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YAHIRITES

Sunday	November 11th	Miss Lazarus	Cheshvan 23th
Thursday	November 15th	Mrs H Geller	Cheshvan 27th
Thursday	November 22nd	Mr Sam Silverman Mrs Rosina Smith	Kislev 5th
Wednesday	December 5th	Mr M Garcia	Kislev 18th

COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date of the next council meeting is Thursday November 22nd at 8pm.
The date of the A.G.M. is Sunday ~~December~~ 2 at 3pm.

The council wishes to thank. Rabbi Mike Morris and Tommy Kraus for conducting the services on the High Holy Days.
Also thanks to Alan Tobias for blowing the Shofar
Also to all the men who helped erect the Succot
Also to all the ladies who decorated the Succot and helped with all the catering etc.

LETTER FROM RABBI MIKE MORRIS

For most of the community the end of Yom Kippur meant the end of a period of self affliction. But for me it was just the beginning.....

At 1 pm the next day I was on the starting line with the 26-32 years male group for the Sunday Times Fun Run.

"Fun Run" implies the presence of that remarkable substance known to scientists as "fun", but as the starting pistol fired and I was swept forward in a vast wave of joggers, I had an uneasy feeling that "fun" would not be the main ingredient of this experience.

I did of course complete the run - it was only three miles and at the age of 28 my body appears to still be functioning with a reasonable vitality.

At no point during the twenty five minutes of running, did I ever perceive the experience to be fun. But then the Jews who are leaving Russia and struggling to begin their lives from nothing in Israel would hardly describe their experience as "fun", and the Jews who are still being denied exit visas within Russia and who live in daily fear of racist violence, would not call that experience "fun" either.

I ran the course along with a group of Jewish students from Bristol and Cardiff universities. As Campus Rabbi to the Western Region I felt that it was important that I support them in the run. As a team we finished up amongst the slowest of the groups, but we weren't there to make a big impression. We were there to raise money to help in the mammoth task of absorbing hundreds of thousands of immigrants who are arriving in Israel. By 1995 there could be a total of 3 million new immigrants from Russia. That is almost doubling the population!

Thank you to all of you who sponsored my run. I raised £170, the majority of which came from members of our community.

Please send your cheques to me as soon as possible, payable to me, and once again, thank you for your support.

Social and Personal

Mazeltov to Susan and Robert on the birth of a baby daughter and to Bob and Anne Emmanuel on the birth of their first grandchild.

We also wish Henry and Irene Springer mazeltov on the birth of another granddaughter.

Mazeltov to Nat and Rosina also on the birth of another granddaughter.

We are pleased that Denise Gee is recovering well from an operation she recently had on her foot and hope that she will soon be walking properly again.

We also hope that Anne Emmanuel's hand is healing nicely after her recent stay in hospital.

We are very sorry that Mr Lou Cohen has died and we send our deepest sympathy to Eunice and family. Lou lived in Bristol most of his life but unfortunately has been unwell for several years. Lou was 87 years old.

We are very sorry to hear of the untimely death of Anthony Elman's brother at the age of 50. We wish Anthony and all his family Long Life free from further trouble.

Denise Gee wishes to thank all her friends who sent cards and good wishes and also to thank them for their concern during her recent foot operation.

Update on the portable videoplayer appeal

We're almost there! One more financial shove on all our parts and we'll be able to place the order.

Reaching the target of £600 for equipment and a starter pack of videos was given a healthy boost by a much appreciated donation from the Jewish Memorial Council of £200. This has been more than matched by your individual generosity and the support of synagogue associated organisations. Just one tenth more of the target - £60 - will see us home and dry.

Future cheder and adult education classes will thank all who have helped their learning to take advantage of twentieth century technology. If you would like to contribute, please send your donation - made payable to Bristol Hebrew Congregation - to me at 69 Arley Hill Cotham Bristol BS6 5PJ.

Martin Vegoda

A.J.E.X Parade

The Annual Parade of Jewish Ex-Servicemen and Women is being held this year On Sunday 18th November at 2.0pm assembling on Horseguards Parade.

The parade has now been shortened to just over 1 hour including the march and the service. Please make every effort to attend to help swell the members on parade. For further information contact either Gerald Gee or Sam Silverman.

Shabbat Kiddish Cake Rota

November 3rd	Rochele King
November 10th	Helena Channock
November 17th	Sheila Tobias
November 24th	Eve Levy
December 1st	Sonya Silverman

FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12th November @ 8.0pm
Ladies Guild Meeting
160 Cranbrook Road.

