

GATHER YE ROSEBUDS INVICTUS

At the end of our return Rugby game against our old Yellow rivals, the score board read 13-11 in our favour. It was a close game, and we were rather lucky to win.

The Yellow side crossed our line three times, while all of our points came from the boot of Bob Barlow.

Right from the start it was clear that the Yellow forwards were out to bustle the Red side. Blackmore scored for Yellow, his try being converted by Wornor.

We were five points down, but being behind at the start is no new experience for our side. From two scrum infringements Barlow kicked a brace of fine goals, putting the Red one point ahead.

The Yellow forwards were not to be denied and once again they smashed the Red defence, but Gillespie saved. Our forwards at last came to life for a few minutes and the McKenzie "brothers", Conder and Wright took play to the Yellow line. A scrum was ruled, Burke gained possession and Swinburne sent the ball under his legs to Barlow, who dropped a neat field goal. Half-time: Red, 10; Yellow, 5.

After the interval our opponents started with a great rattle, but one man, being keen, hung a little too long on to the tail of Capt. Conder's jersey. Result, a penalty which Barlow placed neatly between the posts. Red, 13; Yellow, 5.

Once again Yellow came to the fore and piled on two unconverted tries.

With only a two point lead our side was hard pressed, and it took Skipper Burke and his not too merry men all their time to keep the enemy at bay until the final whistle.

However, we won. "Jeep" McKenzie played a fine game. To Bob Barlow goes the honour of gaining all our points, no small feat for such a hard game.

In order to maintain our unbeaten record it is clear that manoeuvres before a big game should be stopped. It was even a bit tough for the supporters.

A double triumph for the hockey last Saturday, when two old rivals fell to the A and B teams! Neither game was easy - but who wants it that way?

The A game resulted in a win 4 - 0, but up to half time the score was only 1 - 0 after even play. The superior half play of the Battalion side, where Rough, Burton and Faire provide a combination with excellent stick work, was the deciding factor.

Goals were scored by Rough (2), Cox and Wham.

ONE who watched the game with keen interest was the centre forward Simon who received a back injury. He refused to admit himself done, however, and stood in a strategic point waiting for the ball to come withing reach.....

The surprise of the day, however, was the defeat by the B team of the strongest of the other unit sides. Vigorous forward play put them 3 goals up at an early stage.

Then, just before half time the tide began to turn, and ten minutes before the end of the game the scores stood even. Last desperate efforts were made by both sides - and the only other goal went to the 29th.

The scorers were Crawford and Grievos, each with two goals.

Almost in the classification of a Strength Through Joy pastime, dock tennis is played fervently by a number of the officers to compensate for the restrictions on climbing hills. But we do think that when the Padre plays Mr Hammond there should at least be a referee in the ring.

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BUSY B'S

Although running up against keen competition, the Soccer team has nevertheless suffered only one defeat. And after playing together for some time the side has developed excellent combination, with the result that some fine games have been seen.

In a game played a week ago one of the old Battalion rivals was defeated by 3 goals to 1. The game was very even, with our positional play turning the balance.

A really good game on Saturday ended in a draw, 1 - 1. Neal being the scorer.

In a curtain raiser to the big game our B rugby team succeeded in defeating the Yellow side by 8 points to 6.

Our forwards as a whole played quite well. It is a pity that the side does not get the same opportunities for practice together as the A team.

Horgan scored the only try, Greathord converting and kicking a penalty goal.

S	Beaton, Sproule, Neal, Forrester, Woods.	S
O	Stubblings, McDonald, Ponswick.	O
C	Ward, Williamson	C
E	Sharp.	E
R		R