

The
Richmond
Trophy



Souvenir
Programme

MONDAY
1st November
1965

THE RICHMOND TROPHY

Previous Winners



JEANETTE ALTWEGG, C.B.E.
Gt. Britain - 1949-50



SJOUKJE DIJKSTRA
Holland - 1956-57-58



NICOLE HASSLER
France - 1960-61-62



BARBARA WYATT
Gt. Britain - 1951



ZSUZSE ALMASSY
Hungary



YVONNE SUGDEN
Gt. Britain - 1952-53-55



PATRICIA PAULEY
Gt. Britain - 1954

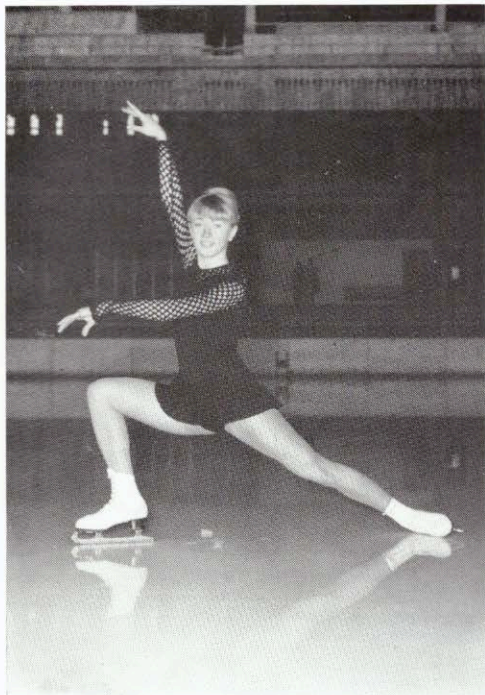


JOAN HAANAPPEL
Holland - 1959



SANDRA BRUGNERA
Italy 1963

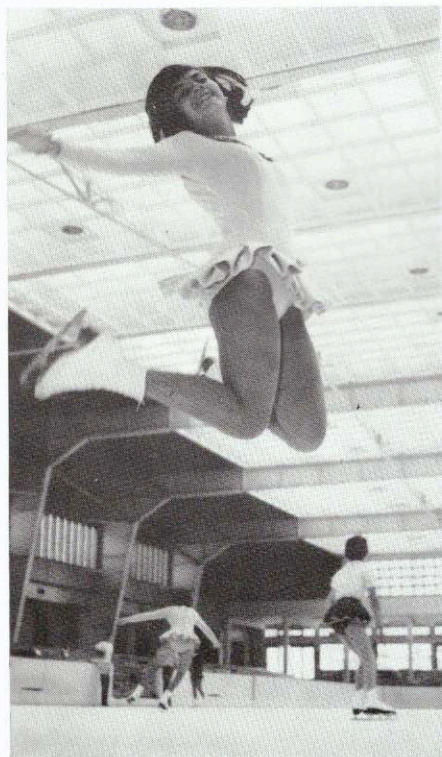




PIA ZÜRCHER
Switzerland



VANESSA SIMONS
England



DENISE NEANNE
France



WENDY JONES
U.S.A.

THE RICHMOND AMATEUR ICE SKATING CLUB

An affiliated Club of the National Skating Association of Great Britain

have pleasure in presenting to you this evening the
International Skating Competition
(LADIES)
for the

RICHMOND TROPHY

SEVENTEENTH YEAR —

Holder : Miss Zsuzse Almassy

and the

TOMLINSON TROPHY

Open Ice Dance Competition

Holders : Rudi and Gabriele Matysik

ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

Trophy Secretary: Mrs. M. W. Groombridge

N.S.A. Representative: Mr. A. D. C. Gordon

Mr. A. R. Smith, Mr. D. J. Robertson, Mr. E. W. H. Curren,
Mr. E. Gregory

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Manager: JOHN B. DUNCAN

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ARNOLD GERSCHWILER (Senior Instructor)

