

# DWARF NEWS

**The Official Newsletter of the Dwarf Owners Society of Great Britain**

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## **FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

Welcome to July's issue of 'Dwarf News'. We are pleased to announce that police have dropped all charges against Jane Collins B.A. and her husband Harry. As a result, Jane has been re-instated as Assistant Editor, and Harry is back as office boy. After the strain of the last few weeks, the couple are on sick leave. However, Jane has promised to be back at her desk in time for next month's issue.

Many thanks to all those who replied to our advertisement for a secretary, in last month's 'Dwarf News'. The post has now been filled by Sophie, who was the only applicant prepared to work for the minimum wage. The world of Dwarf Keeping is a small one in many ways. After we informed Sophie that her application had been successful, we discovered that Matt, who won the award for Best Dwarf Boots (Male) at the Dwarf Society Wedding of the Year in March, is actually Sophie's identical twin brother. Sophie is tall, with blonde hair, and many feel that she is destined to become the new office pin-up. How Assistant Editor Jane Collins B.A. will feel about this on her return to work is the subject of much speculation.

Sports News this month has more on the drug scandal that has rocked the American Dwarf Association's basketball team, and news on the untimely death of Lady Felicia Crumble, President of the Dwarf Owner's Racing Club.

Lastly, the Colour Supplement contains the third and final part of Professor Hugo Darkley's article on Upsy Daisy, featuring the ups and downs of life as a Judge. Owing to a problem with the new printing press, we have been forced once again to print the supplement in black and white.

## **EDITOR WARNED BY SOCIETY OVER COLOUR SUPPLEMENT 'FIASCO'**

The Dwarf Owners Society of Great Britain has officially reprimanded the Editor of 'Dwarf News', after the Colour Supplement has, once again, been printed in black and white. Bearing in mind recent supply problems, the Society ordered ten thousand sheets of green paper in time for this month's issue, sufficient to last approximately six months. The manufacturers sorted out the problem caused by the press only printing with light green ink when using light green paper, and restored the settings to their original specifications. This gives a range of one hundred thousand different colours and shades.

When the press was finally ready for this month's print run of the supplement, the Editor requested that the Senior Print Technician run a final test on the equipment, to ensure there were "no more cock-ups". The technician then typed "Mary had a little lamb, she kept it in a bucket" on the office computer, and selected 'Test' from the main menu. The computer replied by asking 'Black and White Test/Full Colour Test?' After consulting the Editor, the Senior Print Technician selected 'Full Colour Test', and pressed 'Enter'.

At this point, the printing press selected colour number one, (White), and printed "Mary had a little lamb, she kept it in a bucket", on the first sheet of green paper. It then changed to colour number two, (White, with just a tiny hint of Light Grey), for the second sheet. It eventually stopped at colour number ten thousand, (Cherry Blossom Pink/Mid Buttercup Yellow, with a trace of Tangerine). It stopped because it had run out of paper. The Dwarf Keeper Royal is reported to be furious, and the Editor has been spotted studying the 'Situations Vacant' section of the local newspaper.

**Editor's Note: Despite frequent requests from other members of staff, and many free pints at the 'Printer's Arms', the Senior Print Technician has refused to reveal the last two lines of his test piece. Correspondence is therefore invited from our readers, as to the missing words. The best suggestion received will win a 'Dwarf News' T-Shirt.**

## **ALL CHARGES DROPPED AGAINST 'DWARF NEWS' STAFF**

Police have announced that all charges against Jane Collins B.A. and her husband have been dropped, after a security video from their honeymoon hotel cast serious doubts over vital evidence in the case.

A camera situated in the corridor outside the couple's suite at Lego Land, Windsor, is said to have clearly shown two female Dwarfs, dressed as Goblin Teasmaids, removing Harry's boots from outside the door, where they had been placed for cleaning. Police now believe the boots were later used to make the footprints found on the bottom of the fire bucket in Jane's office at 'Dwarf News', and then placed in the outside coal bunker of the couple's home. "Someone has obviously tried to fit them up, and it wasn't us", a police spokesman told the press.

