

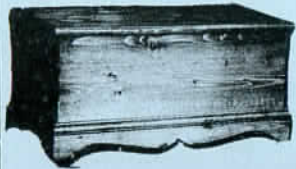
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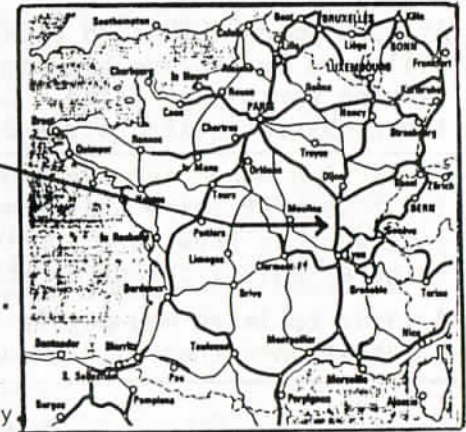
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# TAIZÉ



Taizé is a village which sits on a hill between Beaune and Cluny in the Burgundy region of France.

In 1940 the present Prior, Roger Schutz, visited and chose the village as a suitable place to start a Religious Community. He stayed there alone for two years, spending much of his time in prayer and contemplation. At that time Taizé was a place of great poverty and human distress, but Brother Roger was convinced that the Word of God could be heard through the poor. It was wartime, and his house became a place of welcome for refugees, especially Jews, fleeing from the Nazi occupation; so, even before being forced to leave in 1942, prayer and welcome for others had become important features of his work in Taizé.

In 1944 Brother Roger returned to Taizé, accompanied by four other like-minded men; in 1949 at Easter, the first seven brothers of the Community took their life vows - committing themselves for life to celibacy and to life together. Year after year, other brothers became part of the Community - there are now more than eighty. Originally there were only Protestant brothers, now there are Catholics as well - hence Taizé is an Ecumenical Community, with brothers from more than twenty different countries of the world. The brothers do not always remain in Taizé, some live in small 'fraternities' among the poor in such places as Brazil, Kenya and Bangladesh: of this work Brother Roger has written: '... we go to live with them in slums above all in order to live a parable of communion, always with a minimum of material resources, and with the Eucharistic reserve, which turns a run-down shack into a place inhabited by a Presence.'

Taizé's vocation is to strive for communion among all - from its beginnings the community has worked for reconciliation among Christians split apart into different denominations.

During the first twenty years of its existence the community lived in relative isolation - but gradually more and more people, mainly the young, have visited Taizé and now there is international dialogue, discussion and action - all rooted in the worship and prayer of the Community at Taizé. Read on...

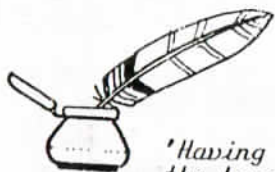


In our Services of Parish Communion at Bere Regis we have included Taizé music from time to time, and many have found it helpful during the Evensong prayer-time on occasions.

At 6.00 pm on SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY at Bere Regis Church there will be a Meditative Evening Service based on the daily Evening Worship at Taizé. Come and glimpse something of their characteristic style of worship.

It is also hoped to take a group from our Parishes to stay for a week at Taizé this summer. If you are interested, or just want to know more about Taizé, please come to a meeting at Bere Regis Vicarage on WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY at 7.30 pm.

A visit to Taizé may not be a Five-Star holiday, but it can be an experience that will change your Christian way of life!



Vanessa Moriarty from Briantspuddle was one who was much moved by her first visit to Taizé last summer - she writes...

*'Having left the main road from Dijon to Lyon we entered the heart of the French countryside. We drove through many small villages and by this stage on the journey I was keyed up with excitement - even though I was in the dark about what to expect. Suddenly the last mile was behind us and we were driving up the steep hillside of the village of Taizé.*

*Our first job on arrival was to find "the welcome". This was a very informal meeting place where someone sorted out the necessary arrangements for our stay: we were allocated a site for our tents. We also discussed whether we wished to participate in a discussion group or a more in-depth Bible Study group. There was also the option of spending the week in silence; though most people on their first visit would not decide to do this. At this stage we were given a map of the community and our meal tickets.*

*By this time breakfast was finishing but we were given a bowl of hot chocolate and some baguette to set us up for the morning. It seemed as if we must have chosen the hottest week in August, for when we were putting up our tents early the first morning the sun was already high in the sky. We spent that morning sorting ourselves out, but by the midday prayer we were ready to fall into Taizé life.*

