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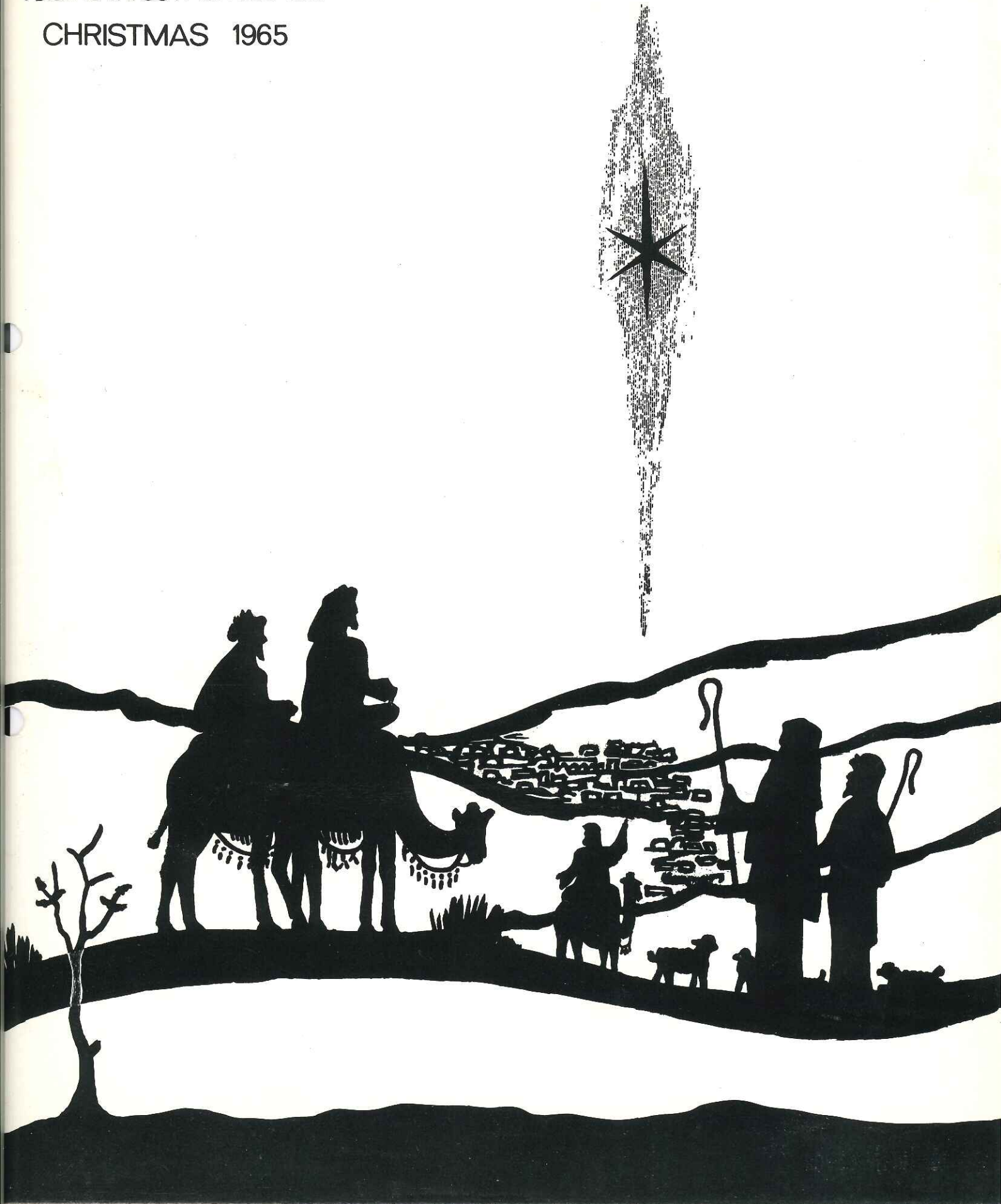




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## Scope or soap?

