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HAYTOR—from the North

by Capt. Joyner

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(SEE PULL-OUT SUPPLEMENT INSIDE—AND MANY OTHER PAGES)

FLASHBACK—

Her Majesty the Queen escorted by Major Malcolm Scott, R. Signals



Picture by courtesy of Western Morning News

Summer 1962 and a unique occasion in military history. On her visit to Devon, Her Majesty is provided with a Guard of Honour, for the first time, of Junior Soldiers: Junior Signalmen of Denbury Camp.



The Founder of Ten Tors—Lionel Gregory



Our recent picture of Col. Gregory shows him on the Raj Path (Kings Way), before India Gate. He has, of course, recently toured Asia to gather support for his projected Commonwealth Expedition in the Swat Valley and inauguration of a Commonwealth College, possibly in Kashmir.

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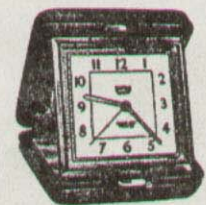
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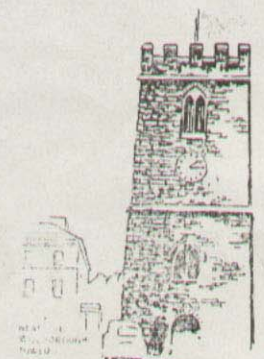
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MAJOR MALCOLM SCOTT, ROYAL SIGNALS

In the summer of 1961 the Regiment was very fortunate in that Major Scott was posted to Denbury from HQ, Singapore Base District. He is, of course, well known in the Royal Signals; perhaps most of all for his work as Corps representative at Mons OCS, Adjutant 51st (Highland) Divisional Signal Regiment, as GSO 2, The War Office (1957), when he was responsible for the new range radio re-equipment programme, as well as his more recent appointments.

Major Scott has carried an extremely heavy burden as Second-in-Command and Chief Instructor, which has been recognized now by the War Office as they have made these responsibilities separate appointments.

Major Scott has also been Editor-in-Chief of 'Junior Mercury'; perhaps his best idea in this field being that the new colours used in our editions would be troop colours, and hence the troop issues of this journal were born in February of this year.

Above all, Major Scott will be remembered for his affection for young people. 'Mercury,' on behalf of the Regiment, thanks him for his untiring work here for all the Junior Signalmen, the Junior Ladies of the Balaclava Club, and the Corps as a whole, and wishes him the best of luck with his new job: SO 2 (Planning Staff), GHQ, UK Land Forces.

LIEUT. S. G. PAVEY, ROYAL SIGNALS

An ex-Boy of 1939 vintage, Lieut. Pavey battled through Burmese bamboo during the war, and later served in Hong Kong, where the Drum-Major was a Provost Corporal. He joined the Junior Leaders Regiment in 1961 and became interested in so many activities at Denbury that it would be idle to specify any in particular. Lieut. Pavey is the founder-member of the Friday Night Club for "Grass Widowers" which has become a Denbury institution.

Our picture here shows Lieut. Pavey as RSM. He was, of course, commissioned on May 22 and, after a few weeks with 30 Signal Regiment, will be joining 13 Signal Regiment. We thank him for all he has done for the Regiment and wish him every success in the future.



CAPT. BILL SIMPSON, ROYAL SIGNALS

Capt. Simpson arrived at Denbury from 16 Signal Regiment in April, 1962. He became OC Javelin Troop, and donned the white balaclava with the dark blue tooree. Javelin have always been enthusiasts in that they will tackle anything new with good humour; and with their new OC they broke new ground in adventure training and all sorts of social activities. 22 Signal Regiment, in particular, will be pleased to hear that their troop continues to thrive, under the benevolently critical eye of Capt. A. J. Field.

Perhaps the best-known contribution that Capt. Simpson has made to regimental life has been his encouragement of the Pipers as O. i/c Piping, a position he continued to hold when he became Adjutant in January of this year. A thorough-going Scot, "Skipper Bill" brought a profound knowledge and great love of piping to the Regiment. He is posted to the School of Signals, which will be a cold trip for his Devonian son, Richard, aged six months, and we wish "Good luck" to that very rare bird—a sweet-tempered Adjutant!

