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**THE PARISHES of BERE REGIS
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TURNERSPUDDLE**

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THOUGHTS FROM THE VICARAGE

Spring is all around us, and I wonder if like me, you have noticed the song birds in our parishes just now, they seem to be louder and bolder than I can remember? I'd like to think that the birds are very much 'on message' to use a present political catchphrase, but their message is about creation and new life at this wonderful time of year, when we have just celebrated the new life we all enjoy because of Easter.

On Easter Day, I had the privilege of baptising baby Matthew on the same day, and just a few hours after his grandmother Irene had died. It was a profound experience because not only is Easter 'the' day for baptisms as we symbolically emerge from the waters in the Font, but it is in baptism that we die and rise again to new life, as Jesus Christ did at Easter. And this new life in which we all share through our baptism, is an everlasting life.

The 18th century former slave ship captain John Newton, who wrote the poem that most of us know and sing as the hymn 'Amazing Grace', wrote this poem called 'Kindly Spring' and I think it speaks to us exactly of what Spring is all about.

Kindly Spring

Kindly spring again is here,
Trees and fields in bloom appear;
Hark! the birds with artless lays
Warble their creator's praise.

Where in winter all was snow,
Now the flowers in clusters grow;
And the corn, in green array,
Promises a harvest-day.

Lord, afford a Spring to me,
Let me feel like what I see;
Speak, and by thy gracious voice,
Make my drooping soul rejoice.



On thy garden deign to smile,
 Raise the plants, enrich the soil;
 Soon thy presence will restore
 Life to what seemed dead before.

From our view of Spring we look towards Summer, and we too can be that enriched soil in which new life grows.

With love and prayers



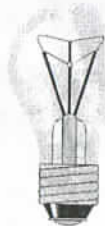
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BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS



Bere Regis Sidesmen

Sunday 5th May	9.30 a.m.	Mr House/Mr Bates
	6.00 p.m.	Mrs Jutting
Sunday 12th May	11.00 a.m.	Mrs March/Mrs England
	6.00 p.m.	Mr Ventham
Sunday 19th May	9.30 a.m.	Mrs Hazlerigg /Mr Smith
	6.00 p.m.	Mrs Griffin
Sunday 26th May	11.00 a.m.	Miss Miller/Miss Chesney
	6.00 p.m.	Mrs Ward

Evensong Readers

5th	Mrs Jutting
12th	Mr Ventham
19th	Mrs Griffin
26th	Mrs Ward



Cleaning and Dusting

Cleaners

11th and 18th May	Mrs C Clarke, Mrs E Jutting, Mrs M Comben
25th May and 1st June	Mrs J Woodward, Mrs C Tucker

Dusters

Miss G Miller, Mrs J Harvey
Mrs G Whittle, Mrs N Scott

Sanctuary Flower Guild

5th	Mrs B Griffin	Mrs N Gibson
	(marriage blessing 4th May)	
12th/19th	Mrs K Jeeves	Mrs S Peck
26th	Mrs C Lewis (with Mrs Watkins for wedding)	



CHURCH SERVICES in May

Sunday 5th May

Rogation Sunday Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion (Bere Regis) to include a Rogationtide walk in the environs of the Church - weather permitting)
11.00 a.m.	Mattins and Communion (Affpuddle) to include a short Rogationtide walk in the environs of the Church - weather permitting
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (Bere Regis)

Thursday 9th May

Ascension Day

7.30pm	Parish Communion for Ascension Day (Bere Regis)
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Sunday 12th May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m.	Family Service (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 19th May

Pentecost Whit Sunday

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion for Young and Old (Affpuddle)
2.00 p.m.	Holy Baptism (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 26th May

Trinity Sunday

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m.	Mattins and Communion (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (Bere Regis)

CHURCH SERVICES

OBITUARIES

IRENE SNOOK

Wife to Reg, mother to Paul and Grandmother to Rebecca and Matthew and of course mother in law to Maria.

'Reen' was born in Aldershot and moved to Bere Regis where her mother came from, when she was very young and she grew up with her older sister Phylis and went to school here. She became an expert and renowned in bunching watercress, working here and at Warmwell. And Reg worked in the same business too.

They met at a Six-penny hop at the WI Diner and Reg walked Reen back to her home in Egdon Close and clearly they had a lot to talk about because Reg remembers Reen's mum calling out 'Irene - Come on in'.

In due course they married - here in St John the Baptist's 41 Years ago in 1961 and their wedding reception was at the WI Hut where they had their first meeting. Paul was born in 1966 and Reen returned to the watercress work retiring finally only two years ago.

Holidays were highlights of family life to Weston Super Mare, and Scotland, and week-ends and day trips to Blackpool and Llandudno. And Reg recounts how wonderfully Reen looked after him following his hip replacement operations.

But the centre of Reen's life was her family, as daughter, mum and grandmother. Her frequent twice weekly trips to see her father, a Chelsea pensioner at the Royal Hospital in London showed her wonderful dedication.

Reg says quite simply 'she was a superb wife and mother and nan' - always putting her family first - brave in her illness.

Maria remembers a walk with Reen through Poole Park and Baiter - just the two of them before she and Paul were married, and shopping together on so many Saturday afternoons, with Reen always buying a gift to take back for Rebecca and latterly Matthew.

In that wonderfully simple and direct way that young children have of describing change, Rebecca has said that Nanny is now an Angel - is she coming back she asked and will nanny have breakfast in heaven; did she get some sleep there and did she remember to take her slippers?



OBITUARIES

It was on Mothering Sunday in March last year, that Maria realised she was expecting Matthew, and the family was all together. This last Mothering Sunday, a month ago was the last time the family was all together - but Reen's courage and devotion showed through, and they shared Reen's favourite supper - a Chinese take-away.

Reen idolised the grandchildren - Rebecca and Matthew and one of her ambitions was to see Rebecca ready for her first day at school in her new uniform.

Reen died on Easter Day, the time when as Christians we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It was also the day that we baptised Matthew - here in the font which has seen the baptism of new Christians for nearly 800 years. Of course the joy of the Baptism was very much mixed with the sorrow of Reen's death but as like Jesus Christ and little Matthew, she is raised to eternal life with Christ, and nothing can separate us from that spiritual union that we have with those we truly love.

So as these difficult days lie ahead for Reg and Paul and Maria, be with them, comfort them and assure them of your love and practical support.

PHYLLIS MARGARET BROWN

Phyllis died most cruelly of cancer having shown great courage and fortitude throughout her painful illness. Her funeral celebrated her full and rich life and a packed Church did this in style. Milton Abbey School provided a guard of honour from the Cadet force and their magnificent choir added to the occasion. The eulogies to Phyllis evoked poignant memories as well as joyful recollections of her full and loving life, and her warm and generous nature.

Phyllis was born in Wokingham but her family moved to Dewlish and she spent her early years supporting her mother and father there whilst they ran a pub. She then moved to Crossways where she met John, and in 1995 they set up home here in Bere Regis.

The one word that sums up Phyllis is **family**. She had a series of families; all were the beneficiaries of her unending affection and willingness to give support and comfort. Nothing was too small or too menial for Phyllis. All her families were with her at the funeral. Her husband John, her Mum and Dad Reg and Peggy, as well as countless relatives.



