals.

Also we saw an increase in numbers for the Swimming Gala at Archway School, Stroud where entrants not only provided good competition, but were also very enthusiastic spectators when not in the water.

Gloucester Leisure Centre was used for the first time as a venue for the ever popular Five-a-Side Soccer and due to having the facility to play two matches at the same time a full programme can be completed in a shorter time, with teams not waiting so long between games. Four competitions were staged for different age groups, three of which led to the winners qualifying for the N.A.B.C. Regional Championships but alas this season no Club made it to the National Finals.

Our Chess event attracted a slightly better entry than the previous year, there is still need for an increase however. Keen competition took place and we were represented in Birmingham at the National N.A.B.C. Chess Championships.

With our best entry for four years some 80 players displayed their skills, in teams of four, at the Annual Darts Championships. We have now acquired our own darts equipment which eases the staging of this activity. Winners from each age group qualified to play in the N.A.B.C. Regional Finals.

Our initial attempt to run the annual Cross Country races had to be called off, with only 3 Clubs showing interest due to others being committed to other weekend activities, and consequently we were unable to be represented in the N.A.B.C. National Cross Country Championships at Trentham Gardens. Later however, we had good support when this was run as an evening event on a course adjacent to the Matson Youth Club. 78 runners took part - 41 in the Colts event - 20 Boys and 16 Youths. Why oh why do N.A.B.C. continue to stage the National event so early!

Although numbers could have been better a good day's fun and competition took place during the Multi-Sports Tournament, held once again at the Stonehouse Youth Club.

Our popular .22 Rifle Shooting event produced an increased entry that nearly altered our competition procedure, but numbers were such that we were able to continue as normal with each team shooting twice and the top 4 teams from the aggregate scores qualifying for the final stages.

G.A.B.C. teams, having won their respective sports during the Association's activity programme, qualified to take part as usual in the South West Regional Festival of Sport competing against their peers from Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Wiltshire & Avon, and Bristol, which this time was held at the Yate Sports Centre.

Noteable success was achieved with our representatives winning 2 Badminton events and 2 runners up - winning 4 Table Tennis competitions and being runners up in both Five-a-Side Soccer and Darts. From this the winners went forward to compete in the National Sports Finals at the Gloucester Leisure Centre where both the Boys and Junior Doubles pairs from Nailsworth Boys' Club won their respective competitions to become National Champions.

Entering directly into National events, two boys from Coleford Youth Club competed at Golf and Winnycroft won the N.A.B.C. Super Club Under 16's section at the Crystal Palace Sports Centre.

Also entering the N.A.B.C. Open Rugby Sevens event, Brockworth Youth Club were semi-finals in the Main Senior event, Westfields Youth Club semi-finalists, Main Senior event and runners up in the Junior Plate Competition. The hosts for the competition, the Gordon League, won the Junior Plate event and were runners up in the Main Senior event.

Cheltenham R.F.C. Colts played the annual match against the Boys' Clubs of Wales at Treherbert, South Wales and at half-time it looked as if the away side were to record their first win since these games were started 3 years ago, but it was not to be and the Welsh side ran out winners.

As usual Six-a-Side Cricket was played on the Cheltenham College ground on an ideal day for the event, seven teams competed in two leagues with the top two qualifying to play off the final stages on a knock-out basis. Unfortunately only one game of Eleven-a-Side Cricket was played by a representative team this season, this being against our old rivals the Avon & Bristol Association to whom we narrowly lost. Other intended matches did not materialise due to other Boys' Clubs Associations not providing opposition.

Unfortunately due to very wet weather, we had to call off our Superstars Tournament but with fingers crossed we are hoping to stage this, again at the Salesion School, Blaisdon Hall, at the end of September.

Canoelists were well catered for whether they were beginners and training weekends were held at Kerne Bridge Adventure Centre, the more experienced on the 50 Mile Canoe Test on the River Wye over the May Day Holiday Weekend, and for the experts the N.A.B.C. 100 Mile Canoe event on the Rivers Severn & Teme which finished at Wainlodes Hill, Gloucester.