*It was a wonderful experience to go into the Church for the first time; it seemed very cool after being in the hot sun and the greeting of the sound of Taizé music was more strengthening and peaceful than I could possibly describe.*

*A normal day revolves around services and meetings. Meals are of course a time when one has the opportunity to mix and meet with people of every nationality. Even if you are not with a group you easily fall into conversation with anyone who happens to be sitting near you. Meal times are very sociable and informal. The food is simple though nourishing and there is plenty of fresh fruit.*

*There were eleven of us in my discussion group all of whom were English speaking though from different areas of the world. By the end of the week some of us in the group had become very close and were sad to say good-bye. We were able to discuss various things together, share experiences and learn about other ways of life and different religions. Certainly one of the most wonderful things about Taizé was the people. Everyone was friendly and uninhibited. I felt carefree for every moment of my time there. One always had room to "breathe" - even though there were three and a half thousand visitors during the week I spent there!*

*Not everyone who goes to Taizé finds meaning for their lives as they had perhaps hoped to. However, everyone does find friendship and enjoyment particularly in the enthralling music and moving services. It was a truly memorable experience and I would recommend it to any body.'*

**Thank You**

To all in our two parishes who gave so generously to the two Ethiopian Appeals in December. The Bere Regis Playgroup Mums (and friends!) and the Briantspuddle

Singers raised considerable sums by singing Carols in the villages. But thank you to all who gave...

£352 was sent to the EMERGENCY FAMINE APPEAL and £459 to the ongoing work at Saint Matthew's Orphanages and the Blind School.

SATURDAY 17 FEBRUARY  
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# Parish Registers

## Holy Baptism

14 January Francesca MATTHEWS

## Holy Matrimony

6 January Emma HALL and Keith Rodney GARDINER

## Burial of the Dead

15 December Emily DUFFETT

### IN MEMORIAM

EMILY DUFFETT had been ill during the whole of her time in Bere Regis, but her husband and daughter were supported by neighbours and friends in these difficult years. Emily had been a real character; straight in all her dealings with people. She had a very strong will and was an independent person without a very wide circle of friends: her outlook on life had been strongly influenced by her own 'Victorian' up-bringing, including a significant influence from the Chapel tradition. Emily had lived in Swanage and Surrey before coming to Bere Regis: a fitting place with her love of the countryside.

We offer our sympathy to her husband and daughter at this time.

JESSICA ALICE DREW died on 13th December and her Funeral Service took place at Bere Heath Methodist Chapel. The Revd Barrie Snook, our Methodist Minister writes: "Jessica Alice Drew passed peacefully into God's kingdom on Wednesday 13th December 1989.

Brought up in Gravesend, Jessica trained as a Teacher Training College in Camberwell before taking up her first teaching post in a poor area of London. She then moved to Bere Regis where she became an infant teacher in the local school and met Gregory Drew who was to become her husband. They were married for over 50 years and both Gregory, who died in 1988, and Jessica were loved and respected by the people of Bere Regis. Mrs Drew, as she was affectionately known, had an alert and interesting mind and a quiet concern for people that was appreciated and valued. For a time she was local secretary for the Church of England Children's Society, a member of the Women's Institute and Mothers' Union. For some thirty years she was faithful in her support and attendance at Bere Heath Methodist Chapel and the small fellowship there give thanks to God for her quiet encouragement and serene spirit. On her last Sunday at worship she joined with the congregation in singing the words, "Love is smiling from Thy face, strikes for us now the hour of grace..." We thank God that for Jessica those words have now become reality and we trust her into God's care and keeping. We remember in our prayers her son Gregory, daughter Margaret and the members of her family."

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I (full Christian name and surname, Mr, Mrs, Miss)

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Date..... Signed.....

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This form can be used for a second person to apply, further forms are available in both Churches or from Electoral Roll Officers or The Vicar.

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**HAVE YOU REMEMBERED** your form for the **NEW Church Electoral Roll** yet? Forms can be given to Mrs N Penfold, 14 Boswell's Close, Bere Regis; Mrs J Silavs, 3 The Hollow, Briantspuddle or handed in at either Church or at The Vicarage.

Extra blank forms are also available from the above.

**COMPLETED FORMS** must be in by the end of **MARCH** at the latest.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A NEW Hymnbook** at Bere Regis Church in memory of a loved one, please fill in a form (available from Church or the Vicar) giving the details. Books will cost £3.50 and you can give as many as you like. We hope to dedicate the new books at the **FRIENDS OF BERE REGIS CHURCH** Service on Ascension Day, May 24. The books will be Ancient & Modern (Revised), the same as at present and will replace some of the older, more worn books.

