



Great Finborough Newsletter

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PETTIWARD HALL

As indicated last month, the Management Committee has reviewed hire charges for the Hall and the revised rates effective from 1st January 1989 are as follows:

Main Hall Session	Hire by residents	Hire by non-residents
Morning	£5.00	£10.00
Afternoon	£5.00	£10.00
Evening	£10.00	£20.00

Disco/dance rate applicable to public functions is £40.00 (£10.00 less for organisations represented on the Management Committee).

The returnable-deposit for public functions and private hirings rises to £50.00.

Rates applicable to village organisations are assessed on the basis of ability to pay and are calculated on the appropriate general hiring rate, less the concession agreed by the Management Committee. Rates for hiring other items from the Hall e.g. trestle tables or cutlery, are available on request but please book their hire in advance with the Booking Secretary.

Talking of the Booking Secretary, Brenda Wyer, who has done sterling work since taking on the job, has increased personal commitments and as a result feels that she can no longer carry on as Booking Secretary. This is an important job for the Hall and involves keeping the diary, taking bookings and 'billing' regular hirers. It is unpaid financially, but does offer the opportunity for involvement in the life of our village. We are therefore looking for a volunteer to take over from Brenda when she hangs up her diary at the end of January. You don't have to be associated with the Hall at present or have been living in the village for a particular period - no qualifications necessary. Anyone interested, please let me know (Stow.676249)

Richard Brice

NEW BUS SERVICE

Ipswich Buses Ltd. are planning to introduce a new bus service on Monday 16th January which will mean an additional two buses to and from Stowmarket each day Monday to Friday. The service also provides a direct link to Ipswich if required. Times are as follows:

Service 26 - leaves Gt.Fin. 9.37am	Serv.25 - leaves Stow 9.52am
arrives Stow 9.46am	arr. Gt.Fin 10.01am
returns Stow 12.42pm	ret. Gt.Fin 12.29pm
arrives Gt.F. 12.51pm	arr.Stow. 12.38pm.

There are also some changes to the service run by Squirrels but details of these are not to hand.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Happy New Year to you all. All the preparation and excitement of Christmas is behind us for another year, and we make resolutions for the New Year hoping it will bring good health and good fortune to us all. One way to make 1989 a happier time will be to join your village W.I. and have an evening out on the second Thursday every month.

Our first meeting for 1989 is on Thursday 12th January at 7.30pm in the Pettiward Hall. It will be a long journey in the imagination as we travel to China with Dr. & Mrs. Brian Smith. It should make a lovely change from a January evening in Gt. Finborough - why not come with us?

The Book Club is reading Thomas Hardy's 'Tess of the d'Urbervilles' and we meet to discuss it at The Old Police House at 8.15pm on Monday, 23rd January.

Our theatre outing is to the Wolsey Theatre on 5th January when we see 'Fiddler on the Roof'.

Judy Rolfe, Press Correspondent

ST.ANDREWS MINI-LOTTO

Prize-winners are as follows:

22nd Nov. (082) Mrs.P.Smith, The Old Forge	£4.40
(130) Mrs.Mason, The Chestnuts	£2.95
29th Nov. (066) Mrs.D.Speakman, Badwell Ash	£4.40
(160) Mrs.E.Pyke, The Poplars	£2.95
6th Dec. (121) Mrs.J.Flack, The Bungalows	£4.40
(166) Mr.A.Porley, Appletree Cottage	£2.95
13th Dec. (059) Mr.R.Proctor, The Chestnuts	£4.40
(108) Mrs.S.Ravenscroft, Valley Lane	£2.95

The sum of £7.35 has been added each week to Church funds.

Hilary Smith

PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, 27th January 1989 at 7.30pm in the Pettiward Hall. It is understood that some drawings showing the proposals for recreational facilities on land next to Valley Lane should be available.

Clerk to the Council

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FROM THE FILES

Extracts from Newsletter No.2 - January 1975

Comments were invited as to whether Great Finborough be grouped with Buxhall and have a common Parish Council.

The Buxhall Parish Council had written to the Area Surveyor requesting that parking on School Green be restricted so as not to obstruct the view of road users.

The Great Finborough Parish Council were to meet the Deputy Chief Technical Officer from the District Council to discuss the present position concerning the By-Products Factory smell problem.

A precept (parish rates) of 1.1p in the £ would be made for 1975/76 raising £478.

Complaints had been received about the use of the Primary School playing field by cyclists and dogs.

There was a proposal to set up a Parish Funds Trust, a sort of local bank and fund-raising body for local organisations.

Vicar Hugh Wake was urging enrolment on the Church of England roll because the then current list was quite unrepresentative of the parish.

The RBL held their annual dinner in the canteen of the Eastern Electricity Board at Finborough Hall. It was attended by 72 members and guests. Entertainment was provided by the Daffodil Club Concert Party.

The WI appealed to ladies not to sit at home and be lonely - join them in the Pettward Hall on the second Wednesday in every month....they really are quite friendly.

A luncheon party for the Residents Association was to be held at Finborough Hall on Saturday 25th January at 1pm, the entertainment again to be provided by the Daffodil Club.

Carols had been sung by the Youth Club and a sum of £20 had been raised for Club funds. This was to go towards the purchase of a new fire "which will make the Village Hall life support systems more easily endured during the winter". Also, "Our Ladies already the toast of the county for their dangerous good looks" had won a 4-a side football competition at the Stowmarket Sports Centre.

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