We acknowledge and thank the following for their support during the past sporting season :-

WESTBURY HOMES LTD - Providing their Sports Hall for
BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

STONEHOUSE YOUTH CLUB - Providing their Club for
MULTI-SPORTS COMPETITION

GROSVENOR YOUTH CLUB - Providing their Club for
DARTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

CHELTENHAM COLLEGE - Providing their Ground for
SIX-A-SIDE CRICKET COMPETITION

CHELTENHAM COLLEGE - Providing their Sports Hall for
TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

DOWTY RIFLE CLUB - Providing their Club House for
.22 RIFLE SHOOTING EVENT

DOWTY SPORTS & SOCIAL SOCIETY - Providing their Sports
Ground for COUNTY FOOTBALL TRIALS

ICI FIBRES, BROCKWORTH - Providing their Sports Ground for
COUNTY FOOTBALL MATCH

WHADDON & COLLEGE B.C. - Providing their Club for
COUNTY FOOTBALL PRACTICE

BROCKWORTH YOUTH CLUB - Providing their Club for
COUNTY FOOTBALL MATCH

ARCHWAY SCHOOL, STROUD - Providing their Swimming Baths
for SWIMMING COMPETITION

SALESION SCHOOL, LONGHOPE - Providing their Grounds for
SUPERSTARS

WESTFIELDS YOUTH CENTRE - Providing their Club for
CHESS & POOL FINALS

MATSON & WINNYCROFT CLUBS - Providing their Facilities for
CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

GOTHERINGTON BOYS' CLUB - Providing their Club for
CRICKET MATCH

FRAMPTON ANGLING ASSN. - Providing their Waters for
FISHING EVENT

CHELTENHAM ANGLING ASSN. - Providing their Waters for
FISHING EVENT

SPONSORSHIP OF EVENTS

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK Montpellier Branch, Cheltenham	-	.22 RIFLE SHOOTING
BARCLAYS BANK Montpellier Branch, Cheltenham	-	TABLE TENNIS
STROUD CREAMERY	-	CANOEING
CHELTENHAM & GLOUCESTER BUILDING SOCIETY	-	MULTI-SPORTS EVENT

As can be seen from the above we are fortunate to have support from many walks of life and in addition to those listed can be added others - our Sports Committee/Helpers, Member Clubs, Youth Officers and Workers and other individuals to whom our appreciation and thanks are extended for their continuing support to enable our work with young men to continue.

TONY CRANE Assistant Organising Secretary

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT AND SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31st March 1985

We have again included only a summary of the accounts in the Annual Report since we consider that this will provide the majority of our readers with a clearer picture of the Association's financial position and further copies of the detailed audited accounts have been sent out to our major subscribers. Further copies are available upon request or can be inspected at the Association's office.

The summary on the next two pages shows that the Association has had another very successful year although, despite very generous contributions for the Kerne Bridge development, grants and donations have decreased marginally. We are once again indebted to Gloucestershire County Council and to the many individuals, trusts and companies who support our work.

The income from industrial training courses has decreased as a result of fewer places being taken up, but this activity has again made a very substantial contribution towards our costs. At Kerne Bridge we have benefited from increased receipts and lower expenditure.

During the year advantage was taken of favourable long-term interest rates to invest a large part of the Association's funds in government stocks. The majority of the remainder will be required to help finance the redevelopment work at Kerne Bridge.

JAMES W JACK
Honorary Treasurer

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS, YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1985

<u>Income and Expenditure</u>	<u>1985</u> £	<u>1984</u> £
Income:		
Grants and donations (see note 1)	21,355	21,891
Gross contribution from industrial courses (see note 2)	9,356	12,765
Kerne Bridge (net of expenses)	4,324	(3,021)
Jailbreak	1,717	-
Club Week	784	66
Interest received	4,576	2,888
Club subscriptions	347	356
Miscellaneous	124	117
	<u>42,583</u>	<u>35,062</u>
Less: Expenditure		
Staff	25,898	22,332
Office	3,625	3,221
Motor and travel	3,163	3,071
Sports events	161	360
Miscellaneous	558	162
	<u>33,405</u>	<u>29,146</u>
Surplus for year	9,178	5,916
Add: Surplus brought forward from previous years	44,559	38,643
Accumulated surplus carried forward	<u>53,737</u>	<u>44,559</u>
Comprising:		
Property and vehicles (at cost less depreciation)	4,427	4,619
Investments (at cost)	31,048	1,048
Bank balances	18,474	40,921
Amounts owed to the Association	5,308	5,341
	<u>59,257</u>	<u>51,929</u>
Less: Amounts owed by the Association	5,520	7,370
	<u>53,737</u>	<u>44,559</u>