OBITUARIES

Also there was her school family, her young men as well as the teachers and staff, from the Milton Abbey School. Also her fellow thespians from the Bere Regis Amateur Theatrical Society; the Darts team from The Royal, and the many friends she had at The Royal Oak. There were many other friends there, for she had that priceless gift of being able to strike up a friendship with complete strangers everywhere she went. Her nature was to sympathise with other people's misfortunes whilst being unconcerned about, her own. This was her greatest quality.

Phyllis worked as a House Matron at Milton Abbey School for Athelston House for the last 10 years. She was much loved and admired and will be sadly missed by boys, teachers, staff members and parents. She made sure their uniforms were neat, tidy and in an excellent state of repair, She was equally at home talking to the boys, staff or the parents – particularly when meeting new boys who were understandably a little nervous. She put them at ease and made them feel at home, in their new home.

Many people's abiding memory of Phyllis will be of her and John when they left the Pub and they would literally, hand in hand, skip their way home. This was an act of a couple of happy juveniles who unselfconsciously enjoyed each other's company. Those who watched this unaffected demonstration of their love for each other, found it truly wonderful.

Wherever she went she would bring light into people's lives by being herself. She would cheer up the people in the hospital wards she visited with no thought of herself! She would talk to people she met in the village about their situation when it was obvious to all that she was seriously ill, but she did not want to talk about herself!

Phyllis loved flowers and her garden was the love of her life. Just before she died she quite deliberately brought John a selection of seeds to plant. They will now live on after her and be a constant reminder to John and everyone else of her love of life.

A higher authority has now asked her to come and join his family, we pray that she will rest in peace and happiness with her new family.



Children
There is going to be another
FUN
activity Morning
on
Saturday May 11th
at
10.15am to 12 midday
in
Bere Regis Parish Church

If you are between the ages of 4 and 10 you will be most welcome.

This one will be all about

HELP!

and there will be the usual craft work, music and stories

Come along and bring your friends and enjoy yourselves. There will be refreshments and it is all free as usual.



BERE REGIS CHURCH NEWS

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS

Practices continue on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 to 7.30pm and in addition to ringing before the regular services we have been asked to ring for weddings on 4th and 25th May.

Plans are being made for a Tower Open Weekend later in the year.



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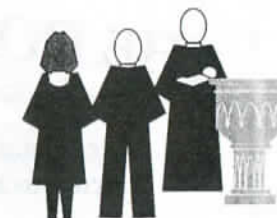
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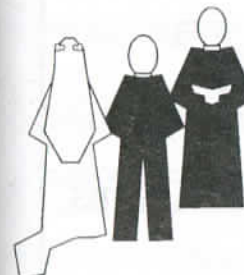
Baptisms

At St. John the Baptist on Easter Day, 31st March
Matthew Alexander Snook



Marriage Blessing

at St. John the Baptist, 16th March
William Perez and Fiona Woodward



Funerals

at St. John the Baptist

15th March, Mrs Irene Snook, aged 62, followed by cremation at Poole.

17th March, Mrs Phyllis Brown, aged 52, followed by interment at Bere Regis.



CHURCH EVENTS

Sunday 12th May from 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.



Come to a "Bluebells and Cream Tea" at Forest Gate, Bere Heath by kind invitation of Karen and Richard Smith. Enjoy the informal garden and woodland walk. The cost is £3.50 to include tea (children no charge), and there will be a raffle. To find Forest Gate, turn left off the Wool Road towards Hyde. Straight over cross roads towards Bere Heath Chapel. Continue for 3/4 of a mile on this road and Forest Gate is on the left just after Tanpit Bridge. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Friday 24th May – 8.00 p.m.

Concert in Church. This will be something special and unusual and given by a group of three musicians "Courtlye Musick" who will play and explain a range of medieval and now defunct woodwind instruments. A charge of £5 will be made to include a glass of wine and nibbles at the interval. Tickets available from PCC members or phone Richard Smith on 471339. Do please support these two events.

MC

BERE REGIS CHURCH CHOIR

SING IN THE CHOIR!

There are vacancies in the choir for trebles, sopranos, altos, tenors and basses.



Although members of the choir sing at all the services held here, there are certain services during each month which rely more on choral music than others. If you would like to apply to sing on a regular basis or for particular services only, please contact the organist in the church straight after any service, or before choir practice which is held at 7 p.m. every Friday evening in the South Aisle, or speak to the Vicar.

We are looking for singers of all ages, and we would particularly welcome applications from members of the younger generation!

BERE REGIS SPRING CLEAN

The vicar and churchwardens were very pleased at the excellent amount of work that was done last month on the spring clean morning. The Church looks very well cared for and often this is noted by visitors in their comments in the visitors book.



MOTHERS' UNION

At our April meeting our speaker was Mrs Mary Whitton, the Worldwide Representative for the diocese. Mrs Whitton was able to inform and update us on the work of the Mothers' Union in many parts of the world. We are active in 62 countries including many of the African nations, where the literacy project is helping many women to become more independent, confident, wealthy and healthy. In a continent where AIDS and HIV are rife, women who can read are more likely to learn how to avoid such dangers. In many areas of the world, membership of MU is a status symbol, for example, in Papua New Guinea.



Many commonwealth countries have very active movements, including Australia and India, and an active branch has been formed in Malta where a couple from our diocese are attached to the Cathedral. We were surprised to hear of branches in Cairo (in a Muslim country) and South America (mainly Roman Catholic) and we were particularly asked to remember in prayer our MU sisters in Sudan, our link diocese.



Brenda had received cards from our two link branches in Australia, and Eileen had received a letter from our Bury link inviting us to join them later

this year. Mary reminded us of our coffee morning at Cyril Wood Court on Saturday 18th May. Members are asked to come and help with teas and come to meet members of Wilton MU when they visit our church on 8th May.

Our next meeting will take place at Turberville Court on Wednesday 1st May, when our speaker will be the Revd Bill Blakey from Wareham. He will give an illustrated talk on Lundy Island. Everyone is most welcome to join us.

Brenda Pitfield – 471391

AFFPUDDLE/BRIANTSPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS

SIDESMEN, READERS AND READINGS

Date	Time	Sidesman	Readers	Readings
5 May	8.00	R Killer	Server	BCP as set
(6 of Easter)	11.00	J Solly	S Moriarty F Solly	1 Peter 3, verses 13-end John 14, verses 15-21
12 May	9.30	S Jeanes	P Haigh M Cropper	1 Peter 4, verses 12-14 and 5, verses 6-11 John 17, verses 1-11
19 May	8.00	P Badcock	Server	BCP as set
(Pentecost)	11.00	M & H Menzies	J Haigh	Acts 2, verses 1-21
26 May	9.30	E Moriarty	A Grindrod P Badcock	2 Corinthians 13, verses 11-end Matthew 28, verses 16-end
(Trinity Sunday)				
2 June	8.00	R Killer	Server	BCP as set
(1 after Trinity)	11.00	D Reed	A Armitage K Wharton	Romans 1, verses 16-17 and 3, verses 22b-28 Matthew 7, verses 21-end

