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FOR YOUR DIARY
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TUESDAY JULY 8th.

WIZO JUMBLE SALE
BISHOPSTON COMMUNAL HALL

MONDAY JULY 14th. @ 8.pm.

WOMENS GUILD A.G.M.
17 ABBEY ROAD

THURSDAY JULY 17th. @ 8p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY JULY 22nd. @ 8 p.m.

WIZO A.G.M.
160 CRANBROOK ROAD

YAHZITTES

Sunday July 20th.	Mr.T.Gordon	TAMMUZ 13
Friday July 25th.	Fam.of Mr.D.Strimer	TAMMUZ 18
Monday July 28th.	Mrs.M.Goldman(London)	TAMMUZ 21
Friday August 1st.	Mr.C.Epstein	TAMMUZ 25

COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING. The next Council Meeting will be on Thursday July 17th.
at 8.p.m.

LOTTERY. The May £10 Lottery Prize was won by Kitty Balint-Kurti, and the
June Prize by the youngest winner yet, Master Sam Wander.

NEW MEMBERS. Mr. & Mrs. AL & LESLIE KENRICK & daughter SABRINA of 38 Princess
Victoria Street, Clifton. tel:736862.

HILLEL HOUSE. The Committee of Hillel House would like to thank Mr. LAWRENCE
TRACKMAN for his generous donation of a writing desk.

TOMBSTONE CONSECRATION. The Tombstone Consecration for the late Mr. SYDNEY
BLOOM will take place on SUNDAY, JULY 20th. at 3 P.M.

BRISTOL WOMENS GUILD

Many thanks to EVE GORDON, MARCIA GEE and AUDREY GREENWOOD for the
beautiful Floral Arrangements which enhanced the Synagogue over SHAVUOT.

On a sadder note the Guild would like to wish GRETA MEYER "Long Life" on
the death of her dear sister.

Our last meeting was a business one held at the home of HELENA CAPLAN on
June 16th. This was well attended.

FUTURE EVENTS. The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Guild will be held on
July 14th. At 8 p.m. at the home of IRENE BERKOVITCH 17 Abbey Road. Please
try to attend.

THE BARBECUE Please keep SUNDAY AUGUST 24TH. free for the BARBECUE OF THE
YEAR, held at EVE & TONY GORDON'S home.
More details next month.

YOUTH CLUB

Younger Group Sunday July 13th. 3-5.30 p.m. @ 73 Downs Park East tel:621516
Older Group Sunday July 13th. 3-5.30 The Synagogue Park Row.

SUNDAY JULY 20TH.

JOINT MEETING

Family Afternoon at ASHTON COURT PARK
Bring a Picnic-Fun & Games for All.
Young people bring your parents-contact RICHARD TOBIAS
tel:93412831

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mazeltov to SAVILLE KUSHNER on attaining his PhD. in Philosophy at the University of Norwich. Congratulation also to MIN & IKE, who can now saymy son the Doctor!

Our very best wishes for the future to BARRY GRAHAM, a Bristol University Student who has been one of our most regular Shul attenders during his stay amongst us. As a mark of his gratitude, on completing his course, for the hospitality extended him in Bristol, he has presented the Synagogue with a Soncino Chumash.

GRETA MEYER would like to thank MIN KUSHNER and members of the Congregation for their many kindnesses and visits on the loss of her dear Sister in Israel. Her suffering is over now. To know, in time of sorrow, not to be alone was a great comfort to me. I thank you all.

Our heartiest congratulations to BERTA & MIKE SACOF who this month celebrate their 60th. Wedding Anniversary. We think this makes them the longest married couple in the Community. (see separate article)

We extend a warm welcome to New Members ALBERT & LESLIE KENRICK and their daughter SABRINA whom we hope to see at future Religious and Social occasions.

