

# Seymour House News

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ISSUE TWO



*Tom Winter*

## One Month In.

### *Seymour House Newsletter, Issue Two.*

I do hope as many of you as possible have been able to see and read Issue One of the House Newsletter. Apologies, if it took an age to download, or didn't download at all. I hope I have managed to reduce the file size of the PDF and make it more accessible. It is available to view on the Seymour page of the school website.

I would ideally like this to be a place where the boys can contribute articles, photos, pictures etc. It is in embryonic stages at the moment, but the

newsletter seems to have fired the imagination of some members of the House, and we already have some regular contributors!

Seymour Parents have a fine tradition of supporting the House Dance and I hope that this year will be no exception. Please do drop me an e-mail if you are intending on coming. We would very much like to keep up the tradition of Parental Puds and Seymour Salads, so if you are able to come and bring either a pudding or a salad, it would be much appreciated.

I am currently sending out the Deputy Head's weekly update at the start of each week and I hope that this is a useful extra e-mail arriving in your inbox.

Half term arrives in two weeks on the 19th February and begins after lessons for all but the 5th form, who have a parents' meeting at 12.45 in the Great Hall. Many apologies to those who have been inconvenienced by the incorrect dates being printed in last term's calendar. Staff are aware that some of you will be contacting them directly.

*DKJ*

**An important date for your diary is the House Dance in the Great Hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 12th March. The theme is TBC but the boys will undoubtedly host a fantastic evening. Parents are warmly invited. Please let me know via e-mail if you are able to attend. [dkj@bloxhamschool.com](mailto:dkj@bloxhamschool.com)**

# Sport

## B.S.K.C.

*The following report is an update on the Competition. Robin Spencer-George writes:*



Team 1 and Col

After the semi final which took place on Monday 31st January, Team 1 came in 1st place (5 first place finishes and 1 second place) with a total of 119 points followed closely by Team 5 with 112 points. The next round will be the Regional Final and will take place at Whilton Mill on Saturday 05 March. Team 1 are the reigning Midlands champions and hope to carry off the title this year. Good Luck to both teams in the next round, as the competition will definitely be tough!

Team 1. (C) Robin Spencer-George, Ryusuke Kobayashi, Max Marshall

Team 5. James Carden, Conor Wilson, Will Farrant

## House Hockey



Louis Harris taking a short corner

*photo: Ollie Wheeldon*

*The House Hockey Competition took place earlier this term and despite being in a commanding position, having beaten Crake and drawn with Wilson, we were unable to gain a point against Egerton, the eventual winners. Louis Harris has provided this report of the campaign.*

Seymour started their house hockey campaign against a strong Wilson side. It was a close encounter seeing Seymour take the lead early on with a great solo effort from Will Ducker finding the back of the net. After Seymour dominated the first half, Wilson came out strong in the second and got an equaliser late on through a short corner for a 1-1 final score line.

The second match saw the boys take on Crake in a tough and physical match. The umpires had their work cut out with some feisty challenges, one of which saw Louis Harris taken down in the oppositions D for a penalty flick which he converted. This gave Seymour their first win and put them top of the table going into the last match, meaning they would have to beat Egerton to claim the title for the second time in three years.

But unfortunately it was not meant to be as the boys slumped to a 2-0 defeat. The score line certainly flattered the opposition.

On the whole it was a fantastic effort from all those involved with the team. It was great to see unfamiliar faces on the hockey pitch, with Perry Jolley and Sean Rowley stepping away from their gym duties to play for the team. Dom Fenwick was also an admirable manager. He had this to say after the competition, 'It was devastating for the boys not to have gone the whole way; they will be gutted to miss out on the silverware, but they should be proud nevertheless of what they have achieved.'

*Squad from; Louis Harris (capt), Will Ducker, Alex Wheeldon, Perry Jolley, Will Haynes, Freddie Kersh, Matt Smart, Sean Rowley, Matt Fletcher, Jack Grieve, James Brockless, Charlie Williams*

# C.C.F.

Last week's exercise carried on as planned with clear weather conditions. It was a cold night but the Seymour Cadets carried on with the exercise without a single complaint. The exercise was actually a competition between all of the sections in Ypres Company with sections from Somme Company assisting in the exercise acting as 'enemy'. The objectives were to contact their resistance fighter, recover a scientist and to recover an antidote and return to Headquarters. The Seymour Cadets involved in Ypres Company were Sergeant James Brockless, Corporal Jack Grieve, Corporal Tim Warriner and Cadets Toby Clark, Andrew Smith, Tom Wheeldon, Mike Warriner, James Davenport and Freddie Swift. After the exercise, Section Three, which was commanded by Sergeant James Brockless with his second in command Corporal Tim Warriner, successfully conducted their own patrol and completed their objectives before the rest. Since the exercise, Cadet training has resumed as normal. The trip to 23 Pioneer Regiment RLC (Royal Logistics Corps) on 07 February will continue as planned with all Seymour cadets involved. The trip will involve an assault course, a DCCT (Dismounted Close Combat Trainer), Drill competition and several other activities.