Mr Arthur Law Q.C. the couple's barrister, has pointed out that this new evidence must cast grave doubts upon the verdict in the Minnie Small case. Mr Law also represented Miss Small, who was sent to prison for six years after being found guilty of GBH at her trial last month. He has demanded an urgent inquiry as to the soundness of the conviction, and asked that Miss Small be released pending her appeal. "The footage from the security camera clearly shows two Dwarfs, who match the description of his assailants given by Eric Von Smith. In case the police haven't noticed, I would like to point out that neither of them appear to be of Afro-Caribbean descent", he stated.

Mrs Collins, who is on sick leave together with her husband, has refused to talk to the press. Although all charges have been dropped, she is said to be deeply embarrassed following revelations about her private life. During the last month, details of her affair with Harry Collins, which began some three years before the death of her last husband, have been made public, and news of their liaisons, carried on during the lunch break while hiding in a stationary cupboard, have rocked the Dwarf Keeping world.

Jane is reported to have sold her story to 'Tall Tales', the official newsletter of the Ancient Brotherhood of The Dwarfs of Albion, for an undisclosed sum. This publication, referred to as 'Play Dwarf' by many of its younger readers, did confirm that they have asked Jane to appear in a future issue, as Playmate of the Month. It would seem that Jane is now the number one fantasy figure for male Dwarfs, having replaced Jordan in their affections. Harry, meanwhile, is reported to have turned down a sizeable offer from B and Q, to advertise their range of own label buckets.

## COURT DIARY

There is little to report in this month's edition. Radical Dwarf feminist Minnie Small has begun her six year sentence at Hollywell prison, although an appeal is in the pipeline, after serious doubts were cast upon the strength of the conviction. This is due to new evidence, which came to light as part of an unrelated case, reported elsewhere in this issue.

Miss Small is at the present time being kept in solitary confinement for her own safety, after threats were made concerning her kneecaps, in a telephone call to 'Dwarf News'. She is said to have requested knitting needles and a ball of wool in order to make a start on baby clothes, however staff at the prison immediately threatened to walk out if she is given anything sharp. Minnie, who had been working in the prison library while on remand before her trial, is reported to have lost that job after an incident involving a senior warder, an offer to provide a service which would not have required her to kneel down, and an electric pencil sharpener.

Readers may rest assured that any appeal hearing will be fully covered in the months ahead.

## SPORTS NEWS

### June 2004

Three American Dwarfs, two female and one male, have been withdrawn from their country's Dwarf Keeper's Olympics team, after testing positive for the banned substance highballs. This drug, which is not related to the taller person's cocktail of the same name, is known to have dangerous side effects.

Taken by some Dwarfs who compete in events where height could be considered an advantage, the substance has been banned by the Olympics governing body for the last twelve years. Its use in such sports as basketball, beach volleyball and snooker used to be widespread, before improved testing procedures were developed.

Highballs are made by pouring twelve ounces of single malt whisky into a tall glass, then adding two tablespoonfuls of liquidized giraffe's testicles. Female athletes are inclined to grow beards, and doctors believe that the high level of testosterone may cause them to become infertile. The British team's coach told me the possibility that such athletes may have difficulty conceiving is still being investigated. "To be honest, a four foot tall woman with facial hair who smells like a giraffe's bollock, is probably not going to get that many chances to get pregnant in the first place", he explained.

Dwarfs of both sexes who drink this appalling concoction are known to become very aggressive, and then fall over. This is probably due to the twelve ounces of whisky, however. A former member of the British Dwarf snooker team, who asked to remain anonymous, explained. "If you're going to swallow two tablespoonfuls of liquidized giraffe testicle, you need something to hide the taste. As a snooker player, an extra inch or two can make a big difference. The chances of falling off your stepladder when you're having to use the rest for a long pot are greatly reduced".

Giraffes are capable of running at around thirty miles an hour, and males happen to quite like their testicles where they are, so supplies of the drug are difficult to obtain. There have even been reports of unscrupulous dealers substituting pig or sheep testicles, which obviously do not have the same result. As the British team coach pointed out, how many Dwarfs know what a liquidized giraffe's testicle tastes like in the first place?

## DWARF KEEPERS SADDENED BY DEATH OF LADY FELICIA CRUMBLE.

June 12 2004

The Dwarf Owner's Racing Club, the governing body for the sport of Floodlit Dwarf Racing throughout Britain, is in mourning today after the death of its president, Lady Felicia Crumble. Responsible for cleaning up the sport, which had a bad reputation for race fixing and bookies failing to pay out, Lady Crumble can be credited with getting the sport recognized as a Dwarf Keeper's Olympic event. Once Dwarf Keeper of the former British champion, Melvin 'King' Cole, she was probably best known as the owner and trainer of Britain's own Super-Dwarf, William Bigger, who set a new British record at Last Dwarf Standing in Leeds during a meeting in April.