The open day at La Villiaze on Thursday December 2nd, was a huge success for all concerned. The factory was open to the public from 2.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and a total of 790 visitors were conducted around by the 12 guides. Groups of 20 or so persons were assembled in the Canteen for showing of the film "The Oscilloscope - what it is, what it does". These groups were then conducted past a display of Guernsey-made instruments to the Boiler House, preparation and assembly areas, emerging finally from the Test Department.

Many questions were asked and answered competently, the impression gained by the General Public and the Press was that of an efficient and progressive operation producing a superior product - just as it should be. Appli-

cations of all sorts were talked of - for the Radio/TV trade, Motor dealers, Growers, Business Houses and even Bakers. Some even asked if oscilloscopes would seal plastic bags, automatically find and correct TV faults and even do the washing up! Some people were in doubts as to the exact nature of our product - before the tour - two ladies were heard to remark "I think it's a kind of SOAP!" The report in the Guernsey Press was, on the whole, accurate and complimentary - except for the inference that Tektronix Guernsey Ltd. was a subsidiary of Tektronix Ltd.!

Finally, a lot of thanks should go to those responsible for the organisation, the special swing shift workers and the gentleman who showed the film again and again and again.....!

## Bailiff

During last month the Bailiff of Guernsey, Sir William Arnold, visited La Villiaze factory. He made a tour of the assembly area with Bob Gwynn. After the tour, the Bailiff remarked how impressed he was with the working conditions at La Villiaze. He also wished he had had more time to look around.

# news and

## Cupressus

Trees have been planted along the entrance road at La Villiaze. They are Cupressus Leylandi and Cupressus Golden. Walt Morrison tells us that more trees are to be planted soon along the exit road. Here there will be Prunus alternated with Silver Birch.

## Olé

Two visitors from Spain recently were Carlos de Rafael, the Tektronix distributor and his Technical Consultant, Pedro Gabarro. They were taken on a tour around La Villiaze by John Baker. The photo shows Carlos and Pedro chatting, in their native tongue, to Rose Fernandez whose father was born in Madrid. It must have been pleasant for our visitors to find a touch of sunny Spain in Guernsey.



2 turtle doves

# views

## D.I.Y.

Domestic upsets help to make life interesting, but they can be rather trying! Take, for example, the case of a helpful husband who decided to lay a carpet in the bathroom as a surprise for his wife. Do the job properly, he thought, and made a template, cut the carpet and Hey-presto! - it came out upside down. Anybody want a piece of carpet with a hole for the "you-know-what" in the wrong place?

Then there was the tale of a tap washer which cost £5-4-3d.! The story goes like this:- The leaky tap used a washer which was obsolete by a change in regulations so a new tap - or rather a pair of taps were bought.....but, alas, the basin cracked when the taps were being fitted - hence the cost!

## Crossed lines

Finally, does anybody have a telephone that rings when the cooker is turned on? We've had a couple of reports of this happening, for different but connected reasons. It must have been rather puzzling for the telephone engineer who called to check a phone continuously ringing and found nothing wrong - even more puzzling for the housewife when she saw him out, went to make herself a cuppa and the bell rang when she put a hotplate on. It was all to do with the incorrect earthing, the cooker wiring was reversed and a large current was drawn from the earth return - telephone was shared service with earth ringing, hence the bell. The same thing has happened before but it was due to the domestic appliance being grounded to a water pipe..... this is not recommended when asbestos mains are being laid quite often these days.

## Omfattende Sjølyst-mønstring



Peter Hejlsberg took up the post of Scandinavian Field Engineer for Tektronix Ltd. on October 1st. Peter is a U.S. citizen, though born and educated in Denmark. He has taken up residence in the country of his birth and will liaise with our Northern European Distributors.

His career with Tektronix began in 1961 when he joined Tekintag in Zug. Beginning in Guernsey, Peter completed his training as a Field Engineer in Beaverton and stayed on with International Marketing for 8 months before returning

to Zug as a Staff Field Engineer. In 1963, Peter was given the opportunity to establish and take charge of the Swiss field office. We are quite sure that the Hejlsberg family, especially Peter's wife and young daughter, are very pleased to be "home".