*Cpl Tim Warriner*

## Junior Indoor Cricket

So far this term Seymour has played two indoor cricket matches, although the results were unfortunate as both resulted in losses, we hope to improve this for our future matches.

Despite these results the team came close to a win against Wilson with strong personal performances from Charlie Tredwell and Jonny Stirrup, both taking one wicket each and scoring the majority of the teams runs.

*Henry Wood*

	Played	Won	Lost	Bonus points	Total
<b>Crake</b>	2	2	0	1	7
<b>Wilson</b>	2	1	1	2	5
<b>Wilberforce</b>	2	1	0	-1	2
<b>Egerton</b>	1	0	1	0	0
<b>Seymour</b>	2	0	2	0	0
<b>Raymond</b>	1	0	0	-1	-1

## Senior Indoor Cricket

### Seymour v Egerton Senior Indoor Cricket

Finally getting our team together, we won the toss, electing to bat. We opened up with Kersh and Parkes which proved to be effective, ticking off the runs at a steady rate. The first wicket fell bringing in Harris who was soon to be dismissed cheaply being run out. Next to step up was Ducker showing his capabilities with the bat. Ducker attempting to smash the off spinner, ended up giving one of the Eagles the chance to take a remarkable catch which he took well. In came Williams who joined Kersh but the partnership didn't last long when Kersh was dismissed. Fletcher then appeared to master the 'swing and a miss' shot.

We ended up with 32 runs from the 8 overs. But was this enough?

Ducker, Kersh and Williams appeared to be doing well with the ball but Egerton seemed to have an advantage over us. With just 1 wicket in hand and 2 runs to get from 15 balls, it was an easy task for Egerton to overcome. However, a poor shot by an Eagle left Kersh to comfortably pluck out a fantastic catch which won us the game.

A good win by the Seymour Detonators gives us confidence to take on the Wilson Warriors.

*Charlie Williams*

	Played	Won	Lost	Bonus points	Total
<b>Crake</b>	1	1	0	1	4
<b>Wilson</b>	1	1	0	0	3
<b>Egerton</b>	2	0	2	2	2
<b>Seymour</b>	2	1	1	0	3

## House Communion and Dining in Night 31st January

Seymour has a House Communion every few terms, the most recent of which took place on Monday. Having discussed the service with Fr. Michael we decided that the theme should be prisoners, given the current crises in Egypt, Tunisia and the continuing ones in Burma and parts of China. One person from every year lit a candle and excellent readings were done by James Brockless and Will Ducker. Overall, the service was a strong success not in small part because of our resident organist and pianist Mr. Jordan. It ended with a dinner and cake in the small dining room.

*Robbie Adelman, House Sacristan*



*Chapel plays a key role in life at Bloxham and House Communion is an opportunity for us to all gather together for our own service.*

*Unfortunately, we were missing our Karting Competitors on that particular evening, but it is hoped that all those present were able to benefit in their own way from a period of quiet and reflection.*

*Thanks to Robbie for assisting Father Michael in organising the service and for the Catering Team for providing supper for us in the Small Dining Room.*

*DK7*

# Bloxham School Music



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**A Level Students Concert** Tuesday 11 January, Recital Room, 8pm

**GCSE STUDENTS CONCERT** Tuesday 18 January, Recital Room, 8pm

*Strings Concert* Tuesday 25 January, Recital Room, 8pm

*Singers Concert* Tuesday 1 February, Recital Room, 8pm

## CONCERTO CONCERT

Friday 11 February, Great Hall, 8pm

Trumpet Concerto, Haydn  
with music by Gorecki and Vaughan Williams

Izzy Galvin, Jamie Walker, School Orchestra, Choral Society, Chapel Choir

**Jazz Band Concert** Tuesday 15 February, Great Hall, 8pm

**Lower School Concert** Friday 4 March, Recital Room, 6.30pm

**BRASS CONCERT** Tuesday 8 March, Recital Room, 8pm

**Unplugged Concert** Friday 11 March, Great Hall, 8pm

**COMPOSERS CONCERT** Tuesday 29 March, Great Hall, 8pm

### Vocal Competition

Tuesday 1 March, Recital Room  
prizes at 4.30pm

### Instrumental Competition

Tuesday 15 March, Recital Room  
prizes at 4.30pm

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## Jottings

Members of the 6th form attended a Burns Night supper last weekend in the Dining Hall. Dom Fenwick was present and reported that, "the overall evening was enjoyable with good company with a very good meal provided. The speeches were interesting and funny. After the dinner there was traditional Scottish dancing which everyone present really enjoyed."

Seymour Musicians have been performing again, most notably Joe Miller-Howes in the recent Singers' Concert, and they will be doing so again in the Concerto Concert on the 11th February in the Great Hall. All are welcome.

For all School Fixtures and School Events, please refer to the calendar or website.