

# The Bristol Jewish Recorder.



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AUGUST 1980

BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION  
THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROW, BRISTOL.

## Synagogue Services:

Friday Evenings 6.30 p.m.  
Saturday Mornings 10.00 a.m.

## Minister:

Rev. M. Modell,  
66 Harcourt Road,  
BRISTOL 6 Tel. 40615

## Talmud Torah Classes:

Sunday Mornings 10.00 a.m. to  
12.45 p.m.

## Talmud Torah Hon. Sec.:

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## Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group:

Hon. Secs:  
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26 Downs Cote Park,,  
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Hon Sec:  
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All the three organisations hold regular meetings and functions throughout the year.

## EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

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## FOR YOUR DIARY - - -

SUNDAY 10th AUGUST 8.0pm

Barbecue  
6 Chardstock Ave

MONDAY 11th AUGUST 8.0pm

Ladies Guild Committee meeting  
4 Rockleaze

THURSDAY 14th AUGUST 8.0pm

Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 8.0pm

Ladies Guild Meeting  
160 Cranbrook Road

### YAHZRITES

Saturday 2nd August	Mrs C. Gulank	AV 20
Sunday 3rd August	Mr. P. Winberg	AV 21
Tuesday 19th August	Mrs B. Meisbiser	ELUL 7
Saturday 23rd August	Dr. H. Howard (London)	ELUL 11
Monday 25th August	Fam. of late Mrs E. Fox	ELUL 13
Monday 1st September	Miss H. Campbell	ELUL 20

Dear Readers,

We are deeply indebted to Mr & Mrs D. Goldman, and yet another anonymous reader, for donations to the 'Recorder Fund' this month. You are such lovely people ! . Now then who would like to sponsor the August edition ? . The September ( Yontov Edition) is already sponsored.

Remember all donations go entirely to defraying the cost of printing, postage etc., thereby saving the General Fund.  
Eds.

### COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING - The next meeting will take place on Thursday 14th August at 8.0pm

LOTTERY WINNERS - The May Lottery was won by Mr H. Seymour  
The June Lottery was won by Mrs H. Bloom  
The  $\frac{1}{2}$  yearly prize of £50 won by Mr I Kushner  
The July Lottery was won by Mr I Kushner

### ANNUAL DINNER & BALL

We are urgently needing Tombola Gifts for the Dinner Dance. Would anyone who has items to contribute please contact Mr. G. Levy, Hon Sec, who has kindly agreed to act as custodian.

### "CHOLLAS"

We are reliably informed that M/S Tesco (Penn St) are once again baking Chollas on Fridays only, with a new improved recipe.

### FORTHCOMING FUNCTIONS

Note these dates in your diary -

BARBECUE August 10th

Marks & Spencer Fashion Show - October 21st

Annual Dinner & Ball - November 1st

### HOLIDAYS - The REV MODELL

Would Congregants and organisations please note that Rev Modell will be on holiday from the 29th July until 19th August

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Annual Memorial Service at the Cemetery will take place on Sunday 7th September at 2.0pm

## COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TALMUD TORAH

Talmud Torah Classes will resume for the Autumn term on Sunday 7th September 1980. For practical reasons it is necessary to restrict the new intake of young children to the Autumn term only. They should be no younger than 6 years old, and must be able to read and write English reasonably well. Parents wishing to enroll their children for the new intake this Autumn should notify the Headmaster Mr Alan Tobias (Tel 93-412831) before September 1st 1980

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### YIZKOR FOR YOM KIPPUR

Would members wishing to have Memorial Prayers recited on Yom Kippur, please send Hebrew names and relationship to the President as soon as possible in order to compile a new Yizkor Book.

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESSES

Tony, Evelyn, Miriam and Linsey Gordon have moved (for the last time) to : 15 Downs Park West, Westbury Park, Bristol BS6 7QQ  
Tel No - 6201 87 (same as before).

Harold, Doreen, Joey and Sarah Jane have moved (barring last minute snags) to - 56 Clifton Park Road, Bristol BS8 3HN.  
Tel No not available at time of going to press

Henry, Irene and Laura Springer have moved to 63 High St, Keynsham,  
Tel No Keynsham 68169.

