THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

Mr. F. Pitfield has now been writing his History of Bere Regis for the magazine for some five years. With the present article in this Magazine the series comes to an end.

I cannot let the occasion pass without saying how very grateful I am to Mr. Pitfield for this remarkable series of articles. They have given so much pleasure and interest to many people and will be a most valuable record to future generations of some of the history of the Church and place in which we live. The work and research which has gone into them must have been tremendous, and while I know it has been a labour of love, nevertheless he deserves our gratitude and thanks.

I am not quite sure at the moment what, if anything can be done about it but I should like to think that at some future date it might be possible to collate all the articles into a continuous whole, and to issue them as a history of the Parish in a formal book or booklet.

This is something which I hope the Parochial Church Council might well consider in due course.

We send our deep sympathy to Mr. Alfred Barnes on the sad loss of his wife, who was buried on September 25th. She will be affectionately remembered by many people in the parish. A sign of the affection in which she was held by all is the fact that some £40 has been contributed to the Morton Chantry Chapel in lieu of flowers and for this I am most grateful. This should be sufficient to provide a permanent memory to her in the Church. The idea of making such gifts instead of sending flowers which must, in the nature of things, decay, was a splendid one, and I would commend it to you in the hope that others in the same sad situation might be moved to do the same.

At this time of the year I feel it is the moment to remind Secretaries of Village organisations that we are always pleased to publish their notes and news in the Parish Magazine. As well as arousing interest in their particular activity the magazine provides a very real means of free advertisement, going, as it does, into every other house in the parish. All we ask is that the matter should reach the Vicarage by the 15th of every month. As I have said before, we will print your articles but we cannot write them!

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

Paul Tranter.
SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

Nov. 3rd. Mrs. Barne
Nov. 10th. Remembrance Sunday Mrs. Barne
Nov. 17th. Mrs. Barne
Nov. 24th. Mrs. Barne

A meeting of the Guild will be held in the Vicarage at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 11th December. If any member cannot be present, will they please let me know before the meeting if they wish to arrange the flowers for any particular Sunday. The rota for the next six months will be made out at the meeting, also collection of the Annual Subscription of 1/6.

C.T.T.

SIDESMEN'S ROTA FOR NOVEMBER

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6. Messrs. R. Smith & M. Barnes

VILLAGE CALENDAR

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School Carol Service.


Mar. 4th. 3 p.m. British Legion Jumble Sale, Drax Hall.
May 31st. Sat. St. Nicholas Garden Party
June 28th. Sat. Bere Regis Garden Party

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 10th

10.45 a.m. Service at the War Memorial. The Two Minutes' Silence. Service after in Church.
3.00 p.m. British Legion Remembrance Sunday United Service For the first time a joint Service with other denominations. ALL WELCOME
6.00 p.m. Evensong. Reading of the names of those on the Roll of Honour.

BERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES

The meetings are held in the Congregational Church Hall at 7.30. On the 12th November there will be a film by Mrs. Jestly about the Channel Islands.

There will be a business meeting on the 26th. This meeting is very important, so all members are asked to do their best to attend.

Do not forget that Keep Fit Classes have started again on Mondays at Bere Regis Primary School at 7.45. ME.

BERE REGIS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Annual Meeting will be held in the Drax Hall on 19th November. The Speaker will be a V.C.O. ME.

PIDDLE VALLEY DISTRICT GIRL GUIDES

The Annual Christmas Sale will be held at the Drax Hall on Saturday 7th December at 2.30 p.m. There will be all the usual Stalls, refreshments, competitions etc., and also again this year Father Christmas has promised to be with us. Please make a note of this date.
Carol Service. The Annual Carol Service will this year be held at Bere Regis on Thursday, 19th December at 6.30 p.m. The Lessons will be read by Guides and Brownie Guides. Everyone will be most welcome to join us on this evening.

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BRITISH LEGION WOMEN’S SECTION

The next Branch meeting will be held on November 27th at 2.30 p.m., at the Drax Hall. There will be a cookery demonstration by the S.E.B. Subject: Party Dishes. Visitors welcome.

A.L. Coles, Hon. Sec.

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BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

Mrs. Herridge would like to thank all those who brought plants for the Stall. Sales came to £4 which is now added to our funds.

Many members and visitors enjoyed Mrs. Gordon Taylor’s Christmas Demonstration. The same theme will be continued at our meeting on Tuesday, 12th November when Mr. E. Maggs is coming to demonstrate “Christmas Splendour”. Anyone interested may come as a visitor, and it is hoped that all members will make a special effort to be present.

M.A.

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THE BEREGIS GUIDE DOG FOR THE BLIND

Interest is growing fast in the Bere Regis Guide Dog for the Blind, and the Fund gradually increasing. Proceeds from the Exemption Dog Show at Morden together with many kind donations from our Village amounted to £59.16.11. Unfortunately expenses of running the Show had to be met, but our total now banked stands at £128.12.0d.

The Collection at the Meeting in the Congregational Church on October 16th was donated and a further £4.5.0d., was added to the Fund, a splendid effort. On October 19th, after going to Press, a Ladies Football Match is to be played in the Recreation Ground, Misty will be making her first appearance after her recent litter, wearing her harness and collecting boxes. A generous offer has been made by the Ferndown Youth Organisation to make a given donation, the amount yet to be decided, after Misty’s appealing appearance on Television.

An OPEN DAY is to be held at Woodbury Side, Bere Regis, on Thursday November 21st from 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. Tea will be served during the afternoon, and coffee throughout the evening. There will be a Novelty and Toy Stall, a Bring and Buy, Lucky Dip and Raffle, and, of course, Misty will be there as Guide Dog Representative.

