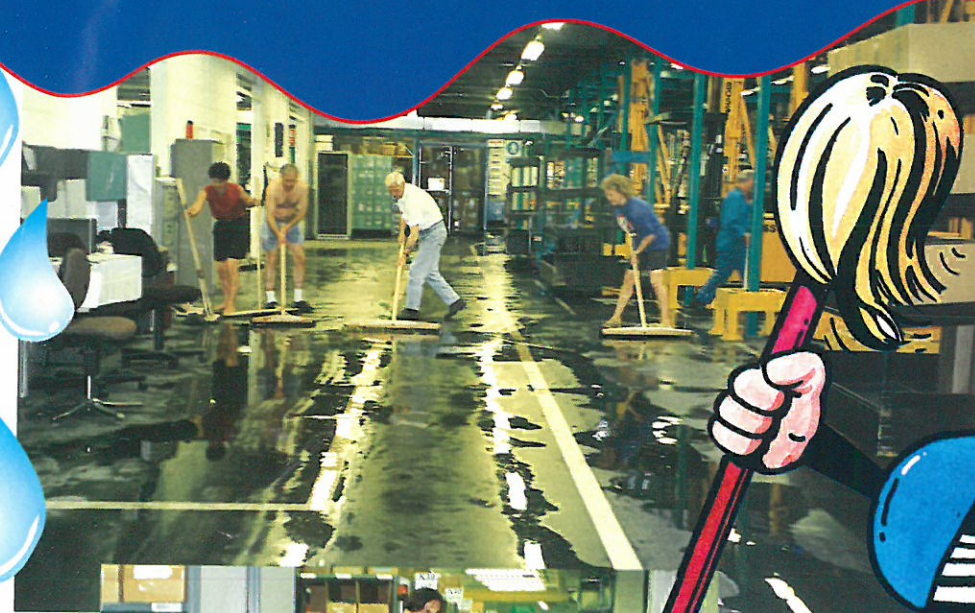


The Great Peterborough FLOOD



The heavens opened at 5pm and it only took an hour for the warehouse ground floor to be drenched by 4 inches of water! Emergency rescue came to hand as the bold knights from evening shifts helped Dyno Rod and other courageous contract personnel to carry away the water!! By 10pm the battle appeared to have been won, with most of the water cleared - and it was no mean feat - 3 MILLION litres of water altogether!

A grateful thanks to all those who helped with moving stock and clearing water, especially ISS for their help!



FAMILY FUN DESPITE THE DOWNPOUR!

Family day was a great success, thanks to the hard-working committee and their helpers, especially Chris Wheeler and crew of Shaws Catering who toiled endlessly to ensure that all were fed, despite the problems the weather caused! The caterers provided a feast



enjoyed by all - the evening Hog Roast went down a treat! Those of you in the marquee for the Grand Prize Draw will have missed out on a truly spectacular sight - courageous Chef Chris climbing the wall with mountains of chips! All part and parcel of the family day fun!

The lucky prize draw winners are listed below:

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| Audio Visual System | <i>Michael Coleman</i> | Packing Room |
| Camcorder | <i>Margaret Sismore</i> | Returns |
| Nicam Stereo TV | <i>Neil Grunow</i> | Carton Pick |
| Wooden Patio Set | <i>Bhavana Odedra</i> | Packing Room |
| Mini System CD | <i>Lila Chundawadra</i> | Packing Room |
| Mountain Bikes | <i>Claire Botton</i> | Costing/Admin |
| Green Patio Set | <i>Rehana Mohammed</i> | Returns |
| Zoom Lens camera | <i>Pauline Silk</i> | Returns |
| Luggage Set | <i>Carole Carey</i> | Returns |
| Cordless T/phone | <i>Valerie Beeston</i> | Returns |
| Hamper | <i>Louise Jeffrey</i> | Returns |
| Drinks Hamper | <i>Ismet Najafi</i> | Carton Pick |
| Drinks Hamper | <i>Rashada Naqui</i> | Returns |
| Drinks Hamper | <i>Raj Kaur</i> | Carton Pick |
| Drinks Hamper | <i>Irene Beech</i> | Offline Support |
| Desk Fan | <i>Angela Ptolomey</i> | Special Processing |
| Kettle | <i>Nasim Mustafa</i> | Packing Room |
| Consolation | <i>Peter Stimpson</i> | Carton Pick |
| | <i>Angela Allan</i> | Carton Pick |



Audio Visual System winner Michael Coleman

GRATTAN WAREHOUSE VISIT

Goods In Staff Allen Baxter, Angela Clarke, Geoff Fenton, Ken Stanley and Mike Wilson, accompanied by Graham Marshall and Alan Woolley, were all inspired by a trip to the Grattan's Warehouse at Listerhills, where they compared their Goods In Operations with our own.