Lady Crumble died as the result of a fall, at a meeting in Bradford. She had just watched her Dwarf win the steeplechase. William was odds-on favorite for the race, although several large bets were placed on the second favorite, 'Mighty' Maurice Jones, a few minutes before the off. On course bookies, who had taken numerous bets on William Bigger throughout the evening, are reported to have taken a "real hammering". Lady Crumble, who had backed William herself at Ladbrokes before the event, watched him romp home from her seat in the owner's enclosure, on top of the grandstand. Afterwards she was overcome, and had to be assisted down the stairs to the winner's rostrum. Unfortunately, she tripped on the top step, somersaulted over the handrail, and fell twenty feet to the ground, landing head first. Two middle-aged lady Dwarfs who witnessed the fall said that Lady Crumble should have been more careful, as accidents are not unknown under the circumstances. Before disappearing into the crowd, one of the Dwarfs touchingly placed a pink carnation on top of Lady Crumble's body.

William Bigger is said to be devastated at the loss of his owner. Further bad news awaited him when he returned to Crumble Manor; the home he has shared with Lady Felicia for the last four years, to find it had burned to the ground earlier in the evening. Lady Crumble's butler, who narrowly escaped with his life, has assured 'Dwarf News' that the fire was an accident. "Her Ladyship had visitors while she was out, and one of them accidentally dropped a milk bottle full of petrol into the fireplace in the main hall", he told our reporter. The only good news from the remains of Crumble Manor came



from the Dwarf responsible for the gardens. “The heat from the fire’s brought my tomatoes on a treat”; he told the Fire Brigade’s arson investigation team.

William has apparently gone into hiding, to avoid the press, and was unavailable for comment. Asked by 'Dwarf News' what effect the tragedy may have on our Olympic team's medal chances, the Society's sports coach refused to comment, although he did find time to thank all the staff at 'Dwarf News', for their kind donation of two pounds fifty, five pesetas and two buttons. The money will go towards new titanium stepladders for the ladies Dwarf basketball team.

## DWARF KNITTING COMPETITION CANCELLED

The Ancient Sisterhood of The Dwarfs of Albion have had to cancel their annual knitting contest, the final of which is held every year at DwarfFest. Many male Dwarf Keepers of more mature, traditional female Dwarfs will be saddened by this news, as they all know how much pleasure their little ladies get from this pastime.

The event had to be cancelled after the principle supplier of wool and small needles to the Dwarf community, and main sponsor, Wendy's Wool Shop, was demolished by a thirty-eight ton lorry. Apparently the driver lost control, and drove into the shop front. A police spokesman has informed us that the lorry had been stolen earlier that evening. "The driver ran off, but did leave a booster cushion on the front seat", reporters were told. Also left behind were a pair of stilts, and a packet of filter tipped menthol cigarettes. The shop's owners, Wendy and Maureen, were both upstairs asleep in their flat at the time, situated above the shop. They are reported to be shaken but unhurt. Wendy told our reporter they regarded it as a warning, and said that they intend to use the insurance money to start a new company "somewhere abroad, where there is a lot less traffic".

Regular patrons of the shop, which supplied Dwarfs throughout the country with wool and accessories via a thriving mail order business, are saddened by the closure. One customer, who asked not to be identified, even went so far as to lay a wreath of pink carnations on the pavement outside the remains of the shop. When our reporter, who was present at the time, pointed out to her that both owners had survived the devastation, she replied, "Did they?"

## DWARF DROPS NEW MOTORCYCLE

A report has reached the 'Dwarf News' office that Dwarf celebrity Simon Bruce has managed to drop his new motorcycle, while attempting to put it on the side stand. The monster bike, a Russian 750cc Urinal, got the better of him as he attempted to dismount. This involves keeping the bike upright while reaching behind him to unstrap his stepladder, in order to reach the ground. Fortunately, the only damage was a scratched rocker box cover. (The Dwarf was slightly bruised). Simon, (5ft 2in approx), married in March, and it may be that he is tired, due to overdoing his marital duty. When contacted by the Editor, Simon's owner, Dwarf Keeper Jackie Bruce, said, "He didn't tell me he dropped it". Simon himself claimed, "Shit happens", before threatening to sue us if we published the story. As he was allowed to purchase the motorcycle concerned only after agreeing to the wedding, Jackie is reconsidering her decision not to neuter him in the near future. This would have the added bonus of allowing him to sit closer to the ground

when on the motorcycle, (After the swelling goes down, - Ed), making it easier to dismount without falling over.