**THE GOOD BOOK STUDY GROUP** meets twice in February - on the 5th and 19th. We will look at two final sections of 'PRAYING THROUGH PARADOX' by Charles Elliott. All are welcome at 8 pm at 13 Shitterton.

**THANK YOU** to all who have knitted jumpers and blankets for Ethiopia - they are still very much needed as is wool, which can be given to Mrs Highman, Mrs Andrews or Mrs Burke.

'**TOGETHER INTO THE 90's**' is the starting name for a new venture in the parishes: it provides an opportunity for Prayer, Bible Study, Worship and Fellowship in an informal setting. It will meet on Mondays February 12 and 26 at 8 pm at 13 Shitterton. Every session is different - come and share your ideas!

**CONFIRMATION** sessions have now started for young people from our parishes. Regular meetings are held on Mondays from 6.30 - 7.30 pm during school term time. Any more adults wishing to consider Confirmation should contact the Vicar.

Please pray for all preparing for Confirmation: and for the Bishop of Ramsbury who will be the Confirming Bishop at the Deanery Service at Winterbourne Whitechurch on June 9 at 7.30 pm.

**DON'T FORGET** that Sunday School meets at Bere Regis Church at 10.15 am on every Sunday except in the Summer holidays. It helps parents and godparents to fulfil their Baptismal vows and promises for children. The Family Worship in our Churches also helps to fulfil this need.

'**TURNING POINTS**' is the title of the 1990 national LENT COURSE. In our parishes it will start on **MONDAY 5 MARCH** with a choice of afternoon or evening meetings. All, from all denominations are invited to join in - see the March Parish Magazine for full details.

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## Round & About

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Helpful booklets on such topics as toilet training, eating, dressing, sleeping and playing can also be borrowed by parents and there are many activity sheets to help older children with letters, numbers and shapes.

Sue Harrison drives the van and as a trained teacher of children in their early years is able to give advice to parents on how to help their children during these important years. It is hoped that by coming to the van regularly children will settle into school easily and make a confident start to work in the reception class.

Home visits are available for families who find difficulty in coming to the van due to transport or other problems.

Please ring Puddletown 848687 for any further information.

Dates for your area are as follows in February:

<b>THURSDAY 1st</b>	11.30 - 12.15 Briantspuddle
	2.00 - 3.00 Bere Regis Surgery
<b>WEDNESDAY 7th</b>	9.15 - 10.00 Bere Regis School
	10.15 - 11.00 Bere Regis Surgery
<b>THURSDAY 15th</b>	11.30 - 12.15 Briantspuddle
	2.00 - 3.00 Bere Regis Surgery
<b>WEDNESDAY 28th</b>	9.15 - 10.00 Bere Regis School
	10.15 - 11.00 Bere Regis Surgery

### TIMES OF SERVICES IN OTHER LOCAL CHURCHES...

**BERE REGIS CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL** (The Revd Ray Healey Tel: 471443)  
11 am Junior Church and Morning Worship  
6 pm Evening Worship

**BERE HEATH METHODIST CHAPEL** (The Revd Barrie Snook Tel: 0305 262421)  
10.30 am Sunday School (except 3rd Sunday)  
10.30 am Family Service (3rd Sunday only)  
3.00 pm Sunday Worship (except 3rd Sunday)

#### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

**WOOL and LULWORTH** (Fr. Michael Murphy Tel: Bindon Abbey 463334)  
9.15 am St. Mary's Lulworth (Castle Grounds) and 10.30 am St. Joseph Wool  
**WAREHAM** (Fr. Ted Buckley Tel: Wareham 552820) 8.30 am and 11.00 am



CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - BERE REGIS

Sidesmen's Rota

Feb 4th 9.30am	Mr J. House	Mr A. Bates
6.00pm	Mr M. Barnes	Miss S. Frampton
Feb 11th 11.00am	Family Worship	
6.00pm	Mrs M. England	Cdr C. Maunder
Feb 18th 9.30am	Mr J. Strange	Mrs S. Hazlerigg
6.00pm	Mr H. Dashwood	Miss P. Chesney
Feb 25th 11.00am	Col A. Barne	Mr G. Ward