JH

Flowers

5th May	Mrs. Smith
12th May	Mrs. Solly
1,9th May	Mrs. Kayll
26th May	Mrs. Armitage

Cleaning

Mrs. Smith
Mrs. Solly
Mrs. Kayll
Mrs. Moriarty

AFFPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS

PROCEEDINGS OF THE AFFPUDDLE WITH TURNERSPUDDLE PARISH AGM HELD IN THE CHURCH ON SUN 7 APRIL 2002

The following items were covered at the AGM:

1. Paul Badcock and John Solly were content to continue for a further year as Church Wardens.
2. Mike Menzies and Ivor Mullins were re-elected to the PCC and all other members were happy to continue to serve on the PCC.
3. Richard Killer and Jonathan Haigh were elected to serve as the Parish Deanery Synod Representatives.
4. As a result of the recent census to establish the Parish Electoral Roll 90 returns had already been received. Early indications were that the total roll was likely to be similar to that of 2001 (94 persons).
5. Jonathan Haigh gave a summary of the proceedings of the three Deanery Synod meetings that had taken place during the year. Matters discussed had included parish finances, the problems facing rural communities today and a discussion paper to assist parishes facing an inter-regnum.
6. The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year 2001/2002 and it was noted that the Parish finances were in a sound state. It was also noted that future increases in the payment of the Parish Quota would place an increasing burden on the Parish finances. After many years Mr Elkerton stood down from the post of Treasurer and was replaced by Mr Menzies. A vote of thanks was offered for Mr Elkerton's excellent work over the years.
7. The Churchwardens reported that the improvements inside the church were largely complete and that the repairs to the roof of the shrine in the peace garden had been completed. The PCC had decided not to embark on any further major works either inside or outside the church until the future demands on the Parish finances had been established.
8. The Vicar thanked the Parishioners for the warm welcome that he had received on his arrival in the Parish.

THANK YOU TIME

Thanks to everyone who turned out and helped at the Quarterly special clean on 23rd March. Enough people were present to be able to polish all the furniture and floors and to clean the windows and ledges. At the Palm Sunday service the next day there was an odour of polish along side the odour of sanctity!

All the flower arrangers did a magnificent job in decorating the church for the Easter Day service. Thank you to them and to all those who so generously gave flowers to be used in the decoration.



FLOWER FESTIVAL AND FETE

AFFPUDDLE CHURCH

JUNE 22ND AND JUNE 23RD

FLOWER FESTIVAL
SATURDAY 22ND AND SUNDAY 23ND

CHURCH FETE
SATURDAY 22ND

BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL

At the April meeting the Council learned that of the eleven Councillors currently serving only four were prepared to continue and offer themselves for re-election. As it would be necessary to have over eleven candidates for an election it was clear that there will be no election on this occasion. What is more with only four nominees there are insufficient Councillors to form a quorum and it is necessary for the Chief Executive of the Purbeck District Council to appoint one person to act as a Councillor. One of the former Councillors has been recommended so all things being equal we should be able to undertake the Council tasks next month.

The lack of Parishioners who are prepared to come forward to serve is particularly disappointing. From time to time the Village gets excited about some matter - particularly Developments - and a 'pressure group' forms up and makes itself known. The matters seem to go away - in fact they never do - and the group dies down. I should have thought that at this time with the prospect of Developments looming on the horizon, that we would have seen a very interesting election. The Local Plan Inquiry is due to be reported during this summer. We are aware of interest in subjects like speeding traffic, police presence, houses, Village Hall, Doctors Surgery and areas for youngsters are near to our hearts plus others but nobody cares to play their part. There has been a Parish Council in this Village since 1894. It has served the Parishioners extremely well in the past and it is needed for the good of the future of the Village.



The Council thanks those Councillors who are not standing again - Messrs David Gibb, Richard Griffin, Alan Dunning, Peter Fysh, Bob James and Lionel Street for their service over the years and look forward to their attendance in the 'gallery' from time to time.

Finally the Council invites interested Parishioners to offer themselves for the available places. It would be particularly nice to see some younger members - minimum age is eighteen - and it would be very good for the Council to have some lady members. If you are interested please pass your name on to the Clerk - Jim Ruddock on 556263.

It was interesting to see that the response to the District Council's invitation to all of the Purbeck Parish Councils to attend a meeting about a proposed bus service to the Purbeck Centre was responded to only by our Parish Council. (this lack of interest in Parish matters is clearly not just confined to us).

It was to our advantage to attend as a totally different approach to the matter evolved. The proposal is just the same but it is more attractive financially. The proposal is that a bus should leave the village in the evening and travel to the Centre by way of Bloxworth - if there is any interest there. It would return after about two hours. The journey would be free but a charge would be made for the facilities at the Centre. If anybody is interested would they kindly contact me so that I can take it on to another stage. 'Me' is at 15 North Street, Tel. 471342.

The Council is deeply concerned about the facilities for the youth and even if there appears to be no progress to show, the Councillors are talking with the Grainger Trust about some land for the youngsters to use.

Finally a subject that the Council has interested itself in throughout the Consultation Period prior to the Local Plan Inquiry is still very active in their minds. This is the Community Appraisal which actually should form part of the Inquiry Report. Hence it is necessary to get this completed before the Inquiry Report is published. Basically it is a statement on the state of the village at present so that any future developments can reflect on what is there today and we should not have any glaring unsatisfactory buildings in the future. These Appraisals are undertaken from time to time and its to be hoped that they do serve a purpose.

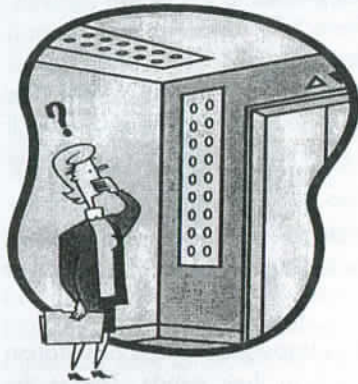
CM.

DRAX HALL

By the time this is published the Management Committee will have held its Annual General Meeting. The Hall is financially viable having made a small excess through the year despite having purchased a number of new chairs and tables. The hirings of the Hall are very satisfactory and we can say that a large percentage of our expenses are covered by the hirings. Sadly though the Bingo Club is closing down and though this has in the past generated over £600 each year, it has in recent months been much less. The efforts put in by the regular participants and the loyalty of the team through all weathers has to be commended. I have only been here for forty years and there has always been Bingo in the Drax Hall! The Committee is most grateful for their contribution to the success of the Hall.



The Committee is holding another Fashion Show this month on Wednesday the 22nd at 8.00pm. This promises to be equally as good as in those in the past. Lots of lovely clothes at reasonable prices. There will also be refreshments and all for a very reasonable entrance fee.



As the date of the full implementation of the Disability Act approaches we have been advised that as a provider of services we have to have an audit undertaken to see what is necessary to be undertaken to meet the requirements of the Act. Some years ago the Fire Brigade would not allow us to entertain the thought of a lift to enable the lesser active members of society to attend functions in the upper hall. They have now stated that, given certain conditions, that they can agree to a lift being installed for getting people up to the first floor. One of the conditions is that another means is provided for

escape in the event of an emergency. Other items that will be needed to meet the requirements of the Act will be easy access at the entrance, disabled toilets and easy light fittings etc. We thus await the result of the audit.