The Society's technicians are working on the problem, with possible solutions ranging from re-positioning the side stand, to trainer wheels or telescopic boot heels. 'Dwarf News' will report on all the latest developments in future issues.

In a related story, the winner of the award for Best Dwarf Boots (Female) at Simon's wedding, Milton Keynes biker chick Weeble, has been experiencing electrical failures with her Kawasaki and sidecar. Dwarf Friend Chris Straw told 'Dwarf News', "She's got problems with her black box. I'm surprised, as I always thought she was a natural blond".

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The following letter was sent by electric pigeon, received on 7<sup>th</sup> June.

Dear Dwarf Keeper Royal

I am writing on behalf of my Dwarf, Simon Bruce, who wishes to add to his comments made earlier this evening regarding your news flash in reference to his supposedly dropping his new motorcycle.

He stands by his comment that "shit happens" but would like to add that the side stand spring is not in fact "stronger than he is". In fact the entire incident was caused by "elektrickery, plus the forces of darkness which amounts to the same thing really".

It is a well known fact that some Dwarfs find the world of electricity to be a complete mystery and attribute its mere existence to witchcraft. My husband is one of those Dwarfs. No amount of explanation will shift him on this point of view. As he says "how else to do you explain how something as heavy as a 747 stays in the air, never mind how it got there in the first place!!!!".

Whilst acknowledging that this is a somewhat outmoded, possibly even obtuse, point of view, I would defend to the death his right to express it.

Yours sincerely

Jackie Bruce  
Dwarf Keeper

Dear Jackie,

Firstly, thank you for your reply. I was under the impression that 750cc Urinals worked on steam, rather than elektrickery. I assume that Joseph Lucas, (Prince of Darkness), has a hand in this somewhere.

In my youth, I spent two years as an Air Force apprentice, and was taught everything there is to know about the theory of flight, by some of the best teachers in the country. This included a man who was on the design team of Concorde. (The British one, which did stay in the air, unlike the French one). I still cannot explain how something as heavy as a Jumbo Jet gets airborne, or stays there once it has done. Of course, Jumbo Jets, due to their weight, are not equipped with side stands, so this whole argument is totally irrelevant. I am also totally incapable of making a paper

aeroplane that will fly further than I can throw a sheet of paper, by screwing it up into a ball. This probably says more about the abilities of the student than it does about his teachers. If your Dwarf was not somewhat outmoded himself, he would not have bought a Urinal in the first place, and the problem would never have arisen. He would have bought something more sensible, such as a 600cc Diversion. I myself have just purchased one of these, and can recommend them, if you don't mind being terminally bored.

Yours faithfully,

Editor, Dwarf News.



# SUPPLEMENT

This month's supplement contains the final part of Professor Hugo Darkley, B.A.'s article on Upsy Daisy, covering the difficult task facing Judges.

## UPSY DAISY: THE UPS AND DOWNS OF JUDGING

The task of judging an attempt at Upsy Daisy is not an easy one. The Junior Judge in particular must show great wisdom, and tact, to gain the respect of the Ancient Brotherhood of The Dwarfs of Albion. Such a man was Ivor Smallpiece, who served in this capacity for thirty years, before eventually standing down to concentrate on his appointment as Principle Show Judge at DwarfFest.

Last month I explained how Ivor won the respect of the Brotherhood for his wise decision in the Upsy Daisy of Walter Peasegood, and his tactful suggestion given to the Senior Judge, which prevented that distinguished Dwarf from making himself look like a pillock in the eyes of his fellows. All the more remarkable when we remember that Ivor was judging his first Upsy Daisy at the time.