NOTES

<u>1 Grants and Donations</u>	<u>1985</u> £	<u>1984</u> £
Gloucestershire County Council	13,347	12,902
Smiths' Charity	1,000	2,000
Sir Cyril Kleinwort Charitable Trust	1,000	1,000
Ernest Cook Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	1,000	-
National Association of Boys' Clubs (re Whaddon & College Boys' Club)	-	505
Dowty Charitable Trust	500	500
Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund	-	400
Langtree Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	500	100
Dulverton Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	500	-
J Rank (1942) Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	500	-
Woodlands Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	500	-
George Cadbury Fund	300	300
National Association of Boys' Clubs	200	770
Cheltenham Borough Council	200	200
A Cadbury Trust (re Kerne Bridge)	200	-
Miscellaneous	1,608	3,014
	<u>21,355</u>	<u>21,891</u>
2 Industrial Courses		
Income from courses	27,040	41,536
Less: Direct course expenses	17,684	28,771
Gross contribution to Association	9,356	12,765
Less: Indirect Association costs	8,842	9,676
Net contribution to Association	<u>514</u>	<u>3,089</u>

NAMES OF AFFILIATED CLUBS AND LEADERSBEECHES GREEN CATHOLIC YOUTH CLUB

Mrs M Towell, Tymar, Field Road, Whiteshill, Stroud, GL6 6AH

BLAKENEY YOUTH CLUB

Mr S Bolton, 42B Allaston Road, Lydney, GL15 5ST

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Mr A Freegard, 18 Station Street, Cinderford, Glos GL14 2JW

BROCKWORTH YOUTH CLUB

Mr T Burnell, Court Road, Brockworth, Gloucester GL3 4ET

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DOWN HATHERLEY BOYS' CLUB

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GROSVENOR YOUTH CLUB

Mr R Winterburn, Grosvenor Youth Club, Grosvenor Street, Cheltenham
GL52 2S9

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Mrs J Williams, Hereford Lads' Club, Widemarsh Common, Hereford.

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Mr J O'Leary, Training Department, I.C.I. Fibres Ltd, Brockworth,
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LYDNEY AMATEUR BOXING CLUB

Mr S Brooks, 5 Alderdale, Lydney, Gloucestershire

LYDNEY YOUTH CLUB

Mr E J Wanklyn, Lydney Community Centre, Naas Lane, Lydney, Glos

MATSON YOUTH CLUB

Mr R Pipe, Matson Youth Club, Matson Lane, Gloucester GL4 9DX

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Mr A Brooks, Minchinhampton Youth Centre, Tobacconist Road,
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MORETON-IN-MARSH YOUTH CLUB

Mr S Bradshaw, Moreton-in-the Marsh Youth Club, Moreton-in-
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THE MOORS & ELMFIELD CLUB

Mr C Fay, 20 Stanwick Crescent, Cheltenham GL51 9LQ

NAILSWORTH BOYS' CLUB

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NORTHWAY YOUTH CLUB

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REDNOCK SCHOOL BAND

Mr J Morris, 4 Ashmead Green, Cam, Dursley GL11 4BY

ROXBURGH HOUSE YOUTH CENTRE

Mr M Haddock, Roxburgh House Youth Centre, Nelson Street,
Stroud, Glos

ST. MICHAEL'S BOYS' CLUB

Father Aiden Murray, Salesian School, Blaisdon Hall, Longhope,
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SANDYCROFT YOUTH CLUB

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66 STAR YOUTH CENTRE

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STONEHOUSE YOUTH CLUB

Mr I Barnett, Stonehouse Youth Club, Elms Road, Stonehouse,
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SWIFTS BOYS' CLUB

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TEWKESBURY YOUTH CLUB

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WHADDON & COLLEGE BOYS' CLUB

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WHITESHILL & RUSCOMBE YOUTH CLUB

Mr I Mitchell, 76 Bath Road, Stroud, Gos GL5 3LE

WINCHCOMBE YOUTH CLUB

Mrs P Webb, Winchcombe Youth Club, 7 Gretton Road, Winchcombe

WINNYCROFT CLUB

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WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE YOUTH CLUB

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WORCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Mr J Palacio, 6 Nailsworth Close, Blackpole, Worcester

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Mr N Clift, 9 Jubilee Avenue, Woodend Fields, Cam, Nr Dursley,
Glos

BERROW WOOD SCHOOL

Mr A Gorton, Principal, Berrow Wood School, Redmarley, Gos

BREAM YOUTH CLUB

PC A Barrow, Police Station, Bream, Gos

CHIPPING CAMPDEN YOUTH CLUB

Mr P Twilley, Centre 65, Cider Mill Lane, Chipping Campden,
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LYDNEY JUDO CLUB

