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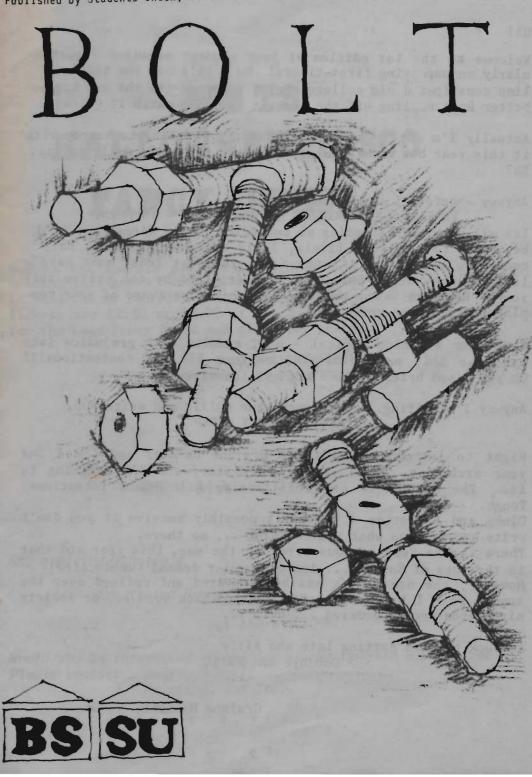
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Welcome to the 1st edition of your student magazine - particularly unsuspecting first-timers! No - it's not the tired limp constipated old college rag of before - its the new bigger better Bolt realing off the presses (someone catch it quick).

Actually I'm not too sure what exactly is going to happen with it this year but the ideas are tickling the brain cells anyway. Eh?

Anyway - before I say anything else -

WE WANT YOUR THOUGHTS & IDEAS NOW! - IN PRINT Its all very well shouting as one voice in the Kinema but it'd be great to see some lively, lucid (from engineers ? Ha!) comments in print. All the first years at least must have a lot to say - being particularly victimised by the system this year. Remember - the only way we can become aware of your complaints is if you voice them.

Keep your articles topical - and, riddled with prejudice (who isn't in this male dominated college ??) and contentious!!! Oh yes - and brief. Where are my cigarettes? Ah

Anyway I'm editing. So sharpen your quills and write <u>NOW</u>. THATS A BLOODY ORDER

Right to introduce myself I'm Grainne Hassett and I'm a 2nd year architect. Well - that's my story and I'm sticking to it. The architects are infiltrating with black intentions. Tough.

Clubs and societies - you can't possibly survive if you don't write and tell us what you're doing ... so there.

There is one very serious error in the mag. this year and that is the loss of Smiffy ... due to popular demand (uneducated).

However, the new Smiffy has been updated and refined over the summer so - I hope we see him and Jed back soon ... or society might even become ordered ... help ...

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Ah fuck this is getting late and silly Goodbye and WRITE

Grainne Hassett, Ed.

METS HALLOWEEN DISCO FANCY DRESS

Due to the success of last years METS Halloween Disco we are holding this years Disco in the IERNE BALLROOM, PARNELL SQUARE It will be on Thursday 31st October (Friday off) from 10 - 2. Tickets are £2.50 or £3.00 at the door. There will be prizes for the best Fancy Dress and also spot prizes.

> SO BOP YOUR BRITCHES WITH THE WIZARDS AND THE WITCHES

DRAMA SOC.

Any aspiring Othello's

frustrated Benny Hills

out there ?????

Would you be interested in helping to set up/join a Drama Soc? Please contact - Audrey O'Neill Printing, 1st Year.

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Over the last number of years this Student's Union has changed it's face in many aspects of it's operations. It's finance has become a lot more professional, reflecting the responsibilities of the ever-increasing monies we hold; it's administration has become more finely tuned to reflect responsibilites to the staff we employ, to the clubs and societies to whom we distribute funds; to you, the students, whose money we control and channel accordingly to the resources and programmes of the Union.

