

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE INFORMATION -
SHEET - FEBRUARY 1960.

Heartiest Mazel-tov to Mr. and Mrs. A. Lazarus on the occasion of their 25th anniversary of their wedding.

19 Club members went to the J.D.A. Ball at the Dorchester, Park Lane on January 16th. The G.P.C. wish to thank the Functions Committee for their arduous work in arranging such a successful event. We all regret that Mr. Sam Blumenthal, the Chairman of the Functions Committee has not been well lately, and on behalf of all the Deaf Members we wish him a speedy recovery.

As this goes to press we have been informed that the Youth Section has voted to disband. As the Senior Section has already disbanded, the G.P.C. is now in full charge of the Club activities.

Past Events

So many people turned up for the Grand Chanukah Party, that Mr. Margulies who attempted to write down the members' names in the attendance book, had to write "120" in the book and let it go at that. The games were ably organised by Israel Yarrow. We wish to thank the Jewish Deaf Friendship Club who gave the party and provided the refreshments.

On January 7th the club was full of women and girls of assorted shapes and sizes like rows of beauty preparations in a chemist's window, for Miss Woolf's talk on BEAUTY. Unfortunately she went down with 'flu' but will be here soon. (On Thursday, 25th February, at 8 p.m.)

Colour transparencies of the J.D.A. Ball and Chanukah Party were taken by Mr. Tash, Jonathan Sterne and Bernard Polchar and shown at the Club. It was most unfortunate that the camera loaned to J. Sterne was wrongly loaded which resulted in the tearing of the entire film.

As usual only 2 turned up for the December ramble. Many people who are loud in their praise of the countryside's beauty in summer never see the realities of the countryside in winter, which is a great pity as we all should see what the farmers and country folks have to put up with at all the seasons of the year. What is the good of demanding cheap food and leaving the gates open as you please, without thinking of the farmers' eternal struggle against the winter's weather, being out in the open at all hours. Too many of us have only a one-sided view of anything. We must get to know the problems of other people so that we should appreciate their viewpoints and try to co-operate with them.

Mr. P. Gorman in his talk on the problem of bridging the gap between the deaf and the hearing drove home the vital point, when he said that while most hearing people tend not to have anything to do with the deaf some deaf people make things worse by withdrawing like a snail into it's shell on encountering opposition instead of pushing ahead. There were many smirks in the audience when Mr. Gorman, himself deaf, said that the deaf have a bad habit of losing interest in anything that would entail turning up regularly like for a series of lectures. Thus unwittingly, he has hit on the head the cause of the falling attendance of our Thursday talks last September - November 1959. He will be back soon.

General Purposes Committee Information Sheet (continued).

As we have already seen nearly all the good silent films, it has been increasingly difficult to choose films for our future film-shows. Our choice of films are narrow, as you do not want to see the recent foreign films which you have seen not so long ago, neither do you want to see silent films of too long ago with their jerky movements and overlong pauses for titles. What most members don't know is the fact that whenever remakes of famous old films are produced nowadays, almost all the original films are withdrawn from circulation. Thus we can't secure bookings of the original "Ben Hur", "Blood and Sand", or D. Fairbanks Sen. "Mark of Zorro" which many of you have asked me to book. - Often many of you have been complaining to me that the films shown at the club aren't suitable for your children or are too hard for you to understand. It must be remembered that we must have variety in our filmshows ranging from slapstick to serious ones as there are many of us who like to see serious films of bygone days for they wish to see how the producers started to handle the new medium of entertainment. We can't have Mickey Mouse and Felix the Cat all the time. However you can depend on Martin Binysh and David Myers of the Film sub-committee to do their best for our forthcoming filmshows. -

The 1960 billiards and snooker leagues have started under the sharp eyes of Abraham Lazarus assisted by Harold Fallman. So chalk up your cues, get bottles of eye lotion and go to it. -

Important Information

With this Newsletter you will find a ballotpaper for the Sylvia Weinberg Cup for 1959. Every year the cup is awarded to the member who you think has done the most in keeping the club going and seeing to it that everything is run smoothly. The G.P.C. appeals to you all to think carefully before filling in the ballot-paper.

Myer Solomon, Hon.Sec. G.P.C.

Programme February

<u>Wednesday 3rd</u>	Photo Section. Mr. Tash on Colour Processing at Home. 8 p.m.
<u>Sunday 7th</u>	Ramble. Marylebone Station at 8.45 a.m. Train departs 9.10 a.m. for Gerard's Cross. 12 miles Fare 6/8d. Ramble Leader David Hirshman.
<u>Thursday 11th</u>	Brains Trust. Question Master Myer Solomon. The members of the panel will be drawn from the Club Members. Come and prove them to be "DUMB" as well as Deaf ! 8 p.m.
<u>Sunday 14th</u>	Colour Slide Show by Israel Itzkowitz on Succoth 5720 and others 8 p.m.
<u>Thursday 18th</u>	"THE GERMAN STORY" Film. Engl. Subtitles. 7.30 p.m. Details of this gripping film elsewhere in this Newsletter.
<u>Sunday 21st</u>	Whist Drive. M.C. D.Hirshman. 1/6d. 6.30 p.m.
<u>Wednesday 24th</u>	Do-it- Yourself Charades. David Hirshman having done a lot of charades himself invites you to do it yourself. 8 p.m.
<u>Thursday 25th</u>	Beautician Miss A. F. Woolf. For Ladies only ! 8 p.m.
<u>Sunday 28th</u>	Film Show: "THE LODGER". Hitchcock Thriller. Also Buster Keaton in "Cops". Side splitting. 7.30 p.m.

Information Sheet. General Purposes Committee

PROGRAMMES JANUARY 1960

- Sat. 2nd. CHANUCAH PARTY. The Friendship Club Committee invites you all to the Chanucah Party. Games & Refreshments for everyone.
- Sun. 3rd. Ramble. Gomshall to Chilworth, 12 miles. Meet at Victoria Stn. at 9 a.m. Fare 10/6d. Solo Whist. 6.30.
- Wednes 6th. Charades. David Hirshman in charge.
- Thurs. 7th. Lady Lecturer or "Any Questions" 8 p.m.
- Sun. 10th. Film Show Rudolf Valentine in "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" ?? 7.30 p.m.
- Wed. 13th. Knockout Whist Drive organised by Jonathan Sterne 8 p.m. 1/-
- Thurs. 14th. Pierre Gorman of Australia. Talk on--? Chairman ?
- Sat. 16th. J.D.A. Ball at the Dorchester, Park Lane. 7.30 p.m.
- Sun. 17th. Social.
- Wed. 20th. Drama Discussion. Isadore Schlisselman. 8 p.m.
- Thurs. 21st. Mrs. B. Hilton on the B'nai B'rith. Chairman ?
- Sat. 23rd. Independence Whist Drive. National Deaf Club.
- Sun. 24th. YOUTH SECTION Annual General Meeting. Doors open at 3 p.m. Start at 4 p.m. Refreshments and Dance after meeting.
- Thurs. 28th. Film show ???

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G.P.C. NEWS

Mazel-Tov to Mr. & Mrs. I. Holder on the birth of their second daughter.

Mazel-Tov also to Mr. D. Myers on his engagement to Miss R. Davids. David Townsend is now an Uncle to his brother's baby son.

Welcome to our new Members Miss Ruth Davids & Mr. Anthony Spielsinger. Once again we are having a J.D.A. Ball at the Dorchester on Jan. 16th 1960. As we all know this big Function is the main source of fund-raising without which the J.D.A. wouldn't be able to carry on. Therefore, we wish the Function Committee every success on that day.

Past Events

Coughing his way through rich clouds of cigar-smoke, Lionel Katz took the Chair, at the Programme Discussion of Nov. 26th. The attendance was sparse and it will be the fault of those absent if they don't like the future Programmes, which were decided on that night. After most of those present agreed for and against the continuation of the weekly Thursday talks, the audience voted in favour of it. However Mr. Halpern promised to introduce more variety, and asked what sort of speakers we wanted. The suggestions ranged from Scientists on Cancer and space travel to Sports stars and bosomy actresses. The audience was very unanimous in wanting Mr. Fineberg and Commander Berman again.