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MITTON YOUTH CLUB

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NEWNHAM YOUTH CLUB

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RAMBLERS YOUTH CLUB

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REDDINGS YOUTH CLUB

Mr C Evans, 34 Springfield Close, The Reddings, Cheltenham GL51
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RISING STAR YOUTH CLUB

Mr Moolah, 53 Millbrook Street, Gloucester GL1 4BW

STROUD VALLEY CANOE CLUB

Mr C Frith, Old Coach House, Mount Vernon, Rodborough, Stroud

THE H.I.T. CENTRE

Mr J Williams, 15 Aconbury Avenue, Hereford

WOODMANCOTE YOUTH CLUB

Mr R Clarke, 42 Oxbutts, Woodmancote, Cheltenham

WINNERS, RUNNERS UP and COUNTY REPRESENTATION
in GABC COMPETITIONS

BADMINTON

- BOYS SINGLES: 1st S Freeman (Nailsworth BC) *
2nd R Lambert (Coleford YC)
- DOUBLES: 1st S Freeman & P Wicks (Nailsworth BC)
2nd M Lewis & N Hayward (Coleford YC)
- JUNIOR SINGLES: 1st S Brown (Coleford YC) *
2nd A Hancock (St Michaels BC)
- DOUBLES: 1st A Hancock & D Pritchard (St Michaels)
2nd R Cole & R Cooke (Nailsworth BC)
- SENIOR SINGLES: 1st C Tose (Coleford YC)
2nd A Wagstaff (Coleford YC)
- DOUBLES: 1st C Tose & A Wagstaff (Coleford YC)
2nd P Bell & R Lyes (Stonehouse YC)
- COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Nailsworth BC, Coleford YC,
Whaddon & College BC
- * N.A.B.C. Regional Champions.

CHESS

- WINNER: D Sayce (Moors & Elmfield Club)
- RUNNER UP: J Trebitt (St Michaels BC)
- COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Moors & Elmfield Club

CANOE TESTS

- 50 MILES: (Sponsored by Stroud Creamery) Nailsworth BC,
Bourton-on-the-Water YC, Rank Xerox Apprentices,
McEvoy Apprentices' Association
- 100 MILES: (Sponsored by Cheltenham & Gloucester Building
Society) Walker Crossweller Apprentices' Assc.

CRICKET

Match played against Avon & Bristol Association of Boys'
Clubs, Hatherley, Winnycroft, Stonehouse, Gotherington.

CROSS COUNTRY

COLTS: 1st J Farmer (Winchcombe YC)
 2nd S Pope (Winnycroft Club)
 3rd M Greenway (Nailsworth BC)

TEAM: 1st Nailsworth Boys' Club
 2nd Winchcombe Youth Club
 3rd Winnycroft Club

BOYS: 1st M Hale (Winnycroft Club)
 2nd G Marshall (Winnycroft Club)
 3rd S Caudle (Whaddon & College BC)

TEAM: 1st Winnycroft Club
 2nd Whaddon & College Boys' Club
 3rd St Michaels Boys' Club

YOUTHS: 1st K Murphy (St Michaels BC)
 2nd T Davis (Winnycroft Club)
 3rd S Williams (Moors & Elmfield)

TEAM: 1st Winnycroft Club
 2nd Whaddon & College Boys' Club

DARTS

JUNIOR: 1st St Michaels Boys' Club
 2nd Winchcombe Youth Club

SENIOR: 1st Winnycroft Youth Club
 2nd Moors & Elmfield Club

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Winchcombe YC & Winnycroft YC

FISHING

AUTUMN
 WINNER: Rank Xerox App.Assn. RUNNER UP: Matson YC
 TEAM: Rank Xerox App.Assn. RUNNER UP: Matson YC

SPRING
 WINNER: Tewkesbury Youth Club RUNNER UP: Roxburgh House
 TEAM: Tewkesbury Youth Club RUNNER UP: Roxburgh House

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Gotherington Boys' Club
 at National Event.

FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL
 (Sponsored by BIACTOL Ltd)

U.12 WINNER: Winnycroft Club
 RUNNER UP: Whaddon & College Boys' Club

U.14 WINNER: Winnycroft Club
 RUNNER UP: Moors & Elmfield Club

U.16 WINNER: Whaddon & College Boys' Club
 RUNNER UP: Winchcombe YC) Joint
 Hereford Lads Club) Finalists

U.19 WINNER: Westfields Youth Club
 RUNNER UP: Winnycroft Club

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Winnycroft Club, Whaddon & College
 Boys' Club, Westfields Youth Club.