As the Brotherhood only has two judges at any one time, the chances of promotion are severely limited. The Senior Judge is always a Dwarf, and must be a member of the Brotherhood. The Junior Judge is always a taller person, and must either be a Dwarf Keeper, or have been awarded the honorary title of 'Dwarf Friend' by the Dwarf Owners Society of Great Britain. He stands in for the Dwarf's owner, as modern female Dwarf Keepers do not seem to understand the great honour that being asked to an Upsy Daisy confers on the person concerned. The owner is always invited, nowadays as a guest, but very few accept.

The Senior Judge is in charge; the Junior is merely an assistant. As the post of Senior Judge can only be held by a Dwarf, and that of Junior Judge by a taller person, it will be appreciated that it is impossible to progress from Junior to Senior Judge without the aid of some very radical surgery, and Ivor Smallpiece, who stands just over six feet tall, is the only person in the history of the Brotherhood to have served in both positions. Even more astonishing, he managed to be appointed to both positions at the same time.

Consider the position of the Junior Judge. He may have served in this capacity for thirty years, and judged many attempts. The Senior Judge may be a new appointment, young and inexperienced, and judging his first Upsy Daisy. Yet it is the Senior Judge who is in charge, and his junior colleague is expected to defer to him in all respects. A Junior Judge may have to give way to someone who is not only younger and less experienced than he is, but is also considerably shorter. This is why the job of Junior Judge is such a difficult one, and requires great tact and diplomacy. (In practice, given the situation mentioned above, it would be a very foolish Senior Judge who was not prepared to take a little friendly advice and guidance, and it is rare under these circumstances for him to go over the Junior Judge's head).

After serving the Brotherhood for twenty years, Ivor's Dwarf and wife, Ada, slipped while cleaning the toilet in the couple's home, and unfortunately drowned before she was discovered. The Dwarf Owners Society of Great Britain's rules allow any Dwarf Keeper who loses his or her Dwarf, a period of three months to find a replacement. After this,

they must resign from the Society if they are still Dwarfless. The obvious answer for the Brotherhood would have been to request that the Society award Ivor the honorary title of Dwarf Friend, however the Dwarfs preferred to deal with the problem themselves.

In a special ceremony, they made Ivor Smallpiece an honorary Dwarf. Two days later, the senior members of the Brotherhood realized their mistake. As Ivor was now a Dwarf, he was no longer eligible for the post of Junior Judge. As the Senior Judge at the time was close to retirement, they allowed him to retire early, and promoted Ivor to the position of Senior Judge to replace him. This seemed like a good idea at the time, but further problems were just around the corner. When the Brotherhood looked for a new Dwarf Keeper to serve as Junior Judge, they soon realized that the rules were very clear. One Judge had to be a Dwarf, the other a taller person. If they found a Dwarf Keeper willing to serve, they would end up with two tall people. It was suggested that a Dwarf be appointed as Junior Judge to balance the equation, but the rulebook also made it clear that a Dwarf was not eligible for this post, and could only serve as Senior Judge. Not only this, but as Ivor was an honorary Dwarf, this would mean that both Judges were now Dwarfs, which was not allowed. The arguments continued for months, and a backlog of attempts was starting to look like a definite possibility. Constitutionally, it was a major cock-up, and the repercussions are still being argued over to this day.

Eventually, the Ancient Brotherhood of The Dwarfs of Albion had to swallow their pride, and turn to the Dwarf Owners Society of Great Britain for assistance in sorting out the mess. The Society's rules allow for certain Dwarfs to be made honorary tall people, for services to the World of Dwarf Keeping. It was felt that, by serving as Junior Upsy Daisy Judge for twenty years, Ivor had indeed performed a great service to the members, in that no-one else had been faced with the task of watching assorted Dwarfs flatten themselves against ceilings on a regular basis.

The Brotherhood then appointed a new Senior Judge, who was, obviously, a Dwarf. Although they now had two Senior Judges, it was felt that, as an honorary tall person, Ivor could now, with honour, serve as honorary Junior Judge.

At this point, the newly appointed Senior Judge requested that he be allowed to serve as Junior Judge instead, as it would be a great honour for any Dwarf to serve as Junior Judge to Ivor Smallpiece. He was escorted outside by three senior members of the Brotherhood, and next seen floating face down in the Thames a week later. The Dwarf appointed Senior Judge to replace him kept his suggestions to himself, and things returned to something approaching normal. This state of affairs continued for the next ten years, until Ivor retired as Senior Judge/Honorary Junior Judge, to concentrate on his duties at DwarfFest. By this time he was so respected by the Brotherhood that when he announced his intention to retire as Junior Judge in one month's time, one Dwarf admitted to the Brotherhood that he had been performing disgraceful acts for the last eight years. He informed his fellow Dwarfs that he felt he was bound to be caught sooner or later. If he were going to commit Upsy Daisy, he would rather do it while Ivor was still Junior Judge. "Ivor's firm but fair, an eight point nine from him is worth a nine point five from anyone else", he explained to the Brotherhood.

