

The Bristol Jewish Recorder



CHESHVAN 5738

NOVEMBER 1977.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

SAM SILVERMAN

NAT SMITH

All communications to
160, Cranbrook Road, or,
36, Oakdale Court, Baymond.

Published on the 1st. of every
month. Material to arrive on
the 24th of the month preceding.

BRISTOL HERBERT CONGREGATION THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROY, BRISTOL.

Synagogue Services:

Friday Evenings 7.30 p.m.

Saturday Mornings 10.0 a.m.

Minister:

Rev. H. Meddal.
66, Harcourt Road,
Bristol 5.
Tel:- 40615

Talmud Torah Classes:- Sunday Mornings.

10.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.

Hon. Sec. Mrs. K. Talint-Kurti,
42, Chewstoke Road,
Bristol 9.

Tel: 681714

Bristol Jewish Ladies Guild:-

Hon. Sec. Mrs. I Springer.
63, High Street,
Keynsham,
BRISTOL.

Tel: Keynsham 3343

Bristol V.I.Z.O. Group:-

Hon. Sec. Mrs. S. Tobias,
23, Pentland Avenue,
Chiltern Park,
Thornbury, Bristol

Tel: 93412531

Both Ladies Organisations hold regular meetings
and functions throughout the year.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday, November 7th.

B.U.J.A.I.S.

Students Union.

8 p.m.

Wednesday, November 9th.

V.I.Z.O. Luncheon.

28 Church Road.

12.30.

Thursday, November 10th.

Bristol Zionists.

The Little House, The Ridgeway, 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 12th.

S.O.S. Dinner & Ball.

The Mayfair Suite.

7.30 p.m.

Sunday November 13th.

Youth Club.

Monday, November 14th.

Bristol Womens Guild.

26 Downs Cote Park.

7.45 p.m.

Monday, November 14th.

B.U.J.A.I.S.

Physics Building.

7.30 p.m.

Saturday, November 19th.

Bristol Zionists.

Israeli Folk Dancing.

Sunday, November 20th.

Annual Remembrance Parade.

Horse Guards Parade, London.

Wednesday, November 23rd.

B.U.J.A.I.S.

The Union.

8.00 p.m.

Thursday, November 24th.

Bristol Zionists.

27 Reedley Road.

8.00 p.m.

Sunday November 27th.

Youth Club.

Monday, December 5th.

B.U.J.A.I.S.

Folk Eve. & Chanukah Party.

The Union.

8.00 p.m.

Sunday, November 27th.

Bristol Womens Guild, Sherry Morning

59, The Dell.

11.30 a.m.

YAHZITES.

Tuesday, November 1st.	Mrs. E. Fox (Bournemouth)	CHESHVAN 20
Friday, November 4th	Miss Lazarus.	CHESHVAN 23
Monday, November 7th.	Mr. J. Malik.	CHESHVAN 26.
Monday, November 21st.	Messrs. Myers Bros.	KISLEV 11
Sunday, November 27th.	Mrs. N. Silverman.	KISLEV 17
Monday, November 28th.	Mr. M. Garcia.	KISLEV 18.
Friday, December 2nd.	Messrs. Myers Bros.	KISLEV 22.
Sunday, December 14th.	Mr. G. Geller.	KISLEV 24.

COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Council Meeting.

The date of the next Council Meeting has been arranged for Thursday, November 17th at 8.00 p.m.

Lottery.

The lottery this month was won by Mr. M. Garcia.

Talmud Torah.

I would be grateful if all those parents who have not yet paid the bill for their child's tuition would do so at once, and so save us much trouble, and the expense of sending further reminders by post.

Julius Burke, Hon. Cashier.

Simchat Torah.

On behalf of the Community we would like to thank the Choson Torah Mr. & Mrs. A. Tobias, and Choson B'rayshit Mr. & Mrs. B. Leffman for the Simchat Torah party they provided for the members. Everyone present enjoyed themselves and the children made short work of the sweets.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

We were sorry to hear of the indisposition of Mr. Malcolm Barnett, who had a recent short stay in Hospital, but is now thankfully recovered and back in circulation.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Dr. Jeffery Culank, who recently underwent an operation, and is now recuperating at home.

Both Anne and Sam Nirenberg have been recently unwell, but fortunately are now recovered.

Continued over.../.../.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL. CONTINUED.

We send wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Betty Lazarus (Mr. Ralph Lazarus's Mother), who is in Frenchay Hospital.