FOOTBALL

(Sponsored by Gillette)

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Longford Junior Football Club,
 Cheltenham Saracens, Whaddon & College Boys' Club,
 Moors & Elmfield Club.

Matches played against Somerset Association of Boys' Clubs,
 Berkshire Association of Boys' Clubs, Whaddon & College OB.

GOLF

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Coleford Youth Club

MULTI-SPORTS EVENT

(Sponsored by CHELTENHAM & GLOUCESTER BUILDING SOCIETY)

WINNERS: Winnycroft Club RUNNER UP: Stonehouse YC

.22 RIFLE SHOOTING

(Sponsored by NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK plc)

WINNERS: Matson Youth Club RUNNER UP: Rank Xerox 'B'
 Appr.Assn.
 HIGHEST SCORE: Rank Xerox Apprentices' Association 'C'

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Match against Boys' Clubs of Wales played at Treherbert
by Cheltenham Rugby Colts.

SEVEN-A-SIDE RUGBY

COUNTY REPRESENTATION: Westfields YC, Brockworth YC,
Gordon League

SIX-A-SIDE CRICKET

WINNERS: Winnycroft Club
RUNNER UP: Whaddon & College Boys' Club

SWIMMINGTEAM EVENTS

U.13 WINNER: Whaddon & College Boys' Club
RUNNER UP: St Michaels Boys' Club
U.15 WINNER: St Michaels Boys' Club
RUNNER UP: Moors & Elmfield Club
U.17 WINNER: St Michaels Boys' Club
RUNNER UP: Nailsworth Boys' Club

TABLE POOL

WINNERS: Westfields Youth Club
RUNNER UP: Matson Youth Club

SUPERSTARS

Postponed to Autumn 1985, due to bad weather.

THE RAMBLERS SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

WINNERS: Moors & Elmfield Club

N.A.B.C. SUPER CLUB

WINNYCROFT YOUTH CLUB - Winner Under 14's Event

N.A.B.C. MURAL COMPETITION

WINNERS: Sandycroft Youth Club
COMMENDED: Matson Youth Club & Whaddon & College BC

N.A.B.C. BREAKDANCING

WINNERS: Grosvenor Youth Club

TABLE TENNIS

(Sponsored by BARCLAYS BANK plc)

BOYS SINGLES:

1st A Stratford (Nailsworth BC)
2nd S Rodway & S Freeman (Joint) (Nailsworth BC)

BOYS DOUBLES:

1st S Rodway & A Stratford (Nailsworth BC) *∅
2nd S Freeman & N Stratford (Nailsworth BC)

JUNIOR SINGLES:

1st K Rodway (Nailsworth BC)
2nd N Gingell (Nailsworth BC)
3rd R Cole (Nailsworth BC) ∅

JUNIOR DOUBLES:

1st K Rodway & N Gingell (Nailsworth BC) *∅
2nd R Cole & G Day (Nailsworth BC)

SENIOR SINGLES:

1st P Vick (Nailsworth BC)
2nd D Peck (Nailsworth BC)

SENIOR DOUBLES:

1st P Vick & D Peck (Nailsworth BC) ∅
2nd S Philp & P Bell (Stonehouse YC)

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

Nailsworth Boys' Club and Stonehouse Youth Club

* N.A.B.C. National Champions

∅ N.A.B.C. Regional Champions

JAILBREAK

Greatest distance travelled in 12 hours:

1st: FLYING BILLETS (Indalex)
 Joint 2nd: M.A.D. LARKS and TEWKESBURY MUSKETEERS

Most Convincing Team of Convicts:

Joint 1st: L.U.S.T. and BROCKWORTH BREAKERS

Most Unusual Means of Escape:

M.A.D. LARKS (Gotherington)

Charities Benefiting From Event

WHITESHILL & RUSCOMBE YOUTH CLUB
 PRESTBURY DAY CENTRE
 WINCHCOMBE & BISHOPS CLEEVE SCOUTS
 RIDING FOR DISABLED
 ALDERMAN KNIGHT SPECIAL SCHOOL
 CROHNS DISEASE IN CHILDHOOD
 BROCKWORTH FREE CHURCH
 P.H.A.B.
 WHADDON & COLLEGE BOYS' CLUB
 SANDYCROFT YOUTH CLUB
 MERRYDOWN LEAGUE OF FRIENDS
 LEUKAEMIA RESEARCH
 SPINABIFIDA
 CANCER & LEUKAEMIA IN CHILDHOOD
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