One of Peter's first tasks was to attend an Electronics exhibition in Oslo, Norway as the photo shows (That's Peter on the right). The heading to this column was the caption in an Oslo newspaper.

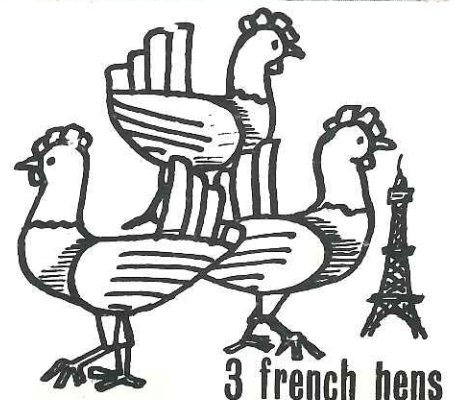
## First trip

Earl Wantland, International Manufacturing Manager and Ken Spooner, Product Manufacturing Manager, Beaverton, paid us a visit at the end of November. It was Ken's first trip to Europe for Tektronix and his first time in Guernsey. Earl had come straight from meeting with Sony-Tektronix personnel in Tokyo and he said he was very impressed with progress and plans for the future in Japan. Earl and Ken went on to visit U.K., Zug and Heerenveen before returning to Beaverton.



## Television

We were also visited by Channel Television who made a short film of activities at La Villiaze. Tektronix employees then had the chance to see themselves in the regular T.V. feature Channel Newsweek.



# social



**The Social and Sports Club has now settled into its Winter home at La Jaonneuse, Pembroke.**

**The first three months have been very promising and have undoubtedly proved that there is enough support in the club for this venture.**

**Two notable evenings this Autumn have been the A.G.M. and Bonfire Night.**

The Annual General Meeting must have had the best attendance in the history of the club. There was some lively discussion on a variety of topics during the meeting. The members were sorry to learn that Al Lambourne was to retire from the position of active President. Al has been personally responsible for a great many of the improvements in club facilities in the past. However the new committee will still be able to call on his advice as he is to continue for a further year at least as nominal President of the club. The other officers are now Carol Lowe, Secretary; Ron Bridel, Treasurer and committee members John Mann and Roy Perry.

*The 5th November celebrations were somewhat marred by a force 8 gale, however the fireworks and bonfire went off as planned. So did Dorothy Lambourne's 50 toffee apples that were on sale at the clubhouse - they sold out in record time! The evening came to an end about midnight with that well known voice pointing out that we were not running a night club!*

The Annual Dinner Dance is to be held at the Hermitage Hotel on 7th January, there will be a 4 course meal followed by dancing to Cyril Glover's Band and the King Bee's. The dinner is a sell-out. Members not attending the dinner will be able to go to the dance, admission by ticket in advance only as far as the capacity of the Ballroom will allow. Tickets will not be available at the door.

The appeal for flower growers and other help for the next years 'Battle of Flowers' float has not met with a great deal of response. This venture made a profit for the club last year and we therefore hope to enter again. Come on you horticulturists, get cracking!

New Year's Eve at La Jaonneuse will be a party night, the club house will be open from 9 p.m. through until 12 midnight at least. If you are out that evening (or morning!) come along and help us see in the New Year.

**Finally "Tonight is Club Night", the clubhouse will be open from 7 p.m. this evening, until Midnight. We have plenty of mince pies and other eats available. A sing-song is among the events planned during the evening. This should be the Tek Christmas party to end all Christmas parties, so don't forget . . . . .**

*see you there tonight*



4 collie birds

# and sports

## Snooker

Once again the snooker season at the Lyric has started very successfully for the Tektronix team. Playing in the Business House League they hope to emulate last year's successes in both the League and the Knockout Competitions.

At the moment, the team, which is the same as last year's, has played the Police 'A' and the Busmen, beating both by 5-0 and 4-1 respectively.

The snooker table at the Clubhouse is in constant demand every evening and has proved quite fast since regular ironing and brushing of the cloth was started.