Sanctuary Flower Guild

Feb 4th	Miss A. Lys	Miss E. Lys
Feb 11th	Mrs M. England	Mrs E. Bangay
Feb 18th	Miss I. Pitfield	Mrs Clarke
Feb 25th	Autumn Leaves	

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - AFFPUDDLE

<u>Flowers and Cleaning</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Cleaning</u>
Feb 4th	Mrs Russell	Mrs Thorniley
Feb 11th	Mrs Gainsford	Mrs Scott
Feb 18th	Mrs Buck	Mrs Johnston
Feb 25th	Mrs Talbot	Mrs Herridge
<u>Sidesmen and Readers</u>	<u>Sidesman</u>	<u>Reader</u>
Feb 4th 8.00am	Col Corner	Mr A. Smith
11.15am	Mr Prideaux	Mr Prideaux
Feb 11th 9.30am	Mr D. Payne	Mr D. Bentley
		The Vicar
Feb 18th 8.00am	Capt Johnston	Mr A. Smith
11.00am	Mr G. Payne	Affpraise
Feb 25th 9.30am	Major Kayll	Major Kayll
		Capt Johnston

THANKS

Sincere thanks to all the people for their prayers, cards, gifts, good wishes, and many offers of help after my accident. I was touched by the support shown to my family. James Black

BLOOD DONOR SESSION

The next Blood Donor Session will be held in the D'Urberville Hall, Wool on Thursday, March 1st from 1.30-3.30pm and 5.00-7.00pm. As you may have heard there is a desperate shortage of blood, particularly due to the recent 'flu epidemic and you are encouraged to make every effort to come. New donors are always welcome.  
Sue Bartholomew, Local organiser, Warmwell 852900.

BERE REGIS NEWS

BERE REGIS MOTHER'S UNION

An enjoyable and interesting evening was spent in January listening to a talk by the Vicar, and looking at slides of Ethiopia. Our next meeting will be on 7th February when it will be "Any Questions" with a local team to answer questions. Tea hostesses are Mrs Jean Gibbs, Mrs Margaret Bartlett and Mrs Audrey Painter.

BERE REGIS W.I.

At the December meeting the Christmas Party was held, with guest speaker Mrs Penny, who gave a talk on her happy times with the W.I. A three-course meal was served by the Committee Members, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.

A note for the month of February - on February 27th, Shrove Tuesday, there will be a pancake race along North Street, and afterwards a coffee morning will be held at 101 North Street, Sally Cheesemans's, in aid of The League of Friends of Wareham Hospital. Please come along and bring your own pan - and pancake, and join in the race. Afterwards, come in and enjoy a cup of coffee!

GUIDE NEWS

We have had a very successful Christmas Party for the Girls and a big thank you to Mrs Jane Bennett who came along and entertained them, and also thank you to Mrs Jane Harley who came and tested the Daffodil Patrol for their Hostess Badge. It was a lovely way to end our first year. We would also like to thank Mrs Jeeves who came along twice to Guides. First to show the girls how to make Christmas Table Decorations and then to test them on their Flower Arranging Badge.

BERE REGIS PLAYGROUP - CAROL SINGING FOR ETHIOPIA

Many thanks to all who came Carol Singing just before Christmas, sincere thanks to all who gave money not, I hasten to add, for us to go away but for the sheer pleasure of hearing those beautiful voices. Also thanks to the RBL who gave us such a warm and enthusiastic welcome buying us all a much needed and appreciated drink, and joining in with the singing so heartily. We raised £104.43 for the St Matthews Orphanage in Ethiopia. Alison

'ONLY A HOUSEWIFE'?

If you be only a housewife and mother, and want something completely different ... take your hands out of the washing-up bowl and ring Tina 471913, Gill 471198, Alison 471537.



#### BERE REGIS VILLAGE STREET COLLECTION FOR 'CHILDREN IN NEED'

The three giant flowers have nearly wilted now after the Christmas and New Year celebrations but, of course, before they finally drop off they would wish to say a "Bloomin' big thank you" to all the kind people who donated to the appeal in November and helped to raise £184.14 for "Children in Need".  
Alison

#### RAGAMUFFIN PLAYGROUP

Valentines Disco - On Saturday, February 17th at the Royal British Legion Club. Tickets £2.00 from any Committee member or phone Sue Cheeseman on 471165.