Good Luck to ex-Bristolians MYER & RENEE MALIN on their move to a new home at 4 Wexwell Close, Wexwell Lane, Pinner, Middx. HA5 3ET. Myer of course, was for a long time our Representative to the Board of Deputies, as well as being an active member of our community in his day.

Sorry to hear that MAUREEN AHARONI has been "under the weather". We wish her well, and trust that she is on the mend.

MARTIN VEGODA has also been laid low with a virus, but is happily much better.

We extend our sincere condolences to GRETA MEYER on the sad loss of her sister in Israel. We wish her "Long Life" and Freedom from further troubles.

Congratulations to TONY GORDON, who will be one of only two speakers from Britain to address the annual meeting of the Million Dollar Round Table in Orlando Florida. Only the top 3% of Life Insurance agents in the world qualify for membership. TONY has been a member for nine years, and was a speaker at its 1983 annual meeting, he is also a member of the Life Assurance Association of Gt. Britain & Ireland, and was chairman of the Bristol & West region before going on to represent the region on the national executive. He was the Association's President in 1984-85. We wish him the best of luck for this trip.

THE ZIONIST FEDERATION of GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND
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The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland is launching a Britain/Israel PEN PAL SCHEME.

This scheme will enable Jews in Israel and Britain to write to each other and possibly arrange visits.

We are particularly concerned that so many British Jews spending their holidays in Israel never have the opportunity to meet Israelis and thus get to know another dimension of the country.

We have prepared an application form which, upon completion, will be sent to our Israel office and, through their computerised records, a suitable PEN PAL will be found.

A letter from the Chairman of our Aliya Committee is enclosed, and I hope you will be able to place this information in your publication.

Yours Sincerely

Merle B. Kessler, Programmes Director

The Zionist Federation is endeavouring to foster closer ties between the British and Israeli communities by launching a "PEN PAL" scheme.

It is hoped that those taking part from Great Britain will come to a greater understanding of Israelis and the Israeli way of life and, at the same time, forge links with like-minded Israelis.

We hope that many of your readers will take advantage of this exciting scheme. Ask them to contact the Chairman of the Zionist Federation Aliya Committee at BALFOUR HOUSE, 741 HIGH ROAD, FINCHLEY, LONDON N12 0BQ.

Yours Faithfully

Shirley Levinson (Mrs)

Chairman Aliya Committee.

JEWISH WOMENS WEEK
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Dear Friends,

Another reminder-just a gentle one-that it was JEWISH WOMENS WEEK in MAY, and I am sure that there are still some of you who have yet to make their contribution to this very important and worthwhile cause, and would like to.

As I wish to finalise this year's effort by the end of next month I would appreciate any outstanding contributions as soon as possible.

SHALOM, and with all best wishes

Joy Jacobs

Chairman, BRISTOL WIZO and Jewish Womens Week Captain

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BRISTOL WIZO GROUP
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A most enjoyable SHERRY MORNING was held on Sunday June 15th. Many thanks to MALCOLM & MILLIE BARNETT and TED & JOY JACOBS for Hostessing this function, which raised £100 for our funds.

THE NEXT JUMBLE SALE will be held on TUESDAY JULY 8TH., again at the BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, Pigsty Hill, Gloucester Road. If you have any jumble to be collected please contact KATE LEVER (684717), RUTH CURWEN (683033) or MARCIA GEE (684013). We are rather short of jumble at the moment so any contributions will be gladly received. It's a good time to clear out that cupboard or wardrobe!!

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on TUESDAY 22nd. JULY at 8 p.m. The venue will be the home of Mrs. ROSINA SMITH 160 Cranbrook Road. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

THE NEW YEAR BROCHURE. Although there are still three months till ROSH HASHANAH, the compilation of the Brochure is beginning. If you would like your entry to be included this year please contact SHEILA TOBIAS on 93 412831 as soon as possible. The charge this year will again be £3.00, which is a real bargain.