Contributions for Stalls, Raffle Prizes and offers of help will be warmly welcomed.

And now for the great news, our puppy has actually been selected from Misty’s recent litter, they are to be photographed together and an enlargement presented to Bere Regis. A Subscriber’s name can be added to her Kennel Club name which is Guidewell Neana. All Guide Dogs bear the prefix ‘Guidewell’.

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BERE REGIS WOODWORK CLUB

This newly formed organisation meets weekly at the Old School, Snow Hill, on Thursdays at 7 p.m. New members, be they expert or novice, are cordially invited.

For further details contact Mr. F. Marsh, or Mr. I. Mullins.

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EDITOR’S NOTE:

The old Woodwork Classes under the aegis of the Dorset County Council have been carried on by Mr. Marsh for many years with great profit to the men of the Village. The County Council’s support has recently been suddenly withdrawn.

We are delighted to know that the members of the Class have now formed themselves into a Village Club and the work will go on. We congratulate them on their tenacity and determination and warmly commend this Club to all who might be interested in woodwork.

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MOTHERS’ UNION

For the next year or so the Bere Regis and the Winterbourne Kingston Branches of the Mothers’ Union will be meeting together for all meetings with the exception of the Corporate Communions.

The first of these joint meetings will be held in the Drax Hall on Thursday November 14th at 7.30 p.m., when the Rev. J.L. Woods, the Vicar of Osmington, and Rural Dean of Weymouth, is to be the Speaker. The title of his talk is to be “Bells - from Aaron to the Hippies”.

Full details of the Christmas dinner to be held in Bournemouth on Tuesday December 17th should be available in time for next month’s Magazine.

For the moment it is sufficient to say that it will be held in the evening, the cost will be, including coach fare, in the region of 16/- and that husbands are welcome. Names without any delay please to Mrs. Miller, Towns End Farm for Bere Regis, and Mrs. Bracewell, School House for Winterbourne Kingston.
## HISTORY OF BERE REGIS - 39 (conclusion)

### THE DOMESDAY SURVEY 1086 (continued)

Following is a tabular description of the Hundred of Bere showing the Saxon ownership before 1066 and the Norman ownership at the time of the Domesday Survey in 1086:

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### WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON

**ST. NICHOLAS MARKET**

**ST. NICHOLAS DAY, FRIDAY 6th DECEMBER, at 7.00 p.m. IN THE VILLAGE HALL. TO BE OPENED BY MRS. H. W. BURDETT**

**THERE WILL BE A VARIETY OF STALLS. Gifts will be most gratefully received at the Village Hall on MARKET DAY between 2.30 and 3.30 p.m. Your support will be much appreciated and we hope to meet you at the 'Market' on St. Nicholas Day - 6th December.**

### FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS

**TORCHBEARERS**

We have seen during the last few weeks the 1968 Olympic Games from Mexico City. The vast stadium with its thousands of athletes and spectators from all over the world has been brought to our firesides direct by satellite through the medium of Television.

One of the most moving experiences must have been at the opening of the Games when a lone girl athlete entered the vast stadium bearing the Olympic Torch, the flame which had been kindled on Mount Olympus in Greece and had been carried by a number of torchbearers until it reached Mexico City, where the flame burnt high above the stadium throughout the Games.

In the city where St. Paul was born, Tarus, a city to which young men from Asia Minor went to study at the colleges, students were just as keen on sports and physical training as they are today. The greatest honours any man could win would be in the games. Some of the most famous games in the world were held at the stadium...
built on the isthmus outside the city of Corinth, and were called the Isthmian Games, in fact they were like the Olympic Games today. The prizes at the Isthmian Games, however, were very poor, for the victor did not get a gold medal, all he received was a wreath of green leaves, which soon withered. When he returned, to his native city, however, no honour was too great for him, for he had not only brought honour upon himself but also had brought honour to the village or town where he lived.

Not everyone was allowed to compete in the games, for every competitor had to undergo strict training. Ten months training for a ten minute contest and the reward was a wreath of green leaves that withered in a week. Today, if you take part in the games, you have to train beforehand. The great athletes of the world, as we have seen during the past few weeks, do it, as Saint Paul says, 'to win a crown'. There is no half measure about their training, they put all they have into it. They do it. They do not train like someone who does not really care.

It is not difficult to make a good start, but it is keeping it up that gives us the greatest trouble. The first month in the new form is easy, the first week or two of training for the race, is great fun, but it gets tiresome. How true it is, that when things are hard, that is when they really begin to count. The torchbearer in the old Greek races had to do more than carry the torch, and keep it alight, he had to hand it on.

You all know that to make a torch burn more brightly you wave it above your head and it flames in splendour. We too have a torch to bear, ours is a witness to the Christian way of life. If people can say of us, that we can be relied upon, that we can be trusted, that we keep our promises, because we are Christians, that we are helpful and kind, then the torch of the Christian which has been handed to us will burn brightly and as we hand it on the flame will be even more splendid. We shall indeed be 'torchbearers'.

E.M.S.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM
Sept. 7th. Alissa Claire Vernon
Sept. 22nd. Jacqueline Anne Lockyer

BURIAL
Sept. 3rd. Alice Cheeseman, aged 61.
Sept. 22nd. Dulcie Viola Barnes, aged 74.

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HOLY MATRIMONY
Sept. 28th. Maurice Terrence Freak and Jean Mary Pitcher.