CAPT. KEITH ALLWRIGHT, ROYAL SIGNALS

Capt. Allwright came to Denbury just over a year ago from the School of Signals. Previously he had served with 22 Signal Regiment. He has been OC Quadrant Troop, and it is some consolation to "The Reds" to know that on losing their popular commander, he is in fact handing over the troop to his old friend, Lieut. John Bromley.

Basketball has enjoyed a renaissance at Denbury during Capt. Allwright's stay here, but this journal will remember him best as the Business and Circulation Manager of 'Junior Mercury.' The new circulation figure given on P7 is a testament to his work in this field. Capt. Allwright is delighted to be serving once again with Gurkha troops, and we wish him a happy tour and every success in the future.



TEN TORS— ORIENTAL ORIGINS . . .

by Capt. Joyner

If you don't like Ten Tors blame the Chinese.

In September, 1959, whilst the flight of the Dalai Llama from Tibet was current news, I wrote an exercise for Slim Squadron called "Escape to Freedom." This exercise was written around the escape of a mythical figure known as the Druid Llama from Llasa Tor in 1959 B.C.

On 10th September, 1959 (B.C.) the Druid Llama escorted by friendly tribesmen of Jerboa Troop was being led by night through country occupied by hostile tribesmen known as the How Fi Fis from Iron Troop.

Lt. Col. Gregory, Major Parker and myself camped down at Teignhead Farm to see the progress of the exercise.

The moors were in one of those rare moods when all seemed at peace. There was no wind, the sun shone and the only sound came from a nearby brook. As the sun set, Sittaford Tor, beyond the Teign, became bathed in a warm red glow, and some moorland cattle grazing on its slopes completed a picture so attractive that one wanted others to share the experience.

The night was as perfect as the day had been as we set out to meet the Druid Llama at the Kohima Troop camp site.

It was then that the idea of a youth expedition across Dartmoor was born and a new expression "TEN TORS" was soon to be heard about the Regiment.

I wrote a Ten Tors exercise for Slim Squadron which took place the following month in October, 1959 during the General

Election. The Ten Tors selected were manned by Ten Wise Men reputed to have special powers of foretelling the results of the election. All Slim Squadron boys being good citizens were naturally keen to visit the tors in order to discover the latest election situation.

Eleven months later on 16th September, 1960, the first Ten Tors Expedition assembled at Denbury to walk the 50 mile course.

There were 20 Service Teams of 10 members each and one Civilian Team of three only. Of the 203 who started from Haytor only 101 were to survive the long round walk back to Denbury. Six teams only completed the course: one from the Navy, two from the R.A.F., two from the Army (including Francisca Troop led by J/Sgt. Mills), and the one civilian team.

The Second Expedition took place at Whitsun, 1961 and this time a 35 mile course for girls and boys under 16 was added. The finish was moved to Hexworthy and the amount of road walking was considerably reduced.

Results were much better for 83 out of 156 patrols of six completed the course. This included 12 of the 20 teams from Denbury.

Last year the finish was moved to Willsworthy, a far more suitable site, and a 60 mile course for young men between 18 and 20 was added. Entries increased again to 221 patrols but the results were poor for only 83 patrols finished complete and of these only three came from Denbury. Our teams suffered like all the others from the excessive heat on Day One.

Ten Tors 1963 will once again start at Haytor and finish at Willsworthy. Once again we shall see the splendour of a one-time start and the additional load caused by nearly 300 teams will be spread over seven routes. This will be more in keeping with the original

conception. There will thus be greater choice and a requirement for greater map reading skill.

I believe that Ten Tors 1963 will prove to be the turning point. If it is a success then public demand will be sufficiently strong to ensure that the expedition becomes a permanent feature.

It was always intended that, like its big brother, The International Marches in Nijmegen, Ten Tors would become an International Expedition in which patrols from many countries should compete against the elements together.

This is competition in its purest form. It is not a question of who finishes first; it is the sense of achievement gained from finishing as a complete team within the prescribed time which is the reward for many months of hard training.