It was a wet and raw night as we shivered into the Club on Dec. 3rd. but in a few minutes we were transported on a flying saucer to sunlit seashores snowy slopes and sunkissed sirens as Mr. Handscomb of the Thomas Cook's Travel Bureau talked to us of Foreign Travel. Sitting informally among us, he gave us many tips and advice. I differed with him when he said that on going abroad we should leave ourselves behind and acquire new personalities. Does he mean that I should drive past red traffic lights in Paris, blow kisses at the girls in Rome cut my hair "en brosse" in Berlin? No fear, home or abroad I am English and that is that. David Towns~~end~~ was good as Courier/Interpreter. There is no truth in the rumour that he has been offered a job by Cook's as a Courier Interpreter for deaf parties going abroad!

Mr. Benham has just done 25 years of service to the R.S.J.D.C., first as a teacher, then now as the Headmaster, 25 years is a long time. From stiff collars and canings to soft collars and candies, from Charleston to Cha-cha-cha, Zeppelins to Comets, and trains that arrived on time to trains that don't. An epoch of unequalled advancements yet his methods of punishments remain the same! "Ah, Julius do come in, now kindly take off your pants and touch your toes" Swish, whack, whack, eeoww, swish, whack, EEEOWWW, whack, OOOUWW. "Please keep still, Thank you" Swish, whack, EEEOOO whack, whack, EEEOOO, whack whack, EEOUWW. "Very good, you may return to your desk".

Once again the pupils of the R.S.J.D.C. entertained us with a Stage-Play. First there was a film show of the pupils enjoying their seaside and zoo outings, swimming in the school's pool. Prize day acting, and having their revenge on the teachers in snow-fighting. Then came the stage-play. Considering the fact that they had only 3/4 weeks of rehearsals, the pupils gave a good performance. One could easily recognize the characters every where. The inefficient railways buffet attendant, the young teen-ager couple who regards the world as their front parlour room for their petting and necking, the open air believer with clumsy feet and clumsier manners, the precious young moppet with a wad of money who thinks it safe to travel in a railway carriage in company with a "Bernard Bresslaw" crook, the St. Trinian's type of girls and the worn-out clerk forever apologising to his hectoring employer.

Recently members of the Swansea Deaf Club with Superintendent Mr. Robinson were shown around the Swansea Synagogue. After the Rev. W. Wolfson had explained to them the ways of the Jewish Religion, they were entertained to refreshments by the Synagogue's Ladies Guild.

The Film-night of the "Italian Straw Hat" was the first time that one of us, Jonathan Sterne, had operated the film-projector. It is to be hoped that the Members will do more responsible work in the Club and so reduce the heavy expenditure of the J.D.A.

With 3 other deaf Clubs having their Grand Whist Drives on the same night, we did well in filling up the J. Cohen Hall for our Grand Chanukah Whist Drive. Mrs. Blostein won the top prize of the gigantic food hamper. Altogether there were 31 prizes, the G.P.C. wishes to thank those who generously donated the gifts, also to the raffle ticket sellers, the stewards and many others behind the scenes who worked hard to make the night a success.

"BEN-HUR" Cinema Outing. Probably March 27th or April 24th.

See Jonathan Sterne. Closing date for bookings Feb. 28th.

Myer Solomon. HON. SEC. G.P.C.

M. Solomon's - INFORMATION SHEET. G. P.C. MARCH 1960

Welcome to our new Members, Ivan Clements, Leslie Kaiser and David Jessel.

Will any person who knows of any Jewish pupil leaving school this winter please give their names and addresses to me so that I can welcome them to the Club.

J.D.A. was 4th in the 1960 Independence Whist Drive held at National Deaf Club. The shield for the 1959 Independence Whist Drive was awarded to the Green Star Deaf Club. Mrs. A. Hart won the prize for the highest Ladies score for 1959.

Jonathan Sterne regrets to announce that he has been unable to secure block bookings for the "Ben Hurs" film outing, owing to the heavy public demand for seats and that all the deposits will be returned to the Members who had booked with him.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MARCH 20th

With this News Letter you will find the G.P.C's 1959 balance-sheet and Minutes of the G.P.C's 1959 A.G.M. You are requested to keep them and to bring them to the A.G.M. on March 20th. The reason for distributing them now instead of at the A.G.M. is to give you time to read them and to mark any item you want to enquire about at the meeting.

Will those who wish to make proposals and alterations to the Membership Rules or any other matter please send their written proposals to me by March 10th in order that they may be included in the Agenda. Any Members who will be unable to come to the A.G.M. but would like to stand for the G.P.C. can send me a letter indicating what position they would like to stand for.

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PAST EVENTS

Watching the Chinese Film of Folk games & Sports on Jan. 28th, many of us doubtless thought that the Chinese have done a remarkable work in the raising of their athletic standards and this coupled with their fantastic rise in industrial output is likely to make China a country to be reckoned with in a few years. But how many of us have thought of what it has cost the Chinese people in achieving this. For it is the favourite trick of the Communists to make the young people concentrate on sports and so little by little forget and lose their right to enquire, look around, ask questions and to think for themselves on the difference in freedom of expression and politics between their countries and ours.

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Notice David Hirshman's melon smile? After last month's G.P.C. News Letter's comments that only 1 came regularly with him for winter Rambles, 6 turned up last Feb. 7th. Some have asked for a 20 mile army route march in summer. Their request will be granted but we won't listen to any grumbles boiling up from their feet.

A nervous and brash panel faced the audience during the "DUMB" Brains Trust. The questions got split on Apartheid, starved on the South African food boycott, climbed the Mountbatten-Windsor fought for and against the French rebels at Algiers, trudged through the railways strike, shuddered at the might of Russia & China and signed on the dotted line on the Magna Charta. The panel was

Miriam Solomon, David Hirshman, & David Townsend were able to prove that they aren't dumb. Mmmma pity.

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Abraham. "I got 37 telegrams for my 25th anniversary.

Myer. "That's more than I got"

Abraham "How many did you get?"

Myer "Haven't got married yet"

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Mr. A. Cohen has received the Long Service Badge for his work in running the J.D.A. Saving Group from the Borough of Hackney.

We have lost to Wanstead in the 3rd round of the A.J.Y. T.Tennis Cup Competition.

The Dramatic Section intends to film a short stage play and hopes to have the film shown on thw B.B.C. T.V. Discussion on this new venture will start on March 2nd Wednesday.

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M. Solomon.

MARCH PROGRAMMES

Wed. 2nd. Dramatic Section. 9 p.m.

Sun. 6th Crazy whist Drive. 6.p.m. 1/6d M.C's AnnHart

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Israel Yarrow.

Ramble. see Notice Board.

Wed. 9th. Photo Section. Questions & Ideas. Myer Solomon 8.p.m
With the coming of Spring many of you will be cleaning the winter dust off your cameras and looking around for new subjects and accessories.

Sun.13th The General Purposes Committee invites all members to the J.D.A. Purim Party. Games, refreshments.Etc.

Thurs.17th Lady Paget on Universal Deaf Manual Signs & film show.
Chairman. J.J. Newman Esq. 7. 45 p.m.

Sunday 20th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE. 3.30 p.m.

Thurs. 24th. "What is my Line?" Chairman. David Hirshman 8.p.m
Please send your written questions to him beforehand.

Thurs. 31st. Film show. "This is the B.B.C"

The Club SEDER dinner will be on Tuesday April 12th

JEWISH DEAF ASSOCIATION

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The Chairman welcomed everybody present and expressed his satisfaction that the Association had enjoyed a very successful and happy year since the last Annual General Meeting. He had been interested in the Club since its formation in 1947 and had seen it grow from a small gathering in the Hampstead Synagogue Hall to this very day of the 14th A.G.M. on its own premises. He was very thankful to have been spared to see the growth of the Club with all its many activities. His dearest wish was that every Jewish deaf person should find his way to Cazenove Road.

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Hon. Treasurer's Report: All present had received a copy of the Accounts. Mr. Craig pointed out a printing error on the Balance Sheet. The figure of £3129 should read £ 2629. After explanations of the Accounts, Mr. Newman proposed and Mr. Silverman seconded the adoption of the Accounts. This was passed unanimously.

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The 6th. Annual General Meeting held at
the J.D.A. Premise on the 3rd. May 1964 at 3.50p.m.

1. THE OPENING SPEECH BY CHAIRMAN.

Good afternoon to you all. To-day it was the sixth Annual General Meeting of the General Purposes Committee. Mr. L. Katz, chairman was very pleased to see you in the Jimmy Cohen's Hall

2. MINUTES.

Mr. L. Katz said that the minutes was typed by Mr. Jonathan Sterne, but there were few mistakes. Mr. L. Katz thanked him for all the work.

