



# Great Finborough Newsletter

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## WOMENS INSTITUTE

When Henry VIII came to the throne he was a fine figure of a man. Over 6 foot tall, an exceptional musician and fine athlete. He was ambitious for himself and for his country. King of England and of France (well, Calais anyway!), he arranged the marriage of his sister, Mary Rose, to the French King and named the flag ship of his new fleet of fighting ships after her. The Mary Rose sank with nearly twice the normal complement of men aboard and over 400 years later a rich history has been released by the enthusiastic band of amateurs who gained Royal Patronage and the support of industry. Mr. Raymond Lock had slides that showed the amazing state of preservation of various artifacts from the Mary Rose. Long bows that work as well now as when they were made, hundreds of arrows, bronze guns and so much more. All are on show at the museum in Portsmouth.

Our October meeting should be a lively affair, when one of our local veterinary surgeons, Mr. Ian Kennedy, talks about 'A Vet's Life'. Do come along. That's Thursday, 13th October at 7.30pm in the Pettiward Hall.

The Book Club will be reading Rose Macaulay's 'The World My Wilderness' this month and will be meeting at Trudy Gray's, The Old Police House, Great Finborough at 8.15pm on Monday, 10th October.

Judy Rolfe, Press Correspondent

## PRIZE BINGO

The next Prize Bingo session will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Wednesday 19th October at 7pm. Proceeds will be for the Primary School. All welcome.

Hilary Smith

## CANDLESTICK CLUB

The October meeting will be on Thursday 6th at Brook Farm, Buxhall commencing at 7pm. New members are always welcome to join us.

Hilary Smith, Hon. Secretary

## PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Friday 25th November 1988 at 7.30pm.

## ST. ANDREWS MINI-LOTTO

Winners are as follows:

|                |  |       |
|----------------|--|-------|
| 9th August     | (185) Mr. H. Sparkes, The Chestnuts    | £4.40 |
|                | (112) Miss P. Smith, The Forge         | £2.95 |
| 16th August    | (105) Mrs. J. Flack, The Bungalows     | £4.40 |
|                | (135) Mrs. J. Rolfe, Bridge Farm       | £2.95 |
| 23rd August    | (194) Mr. D. Clements, The Chestnuts   | £4.40 |
|                | (069) Mrs. B. Kemp, West View, Stow.   | £2.95 |
| 30th August    | (175) Mrs. B. Rahahn, West View, Stow. | £4.40 |
|                | (134) Mr. A. Snell, Boundary Cottages  | £2.90 |
| 6th September  | (100) Mrs. S. Ravenscroft, Valley Lane | £4.40 |
|                | (184) Mrs. L. Dykes, Boundary Cottages | £2.90 |
| 13th September | (133) Mrs. Phillips, Coney Acres       | £4.40 |
|                | (074) Mrs. J. Flack, The Bungalows     | £2.95 |

Sums of £7.35, £7.35, £7.35, £7.30, £7.30 and £7.35 respectively have been added each week to Church funds.

Hilary Smith

## POINTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Prior to the meeting there was a discussion concerning the possible Phase III of the Rother Self Build project. Mr. Stead from Rother Self Build took part and he emphasised that Rother were consultants for the scheme in Great Finborough and were not developers. There were about 12 probable builders who had indicated their desire to join a Self Build scheme. The meeting heard of some tentative proposals for use of land on the edge of the current Phase I site but this would encroach onto land allocated in the 1978 Village Plan as land to be available for recreation. Those present were opposed to the idea because of the loss of future recreational facilities. When the matter was considered in Council it was agreed to recommend rejection of the proposals for Phase III or any development of the land allocated for recreation other than for its planned purpose.

The District Council is to be reminded that the tree planting scheme for Phase I of the Self Build had yet to be completed.

It was also requested to arrange for the tidying of a triangle of land between Middlefield Drive and Number 1 Oak Close.

A donation of £10 was made to the Mid Suffolk Rethink for the Disabled scheme.

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POINTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (CONTINUED)

The District Council has been requested to draw up plans for recreational facilities in Great Finborough including landscaping for the site next to Valley Lane, a football pitch and a car park with a capacity of 50 cars which could be used for those attending the Pettiward Hall as well as users of the recreation ground.

Mid Suffolk District Council had indicated that it had no firm proposals for use of the area currently fenced off at the entrance to Middlefield Drive and that it intended that the fence would be removed and the site developed as a grass area.

A new Village sign is to be provided at the Stowmarket end of the village and the Valley Lane directional sign in the garden of White Horse Cottages is to be replaced.

Tree surgery on the chestnut on the village green cost £143.75 but a grant for part of this sum is being obtained from the District Council.

Clerk to the Council

PETTIWARD HALL

Just when you thought it was safe to venture into the Hall.... Aargh! the incredibly creepy, horribly bloodcurdling family Hallowe'en Party is on Saturday 29th October. Fun will include traditional games and other spooky goings on, starting at 5.30pm and crawling on until 8pm. Revolting costumes are a must and there will be prizes for the best. Full details and tickets available soon. Lst year was a sell-out, be sure to get your ticket early.

And don't forget the fashion show and the opportunity to snap up top quality bargains is on Tuesday 8th November. Watch for details.

Richard Brice

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| Thursday 6th   | Candlestick Club 7pm                     |
| Monday 10th    | WI Book Club 8.15pm                      |
| Thursday 13th  | WI - Pettiward Hall 7.30pm               |
| Wednesday 19th | Prize Bingo 7pm                          |
| Sunday 23rd    | (Summer Time ends)                       |
| Monday 24th    | (Half Term commences)                    |
| Saturday 29th  | Hallowe'en Party - Pettiward Hall 5.30pm |

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