## Bar billiards

A Tektronix Bar Billiards team has been formed to play matches in the Island League. Home matches are played on the new table at La Jaonneuse and three matches have been played at the time of writing, unfortunately, all have been lost 3-1. Never mind, as the saying goes, "Big things often come from small beginnings".

However, the team needs more players, so anybody who is interested should contact Fred Hook (Test). The games are played on Tuesday evenings.

## Arra's away

The Inter-departmental Darts League, brainchild of George Brookfield, is proving a great success and attracts many supporters. Teams, consisting of four girls and one man, meet in competition at La Jaonneuse on Friday evenings. The girls are drawn against each other and the two men play the fifth and possibly deciding game. All games are "301 up", straight start and double finish.

Any department wishing to enter a team or teams should contact George on extension 60 at La Villiaze.

A lot of girls at Tektronix have discovered that they have a previously unknown talent for "flingin' an arra" with unerring aim at the rubber tyre around the dartboard! Seriously though, it is to the credit of several of the competitors that scores made have raised the eyebrows of 'dyed in the wool' enthusiasts.

## Darts

The darts team is having a very successful season and so far have won 6 out of 10 games. They are in equal 2nd position in the 1st Division of the Business House Darts League.

A second dart board has been erected at the Clubhouse, by request of the many dart players. There should be no complaints now when a match is in progress.

## In the swim

The life of an athlete is usually a pretty hard one, especially if dedicated to the sport. Val Marquis (Tek. Ltd.) is very keen on competitive swimming and we asked her to tell us about it.

Val learnt to swim at the age of 6 and by the time she was 8 had commenced competitive swimming. Her first major event was the annual Castle swim, a distance of approx  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile, from Castle Cornet to the Bathing Pools.

At school she gained her Junior and Senior swimming colours and was senior Champion in her last year. She also won the Amateur Swimming Association Silver Medal for 100 yds. freestyle.

From the age of 12 Val was a regular member of the Guernsey team competing for the Lieut. Governors Cup in the annual inter-insular against Jersey, and for three years swam in meetings against Hastings swimming club.

Val's specialities have always been the freestyle and backstroke and she was for 2 years Junior freestyle Champion, also winning a trophy for the best competitor in each stroke.

In May this year she recommenced competitive swimming after a lay-off lasting nearly 5 years and has already competed in a 1-mile swim in Jersey, won the ASA's gold medal for one mile, won the Newport trophy also for 1 mile and represented Guernsey both in the Inter-Insular and against Bournemouth. Not content with these achievements Val was runner up in a Ladies' event, which is a test of the swimmer's skill in using life-saving strokes and for which a cup is given by the States of Guernsey.

Not surprisingly Val trains often and hard. Most of the year she trains every day and in winter never swims less than once a week. Peak training in the summer varies according to the event being trained for but normally consists of 3 sessions a day; before work in the morning, at lunchtime and again in the evening. Her average daily distance varies from  $\frac{3}{4}$  - 1 mile.

In the winter more emphasis is placed on activities out of the water such as weight training, trampoline exercises and circuits. The latter constitutes a fairly recent development in training techniques used by athletes to strengthen their bodies and speed up recovery times. Basically, they consist of a series of exercises done at maximum effort. Several circuits are completed at each session with a break in between to recover.

Val's chief grumbles centre around the most soul destroying problem of athletes in many different sports and that is lack of facilities.

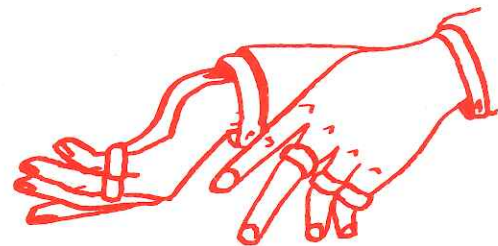
Recently announced plans for a new indoor pool will please all the competitive swimmers, even though it means more winter training.

## Badminton

There has been quite a transformation in the badminton scene since the start of the season. The secretary of the section has had to approach the Guernsey Badminton Association to arrange for an extra court. This has meant changing the club night from Tuesday to Wednesday but it looks as if this was a good thing as attendance has picked up considerably.