Our political face, too, has changed. No longer do we inten-sely debate motions on Nicaragua, Albania or Afghanistan. Gone, it seems, are discussions on divorce, contraception. legislation and the North. For what was one almost a talk-shop for the world's problems, we have changed to becoming a more education orientated organisation. Developing alongside and parallel to our professionalism in our other activities, we now think our education policies through: more and more organ-isation within education, at all levels, accept that Student Unions are powerful and, above all, <u>informed</u> voice, reflecting views of those frequently before unconsidered in education. This has not come without much "struggle" (sorry ,,, Marxist-Leninist phrase).. For a voice in these means firstly "student representation" is required. This means having a representative at the appropriate level, where decisions are made. In 1979 we finally got representation on the City of Dublin VEC, giving access to much more information than ever before, and more importantly, a means of responding directly to that information. As the DIT Governing Body grew µp, student representation was built in. The Student body has representation at most decision-making levels within the VEC - except at one of the most important. The Joint Academic Council is still bereft of a student voice. The Joint Academic Council is a body consisting of very senior staff and Heads of Departments from the five colleges. It's brief includes course content/ recognition, exams and such related issues. Students are those most affected by course content, faulty exam appeals systems bad lecturing and ill-equiped course-related facilities. They are therefore those first to notice such defects and to comment on them. But what use is comment unless it is translated into action and remedies?

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There willl be a number of issues this year facing students, most of which were presented in the Programme of Work. The methods of solving these are as varied as the issues themselves: some will be solved quite quickly, perhaps over a few weeks, and some will require work over long periods of time. Inevitably we will have to look towards long-term issues which will not directly benefit those of us here at the moment. However, the bulk of the work of the Union is more immediate, concentrating on the issues which effect us, here in this college, now.

THE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB SPEAKS

While reading this years edition of the students (aids) handbook, we the members of the Bolton Street mountaineering club read a misleading and ignorant article about the club. This article is to the detriment of the club and also shows the ignorance and laziness of the author - Colman Roche. As a student in the college for a number of years and as the President of its union he should of had some idea of the state of the clubs in college. An apology and true statement of the facts would be appreciated and would be to the benefit of all involved in The "Mountaineering" Club

P.S. If anyone wished to partake in the activities of the mountaineering club, meetings take place in C 23 every Thursday at 1.30. Everyone welcome.

THOSE HANDSOME DEVILS?

It was the best gig of the term, second only to Hot House Flowers and Andy Irvine. The date was Friday 18th. The venue; The Kinema. The audience waited in anticipation, and their patience was richly rewarded. the lengthy search for a plugboard provided an enthralling prelude to the coming hour. Everyone was highly entertained as the band succeeded in putting every instrument out of tune, the drums being no exception:- not bad for fifteen minutes work. Sean Foy the 'Lead' Guitarist/vocalist apologised for the wait, explaining that the P.A. got sent to another college.

At last the <u>music</u> started and it was immediately warming to see that the band was giving a break to musicians who hadn't finished the ladybird book guitar playing. The group began with an instrumental which seemed to last three <u>songs</u>, it was then we realised Foy had been <u>vocalising</u> throughout, obviously the Devils have never heart of a volume know. Everyone was very impressed by the bands ability to co-operate on the chorus "UH - UH - UH" - catchy lyrics Eh?

One might wonder will this band ever make it, however they are well on the way, after all they can afford to paint the mike stand to match their red shoes. Speaking of red it has been said that Neill Toner (the second guitarist) looks like Dracula's grandson on the way to the blood bank. Front man Foy himself would be a challenge to Peter Mark to clean up. Maybe it is this hair also, which continually sendshim to his knees (and not his guitar as originally suspected).

Foys mastery of wit was plain to see when he announced that the next piece would be instrumental - a welcome break from the deep and profound lyrics of the previous 15 minutes. During this number, the audience was treated to an inaccessible raw <u>melody</u>, broken up by guitar - solo - duets. The funny thing about the solos was that firstly, neither player could in fact play and secondly they were both attempting to play different solos simultaneously ... out of tune.

At this point, much of the audience remembered their hunger and trundled downstairs to the canteen. This is not a full account of the hour (as we too, followed the fleeing refugees downstairs) but we felt we had overstayed our welcome at what we like to think was hopefully only a jam-session

Its a pity that it was the P.A. system which was sent to the wrong college and not the band!

Conor, please don't indult our musical palates ever again

R. de B. o B.

BOLT LIFTERS

This club started in the gym in Linenhall last year. We met on a Thursday and Friday at lunch time and trained with the Karate Club. While the membership was small the training was serious and messing was not approved of for the following reasons:

- 1. Possible damage to persons and equipment.
- 2. We would waste valuable time
- 3. We were guests of the Karate Club.

This year things will be even more strict.