Sunday 18th November
A.J.E.X. Parade in London

Thursday 22nd November @ 8.0pm
Council Meeting

Wednesday 28th November @ 8.0pm
W.I.Z.O Meeting
Bannerman Road Synagogue

Saturday 1st December @ 7.30pm
Viscous Circle
Frank Cohen Hall.

Sunday 2nd December @ 3.0pm
Annual General Meeting of the Community
Frank Cohen Hall.

KOSHERINA KOSHERINA KOSHERINA

KOSHERINA goes from strength to strength!

We are proud to announce the arrival of a new and superior freezer to grace the shop. All meat eaters may now gaze upon their carnivorous delights and select their choice in even greater comfort, whilst our dair-y and fish-y customers will continue to benefit from a wider selection of gourmet treats.

Come join us fortnightly for a coffee/chat and buy at
KOSHERINA - the room to the right of the main gates of Park Row Synagogue.

October, November and December openings: Sunday 10.15 - 11.15

28 October
11 November
25 November
9 December

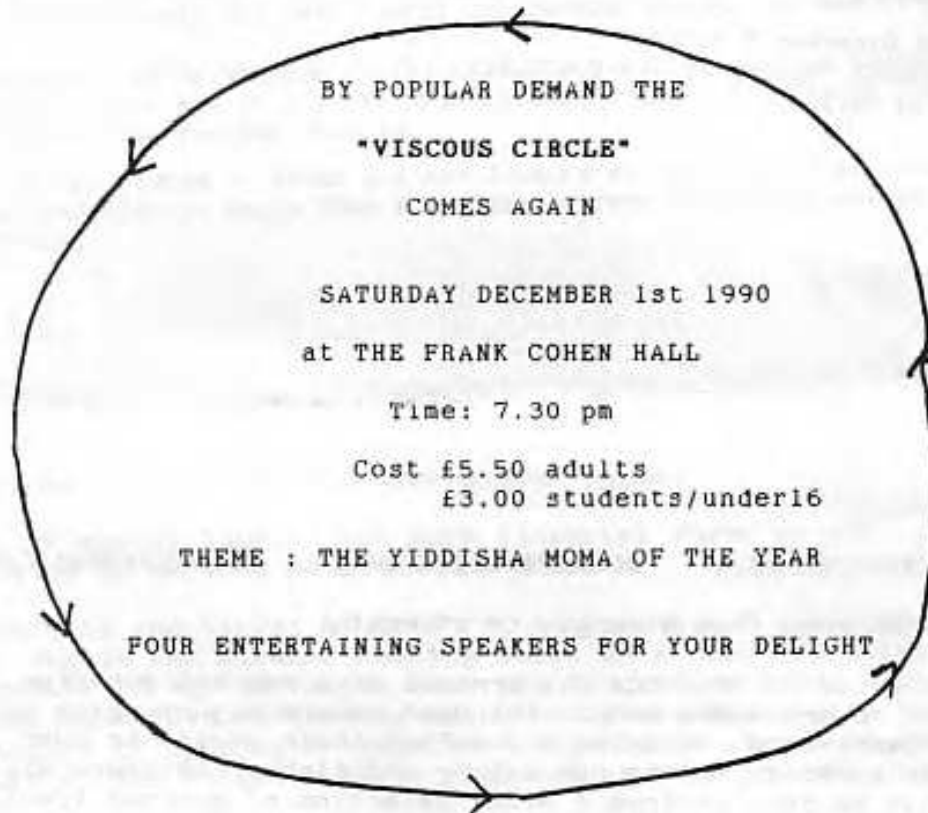
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BRISTOL LADIES GUILD

Mazel-tov to Nat and Rosina Smith on the birth of a granddaughter
and mazel-tov to Ann and Bob Emmanuel on the birth of a
granddaughter.

FUTURE EVENTS

Monday November 12th. Ladies guild meeting at the home of ;
Rosina Smith,
160 Cranbrook road,
Bristol
8pm.



If you want to reserve a table for you and your friends please ring

Min Kushner 687654
or Rochelle King 738720.

If you missed it last time be sure to book early, this is the event
of the year.

F. David Radler: Chairman, Board of Directors

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Temple Mount tragedy

"A FANATICAL, hysterical mob" was the way Police Inspector-General Ya'acov Terter described yesterday's perpetrators of Jerusalem's most tragic incident since the beginning of the intifada. The mob of 3,000 Arabs on the Temple Mount may have been hysterical, but its actions were well-organized. Islamic movement "activists" had recruited youths throughout the city the night before, spreading rumors of an expected attempt to "lay the cornerstone for the Third Temple" by the "Temple Mount Faithful" group (even though the Moslem administrators of the Mount knew the rumors to be false). The stones, bricks and boulders were made ready at strategic points; the assault began simultaneously in three areas, raining bricks and smoke grenades down on Succot pilgrims at the Western Wall and on the police, while rolling boulders onto the access road; the police outpost on the Mount was set on fire; and after the vastly outnumbered police unit was forced to withdraw, the gate to the Temple plaza was shut to keep them out.