THE JUDGE SAYS "THANKS" TO TWO YOUNG SOLDIERS

(Courtesy of 'Express and Echo,' Exeter, April 29)

A High Court judge went out of his way at Exeter to thank two young soldiers who voluntarily cut short their leave to maintain the Devon Assize tradition of providing trumpet fanfares each time the judges move in or out of the Assize Courts at The Castle, Exeter.

It happened outside the West Front of Exeter Cathedral after the two judges, in Exeter for the present Devon Assize, had attended Matins in the Cathedral. They are Mr. Justice Thesiger and Mr. Justice Lyell.

As they were leaving the Cathedral, 14 young trumpeters of the Junior Leaders Regiment of the Royal Corps of Signals from Denbury Camp, Newton Abbot, sounded the customary fanfare.

Normally the judges drive off immediately after the fanfare, but yesterday Mr. Justice Lyell, in judicial robes and wig, broke with tradition and walked over to the line of trumpeters in their smart red tunics.

He told Drum-Major Alan Yates, in charge of the young soldiers, that he wanted to thank them for attending to provide the fanfare, and he also



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asked the Drum-Major to pass on his thanks to the two young trumpeters who have been providing the fanfares outside the Assize Courts each day.

They are Boy Trumpet-Major Raymond Fisher and J/Sig. Melvin Mullen, both of Liverpool. They should have been on leave until last Friday, but they returned last Monday to enable them to be at the opening of the Assize in the middle of last week. The judge told Drum-Major Yates that he was grateful to the two men for cutting short their leave.

Then His Lordship returned to his car and the two judges drove off.

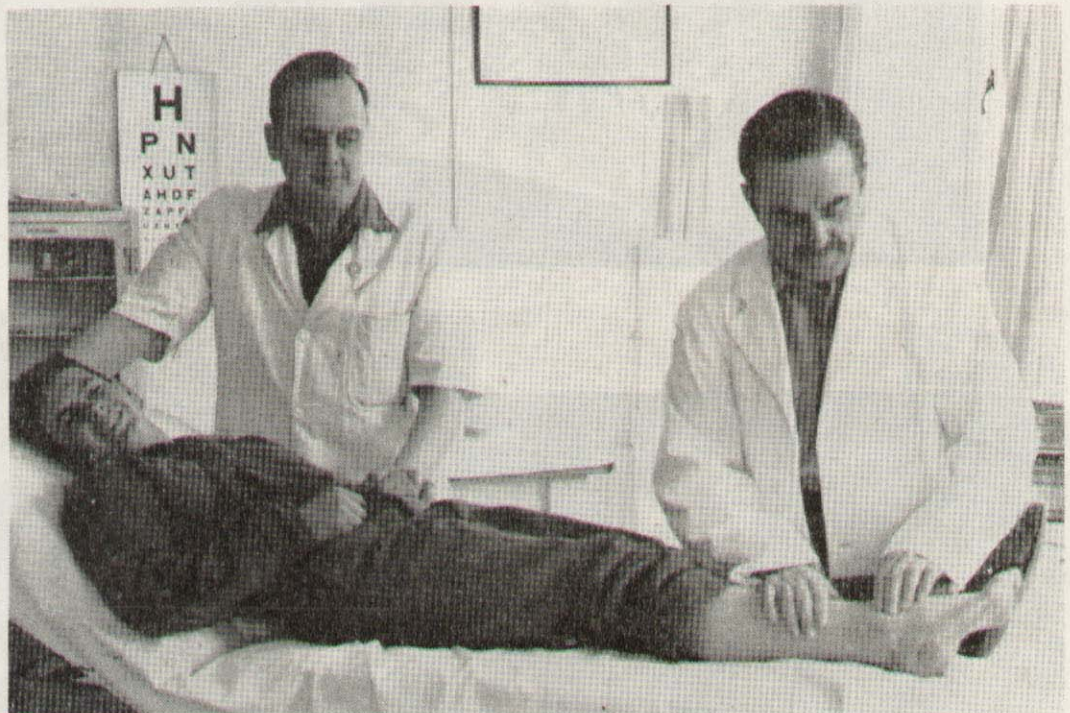


ABOVE: The Regimental Pipers starting the ladies' 25-miles walk at Torquay.
NOTE: This has nothing to do with Ten Tors!