SHEILA TOBIAS
HON. SECRETARY

DO YOU WANT TO BECOME AN ADULT EDUCATION TUTOR?
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The County of Avon Adult Education Service is compiling a register of people interested in becoming Adult Education Tutors. Formal qualifications are not required

It is necessary to have a good knowledge of the subject offered, and to be willing to participate in the County's training course for Adult Education Tutors.

Subjects offered may be Vocational e.g., Accountancy, or non-Vocational or Recreational e.g., Bridge, Flower Arranging etc.

If you wish to be included in the Register, contact your nearest Adult Education Office, and ask for a form, or contact TONY REECE tel: 682321

(Inclusion of your name in the Register is no guarantee of a job. The Register will be reconstituted every January. It will be necessary to re-apply annually to ensure your name is on the Register.)

"Smile Please!"
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P O E T R Y S H M O E T R Y
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I have this little "instamatic", I carry with me on our "hole"
The style's not what you'd call dramatic, but adequate for "lumpen prols"
Once we're in the sunshine, I snap away quite gaily
A cross between a "Lichfield", and a poor mans David Bailey,
Capturing the scenery in exotic compositions,
The missus in a deckchair, in various positions
Returning home, the race is on, to get the photos printed,
There's more than half a dozen rolls, (I really haven't stinted
Then one morning they arrive-excitedly I shout..
And would youbelieve it, not one of them's come out!

SIXTY GLORIOUS YEARS !!
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Readers will note in the "Social & Personal" our congratulations to BERTA & MIKE SACOF on the occasion of their 60th. Wedding anniversary. Since this is a somewhat unique occasion we researched a little deeper, and learnt the following-that THREE GENERATIONS of the STRIMER family (Bert's maiden name), were married in our Synagogue!

On October 31st. 1894 LEAH, Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. IGLE-IEVY to DAVID STRIMER
July 26th. 1926 BERTA STRIMER to MIKE SACOF
April 25th. 1949 NATALIE SACOF to DR. R. HARRIS
also two other sisters
February 4th. 1924 MABEL FRANCES STRIMER to BERNARD MOSS
and
January 2nd. 1950 -HELEN STRIMER to SYDNEY BLOOM

The "200" Committee will, we are sure, be recording in more detail, the life and times of this extraordinary family and their place in the Jewish, (and non-Jewish) Communities, but for now we offer you a few "snippets" to mark this celebratory occasion.

The FIVE "STRIMER GIRLS" were born into a family with a tradition of service to the community. Their Parents, along with others, worked relentlessly for the Congregation. DAVID STRIMER was responsible for getting built the first Hall attached to the Shul, just after the FIRST WORLD WAR. MIKE SACOF later built the stage! An Uncle, the late W. L. EDWARDS, a long standing member of the Congregation, rose to be MAYOR of GLOUCESTER-his wife was awarded the FREEDOM OF THE CITY.....

At an early age the five "Strimer Girls" involved themselves in every aspect of Jewish life. HELEN in the ACHAI BRITH, one of those fine "Friendly Societies" which, before the Welfare State, did much to alleviate hardships... BERTA was organising secretary for the now defunct JEWISH LITERARY SOCIETY, a discussion ground for important topical events-a lively Amateur Drama Group-and responsibility for the sparkling ANNUAL PRINCESS THEATRE SHOW, raising money for our (then) Local Jewish Board of Guardians.

Moved by the injustices and poverty of the 1930's and the War, BERT, HELEN and JEANETTE entered Politics-first to study and research in the FABIAN SOCIETY. All three attended residential conferences at Oxford University with LORD BEVERIDGE-giving evidence and promoting the new NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE. HELEN was elected to BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL in 1945, became LORD MAYOR in 1971 and is now an ALDERMAN. BERT was appointed a J.P. in 1951 and elected to COUNCIL in 1956. JEANETTE, now an ALDERMAN in 1964...creating a record, certainly for BRISTOL, if not the whole country, of three sisters serving on a Council at the same time.