CM

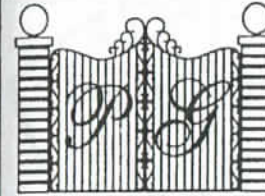
MIND THE WORLD GROUP

Thank you to all who supported our Coffee Morning, on 13th April, for RWANDA DIRECT. We raised £227-78 including donations.

A big thank you, too, for those who came to hear Geoff and Hope Price speak about their years, and ongoing work, in Rwanda at Cyril Wood Court on 15th March. The donations which followed their talk came to £346. Therefore the Bere Regis "Mind the World Group" is delighted with the collective total of £573-78 for the RWANDA DIRECT FUND.



The monies raised will be sufficient to educate 106 children for one year. It costs £1.80 per child per term to provide basic education. The need for it is paramount as the parents of a whole generation of children were killed during the genocide. These children are cared for by the old people, not in orphanages. So they need to be able to support themselves in the future and to rebuild their country.



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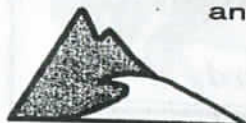
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Sadly the rain on the morning of Saturday 20th April meant that the children's activity morning – "Jeux des Enfants" had to be cancelled at the last minute. The committee are very grateful to those members of the school PTA and other twinning members who turned up to help.



The next event is the French Theme evening which will be held at the Scout Hut on Saturday 11th May. This will consist of a quiz, some French style eats and drinks and will provide an opportunity for Twinning members to meet up prior to the arrival of our friends from Cerences for the exchange weekend on 22nd/23rd June.

Plans are well underway for the exchange weekend. The main event will be on the Saturday evening. This will be an outdoor function (not so much a barn dance, but a dance in a barn) held at Rye Hill Farm, courtesy of Kevin Crocker and Jim Shave. Music will be provided by "Rapport" and we hope to give our visitors an evening to remember. Further details will appear in next month's magazine, but put the date in your diary now, as this event will be open to all and tickets will be just £5 per person.

Alison Debenham – 471780

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First place went to Graham Price, with a massive 40 points. Second was Jim Corbin and third place went to Shaun Brady. The longest drive was won by Mike Jones with one of his rare straight shots, although it nearly went in the water as it went so far! Nearest the pin went to Jim Corbin who was only inches away from having to buy the whole clubhouse a drink – what a relief Jim! The hole for nearest the pin was sponsored by Guy Storey.



Whilst the April game will have been played by the time this magazine is issued, we are already thinking about May when we will be playing Lyme Regis.

Martin Debenham – 472580

BERE REGIS W.I.

Mrs Kay Browning was our speaker for March on the subject of Milton Abbey and Milton Abbas. She spoke about the history of the area including the myths and legends which she illustrated by some beautiful slides. A very good speaker and easy to listen to.

The Spring Council Meeting is on Tuesday 30th April at the Pavilion, Weymouth. A delegate and members will be attending. The guest speaker is Anne Swithenbank, the television gardener, plus Claire Fitzsimmons from OFWAT, Andrew Smith from Dorset Scope and Jim Melton-Bradley from the Charity Commission.

The meetings are held every third Tuesday in the Drax Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Dates for your diary:

21 May – Resolutions

18th June – Members evening



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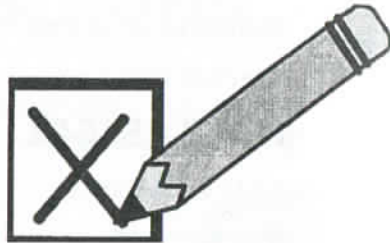
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Election

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Originally I had not intended to write a report this month, as it would have been seen as canvassing! As this is not the case here is my report! I will continue to write monthly progress reports in both the Bere Regis Parish magazine and the Red Post magazine for the residents of Bloxworth. I will also continue to hold regular surgeries on the first Saturday of every month. These will be held at the Communal Lounge in Turberville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and in the Bloxworth Village Club from 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. If you have a question or query related to the business of Purbeck District Council please come along and talk to me about it.

Traveller's Gallows Hill

The defaced sign to this beautiful picnic site has now been taken down to be cleaned and will be hopefully, reinstated later. I have been in regular contact with the Gypsy Liaison officer from County Hall resulting in the following one of many messages - which should be out of date by the time you read this!

Thank you for your Email you will be pleased to learn that we now have a court date with regards to moving the Travellers from "Gallows Hill Picnic Site". This date is the 16th April so we are hopeful that the site will be available to the general public for use in the summer!

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We have covered so many different aspects of woolcraft in the last year, that it would be a long list if I were to record them here, but we plan to return to some activities in greater detail in the coming months. As always the first of the month is a Sell & Tell morning, when we welcome all to join us, bring your visitors as well.



Diary Dates - Please cut them out and put them where you will see them. How about dangling off the bottom of the kitchen calendar.

May 29th Broomstick crochet.

June 5th Sell & Tell, with Alpacas, a talk/demonstration/sale. I am looking forward to seeing the variety of colours and qualities of fibre and to made up items.

June 12th Felting - Inner wheel pictures.

June 19th (9.30 - 3.00) Large Felting - outdoors if fine. Packed lunch, and a towel, if we felt in bare feet

June 26th Felting - outer wheel pictures.

July Sell & Tell.

As you can gather we are having a rather special month, as we are making a large felted wall hanging for the National Trust in connection with the annual castle celebrations. To find out more about us please phone Anne 01929 481174



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The concert is in aid of Cups and Saucers for the Village Hall

Kath Jeeves.

AUTUMN LEAVES OVER '50'S' CLUB

On Wednesday 10th April, 50 members had an excellent trip to Cadbury Garden Centre, Somerset. The weather was superb - sunny all the time, and the views excellent.

On Wednesday 8th May Mr Parry Jones will give a talk entitled 'The Beginnings of Gardens'. The competition is an 8" high vase of spring flowers for the Nan Mooney cup.



THANK YOU

Brenda Pitfield wishes to thank everyone for the cards, gifts, flowers and concern during her recent stay in hospital.

She is now back home and looks forward to meeting everyone again very soon.



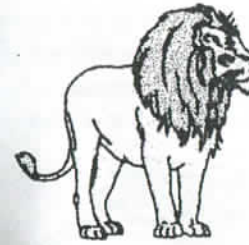
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Tails consisting of either two or three colour strips were then attached to complete the finished articles. To date there has not been any news about any of the kites having soared away skyward.

More preparations for the "Queen's Golden Jubilee Invitation Tea Dance" will be taking place on the evenings of the 16 April, 14 and 28 May. The planning has gone well and now the task of pulling everything together begins in earnest. Mums and Dads are being asked to help with the supply of refreshments and help in obtaining suitable records for the event would be most appreciated indeed. Invitations will be sent out during the early part of May, so keep an eye on your letterbox.

Splashdown is the destination for club members on the 23 April, when they visit to take in the new ride there. Everyone is eagerly look forward to taking a trip on the "Spaceball", as well as all the other existing attractions there.

