

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Church Services

Sunday, 17th April 11 am Holy Communion
Sunday, 24th April 9 am Holy Communion (Rev. M. Skliros)
6.30 pm St. George's School Patronal Service
Saturday, 30th April 3 pm Wedding
Sunday, 1st May 11 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Holy Communion
Sunday 8th May 9 am Holy Communion followed by Rogation
Walk to Onehouse
Sunday, 15th May 11 am & 6.30 pm Holy Communion

Annual Church Meeting (21st March)

Only 9 members present with 7 apologies. Church officers were re-elected: Mr. F. & Mr. R. Proctor (Churchwardens)

Mr. John Young (Treasurer)

Mrs. Crimaldi (Secretary), Dr. Smith, Mesdames

A. Proctor, M. Welham, J. Young, and B. Buckle (P.C.C.)
and a co-opted member from St. George's School.

The audited accounts for 1982 were approved. They showed a loss for the year of £70.27. The Fabric Fund stood at £280.65 all of which is earmarked for necessary work. The General Fund stood at £1,398.03, all of which is owed for 1982 debts before we begin to pay for 1983.

Fund-raising events in 1983

Saturday 11th June. Gift Day for the Parish Church - gutting tower windows and churchyard trees.

Saturday, 23rd July Sponsored Cycle Ride. Half proceeds to Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, half to the church of the riders' choice (hopefully ours).

Sat/Sun 10/11th September Flower Festival & Harvest Thanksgiving

Sat. 19th November Church Party in Petteward Hall

You are asked to support these and other functions as much as possible. Weekly or annual covenants for the church are also available through Dr. Smith. Best of all we want you as an active worshipping member of our church if you do not support any other church.

Hugh Wake, Vicar

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PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Easter Monday afternoon

Thank you Steve and the rest of the Dancers and Dumplings for once again providing free entertainment and fun for us all on Easter Monday afternoon. We appreciate your hard work and acknowledge with thanks the assistance given by the Waspes farming fraternity. FINBOROUGH won the Race of the Bogmen.

Teas

The Hall was a welcome refuge from the cold and the teas, sandwiches, delicious cakes and hot doughnuts so generously given enabled us to charge reasonable prices and still make a profit of £46. Thank you everyone for your time and support.

Evening

The Ceilidh was a happy lively event with dancing to music by John Goodluck and the Trunkles. Thank you John and the Band for coming to us even though you had a later more tempting offer from the Maltings, Snape.

Thank you Eric for running the bar and on all the numerous occasions in the past. We shall miss you and wish you and Eve good health and contentment in your retirement. We shall think of you when we use your portable refreshment bar.

Stoke hole

The opening from the Hall into the room known as the Stoke Hole though not yet finished made a vast difference to the catering and we should like to record our thanks especially to John Crimaldi, Gerry Squirrell and Maurice Lloyd who gave up a week-end to bring this about - it entailed a lot of hard work.

If you have any ideas or requests for future events do let members of the Committee know. All profits are used for the upkeep, running and maintenance of the Hall and also for improvements.

Events at the Hall

Weekly sessions & who to contact

Monday	Bible Club (upstairs at rear) 5.30 pm 7 years and younger 6.30 pm 8 to 12 years 7.30 pm 13 years and older	Mrs.Hawkins tel: Bildeston 740236.
Tuesday	Tuesday Club 10 am to 12 noon (all welcome). Tel: Mrs.Gray on Stow.674319 Ladies Keep Fit 8 to 9.30 pm Tel: Mrs.H.Smith on Stow. 615492.	
Wednesday	Youth Club 6 to 8 pm 8yrs to 13 yrs 8 to 10 pm 14 yrs to 18 yrs in Upper and Lower Rooms. Tel: Adrian Smith on Stow. 615492.	

Events at the Hall (Continued)

Thursday Playgroup in Main Hall 9 to 12 noon. Tel:
Mrs.Miller on Stow 613675.

Friday 9 to 12 noon - the Hall is cleaned.

Monthly

2nd Thursday Women's Institute 7.30 pm. The meeting on 14th April is open to everyone. Come and hear Harry Double on OLD STOWMARKET.

Alternate months

Thursday Over - Sixties: Lower Room. Tel: Mrs.Proctor
on Stow. 612149.

Future event

On Thursday, 28th April there will be a Fashion Show by Mobile Modes of Stowmarket organised by the W.I. for Stow Lodge Hospital. Tickets £1.50. Refreshments, Draw.

Hall Bookings: Mrs.H.Smith tel: Stow 615492.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs.Proctor on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on April 29th.

Thanks to Mrs.Christopherson for her letter to Women's Realm which is reprinted here:

.....Neighbour
With reference to Mrs.Hart's letter - her neighbours might not be good, but I'm proud to say ours are wonderful! Having moved into this small village, we were very apprehensive about being accepted into the community and wondered what our neighbours would be like. We worried for nothing, for we were made to feel welcome as soon as we arrived. So we take our hats off to the Finborough people - we are truly lucky as far as neighbours go!

Margaret Christopherson,
Great Finborough, Suffolk.

Pat Smith, Assistant Secretary, Hall Committee

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (25th March)

This was Rev.Wake's final meeting as a Great Finborough Parish Councillor.

A site meeting with a representative of the District Council had been held to discuss car parking arrangements for the Bungalows, High Road. The Council was impressed by the positive approach of the District Council. It had been agreed to pursue the possibility of the construction of long lay-bys in front of the properties.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Whether you are postage stamp size or just cover the odd acre or two - your garden that is - we were pleased to welcome Mr. Borrett of Notcutts Nurseries who was our speaker for the evening, showing slides of shrubs and flowers suitable for flower arranging. Those long horticultural names, that some of us have difficulty in getting past the first syllable, were flowing thick and fast - very glad the common names followed in hot pursuit - some of us still have 'L' plates to display in this respect!! Our grateful thanks go to Mr. Borrett for providing us with a very pleasant evening, judging by the nettaking that was in progress, the gardens of Great Finborough will soon have a few floral 'additions' to boast.

May I please draw your attention to the Fashion Show by Mobile Modes to be held in aid of Stow Lodge Hospital on Thursday, 28th April in the Pettward Hall at 7.30 pm. There are a few tickets left so do please come along and give all the support you can, it is indeed a very worthy cause.

Thursday, April, 14th is the date Mr. Harry Double will be talking about 'Old Stowmarket', yet another entertaining and enjoyable evening in store for us all.

J. Banfield

PARISH MEETING

The Parish Meeting in March was attended by 21 parishioners, Mr Patton (County Councillor) and Mr. Mitson (District Councillor).

In his report of the Pettward Hall Committee, Dr. Young spoke of the Hall as a unique asset to the village. New uses of the facilities were being sought and in this context the Committee had encouraged the formation of the Youth Club.

Mrs. Ravenscroft gave a full report on the Primary School and the Meeting gave a vote of thanks to Mr. Twitchett and his staff for their interest and support of the children and the village.

Mr. Patton outlined the likely action to be taken to suspend operations at the unauthorised tip being developed near the Finborough Bridge opposite to Home Farm.

Mr. Cass gave a detailed account of the duties of the Community Emergency Adviser and of the likely effects on the local community in event of nuclear war conditions.

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