JOYCE BOSLEY
ROY CALLAWAY
BETTY CALLAWAY
WENDY MILLS
MICHAEL BIRTWISTLE
ROY LEE
COLIN KEARNEY

PETER BEWLEY
SALLIE THOMPSON
PAT CURLE
CELIA BROWN
ANNE PALMER
ALISON SMITH
MAUREEN HARVEY

LICENSED BARS — each floor — ENTRANCE END

Kindly keep clear of all Exits and Gangways

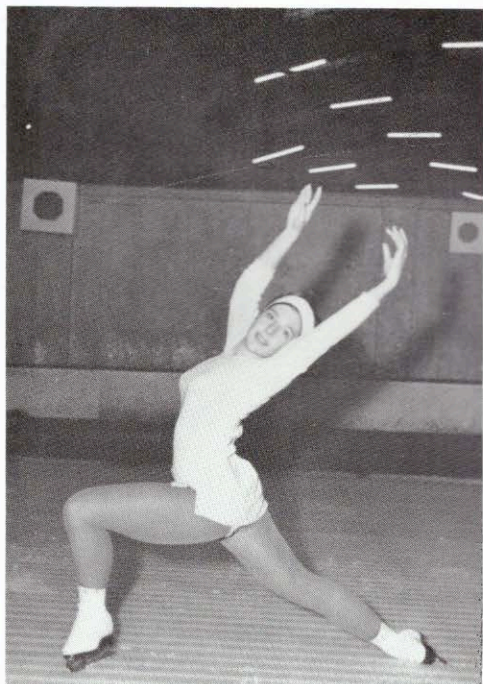
CONFECTIONERY KIOSK—Ground floor
CAFE—also Minerals and Ices—Ground floor



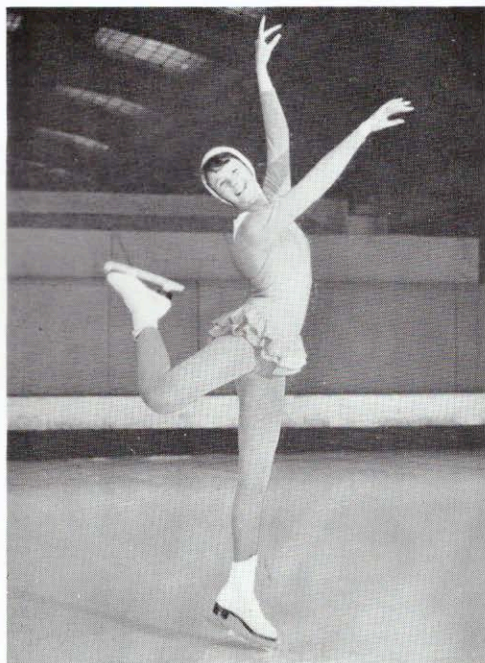
MONIKA FELDMANN
Germany



ANGELIKA WAGNER
Germany



SYLVAINE DUBAN
France



PATRICIA DODD
England

The Richmond Trophy

Today heralds the seventeenth occasion of this now world famous event and whilst at the time of compiling this programme a full list of entries is unknown, we feel confident that it will be well supported by competitors of many nations.

Coming comparatively early in the Winter Season—actually it is the first major event—one might anticipate that the interest would be lacking; but Ice Skating is no longer a Winter Sport as the majority of Rinks artificially producing ice remain open all the year.

Last year's winner was the youngest ever to win this famous trophy, actually she was not born when the first event was held, we can only hope the future holds even greater honours.

As promoters of this great event we must be impartial, but having such a great interest in a wonderful sport, we can not help but follow with interest the future career of each winner and also the other competitors.

Such events as this remind one of the ever topical discussions on EXPORTS; this we feel plays its part of EXPORT in reverse.

As to a prediction of this year's winner, one must remain unbiased, furthermore until the closing date one can never attempt an evaluation.

Our sincere wishes to all competitors for a keen and happy competition and happy memories of "Richmond".

PLACES OF INTEREST

ON SUCH AN OCCASION as this we know there are many whose first visit it is, whether English or Continental, and whilst time may not permit on this occasion, a few notes may be of interest should a return to the district provide those extra hours. Many of these programmes will find their way to Continental countries and those contemplating a skating trip—and there are many—would no doubt appreciate what is within a reasonable distance if not in the immediate vicinity.

