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## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

### Church services

Sunday 17th July 11 am Family Service & Baptism  
6.30 pm Holy Communion  
Sunday 24th July 9 am Holy Communion  
10.30 am Family Service at Onehouse  
Sunday 31st July 11 am Family Communion  
Sunday 7th August 11 am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 14th August 9 am Holy Communion

### Gift Day

The Gift Day held on 11th June totalled £292.80; this has since risen to just over £300. Many thanks to all who distributed and collected the envelopes and, even more, to all who gave. 110 envelopes were returned of which four totalled over £100.

### Church repair

The above gifts will help towards paying for work already done on the roof and the churchyard trees; repair of guttering and downpipes is estimated at over £800 and other work needs to be done on the leaded windows of the porch and tower.

### Confirmation

On 17th June we welcomed Bishop Howell to the church to confirm Christopher Woodage, Dean Parker and Iain Pickles of St. George's School.

In the autumn I shall be starting new classes of instruction for anyone interested and will especially welcome adults.

### The Cycle Ride

The Cycle Ride takes place on Saturday, 23rd July. This is a sponsored ride around churches with half the proceeds to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and half to the church of your own choice. Churches open from 10 am to 6 pm. Sponsor forms from the Vicarage. Please support us and do yourself good too.

H. Wake, Vicar

## GT. FINBOROUGH PLAYGROUP

There will be another 5p Sale in the Pettward Hall on Saturday 30th July from 10 am to noon. Any items would be appreciated - please phone Stow. 613675. All are very welcome.

The next committee meeting will be on Monday, 1st August at 1 High Road starting at 8 pm.

S. Miller, Secretary

## PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

We have used the professional skills of Ken Brand to neaten the entrance to the refreshment area and to make a stable door to the kitchen with a collapsable ledge. He has also moved the electric immersion heater higher so that a wash basin may be installed to comply with food and hygiene regulations.

Later on the walls will be decorated by either voluntary labour or if we are fortunate, the Community Service Organisation.

The Committee has decided that a heavy curtain should cover the entrance to separate it from the Main Hall and hope that this will exclude draughts from those of us who sometimes lie on the floor!

We acknowledge with many thanks the FIRST AID cabinet donated by Jill Barber and the contents supplied by the Ladies Keep Pit Class. It would be appreciated if any organisation or person using any contents from the cabinet would replace them as soon as possible.

The disco equipment is available for use in the main hall for the sum of £10 and providing the operator is approved. Contact the Booking Secretary, Hilary Smith, tel: 615492.

Pat Smith, Vice-Chairman

P.S. Save your tatty and posh outfits for a Tramps and Snobs Ball in the autumn with music by the Clodhoppers.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Fete on 25th June made a net profit of just over £300 for the service work of the Legion Branch. Thank you to all who worked hard for this result and to St. George's School for their hospitality and valuable help.

Prizewinners in the Draw were as follows:- £25: F. Durrant; £15 Mrs. Wake; £5 J. B. Battle; Whisky N. Proctor; Pullets R. Messenger; Chocolates Mrs. Gladwell; Sherry J. Luke; LP's Mrs. Cracknell; Wine Mr. Webb; Wine Mrs. P. Smith; Chocolates Mrs. Jewers; Wine Mr. Jeffery; Coffee Mr. Caley; Wine Mr. F. Durrant.

The Pig was won by Mrs. Armstrong.

The Flower Show will be held on Saturday, 24th September in the Pettward Hall.

H. Wake, Hon. Sec.

## UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Saturday 13th August sees the Church Anniversary when the Stowmarket Salvation Army Songsters will be visiting us at 7.30 pm. Do come and hear them and enjoy their singing. A warm welcome is given to all.

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#### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The lights dim, the music starts, the auditorium settles down for its entertainment, probably totally unaware of the magnitude of the work involved to get a production under way. Those of us who attended last month's meeting were introduced to the 'behind the scenes' activities of the Wolsey Theatre in Ipswich. From the model making of the set to the making of the real thing, costume designing, buying material for costumes, fitting, learning lines, making sure all and everything is in the right place at the right time, checking continuity, plus any necessary additional props for individual actors or actresses, dress rehearsals, alterations, modifications, corrections, all to be carried out in the space of three weeks ready for the first night, the Company start all over again the following day with a subsequent play. So, with rehearsing the subsequent play in the mornings, performing possible matinees of the present play, and then doing that play all over again in the evening, don't they truly earn their keep. I wonder if plays ever get intertwined!! Our Speaker did mention that the Wolsey Theatre was open to criticism, and welcomed it, but being conscious of the tremendous hard work, both mental and physical, I am sure criticism would be thin on the ground, instead praise and admiration would flourish for these folk who work so hard for our entertainment and who enrich our 'theatre land' so excellently.

J. Banfield, Hon. Sec.

#### BUXHALL GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting will be on Thursday, 21st July in the Buxhall Village Hall at 7.30 pm when a speaker from Otley will give a talk on "The Small Glasshouse".

#### TUESDAY CLUB

The Club is holding a small event at the Old Police House during the afternoon of Tuesday, 19th July between 2 pm and 4 pm. There will be a cake stall, garden produce, nearly new, teas etc. Everyone welcome. There will be no Tuesday Club meeting that morning - please support us in the afternoon.

Trudy Gray

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