It was passed and was signed by Mr. L. Katz with the date.

3. MATTER ARISING FOR MINUTES.

Mr. Myer Solomon queried over Post Office. Mr. Jonathan Sterne confirmed that it was error. It should read the Post Office Saving Book was now closed.

No statement over ramble leader. Mr. D. Hirshman resigned and Mr. A. Kelberman took his place with vote majority.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Mr. L. Katz thanked for re-elected him as chairman for the year 1963/64. He also thanked to the committees for their work, also to sub-committee and the helpers who worked during the special events.

Mr. I Itzkowitz had done his work on the indicator board without the failure.

Mr. L. Katz congratulated to Mrs J. Stryker and her team for playing their best in Whist Drive. Also to Mr. A. Lazarus and Mr. M. Naselski for arranged the competition in Billard and Snooker.

There were great successful on St. Valentine Dance at Rememberance Hall in Clissold Road. Mr. L. Katz thanked to Mrs. D. Britton for taking master of ceremonies with her help of committees.

Mr Brain Dundo had taken all his work on the projector for the films which was taken by him and also by Mr. M. Binysh, Mr. D. Michaels and Mr. S. Schamroth.

Mr. S. Schamroth had all his work making a cabinet for the shields in the billard room. Mr. L. Katz thanked him.

Mr. Jonathan Sterne had made the flood lighting in the Jimmy Cohen's hall. Thanked him again.

The Council was pleased with the work of General Purposes Committee. Thanked to Mr. & Mrs. S. Margulies for their help. Thanked once again to the members for their

supporting to the General Purposes Committee.

Proposed to accept the chairman's report by Mrs. R. Ross and seconded by Mr. H. Litenstone.

5. MATTER ARISING FOR CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Mr. D. Townsend wanted to add the report to thank to Mr. H. Fallman for his work on Chess Section.

6. HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT.

It was Mr. L. Bieber's first year honorary secretary. It also was very hard working to Mr. H. Woolf as assistance honorary secretary resigned after four and half months. Mr. L. Bieber was doing his best during the year 1963 / 64.

The members who went down to Bognor Regis had a great day with the full sun shining.

We had a game of bingo nearly every month. Miss C. Bloom won the Jackpot. Congratulation! Thanked to the members who worked on the bingo nights.

The Grand (Chanukah) Whist Drive was played at the Hall of Remembrance. There were twenty-four and half tables and it was so successful.

Mr. L. Bieber thanked to Mr. M. Binysh, Mr. D. Michaels, Mr. S. Schamroth, and Mr. D. Stellman for taking and showing their films with their helpers for being projection.

There were twenty-five members attended to the J.D.A. Dinner and Ball at Grovensor House which was so successful.

The games were arranged by Mrs. R. Ross and Mr. I. Yarrow. It was very good and interesting.

There were about one hundred people attending to dance at the Hall of Remembrance on the 15th. February 1964. It was great successful and the refreshment was so good. Mr. L. Bieber thanked to Mrs. D. Britton for take the place as the Master of Ceremonies, with the help of Mr. L. Masters.

Congratulations to the winners, Chess- Mr. D. Townsend, Billard- Mr. A. Lazarus and Snooker- Mr. A. Kelberman. Thanked to Mr. H. Fallman for his work in Chess section and Mr. A. Lazarus for his work in Billard and Snooker with the help of Mr. M. Naselity as reference.

Thanked to Mrs. J. Stryker and Mr. A. Kelberman for the work on Whist Drive and Ramble respectively.

Hope the new members of General Purposes Committee would do their best in new season.

Proposed to accept the honorary secretary's report

by Mrs. J. Stryker and seconded by Mr. A. Silverman.

7. MATTER ARISING FOR HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT.

No matter arising taken.

8. HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. J. Sterne had pleasure of presenting my first, and perhaps my last, Income and Expenditure Account with the Balance Sheet for the year to 31st. December 1964. The copies were handed to the members during the meeting.

As you could see that Mr. J. Sterne had no experience in book - keeping. He had enjoyed with the books and it gave to him more understanding in the account.

At the time of preparing the report, Mr. J. Sterne went to the office of accountant in Oxford Street and the latter gave a copy of Income and Expenditure with Balance Sheet. There was no verification by the Auditors on the copies that Mr. J. Sterne distributing to - day. There were small error on the account on the Bank Charge - one shilling short. The balance sheet should read £436 11s. 5d.

Mr. J. Sterne expressed his grateful thanks to Mr. L. Masters for the help he had given whenever Mr. J. Sterne couldn't go to the club.

We had made a profit of £24 18s. 6d. compared to the profit of £8 5s. 6d. in the previous year.

We had 158 members with 3 members had rejoined and 3 new members. 9 members were outstanding.

Bingos: The profit was £8 17s. 3d.

Chanucah Whist Drive; The profit was £17 19s. 11d. including the profit in raffle was £13.

Mr. J. Sterne wished to say once again to thank to the members of General Purposes Committee and also to the member of J.D.A. who helped to him during the year of 1963. X

9. MATTER ARISING FOR HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. H. Newman asked the loss on Billard and Snooker. The reason was the shields.

Mr. A. Cohen asked for the income and expenditure account on Chanucah Whist Drive and it was explained.

Mr. M. Solomon queried on G.P.C. Outing for £6. and it was explained that we had agreed in last two meetings.

Mrs. J. Stryker asked on whist drive expenditure and was explained. She also asked about the interest of £86 7s. 10d. The interest was in the past years.

X Purposed to accept the honorary treasurer's report by Mr. E. Stryker and seconded by Mr. I. Yarrow.

Mr. I. Schlessilman wanted to understand on the donations. It was explained.

Mr. L. Katz proposed to vote the thank to Mr. J. Sterne for his reply to the questions.

10. CORRESPONDING.

Mr D. Hirshman apologized for not attending to the meeting to - day.

11. SILVER WIENBERG CUP.

The winner go to Mrs. R. Ross and Mr. I. Yarrow.

12. WHIST DRIVE REPORT.

Mrs. J. Stryker said that J.D.A. was the top on Independent Whist Drive in two years run. She was very dissapointed that the reserve players does not bother to come just in case.

F.L.D.C. the first game was so good, but the other game many members do not bother to come to play. Clapham Common was the winner for 1963 - 64.

Mr. L. Katz proposed to vote the thank her for her report.

13. RAMBLE REPORT.

Mr. A. Kelberman was sorry that he could not give his report, because Mr. L. Bieber did not ask him for his speech.

He was pleased to say that rambles were very good and the last ramble was so succesful. The last route was in Maiden Head.

He thanked Mr. M. Solomon for his help to find the way to J.D.A.

Mr. L. Katz proposed to vote the thank Mr. A. Kelberman for his good speech.

14. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE.

Chairman:	Mr. L. Katz.
Vice - Chairman:	Mr. D. Townsend.
Honorary Secretary:	Mr. J. Sterne.
Assistance Honorary Secretary:	Mr. E. Stryker.
Honorary Treasurer:	(Acting) Mr. H. Litenstone.
Committees:	Mrs. R. Ross.
	Mrs. R. Katz.
	Mrs. J. Stryker.
	Mr. I. Itzkowitz.
	Mr. H. Newman.
	Mr. L. Bieber.
	Mr. L. Britton.

*L. Katz
May 23rd
1965*

15. ANOTHER BUSSINESS.

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- a) Mr. A. Lazarus annouced that Mr. M. Naselski and he resigned as sub - committe for Billard and Snook r.
Mr. A. Kelberman proposed Mr. E. Gold to take over and seconded by Mr. L. Masters. Mr. E. Gold proposed Mr. J. Davids to work with him and seconed by Mr. L. Bieber. All approved.
- b) Mr. A. Kelberman resigned as a r mble leader. Mr. A. Lazarus proposed Mr. M. Solomon to take over and seconded by Mr. D. Townsend. All aproved.
- c) Mr. E. Gold proposed to start to play the games for F.L.D.C. W.I.G. Accepted the propose by Mr. D. Michaels and seconded by Mrs. M. Michaels. Two ladies accepted to play Domino for F.L.D.C. for 1965.
- d) Mr H. Falman said that it was agreed by the player of chess that he was honorary secretary for chess and Mr. D. Townsend as captain of chess section.