RIGHT: The Medical Officer for the Ten Tors expedition examines a swollen ankle, assisted by Sgt. Donald Taylor. Sgt. Taylor has now completed two and a half years at Denbury, and has been posted to BMH, Kluang.

We all wish him "Good luck and light casualties (!)" for his new appointment.



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LIFE AT DENBURY

The circulation of 'Junior Mercury' has topped the 4,000 mark. For our new readers and for parents of this term's recruits we present a double-page feature of life at Denbury. All the pictures have been kindly lent to us by the Editor, 'Express and Echo,' Exeter, who published them recently, accompanied by a very fine piece of feature writing, "Gateway to Leadership," which reported every facet of life at Denbury Camp.

PICTURES: OPPOSITE PAGE—(Top) A 'Junior Mercury' editorial conference. The Editor (Mr. P. R. Whapham, War Office Lecturer in Current Affairs), discusses with reporters, cameraman and cartoonists, the next issue of the journal. On the extreme left, standing, is J/Cpl. DAVE LAWRENCE, Chief Reporter, and also Editor of "Jimmy's Rag," the Denbury Wall Newspaper. "Jimmy," of course, is the popular Corps name for Mercury, or Hermes, the messenger god of the Royal Signals badge. Bottom left: The Chief Signals Officer, Southern Command, Brig. G. ATKINSON, calls in at the popular Modelling Hobby. Bottom right: Communications, the role of the Royal Corps of Signals in the British Army. Here, Junior Signalmen receive Morse instruction from Sgt. ARNOLD.

THIS PAGE: Top right—Adventure Training out on Dartmoor forms an important part of the Junior Signalman's life.

Bottom left: Sgt. LESLIE teaches [the efficient and accurate use of the 7.62mm self-loading rifle. Bottom right: Miss E. DAVIDSON, of the W.V.S., known affectionately as 'Eve' by our 550 young soldiers. Miss Davidson runs the "Balaclava Club," and helps to organize the social life at Denbury.



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Take care to follow any route instructions between check points.

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35 MILES FOR GIRLS AND JUNIORS (14-16)

1. AISH TOR 704714
2. SHARP TOR 686729
3. TRACK JUNC 647728 (MEP A)
Follow the track to the end before leaving it.
4. FOX TOR 627697
5. SHAVERCOOMBE TOR 595662
6. TROWLESWORTHY TOR 579644
You will now proceed to Gutter Tor, your prepared Camp site.
7. COMBSHEAD TOR 588688
8. HART TOR 581720
9. RD TRACK JUNC 561749 (FEP 1)
You are now 10 miles from the finish, and will be asked to retire if there is no possibility of finishing in time.
10. GREAT MIS TOR 563769
Enter the Beardown Newtake through a gate at Grid Ref 594773.
11. LYDFORD TOR 599782
Leave the Beardown Newtake through a gate at Grid Ref 593784.
12. HARE TOR 551842

50 MILES FOR YOUTHS (16-18)

1. GATEWAY TO HAYFORD HALL AT GRID REF 690673 (MEP D)
Continue up lane to gate at Grid Ref 683673. Continue via HUNTINGDON CROSS at Grid Ref 665662. Do not attempt to cross the R. AVON below this point.
2. SHARP TOR 649617
3. FOX TOR 627697
4. TROWLESWORTHY TOR 579644
You have now completed 24 miles and are within an authorised bivouack area.
5. COMBSHEAD TOR 588688
6. RD TRACK JUNC 561749 (FEP 1)
You are now about 17½ miles from the finish and will be asked to retire if there is no possibility of finishing in time.
7. GREAT MIS TOR 563769
Enter Beardown Newtake through a gate at Grid Ref 594773.
8. LYDFORD TOR 598782
Leave Beardown Newtake through a gate at Grid Ref 607781.
9. LONGFORD TOR 615779
Leave Longford Newtake through a gate about 150 yards west of Higher White Tor at Grid Ref 619787.
10. SITAFORD TOR 633831
Cross Teignhead Newtake entering by a gate at Grid Ref 627833 and leaving by a gate at Grid Ref 630860 or 628855.
11. WATERN TOR 629867.
12. HARE TOR 551842