Car Boot Sale - Sunday, February 18th, 11.30am at the School, £3.00 per car. Tickets from Sue Cheeseman on 471165. A good chance to get rid of all those unwanted presents and have a clearout in the loft.  
Thank you - Helen Thorne (Secretary)

#### AUTUMN LEAVES

What a wonderful New Year Party we had - over 65 members and friends enjoyed superb entertainment by nine members of the West Dorset Accordion Group. A festive tea was provided by the Committee helpers, a cake cut (made by Cis Lewis), a Raffle and a present for each member. Kath Jeeves thanked the Committee for their hard work and presented the Hon Secretary, Nan Mooney, with a bouquet on the occasion of her birthday. Nan has been a member from the first day we started the Club over 20 years ago.

Our next meeting is on Valentines Day, 14th February, 2.30pm at the Drax Hall - Competition is "a Valentines card".

New members very welcome. Phone 471472 or 471175.

#### SCOUT GROUP

Newspaper Collection - As suggested in last month's magazine, we have decided to stop collecting paper for the present (our store is full) and hope that the paper business improves in the future.

We thank you all for the time you have given in sorting and bundling, to those who have been doing the village collections and to our store-holders.

Hoping we can re-start soon.

Headquarters - Thank you to Mr & Mrs Jacobs for the kind offer of a vacuum cleaner for the HQ. There are some spare carpet tiles on offer - see the small ads.

Carol Singing - Despite both evenings being exceptionally wet, a hardy group of singers circulated parts of Briantspuddle and Bere Regis and raised a total of £70 for the Dorset Children's Centre. Thank you to those who sang and gave so generously. (Thanks too to those who let us come in out of the rain!)

Mince Pie & Punch - A small but enthusiastic group enjoyed the evening organised by Mr & Mrs Simpson at Winterborne Kingston. A total of £51.00 was raised towards Group funds.

#### 100 YEARS AGO

From the Parish Magazine for February 1890:-

#### THE WEATHER AND RAINFALL

Our figures prove that the year 1889 was, on the whole, a dry one. As compared with 1888, it was decidedly so, and our fall last year only exceeds that of the Jubilee year by 4½ inches. It will be seen by comparing the fall at our local stations with the "average for England", that October and December both exceeded the "average", October even doubling it. Our driest month was September, when the fall was just short of an inch (as Swanage only 0.58), and the wettest was October, when rain fell at Bloxworth on 19 days out of the 31, and about a quarter of the whole year's rainfall is placed to the credit of that month.

Mr Cambridge reports that rain fell on six days in November and 10 in December, and on 126 days in the year. So far, we have had a very warm winter; the night of the 7th January is said to have been the warmest night on record for the time of year, the temperature being as high as the normal heat in the middle of May-viz., 52 deg.

The table for the last three months is as follows. The total for the year, and for 1888, is also given:-

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total for Year	1888
Bere Regis	... 5.28	1.57	2.41	25.48	33.88
Binnegar Hall	... 6.51	1.65	2.66	29.01	33.60
Bloxworth Rectory	... 5.03	1.88	2.36	26.02	34.36
Creech Grange	... 6.92	2.40	3.25	30.64	38.21
Swanage	... 6.31	1.38	2.51	23.55	28.54
Average for England	... 2.75	2.14	2.13		

The rain this year is taking time by the forelock, over 3½ inches having fallen up to the 26th-40 tons to the acre on the night of the 21st, and 70 tons, or seven-tenths of an inch, in the next 24 hours. Last year we had only 1 inch in January.

#### VENTURE SCOUT AND RANGER GUIDE UNIT

Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner - On the Sunday before Christmas, some 11 senior citizens from Bere Regis sat down to a Christmas Dinner prepared, cooked and served by the members of the Venture Scout and Ranger Guide Unit. All the food - two turkeys, vegetables, wine and



even the crackers had been kindly supplied, free of charge, by Tesco of Dorchester, to whom we are most grateful. Mince pies had been made during the previous Unit meeting and the Headquarters and tables specially decorated for the occasion. After the meal, a sing-song took place (no doubt helped by Mr Tesco's excellent wine), followed by a hastily improvised Pass the Parcel and silly games with balloons. Our Guests left at about 3.30pm, some clutching balloons and wearing party hats. Our one sadness was that Kath and Charlie Jeeves had been struck down by the 'flu and were unable to join the party. What's this about a generation gap?

This term's Unit programme includes an all night skating party at Tower park, Poole, a night hike, a weekend on Dartmoor, and helping at various Scout activities. A weekend trip to London is planned for the Easter Holidays and plans are in hand for this year's Summer Camp on Hern Island in the Channel Islands, undertaking conservation work in return for our "keep", interspersed, no doubt, with swimming, boating and visits to some of the other Islands.