London itself is only nine miles to the centre and details of what that has to offer needs a Baedeker. **Kew Gardens, Hampton Court, Richmond Park, Richmond Horse Show, Henley (rowing), Windsor Castle and Park** are places of appeal, not only to the continental, but the English public—and these all within easy reach of Richmond.



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**THE  
AROSA  
ROOMS**  
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RITA TRAPANESE
Italy



GABY MOLLET
Switzerland



MICHELINE JOUBERT
France



**JOELLE
CARTAUX**
France



USCHI KESZLER
Germany

THE RICHMOND TROPHY

Abstract of Rules

The competitors must be amateurs who have never won the World or European Championship or Olympic Competition, who are members of an Association or Special Club, member of the I.S.U.

The prizes consist of "The Richmond Trophy" (which will be held by the winner for one year, but remains in the custody of the Organising Club), a souvenir replica being awarded to the winner for possession, prizes of honour to the second and third.

The competition shall consist of two sections:—

- (a) Compulsory figures not to exceed five in number.
- (b) Free skating—four minutes duration.

The Compulsory Figures

skated during the day, have each a factor value, as laid down by the International Skating Union; and were decided last night by drawing one group from the *published groups* of the World and European Championships, appearing in the I.S.U. Regulations (1963), omitting either the Figure 34 or 35 as applicable to the group drawn (*There are 6 figures in the events mentioned.*)

FACTOR VALUE			
1st Figure	4	Maximum number of points from each Judge:	
2nd „	5		
3rd „	5	Compulsory Figures ...	156
4th „	6	Free Skating	103.2
5th „	6	*Factor 8.6	_____
		Total	259.2

To be skated only on one foot, as drawn.

Marks for each figure range from 0 to 6. Intermediate values to one decimal place may be given (Red displayed figure).

*The factor for Free Skating is calculated so that the total marks for Free Skating come as near to, but do not exceed, two-thirds of the possible marks awarded for figures.

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| 1. ZSUZSE ALMASSY | Hungary |
| 2. ALENA AUGUSTOVA | Czechoslovakia |
| 3. SUSANNA CARPANI | Italy |
| 4. JOELLE CARTAUX | France |
| 5. GIULIANI CHIUSSI | Italy |
| 6. LINDA DAVIS | England |
| 7. HEDI DILLINGER | Germany |
| 8. PATRICIA DODD | England |
| 9. SYLVAIN DUBAN | France |
| 10. MONIKA FELDMANN | Germany |
| 11. WENDY JONES | U.S.A. |
| 12. MICHELINE JOUBERT | France |
| 13. USCHI KESZLER | Germany |
| 14. INGRID KNEZEK | Germany |

Figures	Free Skating	Total

The numbers worn by competitors coincide with program numbers

1965 — FINAL PLACINGS 1st.

OFFICIALS

Referee:

Dr. J. R. Biedermann (Switzerland)

Assistant Referee:

Miss M. Phillips, J.P.

Judges: (to be selected from)

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| Mr. E. Romminger (Germany) | Mrs. D. Reháková-Lerchová (Czechoslovakia) |
| Mrs. P. Peat (Great Britain) | Mr. H. Hajós (Hungary) |
| Mrs. S. Bianchetti-Garbato (Italy) | Mrs. P. E. L. Davis (Great Britain) |
| Mrs. M. Petis (France) | Miss P. Borrajo (Great Britain) |
| Mrs. W. Grimm (Germany) | Mrs. H. Metlewicz (Poland) |

Secretaries for Public Marking:

Mrs. Jaye; Miss P. Whitbread; Miss C. Hildreth; Miss C. Jones; Mr. J. Weaver

TOMLINSON

Donated by W. R. TOMLINSON, Esq.