60 MILES FOR YOUNG MEN (18-20)

1. GATEWAY TO OLD POWDER MILLS 628766 (MPE E)
Follow the route shown on the map OR TAKE AN AUTHORISED SHORT CUT through a gate at Grid Ref 628769 and proceed in general direction WEST end of LONGFORD TOR to a gate at approx. 618776.
2. LONGFORD TOR 615779
Leave Longford Newtake through a gate about 150 yards west of Higher White Tor at Grid Ref 619787.
3. SITAFORD TOR 633831
Enter Beardown Newtake through a gate at Grid Ref 605783 or 593784.
4. LYDFORD TOR 598782
Leave Beardown Newtake through a gate at approx. 603767. Follow south on route shown on map.
5. FOX TOR 627697
6. TROWLESWORTHY TOR 579644
You are now just under halfway and within an authorised bivouack area.
7. SHARP TOR 649617
8. HART TOR 581720
9. RD TRACK JUNC 561749 (FEP 1)
You are now about 15½ miles from the finish and will be asked to retire if there is no possibility of finishing in time.
10. GREAT MIS TOR 563769
11. WATERN TOR 629867
12. HARE TOR 551842

THE ROUTES CAN BE DRAWN IN ON THE MAP (SEE BACK PAGE OF SUPPLEMENT)

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The Ten Tors expedition is a tough and exciting adventure which offers a challenge to courage, endurance and ingenuity.

Lt.-Col. Holfield and the Junior Leaders Regiment of the Royal Corps of Signals have set a most interesting test. No one could describe it as easy, but it should be within the capabilities of all competitors. Those who complete the course successfully will have reason to be pleased with their achievement.

In Great Britain today opportunities for

adventure away from the cities and the factories are not as plentiful as they were. I am sure that all who take part in the 1963 Ten Tors expedition will make the most of this one and enjoy it thoroughly.

J. W. HACKETT.

CAPT. JOHN WALKER, R.A.D.C.

Capt. Walker left Birmingham University, where he trained for his profession some three years ago, and most of this time has been spent as the very popular Dental Officer at Denbury Camp.

The regimental rugby team will miss his advice and training supervision, and the Staff team will lose a fast and aggressive threequarter. We are all delighted that Capt. Walker will not be leaving the area; he is joining a local dental practice at Newton Abbot.

The Regiment congratulates Capt. Walker on his imminent marriage, and hopes to see a great deal of him and his wife in the future.



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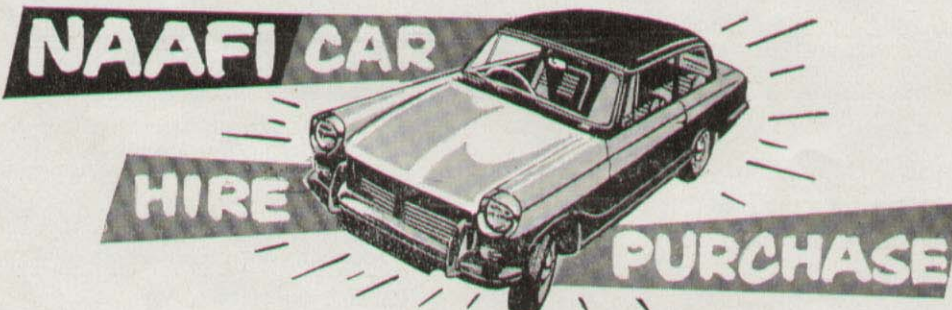
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The exercise took place on the Leighon Estate, between Hound Tor and Hay Tor. We started out from Denbury at 0600 hours on the Friday morning. The troop had been split up into two sides for this exercise, the Moorlanders and the Leighonites. Lieut. Prince commanded the Leighonites and Sgt. Leslie the Moorlanders.