At this point I want to thank the Karate club for letting us train along side them last year. And also would like to thank Mick Whelan for coaching us.

As soon as we get the new gym time-table we will be back, and notices will be posted around the place.

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Is mise le meas, Shay Halpenny. AN ACCOUNT OF BOLTON STREET ORIENTEERS' trip to the "MUNSTER CHAMPS" IN CORK 18th - 20th OCTOBER.

Friday 18th October:

We started at 6 o'clock with a scenic tour of Dublin. After a while it was noted that a certain bottle had disappeared from it's rightful place ... Roisin (3rd Eng) was later seenacting rather giddily in Portlaoise. However, there is no truth in the rumour that a statue attacked Eleanor Delaney in Cashel.

Also in Cashel was "lonigans" which deserves a mention in reference to it's sanitary facilities (or lack thereof). Cork was reached by 1.30 a.m. and we were greeted with tremendous excitement by the comatose sleepers in the Ballincorrig Community school gym.

Saturday 19th October:

We rose at the crack of dawn, waited for a half an hour for the UCDo's to brush their hair, caught the bus to the orienteer. ing 'event, and proceeded to get wet, muddy, tired and lost. A good days orienteering. Back at the ranch, Tom (BSO president, and MET) was very upstanding in the gent's showers with 4 girls. He went in clean and came out with a dirty grin. Later that same evening, Roisin told a joke about Finbar Fury. Then we proceeded to the Oriel house where Euge (3rd Eng) emptied the place, by playing guitar and singing, so that we could get seats. Eleanor admitted to a certain fondness for Squaws whole John (1st BS) Dave (4th Eng) and Bren (ex MET) got decidedly tipsy and had trouble with their legs. . They also let everyone know it. Eleanor and Roisin freaked out to the strains of Simon and Garfunkle while Kinky Pinky (Dave 3rd Eng) felt Noreen (Macentee's) pulse and told her she was "in pretty bad shape". Nevertheless she was seen groping Tony (3rd Eng) later. Eleanor enquired if "Any body wants to go to bed now", and so with some exceptions (K.P. AND N.) we were all crashed out by 1 o' clock.....

Sunday 20th October:

....Only to be rudely awakened by Mick (Ex Eng/Pseudo Lecturer) at 7 o'clock, and waited on the coach for U.C.D. (again). Dave Tom, Euge (4th Eng) and Tony mucked it out in the forest again, for the honour and glory of B.S.O. only to be cheated of their rightful winning place at the last moment by those dirty cheating UCC ers. To cheer them up, Caitriona (3rd Eng) prepared a nourishing brew of assorted regurgitations which a few tried and fewer finished. We waited on the bus for UCD, then set off for Dublin via Mick's philisophical ramblings in Portlaoise We arrived home at 10 o'clock, and NOTHING MUCH happened on the bus. (i) Firstly I would like to thank everyone who has taken an active interest in any of the colleges Sports Clubs and societies to date.

(ii) This year, to help all clubs and societies a Sports Coun-cil has been set up. It is in the interest of all Clubs and Societites to nominate a representative for this Council. Plese submit his/her name to Students Union. The form meeting

of which will be held on Wednesday 23rd October.

(iii) All clubs are asked to submit the names of their new committee members and if possible their ordinary members, as soon as possible.

 (iv) It is also necessary for every Club and Society to submit
a) a constitution (if they already have one, check and redate
it. Sample available in the Students Union. b) An inventory
of all equipment (sheet available in S.U.) c) A proposed Budget for the year. All the above should be handed in by Nov. lst.

(v) Hopefully this year new schemes will be set up to aid clubs in financial difficulty, this will be organised in conjunction with the Sports Council Members.

(vi) If any student wants to join an existing Club or Society or if they want to set up a new club please go the Student Union office where someone will assist you.

Ronan Delaney D42/s/2 Sports Officer.

SPORTS DAY ?

At a recent Club and Society meeting the idea of a College Sports Day was introduced. The idea is to have it norm-ally in, say, October of each year to introduce the first years to the college and some aspects of it's social side. Obviously October had passed this year (!) but how about organising one for March? Perhaps on the line of some track and field events with 'novelty' events and interclass relays/football matches etc..

Get your ideas to the Sports Officer (Ronan Delaney) or write them down and drop them into Maura, the Union Secretary ... or attach them to one of notices you'll see around the college.