Enviro-Arts is the subject for the 30 April, when the club will be looking at how the Arts can make us all more aware of our environment. This will involve looking at everyday problems such as waste and recycling, to how we can conserve supplies and regenerate run down areas. To do this the group will use waste materials, all clean of course, to make up pictures, clothing or music. The only limit is the imagination of the young people themselves.

In May there will be Outdoor Games on the 8th and the welcome return of a "Karaoke Night" on the 21st. A new karaoke machine in use this time, the words being shown on the TV screen. So all you would be Pop Idols out there, this could be your big chance, make sure you are there. As mention earlier, there will also be two evenings working on the Tea Dance in the month of May.

The evening of June 3 sees the arrival of the big one, its the "Golden Jubilee Invitation Tea Dance". This event is for senior members of the village who receive an invitation to attend from the young members of the youth club.



Now that the lighter evenings are here, it is off to Shore Road, Sandbanks for a "Beach Barbecue" on the 11 June. This event proved very popular last summer, with plenty of hotdogs and burgers plus loads of fun and games. The same is being planned again for this year's visits there.

One week later there will be a "Treasure Hunt" on the 18th, this will test this member's powers of deduction. A clue sheet will guide members around the route which will lead them to the treasure. Members may choose to work as a pair or make up groups of four in order to solve all the clues.



Canoeing takes place again on the afternoon of the 23rd April, for those club members who can swim at least 50 metres. It is expected that the water will be a bit warmer than it was on the 7 April, the north east wind making it feel very cold that day. It is expected that a few more members will be taking part on this occasion.



To finish off the month there will be an evening of "Circus Skills" on the 25 May. Members will be able to try their hand at Juggling, Spinning Plates and riding a Unicycle.

Plans are well in hand for the trip to Mid-Wales, over the weekend Friday 5 - 7 July, to take in some Mountain Walking and a spot of Canoeing on the canal. The group will be based in the 2001 award winning campsite at Pencelli, near Brecon. Further details will be announced in the near future, however

those interested in going should let me know of their interest.

The youth club meets at the Royal British Legion in North Street, on the first Wednesday and then the remaining Tuesday evenings of the month from 7.15 pm until 9.30 pm. Any young person interested in joining the club should either pop in one evening, or give me a call on the number below.

Terry Vine, Youth Leader Tel: 01929 471693

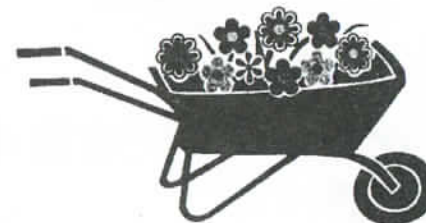
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POP IN PLACE NEWS

Easter Egg Raffle and Easter Bonnet Parade.

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Sponsored Walk Saturday the 25th of May 2 p.m. from the Scout Hut.

This year we are arranging a sponsored walk in aid of the future development of the

Pop In Place. If you would like to join us please phone Alison for the walk direction and a sponsor form. If you are unable to come along but would like to sponsor Alison please give her a call.



Queen Elizabeth II, Golden Jubilee Celebrations in Bere Regis

On Friday the 31st of May the Pop In Place will be holding the launch of the Welcome Book from 10.00 a.m. until 12 noon at the Drax Hall.

The programme for the morning will be as follows:

10.00 a.m. Coffee and an opportunity for village group representatives and business owners to network

10.15 a.m. Julie Lye will read some quotes from the Welcome publication.

10.30 a.m. The Durnovaria Silver band will perform.

11.00 a.m. The Woodbury Hill Singers will perform songs from their Jubilee Jamboree concert

11.20 a.m. Speeches to Launch the Welcome Publication (Parish and District Councillors)

11.30 a.m. Durnovaria Silver Band and The Woodbury Hill Singers.

Everyone is welcome to come along and entry is free

Raffle prizes - donations would be appreciated please phone Mandy on 472583 to pledge your prize offers.

The Welcome book has been funded by Bere Regis Parish Council and Dorset Community Action Community Projects Fund - grateful thanks to both of them. It is a very useful booklet for new members of the community and to residents alike. A wonderfully helpful way to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Golden Jubilee, promoting community communication and encouraging community involvement.

Special thanks to Amanda Kennard and to Alison Bennett for all their hard work on this project, and to all the village groups for sending back your information so promptly.

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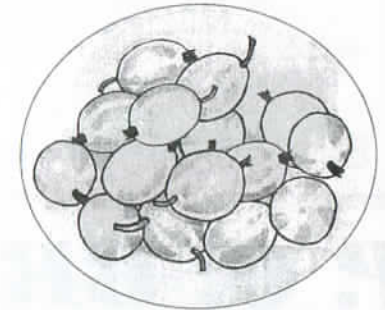
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GARDENING CLUB

Peter Read gave a very interesting talk on Begonias for the April meeting.

On 7th May, Tony Bates will entertain us with one of his slide shows.

The June meeting will now go ahead on Tuesday 4th at the British Legion Hall. It will be a free evening for garden club members with light refreshments, some entertainment and a bumper raffle.

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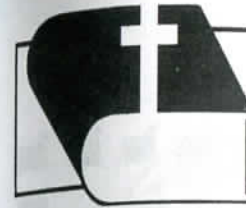
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For the next hour or so thanks to the wonders of modern science and with the use of a satellite in the sky our car was guided into Central London. Once or twice our driver, a mere mortal after all, made some wrong turns. "Aha", I thought, "so much for modern technology!" But to my amazement the lady with the BBC voice gently re-routed us without a hint of road rage and guided us safely to our destination. "I suppose you're going to tell me it gets TV next" I quipped. "Only when the car's stationary – for safety reasons. It's also difficult to read the teletext when you're driving along!"

God, of course, is not like a computer. He is the Great Programmer. And yet as I marvelled at what man had achieved I marvelled more that My heavenly Father guides and directs me from above. He looks down on my life's journey from His heavenly perspective and gently guides me. He doesn't always re-route me around the trouble spots of my life – sometimes He deliberately allows me to go through the stormy sea or fiery furnace. But always He speaks to me with a reassuring voice that says, "I am with you always". His eye is upon each of our lives and we can be confident that He will guide us safely to a heavenly destination if we are prepared to trust Him.

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BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

Football reports

Saturdays

Shaftesbury Res 4: Bere Regis 2

With the rain now a distant memory both Bere teams had a busy March and April ahead. Now that Bere Saturday side had steered their ship clear of relegation, the manager had set his sights on mid-table glory. Shaftesbury had other ideas though and, despite Squint's brace of goals, Bere had no idea whatsoever. A game best forgotten.

Bere Regis 4: Milborne St Andrew 1

As inevitable as Christmas, or Kev Cox getting booked, or Whippet missing his hairdressing appointment, was the hammering of Milborne. To be quite honest, the score flattered Milborne as Bere were more dominating than Margaret Thatcher in her favourite SS suit. If Bere had achieved the same conversion rate as Johnny Wilkinson you would have needed an accountant to work out the score. As it was, Bere were content with a hat-trick from the prolific Tony Lumsden and a single goal from wing back Shaun Cope. They even gave Milborne the gift of a consolation goal in the last few minutes to keep them happy on the long journey home.

Bere Regis 0: Sherborne Res 4

Oh Dear, Oh Dear! Yet another reserve team thrashing for Bere and Dean is once again left scratching his head trying to find the answers.