Judges

- Miss P. Borrajo
Mrs. P. E. L. Davis
Mr. A. D. C. Gordon
Miss M. Phillips, J.P.
Mrs. N. Winter

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| 1. Anthony Barron and Christine Sleeman |
| 2. Roy Bradshaw and Sue Getty |
| 3. David Gregory and Heather Murray |
| 4. Graham Hobbs and Heather Norman |
| 5. Jon Lane and Janet Sawbridge |

COMPETITORS

- Southampton
Altrincham
Richmond
Richmond
Queens

Presentation of Trophies

AT THE ORGAN—ROBINSON CLEAVER

ENTRANCE END — CONFECTIONERY (ground floor)

TROPHY

T O R S

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|-----|------------------|----------------|
| 15. | HANA MASKOVA | Czechoslovakia |
| 16. | GABY MOLLET | Switzerland |
| 17. | DENISE NEANNE | France |
| 18. | BEATE RICHTER | Germany |
| 19. | GABRIELE SETTELE | Germany |
| 20. | GABRIELE SEYFERT | Germany |
| 21. | VANESSA SIMONS | England |
| 22. | SYBILLE STOLFLIG | Germany |
| 23. | RITA TRAPANESE | Italy |
| 24. | ANGELIKA WAGNER | Germany |
| 25. | CHARLOTTE WALTER | Switzerland |
| 26. | NORMA WILSON | Scotland |
| 27. | PIA ZURCHER | Switzerland |

Figures	Free Skating	Total

same order, but not necessarily the order of skating
 2nd..... 3rd.....

ALS

Music Steward:
 Mr. E. W. H. Curren

Referee and Judges' Steward:
 Mr. A. R. Smith

Timekeepers:
 Mr. C. R. Groombridge; Mr. E. Gregory

Result Room Stewards:
 Mr. A. R. Drake; Miss E. Anderson

Competitors' Stewards:
 Miss A. Dunbar; Miss M. Torriani; Miss P. Williams

Stewards' Assistants:
 Misses L. Bemester; J. Evans; G. Deal and L. Price. Graham Payne and David Arnold

Announcers:
 Mr. Ronald Alpe and Mr. E. Roy Callaway

TROPHY

OPEN ICE DANCE COMPETITION

ITORS

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|----|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 6. | Roy Mason and Mary Parry | Birmingham |
| 7. | Rudi and Gabriele Matysik | Richmond and Germany |
| 8. | Lynd Taylor and Diane Herman | Richmond |
| 9. | Michael Webster and Vivienne Dean | Queens and Nottingham |

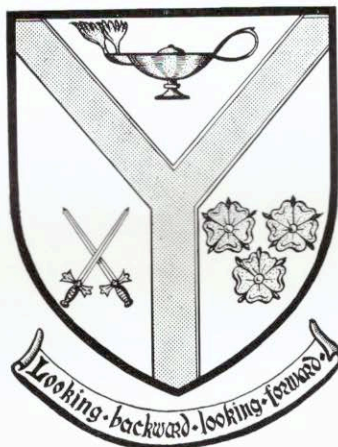
Referee:
 Mr. H. Lawrence

Competitors' Stewards
 Mr. R. Arnold
 Michael Jaye
 Fiona Hunt
 June Price

Mrs. J. B. DUNCAN

Floral decorations by H. B. MELDRUM LTD., Sheen Nurseries, S.W.14
 CAFÉ (ground floor) LICENSED BARS (each floor)

*Looking
Backward*



*Looking
Forward*

At Richmond we are for ever looking to the future, but always with mixed feelings of the past, although we prefer to look back with pleasure and satisfaction of the part played by ourselves in furthering such a healthy sport, and take pride in the achievements of our staff, especially on the coaching side, for it is they who produce the "Top" skaters and develop the interest of many others.

Twelve months ago we envisaged certain possible changes under "Local Government", when the adjoining boroughs were merged under the heading Richmond upon Thames and coming under the Greater London Council administration.

For the time being at least, the coat of arms and motto remain the same, but *our* faith in the existing motto remains as an incentive.

Little can be achieved without some effort, and our policy is to look forward, by creating out of the youth of the country, healthy youngsters with an interest in skating, a policy which has produced results, satisfaction and achievement.