Any young person, male or female, aged between 15 and 21 years interested in joining the Unit please contact Mark Ventham on Bere Regis 471215 or Zoe Parkes on Puddletown 848451.

#### THE BERE REGIS, BLOXWORTH & MORDEN BRANCH OF THE SOUTH DORSET CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

The following functions will take place in March:-

9th 7.00pm AGM - Drax Hall, Bere Regis. Enjoy a glass of wine with our new Committee after the meeting. All members welcome.  
31st Spring Sale - Drax Hall, Bere Regis. Many varied stalls.

#### BERE REGIS R.B.L. BRANCH

The GARDENING SECTION held its inaugural meeting on 2nd January and members enjoyed a most informative talk and slide show on "Shrubs and Flowers" by Ken Fooks; most members left with more knowledge of the subject than when they arrived.

It is hoped that members will put forward subjects for discussion that interest them, and the Committee will do its best to oblige, from speakers supplied by the Dorset Federation of Horticultural Societies.

The Club hopes to affiliate with the D.F.H.S. in the near future and thereby gain from the various services which they supply. Mr Harry Dawes, Chairman of the D.F.H.S. will give an illustrated talk on Vegetable Growing, answering any questions from the audience, and give an insight into D.F.H.S., at the Club on Tuesday, 6th February at 8.00pm.

The Committee have ideas for future meetings and any suggestions from members would be most welcome. These would be for everyone's mutual benefit.

Club night will be the first Tuesday in every month, and if as successful as the inaugural meeting then we will not have failed.

For further information contact the Section Officers:

Chairman - Adrian Standfield (471208); Treasurer - John Griffith (472131); Secretary - John James (471046).

The Youth Section completed their annual competitions with the following results:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
Boys' Pool	D. Merritt	G. Pitfield
Girls' Pool	E. Morris	C. Fripp
Boys' Darts	D. Merritt	G. Pitfield
Girls' Darts	E. Morris	C. Fripp
Dominoes	J. Standfield	D. Merritt
Shove Ha'penny	W. Cope	N. Lee
Carpet Bowls	D. Merritt	G. Pitfield

Dean Merritt leading the Trophy League with three wins and Eleanor Morris close behind with two wins.

We are now back in full swing following a quiet Christmas period, throughout which we remained open. Teams are to be selected for entries in the forthcoming football, pool and darts leagues.

Early notice of the annual trip to Alton Towers which is provisionally planned for Saturday, 19th May.

Club Discos have been arranged as follows:

Feb 10th Paul Jones  
Feb 24th Comet Road Show

#### BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

##### Football Results - 1st Team

Dec 16th Flight Refuelling 1 - 1 Bere Regis  
(A. Griffiths)

Jan 6th (Dorset League Cup)  
Bere Regis 3 - 0 Wimborne Res  
\*Match abandoned at half time

Jan 13th (Re-scheduled League Cup Tie)  
Bere Regis 5 - 1 Wimborne Res  
(A. Griffiths 4, R. Pendleton)

##### Football Results - 2nd Team

Jan 6th NEI Thompson 3 - 2 Bere Regis  
(S. Gailey, A. Linford)

Jan 13th Kingston 3 - 0 Bere Regis  
(League Cup Match)

##### Club Report

The 1st Team's first showdown of the season was at Flight Refuelling, who were four points ahead with two extra games behind runaway league leaders Weymouth Timber Company. The side came away with a point,



considerably clipping "Flight's Wings" in turbulent conditions. Andy Griffiths netted another goal setting up a Christmas when the 1st Team remained unbeaten for ten games in as many weeks.

Following a big break, the team faced Wimborne Town in a 1st League Cup Match, and during the first half the side played some of the best football that the packed West Stand had seen from them in weeks. Unfortunately, the referee decided to abandon the game at half-time due to rainfall. A decision hotly disputed by both sides and a bemused crowd. The following week the same game was re-scheduled, this time Bere went nap. Andy Griffiths scoring goals sixteen to nineteen of the season against his old team, supported by a Rob Pendleton goal who continued to impress. A tribute to the management who recently picked a bottle of home-made wine for "Managers of the Month" for December. A mouthwatering game at Weymouth TC follows, with the 1st team hoping to cause an upset. Their vastly experienced defence will doubtless be tested to its limits.