We wish everyone Good Health and Happiness in their new Home(s).

### BRISTOL W.I.Z.O.

The Annual General Meeting took place on the 8th July at the home of Mrs Golda Seymour. The following Officers were re-elected

Chairman	Mrs K. Lever
Cultural Chairman	Mrs K. Balint - Kurti
Treasurer	Mrs B. Burke
Joint Secs	Mrs I. Berkovitch & Mrs E. Gordon
Committee	Mrs R. Curwen, Mrs R. Hershon & the Chairperson of the Womens Guild

We had a successful year and the Chairlady would like to take this opportunity to convey a sincere 'Thank You' to all her officers and members of the Committee for their great support.

### Women's Week :

We had a very successful Women's Week this year, the grand total of £378.00 was reached by the sole efforts of Mrs Golda Seymour. Thank you Golda.

### SOCIAL & PERSONAL

We are sorry to hear that Mrs Anne Nirenberg has been in Hospital and we send her our best wishes for a speedy recovery. ( Anne will be recuperating at home by the time we go to press)

Pleased to see at recent functions that Mr Harold Woolfe and Mrs Anita Pannell are both back in circulation, and making good progress

It is with deep regret that we have to report the death of Mrs Dolly Geller wife of Dave Geller, and sister in law of George, after a long and bravely borne illness. We would like to wish Dave and children, and the Family, Long Life, and Freedom from Further Troubles.

Congratulations to Stephen Silverman who has obtained a B.A. (Hons) 2.1. in Law at the Bristol Polytechnic

Evelyn, Tony, Miriam & Linsey Gordon would like to thank all their friends for the kind wishes received on the move to our new home.

Sam & Anne Nirenberg wish to thank everyone for kind wishes whilst Anne was in hospital.

### BRISTOL JEWISH WOMENS GUILD

Notes for your diary -

Committeemeeting on Monday 11th August at 8.0pm at the home of Mrs G. Sacof.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday 3rd September at 8.0pm at the home of Mrs Rosina Smith.

As a new season of the Guild begins this month we would like to invite all the Ladies of the Community to come along to our monthly meetings especially those who are not already members of the Guild, We are a friendly bunch, and our meetings are always lively and very informal. As you must all be aware this is a very exciting time for the Community, with the new building ready to be constructed in the Autumn and it is every Womens duty to help instal all the equipment needed in the new kitchen, also to furnish the Synagogue with any new vestments that may be required. So please come along and join us in this very worthwhile organisation. DONT forget you may need the use of our new hall for a Simcha in the future, and what could be nicer than to say, Yes, I Helped to make this building into reality.

The Guild would like to personally thank Mrs Golda Seymour, Mrs Kate Lever and Mrs Millie Barnett for there wonderfull work in organising and running the stall of the Guild at the Cardiff Home for the Aged. They raised a grand sum of £122.70. Well done Girls.

I. Springer ( Hon Sec)  
63 High St, Keynsham  
Tel Keynsham 68169



#### SPONSORED WALK AND SPORTS DAY

Although it was a (slightly) damp day. The Annual Sponsored Walk & Sports Day took place at Whitchurch Stadium on July 6th. The spectators may have been small in numbers, and largely outnumbered by the participants, but the enthusiasm of both was enormous. A Considerable amount of work goes into preparation and presentation of this event, and we should record a large vote of thanks to both the organisers and competitors for their efforts which raised £170. for the Synagogue Restoration Fund.

And now.....

The event you have been waiting for.....

The Gourmets Delight.....

THE

BAREFOOT !!!

on

AUGUST 10th

AT

6 CHARDSTOCK AVE COOMBE DINGLE

Egon Roney says " A culinary experience - don't miss it  
The Mishalong Guide " Tremendous value in any currency"

Also recommended by :-

The Stoke Bishop Cycling Club - Westbury on -Trym  
Joggers Club - Coombe Dingle Harriers - Bedminster  
Victualers Association - Redland Ramblers - Compton  
Dando Car Spotters - Thornbury Bird Watchers - Trowbridge  
Tzimmas Appreciation Circle & Many Others

ADMISSION FREE

8.0pm.