To reflect on some of the products of our Children's Classes gives one satisfaction and pride, whilst a few of our early members are now bringing along *their* children!

Futhermore we are happy to be able to report that in a few isolated cases we can quote a third generation of active skaters, but *not* from our Children's Classes!

It is with considerable satisfaction to us from more than one angle to find "old faces" turning up after a few years absence, to discover the reason, another generation has become active and the parents think of the place they so often spent many pleasurable hours in a social atmosphere, which not only gave them some healthy recreation but created some lasting friendships and in many cases a partner for life.

There are few sports and places where continuity is preserved through the generations.

"There must be something in Skating"
and

There must be something more about
— RICHMOND —

Skating To-day

*"In grandpa's day one had to wait
For outdoor ice to have a skate,
One wonders what they now would think
To look inside a modern rink."*

Like so many things, history brings to one's notice changes which have actually taken place, but passing almost unnoticed with advancing years; but there are certain things, however, which are essential, foremost is ICE, and the better maintained—greater the pleasure, and whilst many claim to have the World's finest product, it is a debatable question; suffice it to say—as far as we at Richmond are concerned—we are not ashamed of our product, but nevertheless strive to create better conditions if possible. Next in importance is probably Skates—which over the years have changed from Bone Runners to the skilled engineering article it is to-day; progress is no doubt largely responsible for this. Skating obviously started as a means of necessity; to propel one's self over frozen wastes more easily, following on this no doubt came the challenge from those with superior speed, so speed skating probably was more in evidence in the early days than what it is to-day; in fact our own National Skating Association was first formed to promote and control speed skating.

It was several years later before Figure skating, and many years later before Ice Dancing were appreciated and given suitable recognition. Strange may it seem that the Scandinavian countries and to a certain extent Holland still devote greater interest in Speed Racing than the Artistic type of Skating although with the various interests in skating one should endeavour to cater for all tastes as far as possible. Our policy has always been to create an interest, and provide first class instruction towards achievement; skating like most things has its "ups and downs" and a few lessons will invariably make one's efforts more pleasing and take the grind out of "self taught".

If added to achievement we can create a pleasing social atmosphere. Skating has much to offer both as a healthy sport and pleasurable recreation, whilst many have found careers, not only very remunerative, but with an opportunity of World Travel.



**ARNOLD
GERSCHWILER**

who heads our highly
qualified staff of
instructors

At Richmond, largely through a first class instructional staff—headed by **Arnold Gerschwiler**, whose successes include a number of Olympic Winners, World, European and National Championships we have created Children's Classes, whereby literally, thousands of youngsters have not only accomplished achievement, even to Championship Class, but derived pleasure and development from a healthy exercise.

Adults are catered for on similar lines by the Central Council of Physical Recreation, who are responsible for the organisation, whilst we provide the facilities and teachers; adults interested in these classes should make direct application to C.C.P.R. 26/29, Park Crescent, London, W.1., Telephone Number LANgham 6822.

The Maestro at the Organ

ROBINSON CLEAVER—known, one could almost say, throughout the world; whether that be an exaggeration remains debatable, but at least throughout Great Britain it must be true as the result of his many broadcasts.

Comparatively few possibly have ever had the pleasure of meeting him and seeing him in the flesh, so “Richmond” skaters and their non-skating friends are fortunate to not only see him, but periodically encounter him—a most congenial personality who has the interests of the skater at heart.

It is two years since he first came to us with little knowledge of a “new world”, but his enthusiasm has endeared him to a large and appreciative audience; as another famous artist would say—**YOU LUCKY PEOPLE.**



CURLING AT RICHMOND

Curling is a sport which is essentially Scottish, but now played in twelve countries of the world. Such is its appeal that it never loses the traditions which have built up round the game in the land of its birth. The Royal Caledonian Curling Club dates back to 25th July, 1838, and the title “Royal” was granted by H.M. Queen Victoria in 1843. H.M. Queen Elizabeth II is Patron of the “Royal Club” as well as the N.S.A., and last year H.R.H. Prince Philip was elected President.