To enter the area and regain control from the inflamed mob, the police counter-attacked under a shower of heavy projectiles, which included axes and chains. Tear gas and rubber bullets proving ineffective, and their lives being in peril, the police were compelled to use live ammunition. Thus, tragically, a holy site turned into a battlefield in which 21 of the assailants were killed and scores injured, adding yet more victims to the terrible toll of the intifada.

But it is not only the loss of life that made this incident a tragedy. Its implications for coexistence, freedom of worship and Arab self-rule are just as painful to contemplate. To all intents and purposes, the Temple Mount area is a Moslem mini-Vatican, ruled by the Moslem Council (Wakf). The government has consistently bent over backwards to avoid offending Moslem sensibilities on this site, where the Temple of Solomon and the Second Temple once stood. Jewish groups are prevented from praying there, archeological exploration is forbidden, and except for rare, quick tours by right-wing Knesset members, there is no official Israeli presence in the area. In fact, it is virtually *Judenrein*. The government has even refrained from opening an exit outside the wall of the Temple Mount to one of the city's most impressive archeological sites - the Western Wall tunnel - because of the Wakf's totally irrational objections.

Now it appears that such placation and consideration may have been misunderstood. Israel guarantees freedom of worship to all its citizens, but this most emphatically does not exclude its Jewish citizens. Mayor Teddy Kollek, whose concern for religious sensibilities of all denominations is as deep as it is wise, described yesterday's riot as an intolerable assault on Jewish religious freedom. Indeed, the inability of Jews to fearlessly pray at the exterior wall of the destroyed Temple, its sole remnant and Judaism's most cherished site, brings back images of centuries of oppression, which the State of Israel was established in order to terminate.

The purpose of yesterday's riot was plainly to bring the intifada, overshadowed for the past nine weeks by the Gulf crisis, back into the news. In that it has brutally succeeded, at a very high cost. That the riot began soon after the arrival at the site of Faisal el-Husseini, a leading PLO activist, may mean that the operation was a coordinated effort of Islamic and PLO groups, signatories to a recent cooperation agreement. But, as President Herzog warned yesterday, the riot was also an attempt to destroy the delicate balance between Arab and Jew. This must not be allowed to happen. There is no reason why Jews and Arabs, who can worship side by side at the Cave of the Patriarchs in Hebron, should not be able to coexist in parallel worship in Jerusalem.

It may be too early to draw conclusions from the fresh events. But, clearly, police intelligence did not perform well enough. Arab sources knew of something brewing; the police should have, too.

Perhaps it is time to reconsider the policy of granting the Wakf almost totally independent control of the Temple Mount area. Rather than appreciating the generosity of Israel's current policy, the Islamic administration seems to consider the absence of Jews an invitation to exploit the religious site as a breeding ground for political terror. During the rioting itself, the muezzins, whose holy task is to call the faithful to prayer, were inciting the mob to step up their violence. The Temple Mount must not be allowed to continue to function as an independent Arab protectorate in the heart of Jerusalem, from which a mass assault, carefully schemed, can be launched without the slightest hint of it reaching the authorities.

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WELL-PLANNED ATTACK ON JEWS AT PRAYER AT THE WESTERN WALL

Israeli Police Minister Ronnie Milo has concluded that the Arab attack on October 8 was well-planned, unprovoked and with no prior warning." Mr Milo stated at a press conference in Jerusalem: "Piles of stones and incendiary material, prepared in advance, were found at the site of the incident. The very presence of thousands of Arab youths on a normal day, not at an hour of prayer at the mosque, indicates the intent of the rioters," he added. Mr Milo also said that the rioters were directed by outside elements who wanted to shift attention of world public opinion from the Gulf to the 'intifada'. Pointing to external agitation, Mr Milo said that PLO activist Faisal Husseini arrived at the Temple Mount and was seized by police together with a group of stone throwers just after the rioting began.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek pointed out that an attack on a Jewish holy place was just as objectionable to the authorities as an outrage against a Christian or Moslem place. He stated: "If it proves true that the background for today's rioting was the rumours about a fringe group laying a cornerstone for the Third Temple on the Temple Mount, I have many times condemned what I see as a dangerous and foolish intention which, let me add, has been forbidden by Israel's High Court." He added, "I have deep reservations about the uses I expect Saddam Hussein will make of this."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir responded to the attack: "We are deeply sorry for the blood which was spilled in vain. For many years, since the Six Day War, we have made every effort to ensure that Jerusalem will be a city of peace and coexistence of people of all nations and religions. Someone has tried to exploit the climate of hysteria with fundamentalist fanaticism being broadcast from Baghdad and to kindle an alien fire in Jerusalem."