FOOD £2.50 (Includes  
all courses plus  
salt & Pepper)

#### FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICES

The Community would like to send congratulations, to our dearly loved Mrs G. Sack, on the presentation by W.I.Z.O of a Silver Badge, in recognition of her long and outstanding services to that organisation.

## MUSEUM OF THE JEWISH DIASPORA - TEL AVIV

BRISTOL - Seaport in S.W. England. Its medieval Jewish Community was one of the more important in England. In about 1183 it was accused of ritual murder ( blood libel) but few details are extant. At the end of the 12th Century one of the archa for the registration of Jewish financial transactions was set up there. In 1210 all the Jewish householders of England were sent as prisoners to Bristol and a levy of 60,000 or 66,000 marks was imposed upon them during the Barons' Wars. In 1266, Bristol Jewry was attacked and the archa burned. Another attack occurred in 1275, though no lives were lost. At this time the Bristol Community received an influx of Jews from Gloucester who were sent there after the expulsion of the Jews from the Queen Mother's Dower towns, and subsequently several Bristol Jews were hanged for coin clipping. The Community came to an end with the expulsion in 1290.

Medieval Scholars of Bristol include Samuel Ha - Nakdan (probably identical with Samuel Le Pointur) and Moses, a descendant of R. Simeon the Great of Mainz and ancestor of R. Moses of London & Elijah B Menahem of London.

In the middle of the 16th Century Bristol was the only English town other than London where Marranos are known to have lived. No organized Jewish Community, however, was established until the middle of the 18th Century. In 1786 the former Weavers Hall was taken over as a Synagogue. The Community leader was Lazarus Jacobs, a glassmaker, whose work is still sort after by collectors, his son Isacc Jacobs was glass manufacturer to George III. A secessionist Community was in existence between 1825 & 1835 when it rejoined the parent body. The present Synagogue was constructed in 1870. Eastern European Jews arrived after the beginning of Russian persecutions in 1881, but of late the Community has dwindled. The Jewish population numbered 410 in 1968.

You have just read the history of the Bristol Community as recorded in the Museum of Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv.

19 80-81 promises to be a great year for the Community, with the proposed re-building of the Synagogue due to start. Let us all SALLY FORTH as one, to bring the Bristol Community alive again, join in and help in any way you can, so that our efforts are recorded for future generations to read about and enjoy.

THE FUTURE OF THE COMMUNITY IS IN YOUR HANDS.

### MARKS & SPENCER FASHION SHOW

( Proceeds in aid of the Blind Society & the Synagogue re-building fund)

Tickets are now available for the Marks & Spencer Fashion Show to be held at the Colston Hall on the 21st October at 8.0pm. Tickets are already selling very briskly, and that it would be advisable to buy yours as soon as possible, as we are strictly limited to the number of seats in the hall.

We can promise that it will be an evening of outstanding entertainment.

Brochures which will be sold on the night include a FREE raffle number. 1st prize is a sewing machine & other fabulous prizes. Tickets are available from Colin Berkovitch price £2.

DON'T DELAY AND BE DISSAPOINTED

Since our last report the Architects have completed their investigations, produced working drawings and tenders are being obtained from selected contractors.

It is anticipated that the remedial and conversion work will start in October 1980. This has been made possible by the generous bequest of the late Frank Cohen and donations from members and others. We only now need a further £15,000 and your continued and immediate support is essential. The stage has been reached where you may contribute in a tangible way by the donation of specific items.

We need:-

Synagogue	Light fittings	£1,200
Foyer	Light fittings	£ 250
New Hall	Light fittings	£ 250
	Acoustic partition doors	£2,000
	Floor covering	£ 750
	Curtains	£ 500
	Clock	£ 100
New Kitchen	Units	£1,500
	Cooker	£1,200
	Fridge	£ 400
	Extractor fan	£ 100
	Floor tiles	£ 100
	Wall tiles	£ 100
Ladies Cloakroom	Vanitory unit	£ 200
	Carpet	£ 100
	Seating	£ 150
	Mirrors	£ 50
	Wall tiles	£ 50
Landing	Carpet	£ 150

These are necessary to ensure we have a building that will be a credit to us all and to future generations of Bristol Jewry.

Let me know which item you wish us to purchase in your name. All donations will be recorded in a new commemorative plaque.

ARNOLD GREENWOOD