The meeting was terminated at quater past seven with vote to thank to Mr. L. Katz for taking his chair.

The next Annual General Meeting will be held at the premises of Jewish Deaf Association, 92, Cazenove Road, Stoke Newington, London, N.16. at three o'clock. Please to come to the meeting without failure. The date of next meeting will be 4th. April 1965. The items for the agenda should be submitted by 28th. March 1965. Anyone of you wish to be committee for the year of 1965/66, Please let me have your name and also what position do you want to go in. The date for the committee to be submitted by 31st January 1965. The Honorary Secretary, Mr. Jonathan Sterne of 75b. Mount Park Road, Ealing, London, W.5. will be very happy to help you if you do not understand with this matter.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The 7th Annual General Meeting held at the J.D.A.

on 23rd May, 1965.

1. Opening Speech by Chairman

The Chairman welcomed all present to the A.G.M., and expressed his pleasure that so many had come. He warned Members in arrears with their subscriptions that they would not be eligible for election to the new G.P.C., and said that the Hon. Treasurer was aware of whom was in arrears.

2. The Minutes of the last Meeting were adopted and signed.

3. Matters Arising none.

4. Correspondence

Mrs.C.Feld thought that as Whist Drives were so popular, we should have them more often - perhaps every Sunday, a small room to be set aside for them, and members to pay 2/- each, which money should be used as prize money.

F.L.D.C. had written to ask what we had decided about going in for the W.I.G.

Mr.J.Sterne had written to say that he hopes to attend the A.G.M., and expressing his regret at having had to resign as Secretary.

5. Chairman's Report

Mr.Katz was somewhat disappointed about the previous G.P.C. as two members of the Committee had to resign through lack of time for the Club. The Committee had carried on with 9 instead of 12 members which made it hard work. He expressed his thanks to all members of the Committee and helpers, and especial thanks to Mrs.J.Stryker for attending the F.L.D.C. meetings most months. On a few occasions the Chairman had to do the work of the Hon.Sec. (Mr.Stryker) also as he had not been well. As we know, Bingo is the most popular event. Lastly, he welcomed the Youth Section which had been reformed, and wished them good luck in the future. A letter had been received from the R.S.J.D.C. thanking us for collecting £4.10.0. in memory of Mr.Benhan. The money would be used for the purchase of a tree for the garden of the new Residential Centre for Jewish Deaf Children, and we would be informed when it would be planted.

Mrs.Stryker proposed a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Mr.Yarrow.

6. Hon.Secretary's Report

Mr.Stryker said that as he had frequently given a report in the News Letter, he would not repeat himself now. However, he felt that the Club was slow in making progress. He expressed special thanks for their hard work to Mr.Itzkowitz, Mr.Katz, and Mr.Newman, and also to Mr.Myers for helping Mr.Newman with the work of Hon.Treasurer. The Grand Whist Drive had been most successful, and the Youth Section had made a good start. Mr.&Mrs.Stryker presented the Kiddush Cup from the G.P.C. to the Helen Keller Home on Seder night, and they sent us their grateful thanks.

Mr.Hirshman proposed a vote of thanks and Mr.Lawrence seconded.

7. Treasurer's Report

This was given by Mr. Myers, who handed out printed copies of the Income and Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet, and his report. We had made a small loss of £2.15.7, and he hoped that the new Committee would urgently review ways of turning this into a profit. He felt that some of the expenditure could have been cut, and that most of our functions should be planned to give a small profit. On 31.12.64, we had 158 members on our books. We had welcomed six new members, regretted that five had died, and two members had resigned.

Mr. Myers said that he had been helping Harry Newman with the work of Treasurer, and wished to say that Mr. Newman had done a wonderful job in taking over at such short notice. He also thanked the Committee for their hard work, especially Mrs. Ross and Mr. Schlisselman for arranging such a successful and enjoyable Valentine's dance. It made a profit of more than £8.

In reply to various questions, the Treasurer made the following points:

1. Why a loss of £12. on Whist Drives? We are spending too much on prizes.
2. The profit on Dances and Bingo includes raffles.
3. The outing to Waddesden Manor was a loss as it was a gift from the G.P.C.
4. Travel expenses represent fares to meetings of the G.P.C., F.L.D.C., etc.

The Treasurer was asked to break the information down more in the future, so that we get a clearer picture of individual items, and to give separate reports for Chess and Dominoes.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Hirshman, and seconded by Mrs. Stryker.

8. CUPS

The Sylvia Weinberg cup was won by Mrs. Stryker.

The A. Goldstein cup was won by Mr. Izkowitz.

Only a very small proportion of the members had recorded a vote, and it was hoped that in future more members will vote.

9. F.L.D.C.

Mrs. Stryker gave a report on the F.L.D.C., at the conclusion of which the question of our continued membership of the Federation was put to the vote. It was agreed that we should not take part again in the F.L.D.C. Whist Drives.

Mr. Clement proposed a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Mr. Britton.

10. Youth Section

Mr. Fallman reported that the Section was making progress, but it was still early days so he could not give a full report.

Mr. Lawrence complained that he had been asked to leave a function for the group, and hoped that in future they would be more welcoming to visitors and onlookers.

Mr. Fallman was thanked for his report.

11. Ramble Report

Mr. Solomon reported that the section had a good year, and had enjoyed their walks.

Mr. Newman proposed a vote of thanks which was seconded by Mr. Lawrence.

12. Drama

Mr. Schisselman reported that the group was gradually improving. Mrs. Michaels proposed a vote of thanks which was seconded by Mrs. Ross.

13. Chess Section

The report was given by the leader of the group, Mr. Fallman. He regretted that owing to lack of support, he would be resigning as leader. The 1st prize was won by Myer Solomon, Harold Fallman was 2nd, and Albert Kelberman was the Handicap winner.

14. New Rule

Before the voting for the new Committee took place, Mr. Hirshman asked leave to introduce a new rule, which would have bearing on the elections. This was that:

No member of a Committee is to hold the same position for more than 3 years unless voted out at the previous Annual General Meeting.

This would mean that the present Chairman (Mr. Katz) would not be eligible for re-election as he had held this post for more than 3 years, but he would be eligible for election to another position.

The motion was seconded by Mr. D. Michaels, and passed by the meeting.

15. Elections

The following were elected:

Chairman:	Myer Solomon
Vice Chairman:	Lionel Katz
Secretary:	Ruth Myers
Asst. "	Emil Stryker
Treasurer:	David Myers
Asst. "	Anne Hart
Committee:	Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Stryker, Mrs. Katz, Messrs. Gold, Lawrence, Hirshman.

Mr. Solomon thanked Mr. Katz for his hard work in the past, and also thanked the members for voting for him.

16. Trustees

Mr. Myers proposed that two or three members of the J.D.A. be appointed TRUSTEES, to supervise the accounts of the G.P.C., and that they shall have the power to advise the Committee as to the suitability of any Treasurer that may be appointed. If a Treasurer is not found, or has to retire, or is, for any reason unable to carry out his duties, the Trustees shall, in rotation take over all responsibility for the accounts. The following people are hereby nominated as the first Trustees:

Mr. Margulies, Mr. Myers, Mr. Hirshman, Mr. Solomon.

When a Trustee retires, his successor should be the unanimous choice of the remaining Trustees.

This motion was seconded by Mr.Hirshman, and passed.

17. Fees for Widows and Widowers

Mr.I.Clement proposed, and Mr.Fallman seconded the motion which was then passed, that:

the subscription for widows or widowers should be 12/6d per annum.

18. Free membership and Admission

Mr.L.Katz proposed that:

1. There should be free membership for the incurable members
2. Admission to film shows, etc. should be free for the over 70's and incurables

The motion was seconded by Mr.E.Gold and passed.

The Meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Myer Solomon.

March 20th 1966.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

THE 8th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE J. D. A.

ON MARCH 20th 1966.

1. Opening Speech by Chairman in which he welcomed all the members who were present.
2. The Minutes of the last A.G.M. were adopted and signed.

3. Matters Arising

Mrs. Feld had written (last year) asking for more whist drives, and other members had made similar requests, but when whist drives are held they do not come.

4. Correspondence - none

5. Chairman's report

Mr. Solomon said this would be short as he and the Hon. Sec. had regularly kept the members informed through the monthly news letters. The year had been notable for the fact that the Committee had arranged 3 completely new programmes - a car rally, badminton section and children's party, and the Hon. Sec. is arranging a week-end at the A.J.Y. Hostel in May at Margate.