Stourpaine Res 3: Bere Regis 0

After this result, Dean has scratched his head so much his hairstyle is starting to resemble Spivey's. He was not helped by the absence of several key players through illness (they were sick of losing!). Those who did turn up gave a sterling performance against one of the favourites for the title. With three games left Bere's place in Division 3 is virtually assured, which allows Dean to think ahead to next season in these games. Any interested players...apply to D Rogerson, next to the shop (or in the pub), Bere Regis. It would be extremely helpful if your last name was Beckham or Giggs, or even Best come to that!!



Sundays

Windgreen, Corfe Mullen 1: Bere Regis 11

A stroll in the park against the whipping boys of the league was what was expected here. Windgreen had other ideas, though, and in the first half with the wind at their backs they made Bere look pretty ordinary, which they were. Only 2-1 up at half-time and the manager was worried. He needn't have as the real Bere team turned up for the second half and gave Windgreen the kind of pasting Handy Andy loves. It was still left to the defence, though, to start the scoring as first Dean, then Spivey, then Mark made it 5-1 and showed the way to the rest of the team.

The confidence oozed back and Bere soon showed the gulf in class by cutting through the opposition at will. In the end, Rob White ended up with 4, Kev Cox with 2, Chopster Oram claimed one and Earle Dacre had the goal of the day with a wonderful flowing move and a precision finish. Bere now stand top of their Cup group and the promise of another 3 points from the same team next week.

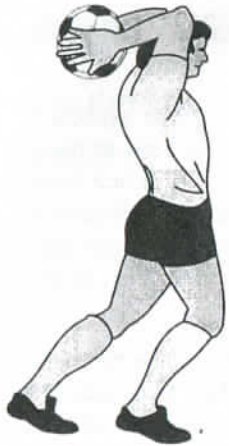
Bere Regis 3: Windgreen, Corfe Mullen 2

If this was the same team as last week then I'm an extremely talented footballer (come to think of it, I do recall a couple of faces!!). Despite Windgreen having more ringers than a campanologists club, mostly from their Div 1 team I would guess, Bere still triumphed with the bare bones of a team. Injuries dogged the front line, whilst Bungy was away for a christening, although we could not be sure whether it was a relative, him or just one of his pet sheep passing through the sheep dip.

What we were lacking was a big, ugly target man, until Nick pushed Rob White forward as the obvious candidate. Having now lost all the shooting ability he was once blessed with it is good to see that he has improved in other areas. The first goal was a peach as Wayne pulled one of his tricks out a very full bag and found space on the right to ping in a fierce cross that was just begging to be put away. Rob rose like a phoenix to power the header into the net and Bere were in front.

When Earl put Bere 2-0 up soon after with a near post finish they looked to be coasting, but just before half-time a magnificent solo effort from Windgreen gave them a lifeline. Their midfield player ran the length of the pitch round several players, including the mini-roundabout that is Dean Rogerson, with Sweet in hot pursuit.





As the player neared Paddles, our keeper, he shouted 'Go On Sweet' to give the illusion that he was getting nearer, when he was in fact several yards back and puffing like a steam engine. This ruse did not work, though, and with an exquisite finish Windgreen were only 2-1 down at half-time. The second half needed an early goal to settle Bere's nerves and, thanks to the heading genius Rob White, that is exactly what we got. Despite a late goal to keep things interesting Bere held on to the lead and their position at the top of their table.

Bere Regis 3: Wimborne RBL 2

The last league game meant at least a draw was needed by Bere to retain third place above Wimborne RBL. The start of the game was slightly delayed by a minute's silence in memory of both the Queen Mother and Pete Larder, who had disappeared over the top of a fence and was not seen again for at least five minutes after. However, a mere broken foot does not deter this man of steel and he was soon up and hopping after the ball as usual. The return of 'The Machine' Kev Cox gave Nick Macklin a slightly improved squad, but the furrowed brow was still there. Bere looked the most likely to score in the first half and did with two close range finishes from Wayne Cope and Rob White, courtesy of inch perfect bye-line crosses by Rob White and Earle Dacre respectively.

A moment of madness from the normally trustworthy skipper, Mark Gale, gave the Wimborne forward a one-on one with Paddles which he blocked magnificently. However, as the ball looped gracefully towards the goal it was a straight race between Mark and a Windgreen player to see who could get there first. As they arrived simultaneously the Windgreen player headed the ball into the net, whilst Mark was left to head the post and give himself mild concussion. This turned out to be just the start of Mark's injuries as he ended up with more fouls than Bernard Matthews on a day of particularly slack refereeing.

Although not one of Bere's best performances, they certainly did enough to win the game and this was virtually secured when Wayne knocked his second into an open goal thanks to the persistence of Rob White. Once again Bere let in a late goal, a magnificent inch-perfect free kick, to keep the manager on his toes but it was too little too late from Wimborne and Bere had secured third place in Dorset Sunday Division 2.

Bere Regis 1: P & K Sports 1

The last time these two teams met it was a 10 goal thriller and the points shared on a day when both team's defences went missing.

This time was different as in the Thursday night sunshine an almost capacity crowd (about 30!!) watched Bere give one of their best performances of the season. The pre-match worries about the broken foot had, luckily, been unfounded as David Beckham, sorry I mean Pete Larder, was fit enough to retrieve the balls once more, although slightly hindered by the crutches. Against one of the best footballing teams in the league Bere gave them a lesson in the art of hard tackling and quick passing.

Chances were few and far between throughout the game, but the best were carved out by Bere, with the most memorable a sweet 30 yard drive from Chris Oram that the keeper just managed to palm around the post. Goalless at half time Bere continued their constant pressure in the second half. Wayne and Kevin were relentless up front, the midfield were tackling like Trojans and passing like maestros, whilst the backline was as impregnable as Britney Spears (and just as good looking). P & K looked desperate with a clearance off the line and a desperate fingertip save from a stunning 25 yard volley from our returning football genius Dan Vater. When Bere took the lead in the last five minutes thanks to a stooping header from Kev Cox it looked like they had earned themselves a well deserved victory, until Mark Gale decided to show us his shooting prowess.

A powerful shot from outside the area by P & K was blocked by Paddles but, thankfully, straight back to Mark's feet. I say thankfully, it might actually been better if it had gone straight to their centre forward who had already missed a couple. It could have been his new boots, or the fact that the opposition were wearing Bere's normal blue and white, or perhaps he had taken the mantle of carthorse for the day from Bungy (out with a broken rib, the poof!). We will never know. What was certain was the perfection of the finish as Mark lashed the ball past Paddles at, roughly, the speed of sound and into the top corner. I swear I heard a sonic boom just as the net bulged. It was a heartbreaking end to a wonderful performance by Bere, the only consolation being the guarantee of a semi-final place in the cup with this point. Bere still need 4 points to try and avoid Hamworthy Lions in the semis, but on this form they should fear nobody, except maybe Mark Gale!!

ENTERTAINMENTS

18th May - TV QUIZ

Who played Amy Turtle in Crossroads? What happened to Mel in Eastenders this week? What was Inspector Morse's first name? If you know the answers to all these questions then not only are you a sad and strange individual with no proper life, you are also perfect for our TV quiz on the 18th May. Come to where the beer is cheap and the atmosphere convivial and show off your vast knowledge of Seventies TV detectives with us. What have you got to lose?