It was to be Ivor Smallpiece's last Upsy Daisy. Although the Dwarf concerned was felt to have dropped the two large suitcases of bricks fractionally too soon, Ivor insisted on awarding him the full ten points, and on this occasion the Senior Judge agreed. It was

Ivor's first and last show of generosity, and the entire Brotherhood felt that he was entitled to show a little sentimentality, after thirty years of service.

**Editor's Note: Once again, thank you to Professor Hugo Darkley.B.A. The Degree Course in Applied Dwarf Lore at Merkin College, Cambridge has a waiting list of eight years, and readers are advised to seriously consider putting the names of their offspring down for this course while the child concerned is still under two feet six inches tall.**

## LATE NEWS

Fri 26 June

Workmen engaged in the task of removing the vintage steam powered press from the Printing Shop of the old 'Dwarf News' building, prior to its demolition, called police to the site late on Thursday afternoon. The foreman told our reporter that, on raising the boiler, a bloodstained hammer was discovered beneath the support rails. The police were concerned, in their investigation into the death of Charles Longfellow, that the Dwarf's hammer was not found with the remains of his body, after he fell into the main print roller while supposedly adjusting the steam pressure release valve. A police spokesman confirmed that the hammer has been shown to Jane Collins B.A. Mr Longfellow's widow. She identified it as one belonging to her late husband, and informed police that it had been presented to Charles by his colleagues at 'Dwarf News', on the occasion of their marriage. The hammer was found to have an engraved handle, and there is no doubt that it belonged to Charles, or that it had deliberately been hidden beneath the boiler. Police have now re-opened their investigation into Mr Longfellow's death, and confirmed that Jane and her new husband are once again suspects. "We cannot be sure if the hammer is actually a murder weapon, and there is no point in exhuming the body to see if the victim was struck on the head before going through the roller. The pathologist who performed the original autopsy noted at the time that none of the remains were more than half an inch thick, and the coffin had to be folded in half four times, so it would fit in the grave", the spokesman told 'Dwarf News'. He added that the handle showed a full set of fingerprints, preserved in the bloodstains. The police have announced that they intend to take prints from all staff at the paper next week.

In a second late breaking story, the Court of Appeal announced that they have set a date for appeal in the Minnie Small G.B.H. case. Miss Small is currently serving six years for the kneecapping of Eric Von Smith, controversial author of the best seller '*Chariots Of The Dwarfs*'. The appeal is to be heard next month. Mr Arthur Law Q.C. has asked that his client should be released on bail until the hearing, however the Appeal Court has denied the request, as Miss Small is also serving eighteen months for belonging to a proscribed organization, the Provisional Wing of The Radical Dwarf Feminist Movement, The New Age Sisterhood of The Dwarfs of Albion. Miss Small is approximately six months pregnant, and is still in solitary confinement for her own safety, after threats were made concerning her kneecaps by another group of radical Dwarf feminists, The Popular Front of The Red-Handed Brigade of The Provisional Wing of The Ultra Far Left Radical Dwarf Feminist Movement, The New Age Sisterhood of The Dwarfs of Albion.

Sun 28 June

Police were last night called to a domestic dispute at the home of 'Dwarf News' Assistant Editor Jane Collins B.A., after neighbours telephoned the station to report a disturbance. Mr Harry Collins was found in the front garden, suffering from concussion, and lacerations to his head and shoulders. As the front sitting room window was broken, police concluded that Mrs Collins had thrown her husband out of the house, without bothering to open the window first. She has been charged with assault, and released on bail. Neither party was prepared to comment to the press, but the couple's legal representative, Mr Arthur Law Q.C. told reporters that the marriage is effectively over, and that Mrs Collins intends to file for divorce at the earliest opportunity.

The full story on these events, and other news of interest to all those involved in the Dwarf Keeping world, will be included in the August edition of 'Dwarf News'.

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