My dear Friends,

I meant to mention last month, did not do so owing to lack of space, that Mr. Farnham after about 14 years has felt that he can no longer continue to look after the Churchyard. We are most grateful to him for all the hard work he has put in and the case he has bestowed upon it, we in Bere Regis are justly proud of the condition of the Churchyard and it was a matter of some anxiety to me as to how we should go on after Mr. Farnham gave up.

But my anxiety did not last long for I was delighted when Mr. T. Woolfries agreed to take over in Mr. Farnham's place. As all of you can see he has not been slow in carrying on the good work and our Churchyard is a model and example to all other parishes.

We have two Garden Parties, first Winterbourne Kingston on Saturday June 12th in the garden of the Old Parsonage, through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs Lloyd Jones, full details of which appear in the St. Nicholas section of the magazine. I shall be grateful for your support of this effort of our daughter Church. Secondly we have the Bere Regis Garden Party in the grounds of Summerrods on Saturday the 26th of June, through the kindness of Brigadier and Mrs. Tadman. Full details of this happy event will be published in due course. There will be the usual attractions and competitions and we look forward to this annual event with anticipation.

As I write this we are in full preparation for the Flower Festival which will be well over by the time you read this. I shall be writing about it in the July issue.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,
Paul Tranter

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SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

| June 6th. | Mrs. Howard | Mrs. Cahill |
| June 13th. | Mrs. Roffey | Mrs. Wright |
| June 20th. | Miss Combs | Mrs. Ward |
| June 27th. | Mrs. Cobb | Mrs. Sharman |

HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF THE SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

This meeting will be held at the Vicarage at 3 p.m. on Thursday June 3rd. This is a splendid piece of service to the Church and we should be very glad to welcome new members to the Guild which gives so much pleasure to so many people.
SIDESMEN'S ROTA FOR JUNE

June 13 11. Col. A. Barne & Mr. F. Marsh
6. Messrs. R. Barnes & M. Barnes
June 20 11. Messrs. I. Mullins & M. Lys
6. Messrs. J. House & F. Marsh
June 27 11. Mr. K. Woolfries & Brig. D. Tadman
July 4 11. Col. A. Barne & Mr. R. Smith
6. Messrs. R. Barnes & J. House

SIDESMEN'S QUARTERLY MEETING

At the Vicarage 8 p.m. on Monday June 14th. It is a great convenience and help if as many Sidesmen as possible will make a point of attending.

VILLAGE CALENDAR

June 3 3. sanctuary Guild. the Vicarage.
8. Tu. Young Wives Summer Market at Broadwater, Roke Road, 7 p.m. Opener : Mr. Jeremy James.
12. Sat. Winterbourne Kingston Garden Party
14. Mon. 8 p.m. Sidesmen's Meeting.
23. Wed. 7.30 Missionary Festival at Puddletown
July 3. Sat. Bere Regis School Carnival and Gala
5. Mon. 3. School Managers
25. 4 p.m. Bulbarrow Open Air Service

MOTHERS' UNION

There will be a joint meeting of the Bere Regis and Winterbourne Branches of the M. U. at the School Winterbourne Kingston on Wednesday June 9th 7.30 p.m. Cars from Bere Regis at the Vicarage at 7.15 p.m.

BERE REGIS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The June meeting will be held in the Drax Hall. The speaker to be Miss K. Symonds about 50 years as pupil and teacher.

BERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES' GROUP

On June 8th at 7 p.m. there will be a Summer Market held at Broadwater, Roke Road, and the opener to be Mr. Jeremy James of the television programme 'Man Alive'.

On the 22nd there will be a talk on Soft Furnishing.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

Next meeting June 8th when Mrs. Joan Parrish will demonstrate "flowers from my garden".

The takings from the coffee mornings were:

Fair View Orchard £15.49
Woodbury Side £25.75
Summerods £20.50

Many thanks to everyone for their support.

BERE REGIS COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL P. T. A.

CARNIVAL AND GALA DAY - 3rd JULY

The Dance at which this year's Carnival Princess will be chosen will be on Friday 4th June at the Youth Club Hall. Carnival Day attractions include, Road Safety and Crime Prevention Exhibition, Royal Observer Corps Exhibition, Working Model Fairground, Display by pupils of Bere Regis School, and 'It's a Knock-out' Competition. Stalls, sideshows and Teddy Bear's Picnic. Handicraft Show in the School Hall.