BERE REGIS YOUTH CRICKET

Practice nights start again on Tuesday 7th May from 6.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Any interested boys and girls from age 8 upwards are welcome. Membership is £1.00, payable on the first night. Tuesday night fee is 50p. During the season we will be arranging some fundraising events.

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AFFPUDDLE/BRIANTSPUDDLE NEWS

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BRIANTSPUDDLE HALL 100 CLUB

Once again by the time you read this I hope I will have completed selling the numbers for this year's 100 Club. Each number costs £6 for the year. This year the Committee has agreed to increase the amount given back in prizes to a third of the money collected. There will be a maximum monthly prize of £10 and in December two extra prizes of a maximum of £60 and £20.



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The monthly Council Meeting was held in the Village Hall on 10th April. The full council, the District Councillor, the County Councillor and eighteen members of the public were in attendance. This was the last meeting of the current Council.

Code of Conduct

The Council decided to adopt the New Code of Conduct for Parish Councils with effect from 1st May 2002. The new Council, to be elected on 2nd May, would have 28 days in which to sign the Code

Village Hall/Social Club Plans

The Council was informed that, because of the large number of letters received by the Planning Committee, both for and against the plans, the Committee had decided to hold an on site meeting on Wednesday 17th April 2002. A decision would be made at the next Planning Committee meeting on 24th April 2002.

Leisure Bus

Arrangements for this are still in the melting pot. It is planned to convene a meeting of the transport representatives from surrounding councils to discuss the requirement.

Public Discussion Period

The matter of a planning application to increase the number of training days for motor cyclists at Rogers Hill Farm was raised. Although this falls within the Bere Regis Council area, there was sufficient local interest for the matter to be discussed here. Both sides of the argument were clearly put to the meeting by the applicant and a representative of the opposition. The remaining members of the public present then had the opportunity to express their own opinions.



Local Plans

After closure of the Public Discussion Period, plans for the rebuilding of the fire destroyed buildings in Bladen Valley, the replacement of a garage at 12 Bladen Valley, change of use of buildings at Throop House and an extension to Pheasant Cottage in Brianspuddle were discussed

All were approved with the exception of the addition to the cottage, which was rejected by a majority vote. With regard to the Rogers Hill application, it was decided that the Parish Council would support the application in principle but would notify the District Council of some items of concern with regard to the frequency of actual race meetings and control of the training periods.

John Russell

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

By the time you read the magazine I hope it will have been possible for me to have delivered leaflets to all the houses within the parish letting you all know what has been planned by way of celebrations for the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The Parish Council is presenting a commemorative mug to every child of 16 and under on 3rd June. I am endeavouring to make a head count of children when delivering the letter but to make sure no child has been forgotten it would be most helpful if householders could complete and return the form contained in the letter.



Arrangements have also been made for those who wish to buy extra mugs. The mugs which are expected to cost in the region of £3.00 will have a crest and portrait of the Queen together with the legend to the effect that the Parish Council are celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the Queen. Once again please let me know how many mugs to order by completing the questionnaire and delivering it to me a.s.a.p.

There will be a barbecue in the Hail Yard on the evening of Monday 3rd June 2002. The Mill Street Jazz Band has been booked to play during the evening. The Bladen Social Club have arranged for guests to purchase drinks in the Club and the Hall Committee is arranging the barbecue. We will need to know how many people plan to attend. Once again please let me know as soon as possible. It has been agreed to make a nominal charge of £1.00 per person towards the barbecue. It is important that we know how many people wish to attend so that sufficient food can be prepared.

For further details please contact me, Philippa Thorniley, on Bere Regis 471497.

BRIANTSPUDDLE POST OFFICE AND VILLAGE SHOP

On 11th April at a well attended meeting in Briantspuddle Village Hall there was overwhelming support for continuing to keep the shop and post office in the Old Granary going.

The meeting was brought up to date with the recent history of the shop and how it was intended to proceed. It was hoped to form a Friendly Society or Company limited by Guarantee to take overall responsibility for the shop and post office. At present Robert Mileham has been trained by the post office and would be paid by them to run the post office. The friends of the shop are seeking help from volunteers to serve behind the counter, deal with stock and clean the shop.

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Villagers are asked to give considerable thought as to how they can support the shop, The Friends are most grateful to everyone who has offered support and help so far.

Please let John Solly, Paul Badcock, Allan Champion, Marion Perris, Beatrice Debenham, Eric Rolls or Philippa Thorniley have your views on the running of the shop and offers of help and cash.

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB

Bladen Social Club are hosting a coffee morning on Monday 6th May at 10.30 a.m. Then on Saturday 11th May we are holding an auction, both events for Cancer Care Dorset. Ted Steel is our auctioneer and items of any sort can be brought to the club on Friday 10th May between 8.00 p.m. To 1100 p.m. Or on Saturday from 7.30 p.m. For further details please phone Sue on 01258 837267,

Sue Jeanes

BRIANTSPUDDLE W.L.

Our meeting was shorter than usual on 3rd March because our speaker had been taken ill that morning. We began the meeting with a short period of silence in remembrance of the Queen Mother, who was Patron and a member of W.L. for over sixty years.

The meeting then proceeded to the business. Arrangements for three members to go to the Spring Council on 30th April were finalised, as were those for the Coffee Morning on 20th April. The outing to Kew on 25th June still had about six seats available and anyone wanting to go should contact Mrs. Tucker or Mrs. Grindrod with their name and a deposit of £5. Other Institutes have also been offered seats on the coach.

This month's competition was for a favourite piece of china and each person who contributed was asked to tell us the history of their choice, which proved very interesting.

On May 1st we have Resolutions to discuss and there will be a display entitled "Something special to you", to which members are asked to contribute. Intriguing! I shall put my thinking cap on.

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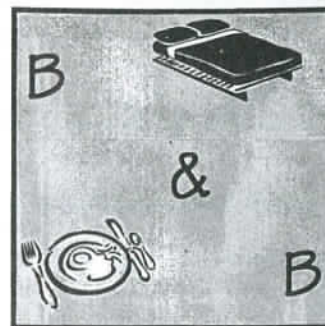
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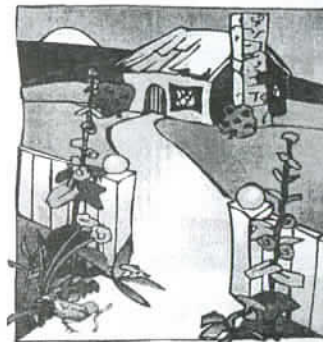
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11th Cheese & wine evening - £2.50 per ticket to include one glass
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18th Carpet bowls - Pairs KO £2 per pair - 7.45 start