Dr. E. Gold has recently been ill we hear, and we take this opportunity of wishing him well.

We would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Horowitz for donating a three piece suite to the Synagogue for the Committee Room. Thanks also to their son-in-law, Dennis Brooks, for delivering it.

Mr. & Mrs. Horowitz have recently moved to Chippenham to join their daughter and son-in-law. We hope to see them in our midst shortly.

Our condolences and sympathy go to Gerald Gee and his mother Molly on the death of Alf Gee. We wish them both Long Life and freedom from further troubles.

OBITUARY.

On Saturday 14th October Alf Gee passed away at the Edgeware Hospital, London.

Molly and Alf Gee moved to Bristol at the beginning of the War in 1939, together with their son Gerald.

They very quickly became regular faces at all Shool services and social functions. Alf was a man who always had a smile on his face and was always ready to help serve on any committee where he could be of help.

He became Treasurer of J.P.A., and devoted a tremendous amount of his time to organising the appeals on behalf of Israel. His efforts were well rewarded. Alf was also a prominent member of the Synagogue Council, and although he was often hidden behind a cloud of smoke from his big cigar, was a very active and respected member of the Committee.

During the War Alf enrolled in the Auxillary Fire Brigade, for this he was made an Honorary Member of the British Legion.

But Alf will always be remembered by the people who knew him as the jovial card player, dancer, and for his personality.

Molly and Alf Gee left Bristol 3 years ago to live in London, but they left behind their son Gerald who has taken over from his father on J.P.A. and the Council.

To him and his mother Molly Gee we send our sympathy and our assurance that Alf will still live on in our memory.

We wish you all Long Life.

Sam Silverman.

BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION.

At the Annual General Meeting the following members were elected to office:-

President	-	I. Kushner Esq.	
Vice President	-	S.A. Silverman, Esq.	<u>Hon. Auditors.</u>
Hon. Treasurer	-	A. Greenwood Esq.	L. Caplan Esq.
Hon. Secretary	-	A. Tobias Esq.	E. Lever Esq.

Members of Council

H. Springer Esq.
G. Gee Esq.
N. Smith Esq.
T. Holt Esq.
A. Gordon Esq.
H. Seymour Esq.
R. Emmanuel Esq.
Mrs. A. Handel.
Mrs. M. Roberts.

Hon. Life Members.

Mr. S. Bloom was elected life member
He joins Mr. A.E. Morris and
Mr. L.G. Gould.

Representative to Board of Deputies.

Mr. D. Jacobs.
7 Frognal Gardens
Hampstead.
LONDON. *

Ex-Officio Members.

Dr. R. Greenbaum (Talmud Torah)
Mr. S. Nirenberg. (Chevra Chadisha).

BRISTOL WOMENS GUILD.

The next meeting of the Womens Guild will be on Monday, November 14th at 7.45 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Eve Gordon, 26 Downs Cote Park, Bristol.9. An icing demonstration will be given by Mrs. E. Gordon. Will ladies please bring aprons if they want to try their hand at this.

There will be Sherry morning on Sunday 27th November at 11.30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Golda Seymour, 59 the Dell, in aid of Guild funds.

The Ladies Guild cordially invite you to a BUNBROOK Fashion Party at 8.p.m. on Wednesday, December 14th, in the Committee room. Articles for sale by the manufacturers supplying Marks & Spencers, British Home Stores, and other well known stores.

Irene Springer. (Secretary).

BRISTOL W.I.Z.O. GROUP.

A very well attended meeting was held on Tuesday, October 11th at the home of Mrs. R. Curwen. This was the first meeting of the season, and we welcomed two new members Mrs. Lesley Kaplan, and Mrs. Helena Charnack.

A luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 9th at the home of Mrs. Helena Caplan, 28 Church Road. The Hostesses will be Mrs. Caplan and Mrs. Curwen. Please let the Hostesses know if you will be attending. £1.25 donation for Adults, and 50p for Children. 12.30 for 1.p.m.

Continued over.../.../..

BRISTOL WIZO GROUP CONTINUED.

The Jumble Sale held on Wednesday, October 19th, raised £79.00 for our funds. Many thanks to Mrs. Kate Lever for her organisation, and to all the ladies who helped on the day, and to all the husbands who kindly moved the Jumble from the Synagogue.

Sheila Tobias, Hon. Sec.

YOUTH CLUB.