The idea of the exercise was that both armies had to build bridges onto a small island which was nicknamed "Beautisle." For the purpose of the exercise it was said that this isle had a fountain of pure Scotch whisky running there—although this never made much difference. Sabotage was seen on both sides. No sooner had a bridge been successfully erected when it was sent crashing into the water.

The patrol leaders on this exercise were all officers of high rank, like Field Marshal Chalky White, General Reid, Colonel Crudge, and many others. The day was a great success and will long be remembered by the boys of Iron Troop.

The Leighonites had two bridges to construct whereas the Moorlanders had only one; but they had to ferry all their bridge building gear across to the other side of the lake before work could start. Under Sgt. Leslie the Moorlanders soon got across to the other bank. Yes, by dinner time everything was across and work started. If it had not been for Sgt. Leslie, who gave the odd word of advice to his 2IC, General Reid, I don't think their side would have done so well. That day Sgt. Leslie had a wonderful tan, admired by all. Yes, he really went to work on the bridge—clad only in his one piece swimsuit. The day ended, in one big free-for-all in No Man's Land (that being the lake), and we all returned to Camp.

JNR L/CPL. BOB WRIGHT,
(Iron Troop)



PLEASE NOTE:—Part 2 of our Serial "By Schooner from the East" is unavoidably held over until our next issue owing to pressure of space.

SHAKESPEARE ON SOLDIERS.—3

Will you tell me, Master Shallow, how to choose a man? Care I for the limb, the thews, the stature, bulk, and big assemblance of a man! Give me the spirit, Master Shallow. Here's Wart; you see what a ragged appearance it is: a' shall charge you, and discharge you, with the motion of a pewterer's hammer; come off, and on, swifter than he that gibbets on the brewer's bucket. And this same half-faced fellow, Shadow—give me this man: he presents no mark to the enemy—the foeman may with as great aim level at the edge of a penknife. And, for a retreat, how swiftly will this Feeble, the woman's tailor, run off! O, give me the spare men, and spare me the great ones.—(Falstaff recruits the Gloucestershire yokels).



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Recently there appeared on the medium of television, a live broadcast from the French Alps, illustrating the techniques and skills which six of the world's finest mountaineers and rock climbers have perfected, in order to enable themselves to become exactly what they are. This assault of the Aiguille du Midi by these top men in the field—England's Joe Brown was included in their number—was watched by millions of viewers all over Europe. The comments of a few of them that the writer has heard have ranged from 'marvellous,' through 'stimulating,' and finally arriving at the scathing snarl, 'ridiculous.'

It is noticeable, however, that many of the people who associate themselves with the last opinion are those very people who would think nothing of driving a car or riding a motor-cycle at 70-90 m.p.h. on a stretch of country road, endangering not only their own lives, but those of other folk as well. Those who make the former comments realize that mountaineers believe sincerely that theirs is the finest sport in the world, and that for them there is nothing like the zest for mastery over calculated dangers which successful mountaineering and rock climbing gives one. Further to this, one admires the fitness and superb self-control of the really expert climber in the most hazardous and exacting conditions.

One should always remember that the most important consideration in climbing is that of personal judgment which is logical and accurate. It is insufficient for a Joe Brown or a Hillary to know well the techniques of climbing—he must have a yardstick of experience coupled with a sound and well-founded judgment. This only comes after many, many hours in the crags and on the hills. The true climber will climb a difficult climb with relish; but he will not tackle anything if it is obviously dangerous to himself or to others. Only fools do this. The six men tackling the Midi failed to reach the top by only fifty feet, because their judgment told them that the conditions were so bad that unnecessary risks would be involved. They, by virtue of their great experience, were able to assess the variable factors, and make decisions accordingly. Good climbing is a lot more than good technique.

The rewards of climbing are threefold. First, there is the joy of physical exertion; then there is splendour of the view from the top, and finally there is sheer mental and physical satisfaction of overcoming the difficult. As an afterthought, there are

many climbers who hold the view of one well-known mountaineer of the present generation. When asked why he climbed, this young man answered very simply: "For the sheer hell of it." Perhaps there is something in that remark, too. A.C.

