

the 2nd level, which he has amply covered each year, weather permitting since 1966. The martial shouts of David Pugh were sadly missing from the Middle level. Military duties permitting, he has been coming back for OB Day since 1959. A good Colts side took advantage of his absence and won an excellent game. Paul Mantell, Jonathan Howard and John Osborne have given long service to OB Rugby and it was good to see them holding their own in the young and lively Old Bedfordian 1st XV which defeated the School. The Harper twins as ever were on the touch line, sadly injury prevented them from playing.

At a large tea party after the matches the Captain of Football presented a School Shield to Mr Bunny the St. John's Ambulance representative to thank him for his twenty five years' of attendance on the touch line at School, looking after the casualties. We all appreciate his loyal service to School Football over these years.

In the evening the Informal Dinner for Old Bedfordians at the Harpur Suite was a great success and as always it was pleasing to see the ever increasing number of young Old Bedfordians, many of whom had only recently left School, who attended the Dinner. A word of thanks is due to Arthur Nightall for organising this Dinner each year. All his hard work must be rewarded by the pleasure the party gives to all those who come.

We can only now look forward to next year and see if it is possible to return to the years when seven teams represented the Old Bedfordians on this occasion.

F.M.F.

*The following Old Bedfordians made up the six teams that played against the School on December 9:*

Harris, Mantell, Spencer, Lloyd-Williams, Bradshaw, Scrivens, Gee, Johnson, Beazley, Scaglioni, Howard (*Captain*), Pinsent, Mason, Osborne, N. Haynes.

Knight, Lloyd-Williams, Carroll, Wisdich, Bullock, Northern, Farmer-Wright, Scaglioni, Dawes, Penn, Satchwell, Hart, Pringle, Kingston (*Captain*), P. Brown.

Maris (*Captain*), Shanley, Bolton, Crawford, Johnson, Gray, Warren, Bailey, Gravestone, Howe, Amberg, Haynes, Pringle, Fairhurst, Robinson.

Fitt, Fitt, Coates, August, Parkes, Dalzell (*Captain*), August, Elliott, Campbell, Clark, Burrows, Beckett, Greenop, Abrahams, Millard.

Manley, Cowan (*Captain*), K. Miller, Young, Willshire, Gilbert, Jones, Barnwell, Orr, Boodle, Savage, Greenwood, Keaveny, Dorman.

Woodbridge (*Captain*), Fraser, Bebbington, Lake, Tribe, Banks, Tribe, Buller, Humphris, Frary, Tipple, Appleby, Miller.

## Bedfordians Rifle Club

With the new season only a month away, the Club has taken a decisive step forwards to increase its efficiency and expand its activities. Nigel Penn has taken over as Secretary and Tim Elliott is Treasurer and armourer. The Club has entered the Surrey League at Bisley [March 25, May 20, July 1], and plans are afoot for other shoulder-to-shoulder matches. OB day at the School is Saturday March 17, immediately followed on March 18 by our inaugural club championship at Bisley. The Veterans match on Ashburton day is Thursday July 19. If you want to use the club rifle, contact Tim Elliott at the school. If you need any help or information, he and Nigel Penn [29 Castle Road, North Finchley, London

N12 9EE – phone 01 446 3859] will do what they can. If you have not heard directly from the Bedfordians RC Secretary, or would like to join the club, please get in touch. Finally, our congratulations to Philip Dawes on his performances for the GB team – readers of the NRA Journal will see the full details of his excellent scores in Canada, and to Ian Mounfield who so effectively captained the under-19 GB team (the Athelings) to victory.

T.J.E.

## Pistol Shooting

Andy Stewart reports from the University of East Anglia that he has started an Air Weapons Club absolutely from scratch by persuading the Students' Council to give him a grant of £1,200. We await progress reports.

Tim Gulson is shooting regularly with the National Squad for Air Weapons. We wish him well, and hope he is selected for an England team.

D.A.A.

## Fives

The first half of the 1978-79 season was a curious mixture of the excellent and the unsatisfactory. Of the six scheduled matches, two were won on court, two would have to go down as walk-overs when the opposition scratched, and two were cancelled. For the first time for some years, there was no Christmas Term match against the School.

In an entertaining match at Eastbourne on 11 November, the Old Bedfordians Club beat the Old Tonbridgians by 117 points to 57. The Old Tonbridgians first pair prevented their visitors (if that is the right word) from taking maximum points. In the other court Endersby was in excellent form. It was a satisfying win, especially as the opposition appeared to be at full strength.

Details:- S. V. Bevan and P. L. Pickett beat A. Bartlett and R. Brewer, 15-6, 12-15; beat W. Gunyon and D. Moxon, 15-8, 15-6. M. C. Daniel and S. J. Endersby beat Gunyon and Moxon, 15-6, 15-5; beat Bartlett and Brewer, 15-4, 15-7.

On 26 November at Sandy Lodge, the Old Bedfordians Club beat Merchant Taylors by 269 points to 73. There was a member of the Ingram family on each side (and one extraneous Ingram also), and the opposition also contained the name of Eckert though we failed to persuade the elder of that ilk to play for us!

Details:- S. J. Endersby beat N. Eckert, 15-1. A. D. R. Dawes beat R. Christie, 15-0. P. McD. Ingram w.o. M. Ingram, 15-0. S. V. Bevan beat S. Burroughs, 15-4. P. Camfield beat M. Horn, 15-5. M. C. Daniel beat M. Ingram, 15-2.

Dawes and Endersby beat Eckert and Christie, 15-6, 15-8; beat Ingram and Burroughs, 15-0; beat Horn and Ingram, 15-1. Bevan and Ingram beat Ingram and Burroughs, 14-16, 15-9; beat Horn and Ingram, 15-3; beat Eckert and Christie, 15-13. Camfield and Daniel beat Horn and Ingram, 15-1, 15-1; beat Eckert and Christie, 15-0; beat Ingram and Burroughs, 15-3.

M.C.D.

## The Ousel

We have had letters regarding Ousel no. 897 for November 1977. This issue was short printed, and there were not enough copies to go round. If any OB can spare his copy we should be glad to have it.