THE SOIL VENT PIPE. THE COLUMN WITH ALL THE SHITE IN IT. RY HIERONYMOUS ANONYMOUS.

The hardest part in writing an article for a magazine is starting it, so in that case I don't think I'll bother. This means that from this spot here I'll jump to the main body of the article in which is contained the kernel of what I have to say. Hup.

Well here I am, and the first thing I would like to do, without being too patronising, is welcome all the little ittybitty first year children to this big bad college and hope that the little darlings find their time here both rewarding and fulfilling.

For these people (who are already growing big and strong) I would like to give a brief summary of the wonderful history of Bolton Street:- (Ahem). Bolton Street College of Teicneolaiocht was opened formally by my pal Gemma (Gemma Hussey, T.D., Minister of Education to you) in the summer of '85. It contains the most advanced equipment and facilities in the whole world especially in the field of cardiology and neurosurgery, indeed heart and brain transplants have become everyday occuracnes on 'D' floor. It has a great canteen also ... (This is a pack of lies - Ed) O.K. O.K. so'll start again. Here goes: -

Bolton Street Colaiste of Technology was founded in 942 A.D. by Malachi an Innealltoir just outside the walls of viking Dublin. Later it was used by Strongbow as a concubine storage unit before he got hitched to Aoife. After the Normans became more Irish than the Irish themselves (top o' the mohrnin to va sor!). It was handed over to the Cistercians to be used as a retreat centre for good catholic boys who attended christian brother establishments. However, Henry VIII saw the end to that carry-on when he closed it down and handed it over, desmesne an' all to his friend and adviser George Mellifryth who was titled Lord Bolton Street College of Technology C.D.V.E.C. in 1536 A.D. From then on things were pretty quiet except for a few incidents such as the forging of pikes for the '98 rebellion in the student union shop and Robert Emmet hiding out in the goods inwards office.

In 1985 the 12th Earl of Bolton Street handed these premises over to the state in a gesture of bad cess towards the Government of the day, whom he regarded as a shower of bastards. From them on it became a centre of world renown in the fields of cardiology and neurosurgery, indeed, heart and brain transplants have become every day occurances on the 'D' floor. It has a great canteen also ...

(lissen, I told ya once, no more lying, just move to another topic - Ed.)

O.K. Boss.

A PROBLEM

'Twas only th'other day when I was having my customary pint with me drinking buddy Gemma in Leinster House that the conversation turned to the topic of the Great Bolton Street Problem. It went like this:-

Sez She: Well din, whastshis thish (hic) problem.

- Sez me: Well it's like this, Gem (I've called her Gem since our army days) the engineers do not get along with the architects and vice versa.
- Sez she: Oh (hic) dear, how shadt, so what can I, how can I do, help Whooops! (falls off bar stool)
- Sez me: Well it's like thos, y'see, the architects are rahther orty-forty and the engineers and surveyors are rather not. I think they are quite irreconciliable. But I do have a workable proposal.
- Sez she: Go on
- Sez me: Well, if you were to place the A-floor on the columns 20 or 30 feet above the B-floor and seal off the stairways and liftshafts it would solve the problem.
- Sez she: <u>Su Bu But how could ze-ze arsey thickts get</u> into der shtudios?
- Sez me: By helicopter, of course.

Sez she: Oh

Sez me: Now, how about my pint?

Sez she: No, fock off.

So all I can say now is : over to you Gemma, the proposal is on the table.

Something has just occurred to me. This column may be against the law. This is true, indeed it could be. However, it is important to remember that there is only one supreme law of theuniverse, unquestionable and immutable, that is that a man when being shaved must also be present. This article does not alter that fact.

P.U.B.S.

The P.U.B.S. (Paddlers Union of Bolton Street) are now starting into their second year. A reasonable active club last year, we hope to expand our activities this year by purchasing some canoes for common use. We also hope to organise events for experienced canoeists who last year found little benefit in joining the club. The aim of the club is to create a "bit of crack" within the college and so new members are welcome (no matter what their experience) to attend any of our meetings which will be signposted on the notice boards.

If any body knows of canoes or equipment for sale the club will be glad to arrange a buyer. All particulars to Student Union please.

Ents

Oh no, here we go again. Another year at the books. Another year of solid swatting to get us through those exams. And all we have to save us from sliding into deep depression are those good old lunchtime gigs.

