

Gt. Finborough NEWSLETTER No 77 APRIL 1981

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PETTIWARD HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Coming events

- April 16th 7.30 pm Easter Whist Drive. Admission 30p which includes refreshments.
- April 20th (Easter Monday) An afternoon of fun with The Danglers and Dumplings on the Green.
- 2.30 pm Children's and Adults Egg and Spoon Races
Egg Throwing Competition for those above the age of 14 years.
- 3.30 pm
(approx) The Race of the Bogmen
- Teas will be served from 3 pm onwards in the Hall.
- 8 pm Ceilidh (Barn Dance) in the Hall to the music of the Trunkles. Tickets £1.25 including food, on sale at the village shop and the Chestnut Horse. Also from Jill Barber Tel: 75548.

Proceeds from these events will go towards the upkeep of the Hall.

Pat Smith (Chairman)

WOMENS INSTITUTE

At the March meeting, members were interested to see Mr. Dalton's slides showing different styles of architecture to be seen on many of the National Trust buildings.

On 31st March, twenty-one members spent an enjoyable evening at Palmers Bakery at Haughley. After visiting the bakery we were then shown the fine collection of bakery equipment and photographs Mr. Palmer has in his museum. We finished the evening with a delicious doughnut and a cup of tea.

Forthcoming meetings:

April 9th Mrs. McSheehy, demonstrating wholefood cookery
May 13th Mrs. J. Williams V.C.O.

W.R.V.S.

The parish representative for the W.R.V.S. is now Mrs. Brenda Grimaldi of Westlegate (Tel: 2440).

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

There will not be the usual Fete this year. Instead there will be a social event in the autumn in aid of Branch funds.

The annual Flower and Vegetable Show will be on Saturday 26th September in the Pettward Hall.

The Pensioners Outing to Felixstowe will be on Wednesday 19th August.

Branch Meetings: Thursday 23rd April Buxhall Crown
Thursday 21st May Chestnut Horse

Hugh Wake, Hon.Sec.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Visit to Bury St.Edmunds by Catherine Osbourne, aged 8 years

On Thursday Great Finborough School went on an outing to Bury St.Edmunds. First we went to the Art Gallery and we saw Daniel Hill's picture of Superman's girlfriend. I liked looking at the woodwork model of a guillotine.

When we had had a good look around the Art Gallery we went for a walk. First we walked down the steps from the Art Gallery, then we started walking through the Buttermarket. We also passed the Abbey gates. Then we came to the Theatre Royal, the place we were to visit next. First thing we did in the Theatre was to go up to the galleries. When we reached the top gallery we looked down at the stage; I felt sick. Later we got on the bus and went back to the school.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY ORGANISATION

Mr.F.J.Cass of Valley Farm, Valley Lane, Great Finborough is the new Community Emergency Adviser for the parish. Please assist him in any way you can. His telephone number is Stow.5970.

STREET LIGHTING FAULTS

Please inform Dr.Smith of The Old Forge (Tel. 2131) of any faults which develop in the street lights in the village, for example, where the timeswitch is not working correctly or a lamp has failed. Dr.Smith will then contact the Electricity Board to expedite correction of the fault.

MOTORCYCLE/MOPED TRAINING

The Stowmarket and District Motorcycle Club has drawn my attention to the motorcycle/moped training courses held locally. In conjunction with the Stowmarket Road Safety Committee, the Club organises and provides instructors for the training courses. Application forms available from the local Road Safety Officer or Revetts Motorcycles, Stowmarket.

ST.ANDREWS CHURCH

Services

Holy Week

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| Monday 13th April | 7 pm EP |
| Thursday 16th April | 7 pm HC |
| Friday 17th April | 2 pm Good Friday Service |
| Sunday 19th April | Easter Day: 8 am HC Harleston 10 am Family Communion, Onehouse 11.15am Family Communion, Finborough |
| Sunday 26th April | 10.30 am Family Communion. All parishes |
| Sunday 3rd May | 11 am MP 6.30 pm HC |
| Sunday 10th May | 10 am Family Service 6.30 pm HC |
| Sunday 17th May | 11 am HC 6.30 pm HC |

Good Friday and Easter

"Only those who bear the Cross can hope to wear the Crown". In these days when the vast majority of people equate the standard of living more with what they can get out of life than what they put in, the Cross stands out starkly against the threatening sky as the symbol of the self-sacrifice and love of one man for all mankind. That political murder so long ago in a distant land gives us the assurance of victory over all that would separate us from God, even death itself, for that man, Jesus, lives now and we Christians are witnesses to that Risen life.

May the joy of Easter be with you all.

Church Officers

At the Annual Meeting on 30th March, Mr.F.Proctor and Mr.R.Proctor were re-elected Churchwardens; Mrs.Grimaldi as Secretary of the PCC, and Mr.John Young as Treasurer in place of Miss.E.Hopewell. Other members of the PCC were re-elected and Mr.D.A.Slade of St.George's School was invited to join the PCC. The 1980 accounts were approved subject to audit, and reports were received of the church fabric and church activities in the past year.

Sponsored Cycle Ride (Saturday 16th May)

Sponsor forms are now available through the Vicar. It is hoped that as many as can will ride and that others will sponsor them generously in aid of church funds, especially since our Diocesan Quota has risen by 45 per cent this year.

Hugh Wake, Vicar

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY COLLECTION

Mrs.Fred Proctor thanks collectors for the Church of England Childrens Society for the grand sum of £41.37 from the door to door collection.

Ada Proctor.

A CELEBRATION IN THE VILLAGE

The Parish Meeting decided that the parish should mark the forthcoming marriage of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer.

It was agreed to hold a barbecue in the evening of Wednesday 29th July on the Green and in Church Road commencing at about 6 pm so as to allow those with young families to come along. It was also decided to have the bells of St. Andrews rung if possible. A committee consisting of Mrs. S. Ravenscroft, Mr. J. Miller and Mr. F. J. Cass has been formed to organise the event.

POINTS FROM PARISH MEETING

The Pettiward Hall Committee is to go ahead with its intended improvement scheme.

No entry in the Best Kept Village Competition this year.

Mrs. N. Quinton made a stirring speech in praise of the new leaders of the parish, who, she said, were bringing Finborough to life.

The figures indicated an increasing pupil-roll at the Primary School during the next five years.

Reports were heard from the Parish Council, parish charities, School Governors, County Councillor, District Councillor, Pettiward Hall Committee, RBL, the Playgroup and the After 2 Club.

POINTS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The organisers of the construction of equipment for the proposed play area are still seeking to acquire wood, especially telegraph or electricity poles which have recently become available in the village.

The Council considered that the Stowmarket Motor Cycle Club which organises trials using land near Home Farm has taken reasonable steps to limit parking and the minimum of disruption to traffic.

A donation of £10 was made to the Mid Suffolk Citizens Advice Bureau.

NEXT ISSUE

In line with a request at the recent Parish Meeting, I hope to include in the May issue of the Newsletter details of the Parish Council accounts and information about the Parish Charities. As you will realise, space this month is at a premium.

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