Curling at Richmond is really in its infancy, this being the fifteenth Season, but never-the-less the sportsmanship and friendliness which exists among its members emphasises the axiom of the Royal Club “to unite Curlers throughout the world into one Brotherhood of Curlers”.

Last season, Richmond had the pleasure of entertaining the President and fellow curlers of the Swedish Curling Association, and next March will be visited by curlers of the “First English Province” who used to curl in Manchester, in competition for the “Hugh Robinson Trophy”.

Many of the Richmond curlers play bowls during the summer, but they look forward to “casting” their stones on the smooth ice on Tuesday evenings during the winter months, with some coming from as far away as Chichester and St. Albans for their two-and-a-half hours’ game and social evening. What is better than enjoying a winter sports holiday in Switzerland at Davos, Wengen or other winter resorts, where “Province of London” curlers are always made very welcome.

Curling is definitely not an old man’s game, so much so, over 10,000 school-boys play and revel in the game in Canada. So if you should be interested, write or ‘phone Ronald Alpe, the Hon. Secretary of the “Province” at the Rink, he would be pleased to help you.



Tomlinson Trophy

This trophy, donated by a very keen club member several years ago, has done much to further the interest in Ice Dancing in this country and whilst an "Open" event, it is substantially a British entry with the occasional incursion from the Continent. Last year we were pleased to welcome two continental couples, one of which were the ultimate winners. Ice Dancing for many years has been a section of our sport in which Great Britain were pre-eminent, but like so many sports, times change and there is a tendency for the "pupil" to catch up with the "master"; be that as it may it must benefit and maintain the interest and improve the standards of Dancing on Ice.

and now

THE RICHMOND BOWL

New Open Ice Dance Event

With the development and introduction of a number of new dances, the "Richmond" Club were most anxious that they should be first in the field to stage an event exclusively for three of the new and more pleasing of the "fresh ones".

The President of the Club was taken up on a previous promise as a result of which the Club have a Trophy and an event which in a year or two may be as popular and fascinating as others and take its place on a special Dance Competition night.

The first winners were:

Mr. L. TAYLOR and Miss D. HERMAN (Richmond)



**LONG
BAR**

**First
Floor**

To Our Visitors

Competitors and Officials

On behalf of the R.A.I.S.C. and the management we extend a most cordial welcome to all those who through their ability and interest have made this evening's event possible and which we trust will give pleasure to all, both spectators, competitors, and officials.

No doubt there will be some tension due to the occasion, but nevertheless skaters in their less serious moments are a happy and healthy crowd.

We would express our sincere appreciation to all the officials, both Continental and British who so willingly devote so much time in the furtherance of the sport—for little reward—but we hope a great deal of satisfaction.

It has been pleasing to note the re-appearance of representatives of one or two countries who have, for varying reasons, not sent skaters for a few years, may be the system appertaining to the selection of figures is somewhat more appreciated, having in mind the spate of various championships at this time of the year.

At the time of going to press the closing date is imminent and the number of entries has exceeded that of previous years, and whilst, as an International Sport, one would say **all** are welcome, one should, one supposes, qualify it by saying **all Nations** are welcome for it is obvious that the number of entries from each country may have to be further restricted.

Our Art Gallery

We could probably fill the Rink with photos of V.I.Ps. both socially and as regards skaters, so we felt when making necessary alterations we should introduce features which were not only symbolic of our business but reminded us of friends.

The two large windows have caused many enquiries, so we felt it would not be amiss to mention it again; the soloist **Aja Vrzanova** (now **Zanova**) World Champion 1949 and 1950 from Czechoslovakia but trained here by Mr. Arnold Gerschwiler, while at the other end of the rink the pair **Otto and Maria Jelinek** also World Champions and to whom Mr. Gerschwiler devoted some time when visiting America a few years ago.