Two teams have been entered in the G.B.A. Leagues this season, one in the Premier division and one in the Men's division one. Although the prospects of gaining any honours is not considered to be very bright, the experience gained when playing in these leagues will be very worthwhile.

A word of thanks is due to Rob Ozanne, who has "emigrated" to Scotland. He acted as secretary and then treasurer for the section for over 3 years and had it not been for his efforts the playing of Badminton at Tek would probably have ceased.



5 golden rings

# So you want to get on?

Have you ever thought you could do many things to enhance your position at Tektronix? To give a guide to be able to estimate how dynamic, resourceful, conscientious, dependable and ambitious you could be, here is a simple quiz:-



- Scope falls off a trolley. Do you—
  - Laugh like a drain?
  - Look the other way?
  - Fetch a brush and dustpan?
- If you suddenly realise that the chassis you are wiring is completely reversed, do you—
  - Press on regardless?
  - Swop it with the sample?
  - Wire it with a mirror?
- You arrive one and a half hour's late for work. Do you—
  - Look sick and ask for a cup of coffee?
  - Go straight to the Labour Exchange?
  - Change in the car park and walk in with a soldering iron?
- The drink vending machine doesn't work. Do you—
  - Hit it with your shoe?
  - Change your mind and have a cup of tea?
  - Fetch Lloyd Pallot (he knows where to hit it)!
- Your supervisor queries your fiftieth 'phone call of the day. Do you—
  - Say you have a phobia about telephones?
  - Say the number was engaged?
  - Say you are arranging another funeral for your grandmother?
- You upset a cup of coffee into a finished 515A. Do you—
  - Add milk and sugar?
  - Attach a sample tag?
  - Switch on and leave to dry out?
- You make a 3" deep hole in the floor with your stiletto heel. Do you—
  - Fill it with chewing gum?
  - Put a piece of cheese by it?
  - Move your wastebin to cover it?
- You drop a lighted cigarette in your wastebin. Do you—
  - Fan it with the cutting list?
  - Light another cigarette?
  - Evacuate women and children first.
- You suffer violent electric shocks when you step off your chair. Do you—
  - Faint in the arms of the nearest good-looking man?
  - Claim danger money?
  - Wear only wool?
- You find you have been paid twice. Do you—
  - Take Al Graham out to lunch?
  - Keep it?
  - Work twice as hard?
- You accidentally lock yourself in the rest room. Do you—
  - Get a friend to pass a book under the door?
  - Go clean round the bend?
  - Relax and wait for something to happen?

If your answers are (a) you score 2 points  
 (b) scores 3  
 and (c) scores 5

51 and over. . . . Pure management material. Tactful, conscientious and an animal lover.

40 to 51 . . . . Middle of the road. You should get on..... somewhere, somehow.

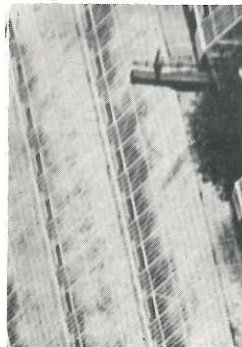
15 to 40 . . . . Be careful - somebody may have their eye on you.

Below 15. . . . Someone sure has got their eye on you.



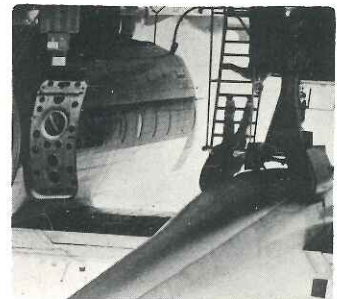
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All these photos have appeared in previous editions, can you identify them?



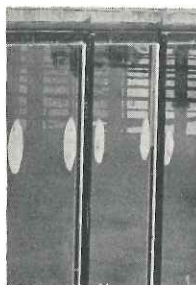
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*You've seen*



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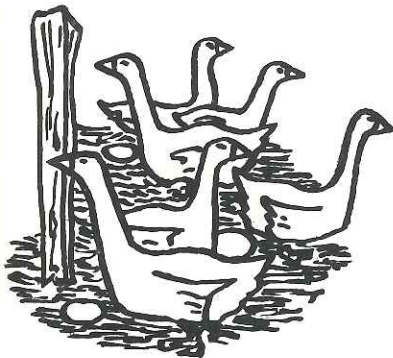
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6 geese a'laying



# Cheers!

Looking for a Christmas Party Drink? Here are some suggestions for hot and cold punches.