So far, in the last 2 weeks, the response to the Youth Club has been encouraging, with about 20 children turning up. The Club has also been attended by some children from the Liberal Shul. I hope that attendances will grow and that there will be other activities within the Club later, i.e. a Camp perhaps!

There has been a donation from Mr. Wolfe of £10 for the Club, for which we are very grateful.

The next two meetings will be on Sunday November 13th and Sunday November 27th.

Barry Kushner.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE PARADE.

The Annual Remembrance Parade for Jewish Ex-Servicemen and Women will be held on Sunday, November 20th, on the Horse Guards Parade and the Cenotaph, Whitehall. As in the past there will be a contingent from Polak Branch and Bristol A.J.A.X. supporting the Parade.

Any member, or anyone wishing to join the party, please contact either Gerald Gee or Sam Silverman for full details.

Dependant upon numbers travelling there may be car seats available.

S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S.

Don't forget.....

```
*****
*
* THE S.O.S. ANNUAL DINNER & BALL
*
* at
*
* THE MAYFAIR SUITE
*
* SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH. 1977.
*
* 7.30 p.m. to MIDNIGHT.
*
* (DINNER AT 8.15 p.m.)
*
* GRAND TOBOLA: MUSIC BY THE CHECKMATES:
*
* DRESS FORMAL: TICKET £5.50.
*
* (Reduced Rates for Young Adults).
*
*****
```

EVERYONE IS WELCOME - BRING YOUR FRIENDS & RELATIVES
FOR THE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR. BOOK YOUR TABLE NOW!!!

S.O.S. Continued.

IF YOU NEED A LIFT.....

CONTACT: Tony Holt.....Pill 2030
Ike Kushner.....833576
Tony Gordon.....620187
Alan Tobias.....Thornbury 412831
Arnold Greenwood...683954
Gerald Levy.....Thornbury 415342

TOMBOLA GIFTS ARE STILL URGENTLY REQUIRED. IF YOU HAVE
ANYTHING TO COLLECT, PLEASE CONTACT.....ALAN TOBIAS.

BROCHURE FAMILY ADVERTISEMENTS. HAVE YOU PUT YOUR FAMILY
GREETINGS INTO THE BROCHURE, PLEASE CONTACT ..ARNOLD GREENWOOD.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL S.O.S. PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING OUR
SYNAGOGUE. PLEASE HELP US TO HELP YOU, AND WE'LL BE HELPING
EACH OTHER.

P.S. ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR'S FUNCTIONS???

PLEASE CONTACTTONY HOLT.

BRISTOL ZIONIST SOCIETY.

BRISTOL ZIONIST SOCIETY.

BRISTOL ZIONIST SOCIETY.

From: The Honorary Secretary,
Mr. A. Kay.
32, Downs Park East,
Westbury Park, BRISTOL.6.
Tel: Bristol 624276.

PROGRAMME. NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1977.

Thursday, November 10th. at 8.00 p.m.

DOCTOR HENRY HOWARD is a prominent member of the Community. He is a General Practitioner known to have strong views on many issues. He was recently in Israel and has taken many original pictures which he is showing to the Bristol Zionist Society. He has entitled his talk "THE JOYS OF ISRAEL". Those who remember that he took part in last year's debate will recall that he is a forthright speaker and well worth listening to.

Drs. Aggie & Ronnie Greenbaum. The Little House.
The Ridgeway, Falcondale Road. Bristol. 10.

Thursday, November 24th at 8.00p.m.

Once more the Annual General Meeting is upon us. This year we have to elect a new Treasurer, and fill several vacancies on the Committee. We call on all members and would-be members to attend and cast their votes. As the focal point of interest we shall be playing a recording especially sent to us by THE ISRAELI EMBASSY giving speeches on RACISM by CHAIM HERZOG. Israeli Ambassador at the United Nations, and DANIEL MOYNIHAN. U.S. Ambassador at the U.N. (1975 -)

Kate & Ernest Lever, 27 Reedley Road, Stoke Bishop,
Bristol.9.

Continued over.../..

BRISTOL ZIONIST SOCIETY. Continued.

Thursday, December 8th at 8.00p.m.

An exceptional treat is in store for us, no less than Jane Moonman, wife of Eric Moonman, Chairman of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, and a noted member of Parliament, is making a special journey to Bristol to speak on "THE CHARACTER OF THE ANGLO-JEWISH COMMUNITY".