The Carnival procession will be headed by the Durnovaria Band, leaving Sitterton at 5.30 p.m.

Application forms for Carnival Procession floats and schedules for Handicraft Show obtainable from Mrs. Mullins, Bere Regis 432.

CHURCH REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

It was suggested at a Church Council Meeting lately that it would be of general interest to have a news bulletin at intervals, in this Magazine to say what work is in progress in the Church and
what is likely to be done in the near future.

Such a record would also make it easy in years to come as a reference for Historians and those studying Church architecture and such things as building materials and structure.

After the Architect’s (Mr. Crickmay) inspection in May 1970, the report showed thirteen items which required action before the next inspection and report in 1975.

These items were listed in order of priority by the Fabric Committee, with estimated cost of each and agreement for work to be started is given by the Council on the advice of the Treasurer as funds become available.

The top priority was given to repairing the East Gable of the Chancel, and this job is now in progress.

Whenever practical competitive Tenders are obtained, and in this case the lowest Tenderer was A. E. Griffin & Son, with whom the order has been placed.

It was decided that with the funds now available and before costs rise further, the opportunity was now ripe to tackle the exterior of the Church Tower. This involves the erection of scaffolding in order to repair the stonework on the Tower including the Belfry windows, parapet and pinnacles, and rebuild the boiler chimney stack. Builders who are thought to be capable of the work have already been asked to submit Tenders.

The Architect has been given a figure as to the limit of what we can afford, and if no major unforeseen problem arises, the whole Tower including the stonework to the Window will be completed. Should the money run out, it is hoped that repairs will have been effected down to a level where by use of ladders the remaining work can be done at a later date.

We therefore hope that by 1975 when the next five-year inspection takes place, we shall be able to start off with a "clean sheet".

It would be impossible to do these things or budget for the future if we did not have the firm assurance of subscriptions from the many and generous Friends of Bere Regis Church.

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**WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON, CHURCH OF SAINT NICHOLAS**

**ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

At the Annual Church Meeting, the Vicar appointed Mr. C. Sheppard as Vicar’s Warden, and Mr. A. Simpson was elected People’s Warden. Members of the Church Council elected for the ensuing year are:

- Mr. H. Bracewell, Mrs. H. Bracewell, Mrs. H. Burdett,
- Mrs. P. House, Mrs. E. Legg, Mr. R. Lemon, Mrs. F. Locke,
- Mrs. P. Nash, Miss B. Puckett, Mrs. M. Rolls, Mrs. C. Symes,
- Mrs. G. Thrush, Mrs. E. Vincent, Mrs. A. Wellstead,
- Secretary/Treasurer - Miss E. M. Sheppard,
- Ex-officio member - Mrs. P. Tranter,
- Elected to the Bere Regis Parochial Church Council - Mrs. H. Bracewell and Mrs. F. Locke,
- Deanery Synod Representative - Miss Sheppard.

The audited Church Accounts were presented in detail and adopted.

Miss B. Puckett was elected as Electoral Roll Officer and it is hoped that it will be possible to bring the Roll up-to-date.

The Vicar, in his remarks said he was most grateful to so many people for their work for the Church, he expressed his thanks
to the Churchwardens, members of the Church Council, to those who care for the Churchyard, those who clean the Church voluntarily, arrange the flowers Sunday by Sunday and at Festival times, the magazine distributors, to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Mothers' Union and the members for their support, to the Teachers of the Sunday School, the attendance at which shows the day of the Sunday School is not over, and to all Members of the Council for their help in the running of the Church.

Discussion took place on various Church matters and forthcoming events.

The Vicar was thanked for his work for the Church and also Mrs. Tranter, to whom best wishes were sent for a speedy return to health and strength.

E. M. S.

A Coffee Evening was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, the proceeds of which commenced a fund for a new Sanctuary Carpet in the Church.

Mr. Bracewell showed a number of coloured slides, depicting many parts of the village and farther afield, taken at various seasons of the year and at many different times of the day, which were very much enjoyed.

As a result of the evening the sum of £7.00 was raised for the new fund.

Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Simpson and Mr. Bracewell and to all others who helped in various ways, to make it an enjoyable occasion were expressed during the evening.

E. M. S.

FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON

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