Deputy Foreign Minister Benyamin Netanyahu: "I must say that what we had here was a deliberate violent provocation. We have no doubt about it whatsoever. We had calls for the Moslem Faithful, for the fundamentalists,, to assemble well in advance of this rioting. This was planned as a diversion from the Gulf crisis. The small police force on the Temple Mount tried to stop the rioters. Outnumbered 100 to 1, the police faced rioters who threatened to kill them, to tear them to bits. The police tried teargas - it failed; they tried rubber bullets - it failed; and then to save their lives, just to save their lives, they had to use live ammunition."

Justice Minister Dan Meridor said there were no members of the Jewish group "Temple Mount Faithful" in the area at the time of the riot.. "The Arabs started calling people from their homes and schools very early in the morning to the Temple Mount without any connection with this alleged group of Temple Mount faithful that were simply not there," he explained. Further evidence that the riot was a planned attempt to revive the 'intifada' was provided by an Israeli medical team who were scheduled to go to schools in the West Bank to demonstrate to Arab children how to use gas masks. They arrived to find the schools deserted. All the indications surrounding this event point to a pre-meditated demonstration engineered to re-capture attention by extremist elements for the Palestinians.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the
BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION

will take place in the
Frank Cohen Hall
on December 2nd 1990 at 3pm.

A G E N D A

1. Matters arising from minutes from AGM, December 3rd 1989
2. The President's Annual Report
3. Board of Deputies Representative Report
- * 4. Treasurer's Annual Report and Financial Forecast
5. Talmud Torah Report
6. Women's Guild Report
7. Chevra Kadisha Report
8. Bristol Jewish Welfare Society Report
9. Reports from Council Sub-Committees
 - A. Synagogue Services
 - B. Building
 - C. Top Site Redevelopment
 - D. Provisions
 - E. Flats Management
10. Election of Honorary Officers, Members of Council and Honorary Auditors.
11. Election of Representative to Board of Deputies
12. Constitutional Amendments
13. Any Other Business
- * 4(a) It is proposed that the subscription for membership of the Synagogue be:- £210 per annum for families
£140 per annum for single members.

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ATTENDANCES OF COUNCIL MEMBERS IN LAST YEAR

(Since the last AGM there have been 10 Council meetings)

EXECUTIVE

President	Robert Emmanuel	8
Vice President	Raphael Emanuel	6
Treasurer	Arnold Greenwood	9
Secretary	Andrea Hutter	7

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Guild	Sheila Tobias	5 (out of 6 meetings while holding office)
Talmud Torah	Gerald Levy	6
Chevrá Kadisha	Henry Springer	1

CO-OPTED TRUSTEE

Harold Seymour	6
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COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Adler	6
David Baum	5
Alan Elkan	3
Anthony Elman	5
Gerald Gee	8
Alf Glick	10
Tony Gordon	2
Jonathan Hutter	8
Min Kushner	9
Sam Silverman	8
Laurence Trackman	6
Martin Vegoda	8
Bencie Woll	7

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 18th 1990

1. The Treasurer gave his recommendations for increases in subscriptions for the following year. This was discussed.
2. A policy for attracting new members was discussed briefly.
3. It was agreed to circulate last year's AGM minutes to Bristol members with November's Recorder.
4. Mrs Min Kushner agreed to attend the National Chaplaincy Board meeting to be held in Leeds on October 28th.

Dear Synagogue Member,

I wish to draw your attention to item 11 on the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting on December 2nd which is the election of our Representative to the Board of Deputies of British Jews to hold office from June 1991 until April 1994.

Written nominations for the office of Deputy should reach me not later than 7 days before the AGM. Should there be more than one nomination, a ballot will be held.

Any person nominated as Deputy must

a) have been a member of this congregation for at least one year prior to the date of election,

b) not be an undischarged bankrupt or a person who has been convicted of a serious criminal offence,

c) be over 18 years old.

The Board of Deputies has informed the congregation that out of 23 meetings up to October 1990, our Deputy, Dr Ronnie Greenbaum, attended 13 meetings.