Bingo remains the most popular event, but it is not possible to have bingo and nothing else and it is hoped that in future other events will be better attended. Many members complain that the club premises are difficult to reach by public transport yet bingo is always packed out.

I was pleased to note that at the Purim Party several ladies offered their help in the kitchen and hoped that this would continue. He is not satisfied with the Billiards, Snooker & Dominoes sections and hopes that the new G.P.C. will shake them up. He is pleased that the Youth Section is getting on well and hopes that they will be encouraged as they are the future members of the J.D.A. The club premises will shortly be closed for several months for extensive building alterations. Finally, he thanked the Committee and members for their hard work throughout the year.

The vote of thanks was proposed by David Mirshman and seconded by Maurice Lawrence.

6. Hon. Secretary's report

Mrs. Myers said that this seemed to have been a fairly successful year. In the last few months members had been more willing to support us than earlier but still more support was needed before the club would be really active. She hoped that the participation of the Compton Committee in the Badminton group would continue as it is a very good thing for the two groups to meet in this friendly manner. She too was pleased that more members had offered to help with the catering at the Purim Party and hoped that the next committee would attempt to form a rota of helpers. It would be a good thing if these helpers came from outside the G.P.C. as sometimes she had been too busy helping in the Canteen to attend to her duties as Hon. Sec. Mrs. Ross has been a wonderful help with the catering and also Mrs. Katz and she took this opportunity of thanking them both. Finally she asked the members to consider carefully the choice of the new Committee. It is essential to have a strong Committee to keep the club going well. It is hard but enjoyable work, but if we all refuse to serve, there will not be a committee at all and it will not have the right people with the power to work hard. In conclusion she thanked the Committee as a whole for their help and co-operation, particularly Myer Solomon and Lionel Katz who were always prepared to give help when needed. Jack Hart proposed the vote of thanks which was seconded by I. Yarrow.

7. Hon. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Myers handed out printed copies of his report and balance sheet. He said that the net loss of £14.6.6d. for badminton is for the 3 months to 31.12.65, and means that in our next accounts we must expect to see a larger loss on badminton but hoped that members would not stop the activity for this reason. He thanked the Council for their help with the fees. The Billiards, Snooker, Chess and Dominoes group has made a loss this year because it was necessary to buy more dominoe sets. However, overall we made a profit of £16.15.8d compared with last years loss.

We have 169 members, and these include 4 new members whom we were pleased to welcome. He thanked the Committee for their help and particularly Mrs. Annie Hart who is assistant treasurer, and wished her a speedy and complete recovery. In reply to queries, he said that the accounts are not yet audited, the donations were from Mr. & Mrs. Balbes, 2 Australians and Mr. & Mrs. Isaacs. Mr. Hirshman thanked Mr. Myers for his hard work on the accounts. Mr. Newman proposed the vote of thanks and Mr. Lawrence seconded.

8. Group Reports

Billiards & Snooker : Numbers taking part have dropped - it is not known how the group will be able to continue when the club closes for alterations.

Drana : the section ceased activities as Mr. Schlisselman has been unwell, but it is hoped it will eventually re-open.

Whist : Last year the complaints were that not enough whist drives were arranged, now Mrs. Stryker had to report that there was not enough support.

Badminton : Mr. Katz said that we have 23 members playing, including 6 from the Compton Committee. They enjoy themselves very much and hope it will be possible to carry on next season.

Ramble : the group had been well supported in the past year and went to many different places. The leader - Myer Solomon resigned in February. Mr. Katz thanked Mr. Solomon for having led the group.

9. Youth Section

Mr. Fallman was disappointed with the section as there are not many members. There are too few for outdoor games but dances and indoor games are well attended.

10. Cups

The Sylvia Weinberg cup was won by Mrs. Ross and the A. Goldstein cup by Lionel Katz. Both the shields for billiards and snooker were won by Jeffrey David. Mr. Gold, as leader of the groups presented the prizes won. Mr. Solomon thanked Mr. Gold for his hard work.

11. Special Presentation

A cigarette box was presented to Mr. Katz by the GPC as a token of thanks for all his hard work for the JDA. Mr. Katz was very surprised and thanked the Committee very much for the gift. Much as he enjoyed working for the club, he would like a year off.

12. Elections

Mr. Hart objected to the nomination sheet, which he said was not the job of the GPC. It was agreed that nominations should be made on the spot.

The following were elected to the Committee:

Chairman :	Jack Hart
Vice "	Maurice Lawrence
Secretary :	Ruth Myers
Asst. "	Enil Stryker
Treasurer :	David Myers
Assist. "	Ivan Clement
Committee :	Jane Stryker, David Hirshman, Israel Itzkowitz, Annie Hart, Stella Seymour, Edward Gold.

The new Chairman then took the Chair and thanked Mr. Solomon for his work and the members for voting for him and hoped to do his best for the Club.

A.O.B.

Golf Mr. Goldsmith would like to organise this section and hopes the Committee will be interested.

Canteen Mr. Stryker hopes that a rota of helpers will be arranged.

Sailing Mr. Myers would like all members interested to contact him.

Rambles Mr. Hirshman said he was sorry that Mr. Solomon had resigned as group leader and asked if any member would take over from him.

Car outing Mr. Michaels would like the Committee to arrange a car outing rather than a rally so that more members could take part.

Youth Section Mr. Fallman thanked Mr. Myers for helping with the Youth Section accounts.

The Meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Chairman J.H.T.
5.3.67.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE 9TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT THE JEWISH BLIND SOCIETY ON 5TH

MARCH, 1967.

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming all the members, and by reminding us that the meeting would be shorter than usual. The members were, therefore, asked to be sure to pay attention to the meeting.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the last A.G.M. were adopted and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

Sailing: There was no news as very few members were interested.

Golf: Mr. Stryker was very disappointed that nothing had been done.

Committee: Mrs. Stella Seymour resigned in July through lack of time.

Whist Drive: Mrs. Feld complained in 1965 about the small number of whist drives. She has since resigned from the J.D.A.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Hart welcomed Mr. Fineberg (Chairman of the J.D.A.) who was present for part of the meeting.

He thanked the G.P.C. for their very hard work during the year, and also in particular the Honorary Secretary and Hon. Treasurer.

The Sylvia Weinberg and A. Goldstein cups were not being awarded this year, but were being held in abeyance until the new building is opened. In the past winners received a small replica of the cup, now the winners names are engraved on the cups.

He thanked Mr. & Mrs. Margulies for all their work.

Mr. Hart was very grateful to Maurice Lawrence for organising the very successful Grand Bingo in November, David Hirshman and Maurice Lawrence for arranging the Valentine's Dance. Many others beside worked hard on these occasions and also the Chanukah Party, and he thanked all the Committee and onon-Committee for their help for special functions. The G.P.C. had hoped to arrange a dinner dance at the Cafe Royal in November, 1967. After the arrangements were well advanced, the G.P.C. were asked by the Council to cancel the function as it was thought a loss would result. The G.P.C. Were very disappointed. Emil Stryker proposed the vote of thanks and Edward Gold seconded.

Mrs. Ross asked for more information about the cancellation of the dinner dance. She was told that the Council thought we would lose money on the function and that the tickets were too expensive for a charity.

Unfortunately there had been only one Council meeting since last March, and letters written to Mr. Fineberg were never answered.

Mr. Solomon asked why the cups were not awarded since the Club has been meeting as usual. He was told that members did not bother to vote or spoilt ballot papers, and when they do vote there is too much favouritism, thus making the cups of little value to the winners.

5. Mr. Fineberg: Mr. Fineberg said he was there as a guest, this being our own meeting. This will be an important year as we hope to move back to Cazenove Road in September or October. He is disturbed about the well-being of the Club, and so came to the meeting on his own initiative. He was very sorry that the G.P.C. dinner dance had to be cancelled but from the experience of the J.D.A. Functions Committee it is very difficult to dispose of tickets. For the last three years the J.D.A. has had only a dinner, and was very sorry not to see any representatives of the members present. He hoped that in future some members will go, and also hoped that the J.D.A. would arrange a dinner dance again. He would be pleased to reply to any questions members wished to put to him.