## Cold Punch

- 1 large tin of pineapple Juice
  - 2 Bottles of white rum.
  - 2 lemons
  - 2 oranges
  - 2 limes or 1 grapefruit
  - 3 Teaspoons of Castor Sugar
- Ice.

Take the juice of the fruits and add the rum and pineapple juice. Pour into large bowl, add sugar and ice. Decorate with mint, orange and lemon slices and whole cherries and serve in wine glasses.

## Cider Cup

- 1 quart of cider
  - 2 oz. Sugar
  - 1 bottle of Soda Water
  - 1 Lemon
  - 1 Medium sized glass of Brandy
- Ice.

Put the cider and soda together, add brandy and thinly sliced lemon. Throw in sugar and ice. Serve in tumblers with garnishing.

## Hot Toddy

- 5 Bottles of red wine
- 2 Bottles of water
- ¼ Bottle of Brandy
- 8 Tablespoons sugar
- Thirty sliced and peeled oranges or lemons
- Cloves
- 3 inch stick of cinnamon
- Small pieces of nutmeg

Heat wine and water with sugar and spices until the mixture is hot (not boiling). Strain into large punch bowl. Stir in brandy. Float the orange or lemon peel and slices on top, stuck with cloves.

# Mainly for

# WOMEN

## Shopping

We asked some of the Unit Wirers to let us have a list of last minute items from their shopping lists.

Among the "gifts" they listed were:- A removal van, A home perm kit, A wooden spoon, A muzzle, A pair of roller skates, Knee pads, A course in cafeteria management, A tethering rope, A pudding basin, A jam butty, A 38B cup, and a Kitchen sink! We leave you to dream up suitable recipients - the girls had no trouble in doing so!

## Clothes

The latest Christmas fashion gear is.....clothes, some kinky, some dinky and some slinky. It depends a lot on the occasion, for instance, for that special date with the boy from Final, what better than a pair of jeans and carpet slippers - not forgetting to leave the rollers in your hair. Then there is that suave man-about-test. Why not stun him with the latest backless, gownless, evening strap. If you're going to spend an evening at the Clubhouse we suggest something a little more subtle, a blue serge trench coat offset by lime green wellingtons and red nylon fur ear muffs. But what about work. Kinky boots (mink) are a must combined with a **very, very** long polo neck sweater. And so to bed.....wearing the latest in frilly mob caps, brush nylon knee length Guernsey, the whole ensemble highlighted with floppy bed socks.

## Christmas Spirit

You'll hear it said, "Tek Spirit's dead"  
Till Christmas time is near  
Then live in hope, there's plenty scope  
For spirits to appear.

The Testman leaves, his darkened eaves  
The stock boys leave the store.  
Vic Avenue, Tek Ltd. too  
Join on the factory floor.

There's good old George, as Santa Claus  
He knows what it's about.  
He gets a kiss from each young miss  
For giving presents out.

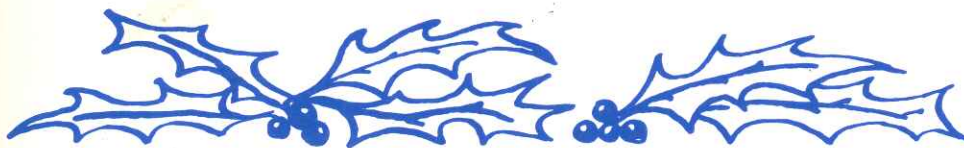
When dinner's gone, just everyone  
Joins in a Christmas Carol.  
But sure as hell, the 'First Noel.'  
Soon starts 'Roll out the Barrel.'

And after four, if you want more  
Of hours spent 'heureuse'  
Then wander in, and drink a gin  
Down Pembroke La Jaonneuse.