Mrs. MOONMAN is a Justice of the Peace in her own right. She is a Graduate of London University in English, and in Sociology at the L.S.E. She has published books and contributes many articles to magazines and journals. Her host and hostess for the evening will be -

Mavis & Peter Hyams. 21 Redland Grove. Redland.Bristol.6.

ISRAELI FOLK DANCING.

On 19th November the International Folk Dance Society is holding an afternoon of folk dancing - Israeli style! Instruction is given. For further details:-

Phone Eve Levin. Bristol 628985.

TALKS ABOUT ISRAEL.

We continue to give talks to outside organisations on Zionist matters, Israel, etc. Slides and films can be shown.

Contact the Secretary. Tel: 628985 or 624776.

WINE.

We hope to have a small stock of White Israeli wine (Sauternes type) and a Red Kiddush wine in Bristol by the time this programme reaches you.

CHANUKKAH SOCIAL.

Plans are under way for a social event early in December. Details will be issued soon.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY JEWISH & ISRAEL
SOCIETY.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Nov. 7th.

PUBLIC HEALTH & THE BIBLE. A scientific examination of the Jewish Dietary Laws by DR.LINTON.

In: The Gramophone Room. 2nd Floor. Bristol Students Union. Queens Road. at 8.00 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 14th.

Film: POURQUOI ISRAEL,

An intensive and evocative Documentary about Israel and it's current social and ethnic development, by CLAUDE LANDSMAN.

In: G.42 Physics Building, Tyndall Avenue. Bristol.8. at 7.30 p.m.

Continued over.../.../.

Wednesday, Nov. 23rd. Talk: A STUDY OF THE BIG LIE PROPAGANDA
"THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM" by DR. A. SHALON.
In: The Short Bar, The Union, 2nd Floor, (address as
on page 6) at 8.00 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 5th. FOLK EVENING & CHANUKA PARTY.
In: Short Bar, The Union (address as on page 6)
at 8.00 p.m.

Members of the Community are cordially invited to attend.

Clair Callander. Chairperson - Bristol Jewish &
Israel Society.
Tel: 32544.

The following account was written by Naum Meiman, a Moscow-refusenik who first applied for an exit visa in 1974. The former Professor of Mathematics has been constantly refused an exit visa on grounds of "secrecy", though his work has been published.

ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF A REFUSENIK

by Dr. Naum Meiman

The day - it was December 24th - ended well as they released me in the evening. The whole story was quite common-place, but it is worth describing as it was really so very typical.

At seven-thirty in the morning, the local militia man, a captain, appeared at my apartment accompanied by someone in civilian clothes. They demanded that I should come together with them to the office for a "conversation with the superiors".

It is difficult to imagine what are the rights of the local militia man. Had he the right to demand - without an order - that he should be allowed to enter the apartment, that I should show him my documents and accompany him to the office? It is also unclear where one would go to find out about the rights of the local militia man.

However, it is hardly pleasant to be held under seige in one's own apartment. I therefore agreed to come there at nine and the two men left. I learned later that they waited for me at the entrance to the house.

At the office I was met by a young man, who after my refusal to speak with him unless he identified himself, at last introduced himself as the Inspector of the Investigation Department, Yevgeny Ivanovich Ovsyankin. After a short conversation they left me in the office, alone, and locked it. I had no choice but to sit and wait.

At five in the afternoon, after eight hours of being held under lock and key, they turned my arrest into a house arrest and I had the chance of eating and getting some rest. Two hours later I was brought back to the office where I was met by a rather respectable looking man in civilian clothes. The man showed me the cover of some identification card and then I asked him his name and position. He said, "Just call me Nikolay Alekseevich".

When I refused to speak to this Nikolay Alekseevich he answered, "I'll tell you my family name and then they'll tell on the radio, on all kinds of 'Voices' about our conversation.

He added that his superiors (whose names he did not mention), gave him special instructions that I should refrain from passing on information about our conversation.

I answered that I could not give such a promise and furthermore, it was possible that while I was being detained, a report had already been made on the radio. He then warned me that if I did not change my attitude, the Criminal Code could be used against me. He did not offer any violations, or administrative regulation, but nevertheless threatened to put me on trial.

How absurd! Someone who did not state his surname or position, was threatening me in the name of his unnamed superiors with a trial for a crime he did not specify. Contrary to an anonymous warning that one could tear up without reading, such a warning could not be avoided as they keep you locked up a whole day.