Although the Carton Unloading was like ours, the Pallet Unloading was much more automated. Other differences spotted by the team included the use of paper sacks for parcels, which their customers prefer to plastic, and the picking area was divided into fast and slow moving lines.

Generally the warehouse was very efficient and the staff worked at quite high speeds with an overall low error rate - but they didn't seem to be as safety conscious as we are; very few staff were wearing safety shoes, pallets were left standing on their sides and boxes looked unstable. Unlike us, their

Goods In staff did not make sure they had the drivers keys before boarding and unloading vehicles.

The food and hospitality were superb, and the staff really helpful... A truly illuminating visit for all involved and a great experience!



THE GOODS IN TEAM Doug Smith of Grattans welcomes the Freemans party.

CONVEYOR

Welcome to The Conveyor

Well here it is, our first very own Newsletter, The CONVEYOR. As the title suggests this is about letting you know what's going on in and around distribution. Each issue will come out every two months and will cover a wide range of topics from department profiles to human interest stories. The content will be influenced by you telling us what you want to see in future issues and submitting stories for yourself. I am sure you will enjoy reading the first issue and find it informative, entertaining and fun.



Keith Risk.

Keith Risk

The FLOOD



Watch out Sheffield - our water feature is bigger than yours!
Details inside.



Hi Everyone!

Here I am, it's Issue One and I'm still waiting for a name! So, if you want to win a super Sony Discman this summer, get your thinking caps on and rush your ideas to the editor! CHRIS UPEX.

CONVEYOR is a brand new newsletter written to keep Freeman's Distribution workers in touch. You'll have the chance to get to know each other better in our Profile Columns, and might even pick up a prize in one of our competitions!

Remember - we want to hear from YOU! send us your news and views, info on charities we could support, handy hints, praises and grumbles; you might even want to tell us about a special anniversary or birthday! Most of all, spell out what YOU want to read about in future issues. The competition entry form and suggestions form are on the back cover - Don't delay, post it today! TO CHRIS UPEX.

SO NEAR YET SO FAR

Two teams from Distribution took part in the Speedlink 5-a-side football tournament at Coventry. The teams were led by Collis Augustine and Frank Naughton (Goods In).

Both teams made it to the quarter final, but were then drawn against each other!! A friendly struggle ensued, and Collis' team came up tops - only to be beaten at semi-final stage by the final winners, Selfridges.



PRIZE WINNING PERFORMANCES ALSO FROM:

Peter Stimpson (Carton Pick) for sloshing a 160 yard tee shot that finished up 2 feet from the pin.

Jim Gillies (Director) for the most birdies - a grand total of 1 (awarded after a tie breaker).

Helen Woollett (ex ISD) for the longest drive (womens section)

CRAAAZY GOLF

June 27th was the date set for The Distribution Golf Challenge - and it turned out to be one of the wettest days of the year! The venue was Thorpe Wood Golf Course, and top performances were paramount, with James Whitehead (or is it Greenhead?) from the Goods In Bank as the eventual winner. CONGRATULATIONS JAMES! The pairs trophy winners were a team of bandits known as Giles Willits (Speedlink) and Martin Peel (Leeds).

SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB DIARY

- Sunday 24th August**
- Family Evening with DAVE THE CLOWN and a BBQ
- Saturday 6th September**
- in the Bar MERICKY COLLINS (remember Family Day evening entertainment)!!
- Saturday 20th September**
- German Night Tickets £3 including Supper and Oompah Band.
- Disneyland - Paris**
25th-27th November
£130 per adult & £79 per child.
- DISCO's** once a fortnight.



COMPETITION TIME

Get your thinking caps on, suggest a name for me and you could win a Sony Discman. Send your entries to Chris Upex.



NAME ME (One entry per person)

Name: _____
Clock No: _____
Dept: _____

TELL US WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THE CONVEYOR

Closing date 22nd August 1997. Return to Chris Upex.

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