Between them the "Girls" have more than 120 years service!! Among COMMITTEE WORK, BERT was a Member of Bristol Education Committee for 25 years-helping to establish an entirely new Education system.. HELEN specialised in Health matters, and on NATIONAL bodies... JEANETTE in ARTS and Leisure.... All three have been members of the Court of Bristol University, and GOVERNORS and CHAIRMEN of Colleges and Schools..

All pay strong tributes to their husbands, who gave support and tolerance. In serving the wider interests of the City and beyond, they were always conscious of their Jewish identity, hoping that in some way they reinforced good relationships for all.

And its not over yet.....

Extract from THE JERUSALEM POST.

"ALL RIGHT. Mr. Advertising Genius" snaps the government minister. "I hope you've come up with an effective campaign. Tourism is in a disastrous state".

"We've really been cracking our heads on this one, sir" says young Zhaki Ben-Tchainik, the head of Jerusellem Promotions Ltd. And I think we've got a winner this time". "I certainly hope so," says the minister. "What's the campaign slogan?" "The slogan is 'Israel, the Safe 'n Secure Holiday Tour' "

The minister beams. "Say, I like that. Its the terrorist thing thats keeping the tourists home in droves. So how does it work?"

"We'll offer the traveller the safest, most secure tour imaginable. And it will be an unforgettable adventure as well. It starts right at his local airport, where El Al passengers are checked in by an IDF assault team in full combat gear".

The defence minister frowns. "Can we afford that"

"Certainly Sir. We're not invading or occupying anyone at the moment and it will be good practice for the troops to have overseas postings"

The minister mulls it over and agrees "O.K. but em goodlooking kids like the ones they use in the Sabra liqueur ads..

"Check" says Ben-Tchainik. "now, El Al of course is famous for its security, but with Gaddafi barking about intercepting our planes, we'll accompany every flight to Israel with a squadron of Lavi fighter bombers"

"Excellent concept... if we had the money to build the Lavi"

"Oh, that's been taken care of sir," says Ben-Tchainik. "the Air Force decided to re-design the windshield wipers on the F-15, change the paint job and call it the Lavi."

"They did? I didn't know that."

Ben-Tchainik smiles modestly. "It was a minor Jerusellem Promotions brainstorm, sir. I keep telling you, everything is just a matter of public relations." "Check," says the minister. "Okay, so what happens after the tourists arrive at Ben-Gurion?"

"at Ramat David, sir. Well, the happy tourists are promptly transferred to armoured personnel carriers and whisked to their holiday bunker."

"Holiday bunker?" The advertising executive presents the dummy of a colourful brochure. "as you can see, sir, we're proposing a five-star underground hotel built to withstand nuclear attack. Complete with indoor pool, sauna and armed guards posted round-the-clock at every guest's door."

"sounds nice and secure," says the minister. Then he raises a critical eyebrow. "They still get the big breakfast?"

"The standard pig-out, you should excuse the expression." "Fine. What next?" "Well, all tours are conducted in armoured convoys. Instead of the funny orange hats, the tourists get helmets-graphics is still working on the design. And for an especially nice touch, every visitor is issued his own Uzi."

"whoa-Isn't that a little dicey, putting weapons in the hands of civilians?"

"Oh, no, sir. As you know, the law says any Looney Tune may acquire a weapon as long as his mother was Jewish or if he was converted according to Halacha.

The Advertising man smiles. "Its all public relations Sir. You have something negative, you turn it into an asset. It's the receding hairline technique.

"Beg Pardon"

"Lets say you have a prime minister with a receding hairline. Old fashioned image makers would cover it with a wig. Not us. Sweep it back in silver, statesman like waves and Viola! a liability becomes an asset. Same principal with security what you flaunt is what they want."

"I see. Okay let's go with Safe 'n Secure Tours"

"Yes minister!. Now if we can just get the brochure past military censorship....."