On a windswept, wet day the second team travelled to NEI Thompson who took a shock lead with a Chris Merritt own goal helped by Shaun Grailey. Then a catalogue of blown chances from Bere against a backward side, footballing wise. Tim "Sitter" Percy missing two or three, Shaun Grailey, Ande Linford, Gary Watts and John "Stiles" Elford all joined the bungling Keystone Cops on duty that day. It was a looping cross in the wind which gave Bere their first goal, and perhaps using the wrong tactics of aerial balls in the second half only managed to score once very late. Away to lowly Kingston turned into a "Nightmare on the Purbeck Hills", losing to an awkward side and one or two intimidations.

On December 17th the Children's Christmas Party was an event enjoyed by a large number who surprisingly failed to recognise Father Christmas. Also the Club ran a hugely successful Christmas Draw, participated in and attended by a good festive crowd.

#### AFFPUDDLE NEWS

##### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Very many thanks to everyone who contributed towards the purchase of flowers for the decoration of the church at Christmas. £30 was given and white chrysanthemum sprays were purchased from Lady Elizabeth Barne at Culeaze. The flowers have lasted well into January and have given worshippers and visitors to the church much pleasure.

##### CHURCH DUTY ROTA

A new cleaning and flower arranging rota will be compiled to come into operation from the beginning of April. Your help is sought. Men, women, boys and girls who can wield a broom and duster or do a simple floral arrangement are asked to volunteer their services to Philippa

Thorniley (471497). The minimum cleaning required is to brush the church floor and dust the pews and other church furniture. While we love to see the work of latter-day Constance Sprys we welcome the services of the plonk-a-bunch-in-a-vase-brigade - those who are of removing last week's dead flowers and foliage and rearranging what is left with a supplement of fresh garden or wild flowers and greenery. (Incidentally, offers of flowers from keen gardeners to the keen flower arrangers who don't have gardens would also be most welcome.) Please let Philippa Thorniley have your names. After all "who sweeps a room as for thy law makes that and the action fine", so help make "all things bright and beautiful" at Affpuddle Church this year.

##### CHURCH RESTORATION

Gulliver and Forshaw will commence work on St Laurence's Church in February and the PCC thought the work to be carried out should be explained to you all. The requirements were initially laid out in the Quinquennial report produced by Ron Jones, our Diocesan Surveyor, in April 1988. Specifications were drawn up and put out to the lowest tender.

Basically St Laurence Church is a thirteenth and fourteenth century church, partly restored in the perpendicular style with a north aisle colonnaded to the nave, a west tower and south porch. The walls are generally sound but are affected by damp at ground and coping level. The tower has dangerous loose pinnacles with eroded joints to the buttresses and quoins and requires immediate attention. The windows have some eroded stonework chiefly the West window externally. Internal rusting saddlebars are causing widespread spalling of stonework. Rainwater disposal, especially from the South Tower downpipe, needs immediate attention as the pipes are rusted and eroded. South gutter problems and North side drainage needs serious attention, being overgrown. Description of major repairs:

1. Pinnacles - Take down and rebuild at least two - check and stabilize rest.
2. Major repointing - to tower and rebedding of stones where erosion of joints very deep. Same to coping stones to chancel and nave.
3. Tower roof - strip lead and check timber. Relay new lead.
4. Rainwater disposal - Repair rainwater pipes to tower.
5. Windows internally - Remove rusted saddlebars and cap ends. Repair stonework. Repair external stonework.

English Heritage described our church as a fine example of those in this area of Dorset. Once the works proposed are carried out it shall only require regular clearance outside of growths to keep the rainwater well drained at all times - and good ventilation of the church inside after every service.

Robin Gainsford



### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The prizewinners of the Christmas Raffle in aid of the Church Restoration Fund were drawn after the Carol Service in the Village Hall at Briantspuddle by Mrs Nigel Lines, the wife of the Marketing Director of Old's Motor Group, who kindly sponsored the event. The raffle raised £799 gross (£714 after deduction of prize money). Prizewinners were:

1st Prize of £50 - Mrs Fry from Weymouth

2nd Prize of £25 - Mr Hall from Rogers Farm

3rd Prize of £10 - Lady Coates of Briantspuddle

Our grateful thanks to our sponsors and all those who bought and sold tickets, especially the latter on the two days at Galton Garden Centre.

