

# LAN・CAFÉ

## だより



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## Lan Café だより 11月号をお送りします

みなさん、こんにちは。秋学期も中盤に入りました。Lan Café 11月号をお送りします。

今月号では、学生の視点から Lan Café の醍醐味について語ってもらべく、英語の Lan Café のレギュラー・メンバーの文学部の2年生の井川さんに英文エッセイを寄稿していただきました。素敵なエッセイをどうもありがとうございます！！また10月号に引き続いて、Peter Lyons 先生にはファミリー・ヒストリーとして、ご親戚の大叔父様の Barney さんの半生に関するストーリー（パート1）をご紹介いただきました。謎に満ちたお話でパート2が気になります。国際的な調査やまとめ方の参考にもなりますね。

## The Language Café Experience

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Originally, my reason to come to the Language Café was to practice and improve my English by speaking with native speakers but I soon realized that wasn't the case. This unique space has provided me with countless opportunities to refine my English skills while engaging in fun and natural, real life conversations.

At the Language Café, the topics of discussion are as diverse as the people who gather there. Whether it's sharing our hobbies or passions, sharing our experiences as university students, talking about university circles and clubs, or sharing our dreams and/or goals, there is always something exciting or new to talk about. Each visit is a new experience, and I appreciate and I'm very grateful for the friends that I've made.

What makes the Language Café truly special is its inclusivity. It's not just about practicing English with native speakers; it's an inclusive experience for learners of all levels. The Language Café is a place where everyone, regardless of their proficiency, can come together to communicate and connect.

In conclusion, I can 100% recommend coming here if one of your goals is either improve your English communication or if you want to make friends. It's a place where conversations flow freely, and where friendships are made. This unique space has not only improved my English but also broadened my horizons. The Language Café is not just a place; it's an experience that welcomes everyone!!



👉 English Café

Global Café 👉  
(every Tuesday)



# The Mysterious Tale of Barney Travers -Part One

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Recently, while chatting with my mother on the phone, I was surprised to hear that my grandmother's uncle had been a top division professional footballer in the 1920s. There were few details known at this stage other than he had been very successful but had been involved in a scandal that ended his playing career. As a big football fan, I wondered why I had never heard of this before, and decided I needed to find out more. Thus began my quest for information about my great-great uncle. After a little online research, I was able to piece together a short biography...

Barney Travers was born in 1894 in Sunderland in the north-east of England and played football in his youth. He'd served in the British Army during World War I and was taken prisoner until the war's end in 1918. He had then played for his hometown club of Sunderland, scoring an impressive 28 goals before he was transferred to Fulham in London on 21 February 1921 for £3,000 that equaled the British transfer record at that time. He continued to be a success in front of goal. In March of that year, he travelled north to his local area, alone, three days before an important match. His new team would play the local side South Shields. He allegedly offered a bribe to the opposition team of £20 to lose and this was uncovered somehow before the game. An investigation took place, and Barney was banned from playing football for life by the English Football Association, meaning he would either have to move abroad to continue playing or change his life path completely. He died in his hometown in 1955 aged 60.



Photo: Barney Travers (seated with ball) playing for Fulham F.C in 1921

I had so many questions, but at this no point no answers; Barney was a successful footballer at his peak and earning good money, so why would he need to get involved with bribery? Why did he travel north alone three days before the match? To see friends and family, or something more sinister? Only Barney was charged after the investigation, but how can only one man fix a whole football match? Were others involved? What happened in his later life and how did he feel about the whole affair?

*(To be continued.....)*

*Thank you to Michael Travers for the photograph!*

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## LANGUAGE・CAFÉ プログラム

**EC (English Café) : 3 時限目**

**CF (Café Français) : 5 時限目**

日	月	火	水	木	金	土
			1 <b>EC</b> Poetry & Music  Daniel Devolin	2	3 大学祭	4 大学祭
5 大学祭	6 大学祭	7 <b>CF</b> テストのための復習  DUBERT Davy	8 <b>EC</b> Books & Film  Daniel Devolin	9	10 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Ashley Bartholomy	11
12	13 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Peter Lyons	14 <b>CF</b> まとめと中間テスト  DUBERT Davy	15	16	17 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Ashley Bartholomy	18
19	20 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Peter Lyons	21 <b>CF</b> 身体的特徴を説明する  DUBERT Davy	22 <b>EC</b> Painting, Sculpture, and Interactive Art  Daniel Devolin	23	24 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Ashley Bartholomy	25
26	27 <b>EC</b> Student Led Seminars  Peter Lyons	28 <b>CF</b> 身体的特徴を説明する  DUBERT Davy	29 <b>EC</b> November Around the World  Daniel Devolin	30	12/1 <b>EC</b> Student-led Seminars  Ashley Bartholomy	2

Language Café 昼休みの部 : English Café : 月・火・水・金  
Café Français : 月・金  
Global Café : 火 (at723 教室)

※プログラムは変更することがあります。

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