A travel allowance based on mileage will be made available to Deputies residing in the provinces and attending Board meetings in London.

Andrea J. Hutter
SECRETARY

ELECTIONS

The Council comprises (in addition to the three ex-officio members representing the Women's Guild, the Talmud Torah, and the Chevra Kadisha):

- the President, Vice President, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary, and

- 12 elected members.

The Constitution provides that

- nominations for elections must be made in writing to the Secretary 7 days before the Annual General Meeting
- the nominee must be seconded
- the nominee must have agreed to stand for election.

The President will only be able to take oral nominations at the Annual General Meeting

- for any one of the Honorary Officers if there has been no previous written nomination
- for ordinary Members of Council if there have been less than 6 previous written nominations.

In either case, each nominee must be seconded and have agreed to stand.

Andrea Hutter
SECRETARY

AMENDMENTS (*in italics*) TO THE BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION CONSTITUTION
PROPOSED BY COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION AT THE AGM 1990

Clause 4 THE COUNCIL AND OFFICERS

Council proposes that the three trustees of the Congregation appointed under the existing Constitution should be ex-officio members of Council. To achieve this, present Section I, sub-section 1. of Clause 4 requires the following amendment shown in italics:

Present I. TRUSTEES

- i. there shall be 3 Trustees of the Congregation *who shall be ex-officio Members of the Council.*

Section A of Clause 4 requires amendment to make it clear who are the Members of Council under the Constitution. The proposed amendments are again shown in italics:

- A. The governing body of the Congregation shall be the Council which shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, not more than 12 but not less than 8 *elected Members of Council, and the ex-officio Members of Council defined in the relevant Clauses below.* Council Members other than those *ex-officio* shall be elected (or re-elected) annually. The Council shall have the power to co-opt *Members of Council* above the number of 12.

Council considers that the Constitution should lay down whether Council meetings are quorate. To this effect it is recommended that a new Section C is inserted into Clause 4:

Council meetings shall be quorate if ten Members are present and this number includes at least two of the four elected Honorary Officers.

If this new Section C. is accepted, it will be necessary for the Annual Meeting to resolve that all the following Sections of Clause 4 are *re-alphabetted.*

Clause 9 THE MINISTER OR OTHER RELIGIOUS OFFICIAN

As presently passed, Section C of Clause 9 is grammatically inconsistently worded. The proposed amendment does not make any change other than to tidy up the grammar:

- C. ii to ix Delete *He shall* (in vii also *responsible for*)

Add '*ing*' to the verb starting each sub-section and to the verbs in the text as appropriate grammatically.

Clause 10 Section F of the present Constitution provides that for these amendments to be made, the Resolution to that effect has to be carried at the General Meeting by a majority of not less than two-thirds of those present and entitled to vote.

BRISTOL WIZO

There isn't very much to report this month; as I write, the Jumble and Nearly New Sale scheduled for Wednesday, 24th. October has yet to take place, so I'm not able to give you the result at this moment.

The most important event to occupy our minds at the moment is the Membership Drive, which we are starting off with a meeting at the Bannerman Road Synagogue on Wednesday, 28th. November at 8. 00 p.m.

Whilst the primary objective of meeting at Bannerman Road is recruiting members from that synagogue, it is true to say that there is potential membership from Park Row Synagogue also, and they will be equally welcomed.

Besides a short talk on WIZO and its work, two videos on the work of WIZO in Israel and the Resettlement of Ethiopian Jews will be shown. Admission, including refreshments, will be £1, and I look forward to meeting and welcoming you all as our new members.

My thanks, once again, to Linda Hurst for undertaking the organisation of this event.

Shalom - and with all best wishes



Joy Jacobs
Chairman - Bristol WIZO

SPIRO STUDY GROUP

Autumn Term 1990

A reminder to all you spiromaniacs - and others who enjoy the pursuit of learning about things Jewish - of this term's programme. Four meetings - two about the family of Jacob and two about modern Israel:

Wednesday November 14: Dr Leonard Mars - "What was Onan's crime?" To fully enjoy this talk, you are invited to read, before the meeting, Genesis chapters 37, 38 and 39; and Deuteronomy chapter 25, verses 5-10.

Monday November 19: Rabbi Jonathan Wittenberg - "Rivalries in the family; scenes from the life of Jacob".

Wednesday November 28: Dr Mars - "From village to suburb". An examination of the developments in a moshav over a twenty year interval.

Wednesday December 12: Dr Mars - "From village to wider society". What do the developments in the moshav mean for Israeli society as a whole?

Meetings are at the Frank Cohen Hall, starting at 8.00pm, cost £3 per meeting.

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