Mrs. Hart said that Mr. Fineberg had said we were self-governing so why did the Council sometimes ask us to cancel functions?. Mr. Fineberg said that for the reasons given in our Chairman's Report, it was thought better not to go ahead with it, but that there was no reason why we could not have a smaller and less expensive function.

Mr. Stellman asked why Mr. Fineberg had not replied to the letters sent to him by the Hon. Secretary. Mr. Fineberg replied that he had no recollection of receiving these letters.

Jack Hart thanked Mr. Fineberg for coming.

6. Hon. Secretary: Mrs. Myers said she did not feel this had been a very successful year for the Club. We were working under very difficult conditions, but just the same we must thank the J.B.S. for their wonderful hospitality.

The review of the programmes is given in the News Letter every month, but she did wish to mention the Grand Bingo, Chanukah Party and Valentine's Dance, for which functions so many people had worked very hard and were most successful. Mrs. Myers felt that Whist Drives ought to be stopped through lack of support, but maybe members would like a Grand Whist Drive every two or three months. Tickets for this would be more expensive than those for ordinary whist drives so that the prizes would be attractive.

Mrs. Myers was very pleased that Mr. Fineberg had come to the meeting and hoped that this would be the start of a fuller co-operation between all Committees of the J.D.A. It was quite wrong that the members own Committee was not allowed fuller participation in the J.D.A. affairs

and the constant limitations in our activities were disheartening. Whilst it is true that without the hearing Committee the J.D.A. would flop, it would also flop without its members.

It had not been easy to work with the Youth Section, and despite many requests for more co-operation, this had not happened.

Mrs. Myers thanked the Chairman for a happy year working with him, he had tried at all times to be absolutely fair and impartial and this was no easy task. She also thanked the other members of the G.P.C. for their hard work.

David Hirshman proposed the vote of thanks and Jonathon Sterne seconded.

Matters Arising: Mrs. Stryker agreed about the whist drives as people do not come. Since the Chairman of the Youth Section was not present it was not possible to discuss their matters. However, in reply to a question about the Youth Section's proposal to charge members of the group 5/- a year membership (in addition to the 15/- paid to the J.D.A.), Ivan Clement said he agreed that this proposal was not right. The Y.S. decided to ask for this before they heard that when the Y.S. closed down 10 years ago, £90 was handed to the G.P.C. for safe keeping. They were told that it is not possible to pay this money back, but that the G.P.C. would be very pleased to help them with any reasonable request. However, they must send representatives to the G.P.C. meeting.

7. HON. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Myers said we made a good profit last year and he was quite happy about our financial affairs. Mr. & Mrs. R. Denton, Miss R. Kay, Mr. F. Schiller and Mr. D. Jackson have joined the club. Mr. & Mrs. Litenstone rejoined, and Miss C. Koblenz and Mrs. Feld resigned.

We have no Bank Charges, and have approximately 170 members. The accounts are not yet audited. We have £260. 8. 0. in the Bank. The loss of £10.10.8. for Badminton is for 6 months (the first and last 3 months of 1965).

Mr. Myers thanked the members of the G.P.C. for their co-operation and hoped they would be satisfied with the accounts. Maurice Lawrence proposed the vote of thanks and Stanley Senchal seconded.

8. BADMINTON:

Mr. Hirshman said that the Badminton Committee consisted of Lilian Nabarro, and Stanley Senchal and himself. The players were roughly half deaf members and half Compton Committee. They were very grateful to the Council for subsidising the activity. A few friendly matches were arranged, but he was sorry that they were fixed at such short notice that he could not inform the members. He was very sorry that there were no under 25s. playing.

9. NEW RULE:

The G.P.C. proposed that new members must spend one year as ordinary members before offering themselves for election to the Committee.

The proposal was carried unanimously.

Definition of a Country member: Mrs. Myers suggested that people outside the Greater London Council area be charged fees for membership as country members. Mr. Hirshman seconded and the proposal was carried.

10. ELECTIONS:

Mr. Hart reminded members that it was hard work on the Committee and they must be prepared to work if they stand for the Committee. He himself did not wish to stand again as Chairman as he did not find it easy working with the Council.

No member was prepared to stand for the Chair, and various proposals were put forward by which there would be a Caretaker Committee. Mr. Margulies said that since the G.P.C. are represented on the Council they were in effect complaining about themselves and asked the Committee to continue for 6 months.

No solution could be found and so the meeting was closed.

Chairman M. Lawrence.
24.3.68

MINUTES OF THE 2nd. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, 21st.
JANUARY 1968 AT THE JEWISH DEAF CHILDREN'S HOSTEL AT 3.45 p.m.

The meeting was supposed to start at 3.00 p.m. but the Chairman came in at 3.45 p.m.

1. MINUTES

There was no Minutes of the last A.G.M. (1966), therefore Mr. Murray wrote a programme of events during the year 1967 - the Chairman spoke to the members about the events. The members agreed with them, they were signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

There was an anxious discussion about the closing or opening of the Youth Section. The following people spoke out briefly about the continuance of Youth Section:-

Mr. M. Lawrence (G.P.C. Chairman), Mr. I. Clements (Y.S. Chairman), Mr. A. D. Murray (Y.S. Hon. Secretary), Mrs. R. Ross (G.P.C. member), Mr. K. Silver and Mr. M. Corney.

3. REPORTS

The Chairman, Mr. I. Clements, Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. D. Murray, Hon. Treasurers, Mr. H. Clements and Mr. M. H. Corney made reports on various subjects.

Main report was about the profit to Hayling Island, which was invisible!! - it first showed as 11/- then 7/- and afterwards 17/-. We will never know the correct profit.

4. GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The Chairman, Mr. M. Lawrence made a speech about the club in Cazenove Road, he wanted the Y.S. to continue as they will have plenty of things to do in Cazenove Road and also told the members that we shall have new modern rooms especially for table-tennis, billiards, and many other activities including a canteen.

5. ELECTIONS

The following members were elected to the Committee:-

Chairman	-	Mr. I. Clements
Hon. Secretary-		Miss L. Nabarro
Assist. "	-	Mr. A. D. Murray
Hon. Treasurer-		Mr. L. L. Lebor
Members	-	Mr. M. H. Broer
		Miss J. A. Alick
		Mr. H. Clements

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. H. Clements wanted the Youth Section to be renamed the 68'Club, most of the members agreed with his idea, this will have to be passed by the Council.

Mr. M. H. Broer donated to the Youth Section a silver cup for the best Committee member of the year to be engraved onto the cup - the cup will be called 68'Club if the Council approved. The members discussed the activities - this will be read out in the Committee Meeting.

A. D. Murray,
Hon. Secretary.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE 10th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD
AT 90 CAZENOVE ROAD, N.16 ON 24th MARCH, 1968

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming all present.
2. MINUTES of the last A.G.M. were adopted and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

Dinner and dance: at the last A.G.M. Mr Fineberg said that he hoped the members and the J.D.A. would arrange a joint dinner and dance. However, the J.D.A. had arranged a dinner and dance on 31st December 1967. Mr. Stryker asked whether the members (via the G.P.C.) had been asked to make it a joint function, and was informed that we had not heard anything.

Golf: Mr. Gold asked why nothing had been done. Mr. Goldsmith said that now the Club is open again he would try again.

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

Myer Solomon wrote apologising for his absence because of ill health. The Chairman said that everyone hoped he would soon be well again.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Lawrence said that we were all sorry that, for personal reasons Jack Hart had to resign as Chairman after 6 months. He expressed thanks to Mr. Hart for all he had done during his term of office. As Vice Chairman he had agreed to take over the chair.

On behalf of all members he expressed deep regret at the passing of Annie Hart. She had been a member of the G.P.C. for many years and her work on the Committee will be sadly missed as she will be personally also. She will long be remembered and we pray she rests in peace.

Reviewing the year, he thanked the Hon Secretary and Treasurer for their work, and also Mrs Ross and Myer Solomon for having offered to work on the G.P.C. Without Mrs Ross and Mr Solomon the Committee's work would have been impossible.

Grand Bingo in November had been most successful. About 250 attended and we are grateful to all who helped with the function.

We are all very happy to be back once again at Cazenove Road and thank the House and Executive Committees for all the work they have put into the Club. At the same time we must extend our warmest thanks to the J.B.S. for their wonderful hospitality all the time the Club has been closed.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Emil Stryker and seconded by Rosie Ross.

Emil Stryker said that he was sorry that the Chairman had not mentioned the work of Edward Gold on the Committee.