### PARISH HOLIDAYS

You will remember that in July 1988 we entertained a party of seven Americans who spent a week with us under the Parish Holiday Scheme. The visit was a great success and resulted in over £1000 being raised towards the Church Restoration Fund. It has been decided that we will take part in the Scheme again this year - 1990. We have undertaken to entertain up to 14 visitors for the period of 20th to 28th June 1990. We shall once again need a lot of help in the fields of catering, entertainment and transport, so please keep those dates in mind. We have already received our first booking from an American couple from the island of Guam in the Pacific.

### AFFPRAISE SERVICE - 18TH FEBRUARY, 11.00AM

Jesus Christ the Healer is our focus at this service, as we continue this year with our themes taken from his ministry on earth.

### BRIANTSPUDDLE STREET FAIR

The Street Fair is scheduled for 12th May and the organising committee would be most grateful for any assistance in the following:

1. ideas for entertainment and stalls
2. people to serve on the Street Fair Committee
3. help on the day

Please contact any of the following persons: R. Gainsford (471419), W. Thorniley (471497), C. Badcock (471297), G. Vingoe (471832). Thank you.

### BRIANTSPUDDLE HALL COMMITTEE

The Village Quiz will take place on Wednesday, 28th February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Teams of four are invited to take part. Why not make up a team with your friends and neighbours? Questions are asked to the team and not to individuals. Entries to Mrs Bowell (471387), by 16th February. Just let us know the name of the team.

### BRIANTSPUDDLE W.I.

The newly elected officers of the Briantspuddle W.I. committee are as follows:

President - Mrs Pat Hall  
Secretary - Mrs Linda Holmes  
Treasurer - Mrs Betty Fisk

We wish them a successful year and thank the retiring officers for their hard work during the first year.

The new year started with a very well attended meeting on 10th January with a talk on the Church Army. Our next meeting will be 7th February, 8.00pm, when Mr Ball the butcher will be our guest speaker. If any non members would like to come and raise any queries about meat, they are, as always, most welcome.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### February 1990

10th R.B.L. Disco - Paul Jones  
17th Ragamuffins Disco - British Legion  
18th 11.30am Ragamuffins Car Boot Sale - School  
24th R.B.L. Disco - Comet Road Show  
27th W.I. Pancake Race  
28th 7.30pm Briantspuddle Village Quiz - Village Hall

### FUTURE EVENTS

#### March 1990

1st 7.30pm ICRF Slide Show - Anthony Bates - Drax Hall  
1st Blood Donor Session - D'Urberville Hall, Wool  
9th 7.00pm Conservative Association AGM - Drax Hall  
17th 2.30pm Scout Group Jumble Sale - HQ  
31st Cyril Wood Court - Craft Fair  
31st Conservative Association Sale - Drax Hall

#### April 1990

2nd ICRF AGM - The Cedars, West Street, Bere Regis  
18th 2.30pm Autumn Leaves 'New to You' Sale - Drax Hall  
16th ICRF Coffee Morning - Honeysuckle Cottage, Sitterton

### CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AGE CONCERN 2.00pm Thursdays, Turberville Court  
AUTUMN LEAVES 2.30pm 2nd Wednesday  
BEAVERS 6.00pm Monday, Scout HQ  
BELLRINGERS 6.30pm Wednesday Learners: Improvers 7.00pm  
BINGO 7.45pm Drax Hall (Mondays)  
BLUE VAN 8.30-10.30am 4th Friday in month  
BRITISH LEGION CLUB 7.00-11.30pm Monday-Saturday, 12.00-2.00pm & 7.30-10.30pm Sunday



BRITISH WOMENS SECTION 2.30pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ  
 BRITISH LEGION YOUTH 7.00-10.00pm Wednesday  
 BROWNIES 6.00-7.15pm Wednesday, Scout HQ  
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 CHOIR PRACTICE 7.15pm Junior Choir, 7.45pm Adults, Friday in  
 Church  
 CUBS 6.30pm Thursday, Scout HQ  
 FLORAL GROUP 2.30pm 2nd Tuesday, Drax Hall  
 GUIDES 6.30pm Tuesday, Scout HQ  
 MINI MARKET 10.00am 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall  
 MOBILE LIBRARY Alternate Mondays (2-3.15pm) & Thursdays  
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 MOTHER & TODDLER 2.15pm Monday, Congregational Church  
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 SCOUTS 6.30pm Friday, Scout HQ  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10.15am Every Sunday, Parish Church  
 W.I. 8.00pm 1st Wednesday, Village Hall  
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