JUNE

1st Darts - Pot Luck Mixed Pairs £1 per player 8pm start

3rd (Mon) Youth Club Golden Jubilee

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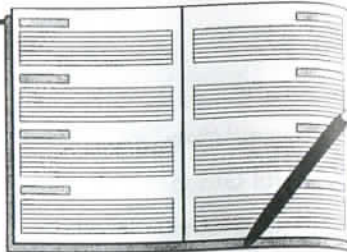
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CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society	7.30 p.m. 1st Monday, British Legion Hall
Autumn Leaves (over 50s)	2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday, Drax Hall
Babysitting Circle	Contact Mary Lillie - 471365
Beavers (6-8 yrs)	6.30 - 7.30 p.m. Wednesdays, Scout HQ
Bere Heath Methodist Chapel	10.30am Sundays except 2nd Sunday monthly (3pm)
Bere Regis Youth "Lenny's"	RBL Club, 1st Wednesday and following Tuesdays Juniors 7.15 - 8.30 p.m. Seniors 7.15 - 10.00 p.m.
Bingo	7.45 p.m. Monday, Drax Hall
British Legion Club	7.15 p.m. - 11.30 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday 7.15 p.m. - 10.30 p.m. Sunday
Legion Women's Section	2.00 p.m. 3rd Wednesday, HQ
Brownies	6.00 - 7.15 p.m. Mondays, Royal British Legion
B.R.S.C.	Winter season opening times: Tues, Wed, Fri 7.00p.m, Sat - 4.25 p.m., Sun - 7.30 p.m.
Briantspuddle Singers	7.45 p.m Tuesdays, Village Hall
Choir Practice	7.00 p.m. Fridays in Church.
C.A.B.	Wareham - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.00 a.m.- 2.00p.m. (closed Wednesday) Bere Regis Surgery (for patients of the surgery only) Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon
Camera Club	7.30 p.m 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Cyril Wood Court
Coffee Stop	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon, 1st Saturday, Cyril Wood Ct
Congregational Church	10.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Sundays, Butt Lane 10.00 a.m. Sunday School
Cubs (8-10½ yrs)	6.30 p.m. - 7.45 p.m. Thursdays, Scout HQ
Dancing classes	Fridays 4.30 p.m.-6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m.-10.00 p.m.
D.S.S. Van	1st Mon 10.15 a.m.-11.00 a.m. Bere Regis P.O.

Dorset/Lativa Link	Secretary - Jenny Silavs - 01929 471577
Floral Group	2.00 p.m. 2nd Tuesday, W. Kingston Village hall
Golden Circle	2.00 p.m. Thursdays, Turberville Court
Guides	Unit suspended
Kingsbere Quilters	1st Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. Drax Hall
Mini Market	10.00 a.m. 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall
Mobile Library	Every Friday alternately 11.15 a.m. -12.35 p.m. and 3.15 p.m. - 4.25 p.m. - Car Park
Mothers' Union	7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, the Church
Parish Council	7.00 p.m. 2nd Thursday, Drax Hall Sub-committees on Post Office notice board
Playgroup Bere Regis	Five mornings, Bere Regis School - Tel: 01305 848792 Wednesday/Thursday PM
Pop in Place	9.00 a.m.- 12.00 Mondays and Fridays, Drax Hall
Rainbows	4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. Mondays, Royal British Legion
RBL Gardening Club	8.00 p.m. 1st Tuesday, Club House. - Elaine 471774
Royal Oak Golf Society	Golf days, last Friday in month - March to October. Contact Guy Storey for further details - 471041
Scouts (10½-15 yrs)	7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Mondays, Scout HQ
Swimming Club	Teaching sessions - Saturdays 6.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m, Blandford L. C. Bob Holman, 01305 848262
Toddler Group	1.30 p.m. Mondays, Congregational Church
Tuesday Club	A social afternoon 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. every Tuesday at Turberville Court. All welcome Contact Ruth Draycott - 471295 for all activities
Twinning Association	8.00 p.m. - 10.00 p.m. Wednesdays, Scout HQ
Venture Scouts (15-20yrs)	Jenny Silavs - 471577
Village Scrapbook	7.30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
W.I. Bere Regis	7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, Briantspuddle Village Hall
W.I. Briantspuddle	2.30 p.m. Mondays, Larkspur, Snow Hill
Woodbury Hill Singers	

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



May

7th	Gardening Club – Tony Bates Slide Show	8.00 p.m.
8th	Autumn Leaves – talk on gardens "at the beginning", Drax hall	2.30 p.m.
11th	Twinning Association French theme evening, Scout Hut	7.30 p.m.
12th	"Bluebells and Cream Tea" – Forest Gate, Bere Heath	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
18th	Woodbury Hill Singers – Jubilee Jamboree, Drax Hall	7.30 p.m.
24th	Concert in Church by Courtlye Musick	8.00 p.m.
25th	Pop in Place Sponsored Walk – Scout Hut	2.00 p.m.
30th – 3rd June	Cyril Wood Court – open studios	10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

June

4th	Gardening Club Jubilee Junket	8.00 p.m.
3rd	Bere Regis Youth "Lenny's", - "Golden Jubilee Invitation Tea Dance"	8.00 p.m.
6th – 9th	Cyril Wood Court – open studios	10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
12th	Autumn Leaves summer outing to Sidmouth, given by the club for Jubilee	10.30 a.m.
22nd/23rd	Twinning Weekend – Cerences visit to Bere Regis	
22nd/23rd	Cyril Wood Court open weekend. Exhibition and craft demonstrations. Coffee shop	11.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
29th	Garden Party at the Vicarage	2.00 p.m.

July

2nd	Gardening Club – Preparations for Showing	8.00 p.m.
10th	Autumn Leaves Rose competition	2.30 p.m.
21st	Pop in Place Open Gardens event (village fundraiser) Offers of gardens in writing to Alison Bennett please	

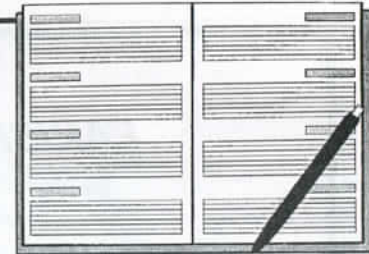
August

5th, 12th, 19th, 23rd	Pop in Place Children's Summer Activities	
6th	Gardening Club trip – Manor House, Steeple	

September

3rd	Gardening Club – Harvest Supper	8.00 p.m.
14th	Pop in Place – Bere Regis Performer of the Year	7.00 p.m.

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October

1st	Gardening Club – Garden History	8.00 p.m.
12th	Pop in Place Jumble Sale, Drax Hall	2.30 p.m.

November

5th	Gardening Club – Veteran Trees	8.00 p.m.
14th – 17th	Cyril Wood Court – Xmas Craft Fair (14th preview day – 6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.)	10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
23rd	Autumn Leaves Christmas Bazaar	

December

3rd	Gardening Club Christmas Party	8.00 p.m.
21st	Pop in Place Community Christmas Party. All welcome	3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

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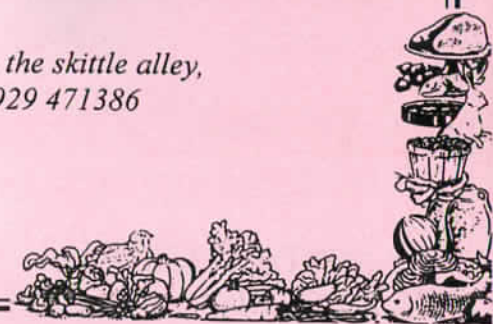
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