David Hirshman asked if the G.P.C. has given a donation to the J.B.S. As a charity we are not able to give donations to other charities and we presume the executive will have attended to this.

Hon Secretary:

Said how sorry we all are that Mr Margulies has been ill and, on behalf of all members sent him our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We are all very happy to be back at Cazenove Road after such a long absence and with such a lovely club, we hope that in future we will flourish. We are most grateful to the hearing Committees for all the work they have put into the new building and thank them very much for the excellent re-opening party on March 3rd.

Since March 3rd we have had a bingo evening, and the Purim party on March 17 was excellent and Dr and Mrs Fenton who attended as friends of the conjurer, said that they had enjoyed it very much. Other programmes are reviewed in the newsletters.

Mrs Myers thanked the Committee for their excellent work during the year. We were most thankful that Mrs Ross and Myer Solomon had accepted our invitation to join the Committee and they had proved to be most valuable.

Mrs Lawrence proposed the vote of thanks and Mrs Stryker seconded.

Mr Stryker asked about the questionnaires about members opinions of club programmes for the future. We have not yet had time to analyse them and very few people bothered to reply. No new programmes will be started till the Autumn.

Hon Treasurer:

Mr Myers said that we made a profit for the year of £14.8.11d. The accounts are not yet audited.

Reduction of profits for Grand Bingo and Valentines Dance is due to members complaints in the past that we have made too much profit. However, Mr Myers could not see any harm in large profits providing good prizes and refreshments were given.

Mr Myers said that he was especially grateful to Myer Solomon as not only was he Vice Chairman he also agreed to be Assistant Treasurer. However, all members of the Committee had worked hard he was grateful to them all.

Mrs Stryker proposed the vote of thanks and Mr Katz seconded.

It was pointed out that we have 267 units of national savings certificates (not 167).

Mr Stellman asked in future for the Hon Secretary to give details of membership changes - the request was noted by Mrs Myers.

Mr Sterne thought some of our cash should be in a deposit account to earn interest, but since we may buy some equipment for the Club, we must wait and see.

We have approx 185 members.

Mr Stryker asked why we have a loss of £40 on badminton - he thought the Council would cover the loss. It was pointed out that the Council pay 1/3 of the total cost of hire of hall only. We pay the full cost of shuttlecocks now and we have fewer members playing so the loss is greater.

The collection for Israel was £93.7 4d and the GPC made up the total to £100. A letter from the JPA was printed in the newsletter.

Mr Hirshman thought the profit was too small and in future profits must be larger. Mrs Myers said that in fairness to the GPC and particularly the Hon Treasurer, people complain at large profits. The law about bingo is a profit of 6d each - no more so there is little profit on bingo itself but mostly on the raffle.

Badminton:

Mr Hirshman said we are grateful to the Compton committee for their continued support. 12 deaf and 2 hearing people play regularly. They enjoy themselves very much but we are all disappointed that not more support the activity. We were bottom of the FLDC B League. One Sunday in May the group will have their AGM and discuss the future.

Mrs Myers proposed the vote of thanks and Mr Stellman seconded.

68 Group:

Mr. Murray, chairman of the 68 group, said that this is the name by which the youth section will be known in future. He feels sure their programme will appeal to young members, and guests are welcome. He thanked the GPC for their help, particularly David Myers. He was very pleased to have a strong Committee and hoped the group would be successful. It was hoped that the group would work well with the GPC with representatives attending each others meetings. Jack Hart reminded the group that they cannot consider taking in non-Jewish people as members.

Mr Hirshman proposed the vote of thanks and Mrs Lawrence seconded.

Proposals:

GPC OUTING:

Mrs Ross proposed, and Mrs Myers seconded the proposal that the GPC outing be replaced by one years free membership for each member of the Committee but members must serve a minimum of 6 months in the GPC to qualify.

The proposal was carried and the GPC outing abolished henceforth.

BINGO:

Mr Gold wants outsiders to have a special membership card for bingo so that they can compete for jackpot. Mrs Margulies said that we are not allowed to run a bingo club and that the Council would object. The motion was therefore out of order. However, it was agreed that these bingo membership cards should be sold to JDA members only, and they must first be fully paid up members of the JDA. A small bingo card will be issued on payment of a small fee.

The proposal was carried.

B.D.D.A.:

Mr Stryker proposes we open a group of B.D.D.A. members. Some members not in favour felt we should first ask permission of the Council, but other members pointed out that it is not a religious group and so the permission of the Council is not necessary.

The proposal to open our own group was carried and Mr Stryker will be the Hon Secretary.

ELECTIONS:

The nomination of Mr Katz as chairman was objected to in view of the fact that he has previously accepted a presentation in gratitude for his work on behalf of the Club.

The members were reminded that Mr and Mrs Myers are no longer eligible as Hon Secretary and Treasurer as they have already served 3 years. Mrs Ross said that the 3 year rule should not apply this year as last year no Committee was elected at the AGM.

The following were elected to the Committee:

Chairman: Martin Binysh	Vice Chairman: Edward Gold
Hon. Secretary: Ruth Myers	Assistant Secretary: Alan Murray
Hon. Treasurer: David Myers	Assistant Treasurer: Leon Lebor
Committee: Rosie Ross, Stella Seymour, Esther Gold, Edward Abrahams, Kenneth Silver, Gerald Goldsmith.	

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Three Year Rule: Mrs Stryker proposed for next year that this rule be abolished.

New Rules: Mr Stellman asked for new rules to be given to members.

Subscriptions: Miriam Solomon proposed that next year we raise subscriptions - to be discussed at the next agm.

Drama: Isadore Schlisselman is starting a group on Wednesday evenings.

Bingo: Maurice Lawrence was elected bingo organiser for the year.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Chairman M. Binysh
23.3.69.

RULES

1. Applications for membership of the J.D.A. must be made to the Hon. Secretary of the G.P.C. either orally or in writing. All applications must be accompanied by the appropriate membership subscription.
2. Fees: are as follows, with the following alteration: one year's free membership after leaving school is to cease.

All fees are payable from January 1st to December 31st in advance.

Fees: under 18 - 12/6d

town members, single - 15/-

" " , married couple - 25/-

members outside G.L.C. area - single 7/6d, married 15/-d

widows - 12/6d

A.O.P's - 5/-d (voluntary)

New members joining between January 1st and June 30th pay for a full year, to December 31st, those joining between July 1st and December 31st pay for the six months to December 31st.

3. Fees are to be paid in full within two months (end of February). Unpaid members after that date who have not given a reason to the Hon. Secretary for their unpaid fees, will have to pay double charge for parties.
4. Cases of hardship will be sympathetically considered by the Committee. Persons wishing to plead hardship should give details to the Hon. Secretary or Hon. Treasurer.
5. All non-members (Jewish and non-Jewish) to pay 1/- per visit.
6. The G.P.C. consists of 12 members elected at their own A.G.M. They must be fully paid for the current year, they must be Jewish, and they must have been members for 1 year before standing for election.
7. Members unable to come to the A.G.M. who are willing to stand for election to the Committee must indicate their willingness in writing. They can stand for office in the Committee providing that their letter clearly indicates that they are willing, and which office they wish to stand for.
8. Voting at the A.G.M. is to be by a show of hands.
9. The old Committee is to carry on to the end of the A.G.M., when the new Committee will be formally introduced to members.

RULES (CONT'D)

10. G.P.C. members must do their best to come to the Club once a week.
11. Members of the G.P.C. only are entitled to one year's free membership subscription provided that they have served more than six months on the G.P.C. and are still on the G.P.C. at the end of its term of office.
12. Complaints and suggestions must be given to the Chairman or Hon. Secretary in writing. People making complaints or suggestions must give their names or these matters will be ignored.
13. Two or three members of the J.D.A. are appointed TRUSTEES, to supervise the accounts of the G.P.C. and they shall have the power to advise the Committee as to the suitability of any Treasurer that may be appointed. If a Treasurer is not found, or has to retire, or is for any reason unable to carry out his duties, the Trustees shall, in rotation, take over all responsibility for the accounts. The following people are at present Trustees: Mr. D. Myers, Mr. D. Hirshman, Mr. M. Solomon, Mrs. Margulies.
14. No members of the Committee may hold the same position for more than three years unless voted out at the previous A.G.M.
15. Amendments to the rules and proposals to be discussed at the A.G.M. must be given to the Hon. Secretary in writing two weeks before the A.G.M.