Let me start off by thanking Deputy President, Willo Roe for booking the Hothouse Flowers who gave a great performance on the 10th at lunchtime and bopped the night away at the Freshers Ball (thanks again to Willo). A great night was had by all (though a couple of slow sets would not have gone amiss!). Willo also organised the Andy Irvine gig, which was excellent, and Those Handsome Devik who started off really well, but got a bit monotonous towards the end. Willo has one more band, the V - Column, with ex D.P. Robert Hamilton on drums, playing on October 25th and then I take over.

This year we have (at least) 2 college bands, Ton Ton (previously Ton Ton Macout) and those old favourites. Moondive. Both bands played last year, and the crowd loved 'em. Anyone who was the U.C.D. Party on the M.V.Arran last Wednesday will be glad to hear that 'Boys will be Boys' will be in the college later in this year. Old favourites from last year who (hopefully) will be back for more include Louis Stewart and Brush Shiels, with John Kenny (remember his reggae version of Spancil Hill).

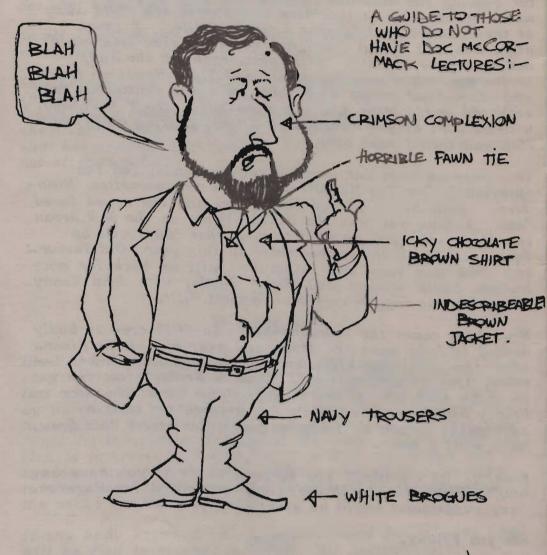
Now, here comes the awkward bit. An ENIS crew is badly needed to help move the stage and gear out of the Kinema after the lunchtime gigs, so any able-bodied persons out there, free between 2 and 2.30 on a Friday, can you get in touch with me in the Student Union or at the door on Friday afternoon. And don't forget there are certain advantages gained by being on the Bolton Street Ents Crew, know what I mean.

Finally, let me invite you to come to me if you have any bright ideas for lunchtime gigs, or indeed for Ragweek. Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

See you Friday,

Conor.

COMPETION!!



WIN A MC CORMACKS JAN TRANSLATION TAPE FOR, TWO-

Sam Kenno 85

D.I.T. FIXTURES 1985/'86

SENIOR FOOTBALL H.E.L. DIV 3B

Sat.	2/11/'85	D.I.T.	V	Army	(2.00	p.m.)	Naas
Tue.	12/11/85	D.I.T.	v	Maynooth	(2.30	p.m.)	Terenure
Sat.	16/11/85	D.I.T.	V	Carlow RTC	(2.30	p.m.)	Carlow
Sat.	7/12/185	D.I.T.	V	St. Pats	(2.30	p.m.)	Terenure

PRACTISE GAMES: 2 Dates to be arranged. CHRISTMAS HOLDIAYS: Trip to Brussels.

SECOND TERM

LEAGUE: $\frac{1}{4}$, Semi and League Final CHAMPIONSHIP: Trench Cup (5 Games Approx.)

SENIOR HURLING H.E.L. DIV 2B

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Wed. 20/11/85 D.I.T. V T.C.D. (2.30p.m.) Terenure								
Sat. 7/12/85 D.I.T. V Athlone (2.30p.m.) Terenure RTC								
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SENIOR FOOTBALL								
31/10/85 Bolton Street V Bathmines (Terenura) 2 00p m								
7/11/85 Bolton Street V Kevin St. (Terenure) 2 00p m								
26/11/85 Bolton Street V Cathal Brugha(Terenure) 2.00p.m.								
FRESHERS FOOTBALL								
29/10/85 Bolton Street V Rathmines (Terenure) 2.00p.m.								
4/11/85 Bolton Street v Kevin St. (Terenure) 2.00p.m. 28/11/85 Bolton Street V Cathal Brugha (Whitehall)2.00p.m.								
20/11/85 Bolton Street V Cathal Brugha (Whitehall)2.00p.m.								

BACK ON THIS MAN



HE MAY STICK & POSTER ON IT.