Amenities and Relaxation

It is over 30 years since this company operated this business and whilst to a large extent the exterior remains the same, which is somewhat to be regretted, but as an Island Site bounded by roadways and footpaths, little opportunity presents itself for outward expansion, nevertheless we are ever conscious of trying to improve facilities and amenities for both skater and onlooker, whether it be a non-skating friend or parent. Over the past few years regular patrons have seen changes, as have also returning (after a few years) skaters, and once again this past summer has seen enforced changes which have caused a new lay-out of our Cocktail Bar—adjoining Restaurant, which we feel and trust must be appreciated as being more attractive, better ventilated and convenient, giving a better view of the Ice and, in daylight, of the River.

To parents and friends both this bar and our long bar—upstairs—give a fine view of activities on the ice, and make a pleasing retreat whilst awaiting skating friends or children.

Aldwych Speed Club

FOUNDED 1908

As mentioned elsewhere Ice Speed Racing pioneered skating much earlier than Figure, Free or Dancing, and today speed racing is gaining in popularity, but must of necessity confine its activities to Saturday Evenings due to the distances visiting Clubs have to travel. Richmond are happy to be represented by the above club and can claim some of the finest men in the country, and over the years have provided numerous Internationals, Champions and Record holders. It is a most thrilling sport and makes a most interesting evening, being interspersed with public skating.

Last season matches took place between Berlin, Birmingham and London (home and away) and arrangements are in hand for a similar series later in the season, when our boys will act as hosts to Berlin and Birmingham with possibly Nottingham also participating.

NOT ONLY A TRULY AMATEUR SPORT BUT ONE WHICH TENDS TO
CREATE BETTER RELATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING WITH OUR
CONTINENTAL FRIENDS.

USEFUL INFORMATION

SKATE SHOP—on the right as one enters the building. Mr. Vickers, in charge, has been with us for over 30 years. Any desired adjustment may be made 'on the spot' after the first fitting and skate; a service the ordinary retailer cannot give.

HIRE—nearly 2,000 pairs of Boots/Skates available from Children's 7 to Adults' 13.

'PHONES—Exchange and No.'s: POPesgrove 3646 and 3957.

PLEASE NOTE NOT **RICHMOND EXCHANGE**.

TAXIS—**RICHMOND** 1549

RICHMOND BRIDGE is the nearest landmark, especially for travellers by road—**TWICKENHAM** extends from the Bridge as far as **HAMPTON COURT**.

The '**AROSA**' **RINK** although let to Clubs, Film Companies, Television Advertising Companies AND OTHERS, is open to the public, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday— **AFTERNOONS**.

Monday, Thursday and Sunday—**EVENINGS** at a supplementary fee.

FIGURE SKATES ONLY may be worn Monday, Wednesday, Thursday **evenings**.
Approximately 45 minutes Ice Dancing,

CAR PARK—Adjoins Ice Rink.

CURLING—Tuesday 6 to 8.30 p.m. **SKATING** follows till 10 p.m.

OUR RECEPTION SUITES

THE AROSA ROOMS

EVERYONE at some time or another enjoys a Party, although the venue often presents a problem; to find a hall—large enough to be accommodating, small enough to be friendly.

We feel, in these rooms, we have just the thing for most occasions—Party, Dance or Social. Perhaps a Birthday is in the offing, maybe an Engagement or even a Silver Wedding Anniversary, or possibly some of the "teenagers" want an excuse for "throwing a party." This room we are sure will certainly act as an incentive. "*A Party at home certainly makes a lot of work.*" For the sake of a few pounds, is it really worth "turning the place upside down."

Complete with cloakrooms, licensed bar, running buffet (if required), these rooms have recently been redecorated and lighted.

We welcome enquiries from Clubs, parties or individuals, and will be pleased to quote you terms according to the particular requirements and give you an opportunity to inspect the premises, but would rather you did not ask for a tour of inspection to-night as this suite is the venue of a reception to our competitors, judges and skating friends of long standing.

Any other time our Manager will be pleased to give you an opportunity.

THE CHURCHILL SUITE—a recent addition to our facilities, not quite so large as the "Arosa" Room and of a different style of decoration, but nevertheless of instant appeal. Private dinners, receptions, and any other function for a moderate sized party where an intimate atmosphere is demanded.