I don't think the day December 24th was accidental. It is the day of the Prisoners of Conscience, which is usually marked by a silent demonstration near the Lenin Library. Many of my friends were also detained that day. It is obvious the violations of human rights are clear to all, except for those who do not want to understand.

Published by The National Council for Soviet Jewry.

QUENTIN. Part 2

Tony (Quentin) moved out of the death-trodden room and along the long aimless corridor. It was at this point that Tony (Quentin) broke into an accelerating run, which was a sprint by the time he had reached the exit. He vanished past the guards' hut, and aiming himself with the accuracy of a navigator, so that he went straight through the glass doors with a look of mild surprise, and off down the cobblestoned street. The lonely guard, trapped in his hut, gave a look of amazement, as he attempted to spark off conversation.

"Are you leaving then (Quentin)?" he asked familiarly, and sat for three hours contemplating what Tony's (Quentin's) reply would have been, if he would have answered.

Meanwhile, Tony (Quentin) entered the local police station which he thought was a launderette, and wandered up to the desk and inquired "Where's the washing powder please?". A uniformed man glanced up in disbelief and disappeared into a room behind him. Minutes later the policeman reappeared from the room, accompanied by two other men.

"What was it you wanted?", the first uniform asked.

"Where's the washing powder please? Tony (Quentin) replied innocently. By the policeman's expression he was beginning to think this was not a launderette. After all where were the washing machines?

"I think, sir, that you have come into the wrong place. This is a police station". At this Tony (Quentin) began to perspire, his hands shook nervously. Then, with a swift movement, totally lacking in grace, he retrieved his .4567389201 1/2 from his pocket and shot the first policeman in his forehead, letting loose the red insides. The policeman squinted and pleaded for his last rights. Tony (Quentin) feeling sympathetic towards the other two uniforms, raised his death-piece and made them accompany their friend on his long journey to the head of the 'Beth Din', G-D. As the dying men lay slumped across the desk in front of them, they uttered some grateful appreciation.

"Oh thanks so much, sir. When I can I'll put your name forward for an O.B.E."

"That's alright, anytime. I'll do it again if you wish it" He said honestly.

"No, there's no need for anymore" the two men replied hastily. Then Tony (Quentin) cleared up the BLOODY mess and bought some cigarettes from a nearby machine.

Continued over.../.../...

QUENTIN Part 2 (Continued)

Coming from the police station Tony (Quentin) ran along the High Street and entered his mother's house. Instinctively he ran up the stairs and into his bedroom and collected some articles in a vacant suitcase. Downstairs his mother, pleased to see her son, whom she had not seen for 6 years, was detectably annoyed. "Where do you think you've been, then? For 6 years I haven't even seen you. Then you just rush in, up to your old bedroom to collect your old clothes, and you don't even say Hello!!!! Where have you been? What have you done with yourself? Where are you living? ARE you living? Actually it's a good thing you've come home, as there are some shelves that need putting up. They're in the garage and....." Tony (Quentin) scampered downstairs, ignoring his mother, and left the house through the garden. "Aren't you staying for dinner? And what about the shelves???? And don't you say goodbye!!!! I suppose now that you're a sorter at Grunwick you don't say goodbye any more. Wait until your father hears about this, because you'll get a real good thrashing!!!!!! When I was a little girl, if I was told to d....."

Meanwhile, as his mother bawled on for another 6 years, Tony (Quentin) was on the 3 o'clock train to Dunfermline, to attend the annual conference on "how to combat nepotism".

THE END

OF QUENTIN.

BY BAR

RYSIMON

ONKUSSHNER.

POETRY SHMORTRY.

SHIMOOZE NEWS

Each month when I get the Recorder
I open and read in strict order.
From the start to the last
Then my breathing comes fast
As I savour my favourite author.
Now I know you may think
When he writes as Gazink
His efforts for years have been wasted
I want here to state
"He's a CRACKER"
"He's a mate"
And by all he's APPRECIATED.

MINKS.

Recognition the poet seeks not.
He is more than content with his lot.
That his efforts give pleasure
Is a thought he will treasure
'cos good looks and gelt he ain't got!

This month we are having a Ball -
Which we hope you'll attend one and all
There'll be plenty to eat,
and a guaranteed seat -
The music is sure to enthrall.
Tombola Prizes -
whatever your size is -
drinks at the bar, on a stool.
Dance 'till you're tired,
then go home inspired,
With the thought that you've helped out your Shul.

GAZINK.