As you down your jars, and smoke cigars  
You'll spot some segregation.  
But after ten, till who knows when,  
You'll see more integration.

So don't despair, Tek spirit's where,  
There's Tekites and there's beer.  
And if you've cried, 'Tek Spirit's died'  
Let's see YOU out this year.

Anon



7 swans a'swimming

# stats and ads

A Merry Christmas

## birth

To Margaret and Bill Dowinton (Test) a son, Ian Robin on November 29th, 7lbs 6oz.

## weddings

Juliet Dumaresq (U.W.) to Rainer Schimek on 2nd October at Notre Dame du Rosiare.  
 Marjorie Brimage (U.W.) to Michael Mason on 23rd October at St. Sampson's.  
 Angela Shell (U.W.) to George Carré on 14th November at St. Andrew's Chapel.  
 Russ Gorvel (Kit Prep) to Tony Shepherd (Shipping Tek. Guernsey) on 4th December at La Chaumière.  
 Pat Renouf (Stock Control) to Mick Marquis (Stock) on 11th December at St. Sampson's Parish Church.  
 Diane Clarke (U.W.) to Derek Gaudion on December 16th at St. Martin's.

## engagements

Eileen Wilson (U.W.) to Michael Le Patourel on 4th November.  
 Jean McCann (U.W.) to Geoff Shorto on 4th November.  
 Maureen Le Marchant (Kit Prep) to Eddie Dodd on 10th December.  
 Carol Elliott (U.W.) to Rodney Heaume on 24th December.

## 21st birthdays

Joyce Jehan (Cables) 3rd November.  
 Angela Higgins (Mech. Assy.) 3rd November.



## new faces

We welcome these new faces:-  
 Carol Love ..... Mechanical Assembly  
 Kathleen O'Reilly ..... Unit Wiring  
 Theresa O'Reilly ..... Unit Wiring  
 Val Jacobs ..... Unit Wiring  
 Margaret Wardley ..... Unit Wiring  
 Eileen Wilson ..... Unit Wiring  
 Shirley Hamon ..... Unit Wiring  
 Jacky Hughes ..... Mechanical Assembly  
 Pat Hughes ..... Unit Wiring  
 Brigid Fitch ..... Unit Wiring  
 Margaret Williamson ..... Unit Wiring  
 Janine Bourgaize ..... Kit Prep  
 Pat Brehaut ..... Unit Wiring



## wanted

**Flat** for young couple and baby - unfurnished. Ricky Corbet. La Villiaze.  
**Aquarium** and/or Accessories - Apply Peter Ferris. Staff Engineering, La Villiaze.  
**Good Home** for Pink Elephant - House trained - Apply Box 007.  
**Mongrel dog** - Apply Ada Burnett, Canteen, La Villiaze.

## for sale

**Assorted L.P. Records** - Apply Ralph Bryce, Staff Engineering.  
**Tri-Ang Crane** 3ft. 6ins. £1 - Pam Goodwin, Unit Wiring.  
**Hang Over** - One owner, must sell. Ring Ext. 30.  
**Honda Motorcycle** 50cc. 1962. Very low mileage. Offers to Jack Moffatt, Tek. Ltd., E. Block.  
**Morris Oxford Traveller** 1960 Model. Good condition, 2 new tyres and recently overhauled. £250.  
 Susan Blondel, Tek. Ltd., E. Block.



## & a Happy New Year

## five year Tekers

**Sid Smith** has worked in the Stock Area since joining the company on 14th November 1960.  
**Richard Nickolls** joined the company on 21st November 1960 in Unit Wiring, he transferred to Final in 1961, then to Calibration on 5th November 1962.  
**Alice Le Noury** Section leader of Mechanical Assembly, began in Mechanical Assembly on 7th December 1960. She became section leader towards the end of 1961.  
**Jon Dauncey** joined the company on 19th December 1960 in Unit Wiring, he transferred to Final on 30th January 1961, and was made Supervisor of Final early in 1963. Currently he is working for 6 months in Test.

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To You All.