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DENBURY v. ACC, ALDERSHOT

In order to create a more competitive spirit in boys cricket this season, the Army Cricket Association decided that an inter-unit knock-out competition would be held for all Junior Leaders Units, Junior Tradesmen's Regiments, and Army Apprentices Schools. The competition is divided into four zones, the winners of each zone meeting in the semi-final.

The matches are limited to 35 overs duration and players must be under 18 years.

In the first round of the competition, the Regiment met the Junior Tradesmen's Regiment of the Army Catering Corps at Aldershot on Saturday, 11th May. The team, captained by J/Sgt. Emmott, travelled to Aldershot on the Friday night and were accommodated at the ACC Training Centre.

The match, played at Clayton Field started at 1130 with the ACC winning the toss and batting first.

The scoring rate was very slow due to the accurate bowling of J/Sgt. Emmott and J/Sgt. Wicks and some good fielding by the rest of the team.

After a few overs, wickets began to fall, Emmott accounting for four and Wicks for three of them.

Lunch was at 1230 and when play resumed it took only 15 minutes to close the innings with the score at 46.

J/Sgt. Raybould and J/Sig. Howard opened the innings for the Regiment and got off to a good start, the runs coming quite quickly. The first wicket fell at 23, but the team then suffered a collapse and were 40 for eight in a very short time. However, J/L/Cpls. Keeping and Simpson stopped the rot and managed to better our opponents score after some very anxious moments. So with the score at 48 for eight we were into the second round of the competition.

Scores: Junior Tradesmen's Regiment ACC 46 (Emmot 4 for 17), (Wicks 3 for 17). Junior Leaders Regiment Royal Signals 48 for 8 (Raybould 19).

Umpire: Sgt. Gaze.



PAUL WICKS at the Nets

DENBURY v. FOXHOLE C.C.

On Saturday, 18th May, the Regiment met Foxhole C.C. at Dartington Hall. This is one of the strongest teams we play and they have a very pleasant ground situated in front of Dartington Hall.

J/Sgt Wicks, captain for the day, won the toss and elected to bat. The bowling proved to be extremely accurate and wickets fell quickly, and the innings closed with only 27 runs on the board.

Foxhole C.C. went into bat at 1530 and despite some good bowling by J/Sgt. Wicks J/SSM. Tivenan and J/Sig. Howard they exceeded our total without loss.

Tea was then taken at 1615. Afterwards, by mutual agreement of the two captains, a 10 overs apiece match was started. This proved a very useful practice match and some lively cricket was played by both teams.

Scores: Junior Leaders Regiment Royal Signals 27 (Tivenan 11 not out); Foxhole C.C. 28 for no wicket.

AQUARIST CLUB

The Canoeing Section has received eight new Viking canoes, and they hope, with the aid of these, to qualify as B.C.U. (British Canoe Union) graded canoeists. The club intends to take full advantage of courses run by the C.C.P.R. for these gradings. Sgt. Markham, the Canoeing Member of the Committee, will act as group leader and be responsible for the organization of the section.

The Sub-Aqua Section.—Sub-Aqua Diving will be restricted to bronze medal life-savers. Until this standard is reached, Junior Leaders will only be allowed to take part in "Snorkel diving."

WO II Hammerton is a very active member of the British Sub-Aqua Association, and has been diving in the Middle East for a number of years. He will be responsible for the organization and running of the section.

The Angling Section.—Already there are more than 40 Junior Leaders who are keen anglers, and they are enjoying plenty of sport. The chairmen of the Newton Abbot A.A. and the Exeter A.A. both welcome our anglers to their clubs. A similar association is being sought at Brixham for sea fishing enthusiasts. Sgt. Smith, a very experienced and keen angler, will be group leader of this section.

The Aquarist Club has certainly caught the imagination of the Regiment and aroused tremendous interest. Already plans are going forward to form a water skiing section, and the Regiment owes a great deal to the energy and enthusiasm of Lt. Martin Gray for organizing so quickly for the Regiment the type of water sports organization that he ran in BAOR. He is, of course, chairman. Other officials, not already mentioned in this new venture, are Lt. Mike Adams (secretary), Mr. J. Fletcher (treasurer), and Sgt. Livermore (admin. officer).



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