These rules can only be amended at an A.G.M. of the G.P.C.
Amendments will only be carried if agreed by a majority of members voting.
16. The G.P.C. are not to give personal presents to any member of the J.D.A. for any reason whatsoever.
17. Names of new, rejoined and resigned members are to be put in the Newsletter.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE 11th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD

AT 90 CAZENOVE ROAD, N.16 ON 23rd MARCH 1969

1. The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all members present.
2. Minutes of the last annual general meeting were adopted and signed.
3. Matters arising:

Subscriptions: Mrs Myers asked the Council if they had any feelings about subs being increased, and the reply was that they did not want subscriptions increased, at least at present.

Elections: Mr Stryker asked if the objection to Mr Katz as Chairman was permanent. Mrs Myers said perhaps he would return to the Committee in another capacity, members might not object any longer to his return as Chairman.

Golf: Mr Goldsmith said that very few people had taken part in this activity during 1968, but he hoped to try again this year.

Youth Section: Mr Murray said the group was closed because we do not have enough young people, but if he is re-elected to the GPC he will try and re-start the group.

4. Chairman's report:

Mr Binysh said the past year had been very good and successful. Many people come to the Club on Sundays but few on week-days, but he hopes this aspect will improve. He is very pleased to report that billiards and snooker have been started again and is going very well. He thanked Gerald Goldsmith and Jeffrey David for this work in this respect. The Quarterly Review has been closed as Mr Murray is too busy to edit it at present.

Three members of the GPC resigned, and the Committee invited Myer Solomon and Maurice Lawrence to join them, and are grateful to them for helping out. Badminton has closed through lack of support. We have taken part in the FLDC quiz competitions and exchanged gifts with Israel - in particular Tel Aviv deaf club. He thanked Isadore Schlisselman for taking our gifts over and bringing back the gifts from Tel Aviv and Haifa. He also congratulated on the successful holiday for our members, and said that Mr Schlisselman would like to arrange another holiday in 1970.

The clock in memory of the late Annie Hart is now fixed in the Canteen.

He thanked Maurice Lawrence and Edward Gold for arranging bingo evenings and Myer Solomon for film and slide shows. He also thanked the various Committees of the JDA for their work on our behalf. He felt that there had been more co-operation between the GPC and these Committees. He thanked the Hon Secretary and Hon Treasurer and all the Committee for their hard work.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr Stryker and seconded by Mrs Ross.

5. Hon Secretary's report:

Mrs Myers said that as usual the events within the club were fully commented upon in her page in the newsletter. Since the last newsletter was published we have had a very happy Purim party, when Mr Schlisselman, at short notice put on a short mime show - we are most grateful to Mr Schlisselman for this. At the party we were very pleased to see many hearing people, in particular Miss Schlesinger, Mrs Benham and Miss Ballinson came, and members of the house committee.

During the year the GPC had required various odd jobs to be done, and in this respect Aubrey Cohen and Israel Itzkowitz had been a great help. Abe Weinstein had made a trolley for the projector cupboard

which is most useful. We are also grateful to Mrs Margulies for her help and work during the year.

Mrs Ross proposed the vote of thanks and Mr Schamroth seconded.

Miss M Solomon asked who invited Mrs Benham and Miss Ballinson to the Purim party. Mrs Margulies said that Mrs Benham was in London and anxious to see her old pupils and Miss Ballinson also expressed the wish to come.

6. Hon Treasurer's report:

Mr Myers was pleased to report that we had made a profit for the year of £22 compared with £14 last year. In all respects he felt that it had been a successful year. Badminton is now unfortunately dissolved because members had not supported this activity.

For the first time there have been purchases of sundry furniture and equipment which are shown as at cost representing actual cost value of the sundry items purchased. We have to allow for depreciation of these goods, full details of which are given in the accounts.

The hon treasurer thanked Leon Lebor for his capable work as assistant treasurer and the committee as a whole for their support.

Mr Silverman proposed the vote of thanks and Mr Lawrence seconded.

In reply to various queries the following replies were given:

The actual cost of the clock in memory of Annie Hart was £11 approx of which approx £4 was given by members.

128 copies of the first edition of the Quarterly Review were sold and 78 of the second edition.

It was agreed to put £100 in a deposit account.

There were a number of queries about depreciation, which is correct accounting practice, and must be shown as it has been this year.

Mr Stryker queried badminton. Mrs Myers said that the Council would have liked it to continue, but the players felt that we would be better to cut our losses and close now as there were so very few of them.

7. Badminton:

Mr Hirshman confirmed that the section was closed through lack of support. Players preferred to play for other clubs so badminton would not re-open at the JDA.

Adoption of the report was proposed by Mr Sterne and seconded by Mr Sandler.

Mr Lawrence said that our players are not very good and we are at the bottom of the FLDC B League. It was pointed out in reply that if our players were given a chance by the better players they could improve.

8. Billiards & Snooker:

Mr Goldsmith said that 24 people play billiards and 15 snooker. He wants the competition to run till 31 December 1970, but it was pointed out that this must be put to the GPC not the AGM.

9. B.D.D.A.

Mr Stryker said we have 60 members. He went to the AGM of the BDDA on our behalf and it was a very well run meeting. The new Committee will serve for 3 years. Each branch should have its chairman, secretary and treasurer but we only have Mr Stryker! When he has more information about this he will contact our members.

10. Quarterly Review:

Mr Murray said that it was with regret that he had to withdraw as editor but he is studying for his GCE and has not time any more. He said that Mrs Myers was always interfering in the running of the magazine, to which Mrs Myers said that the magazine is now the JDA magazine not Mr Murray's own and that all her objections or suggestions had been carried by the GPC.

Mr Stryker congratulated Mr Murray on his work and asked him to reconsider his resignation, which he will do in September.

11. Three year rule:

It was proposed that this rule be abolished - the proposal was made by Mrs Stryker and seconded by Mr Gold. Objection was lodged by Mr Hirshman and seconded by Mr Stryker.

Members were reminded when voting for the new committee that this rule still stands for this year and will not start until next year.

12. New rules:

These were adopted as circulated with the following additions:

Rule 16: Mr Stryker proposed that any of our members who are chronically sick can be given presents - eg for Simchat Torah, Purim

Members not taking part in the activity of the evening to keep out of the room in which the activity takes place.

13. Elections:

The following were elected:

Chairman: Mrs R Myers

Vice Chairman: Mr I Schlisselman

Secretary: Mr A Murray

Asst Secretary: Mr E Gold

Treasurer: Mr M Binysh

Asst Treasurer: Mr L Lebor

Committee:

Mr L Katz, Mrs R Katz, Miss E Halpern, Mrs Ross, Mr M Holder, Mr D Myers

14. Any other business:

Mr Katz said he would like Tuesday to be men's evening at the Club for games and competitions (billiards etc). It was pointed out that the club is now closed on Tuesdays because no-one came when it was open and that they can have Wednesday instead. It was proposed to put a list on billiards board to see who would come for matches and when.

Mr Katz also said that he wants small photographs of new members put on the notice board so that we know who they are. It will be done next year.

Mr Katz said he would like to see an electric bingo board at our club. Mr Schlisselman said that as far as he knew we had not had any complaints about the old manual method. Mr Myers said that he had wanted to see our club with an electric bingo board too, but that the GPC felt that it was a very expensive item. The few people still at the meeting voted in favour of an electric bingo board, and Mr Hart (J) pointed out that although the proposal was carried it should not be put into effect until next year in accordance with agm practice.

Bingo Leader:

Mr Gold and Mr Katz will lead bingo for the year, but Mr Lawrence will lead on May 4th (grand bingo).

Quarterly Review:

It was agreed that it should be closed permanently as we do not need it with the newsletter.

Elections:

Mrs Sandler asked why we do not take the person who has the second largest number of votes in the elections to be vice chairman, assistant secretary etc. It was pointed out that this is indeed most logical but that frequently a member will stand as chairman but not vice chairman, also some will be vice chairman but not chairman and we must give these people a chance.

Mr Broer asked about the co-opted members of the GPC in the last year. He was told that it is impossible for the GPC to work well with only 9 members, therefore the GPC asked Mr M Solomon and Mr Lawrence (as bingo leader) who are always most helpful if they would join them.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair .

Chairman: R. Myers.

dated 4th April 1970.