My dear Friends,

As I expect you have found an order form for Mr. Potfield's new book on Bere Regis was inserted in every copy of last month's magazine. If by any chance you did not find it, there is a further supply on the visitor's table in the church. Providing that there are sufficient orders this book should be published towards the end of next year, in time we hope for the Centenary Celebrations of the Restoration of the Church, while the cost of the book will be £5.50, this by today's prices is an exceptionally reasonable price for such a book, with many illustrations in a hardback cloth binding.

It will be a book of the greatest importance to Bere Regis, one to be treasured and handed on in the family. As the Brochure says "No place can more deserve a history, but this is the first time a book has been written about Bere Regis......remarkable for its lavish production with no less than 299 illustrations. I trust that many of our readers will fill up the order form so that this important book can be put into production.

3p. per week from now till the date of publication will cover the cost.

You will find in a later page a notice of Youth Club week. Last year this week was not at all well supported by the adult end of our villagers. May I once again appeal for your help and interest. If we want to bridge the so called "generation gap" this is one way in which we can make a start. If we want to bring young people into the community then it is obvious that the community must show that their particular interests are part of the whole. The special Service takes place on Sunday October 27th at 6 p.m., with two groups, special hymns, and the Lessons and Collection being managed by the young people themselves.

Your sincere friend & Vicar,

PAUL TRANTER.

* * * * * *

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD.

November 3rd. Mrs. Barne.
November 10th. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY. Mrs. Barne.
November 17th. Mrs. Barne.
November 24th. Mrs. Barne.
SIDESMEN'S ROTA FOR OCTOBER.

       6 p.m. Messrs. R. Barnes & H. Dashwood.

" 13th. 11 a.m. Mr. W. F. Lys & Col. A. Barne.
       6 p.m. Messers. M. A. Bloomfield & M. Barnes.

" 20th. 11 a.m. Messrs. I. Mullins & K. Woolfries.
       6 p.m. Messrs. R. Barnes & H. Dashwood.

" 27th. 11 a.m. Messrs. A. Bates & C. Ward.
       6 p.m. Youth Club Service.

Nov. 3rd. 11 a.m. Major M. Knowler & Mr. E. Woolfries.
       6 p.m. Messrs. J. House & M. A. Bloomfield.

GUILD OF SERVERS.

Oct. 6th. 11 a.m. John Pitfield
       13th. 8 a.m. Richard Mullins.
       20th. 8 a.m. Christopher Booth.
       27th. 8 a.m. David Miller

Nov. 3rd. 11 a.m. John Pitfield
       10th. 8 a.m. Mark Pitfield.  M.P.

BELLRINGERS ROTA.

       6 p.m. Messrs. Woolfries, England, Miss Pitfield.

       6 p.m. Messrs. Steele, Woolfries, England, Miss Pitfield.

" 20th. 11 a.m. Messrs. Holman, Porter, Collis, Woolfries.
       6 p.m. Mr. Woolfries & Miss Pitfield.

       6 p.m. Miss Pitfield & Messrs. Woolfries, Steele, England.

VILLAGE CALENDAR. (Cont'd....)

Oct. 10 Thurs. Children's Re-union - Mr. Robertson.
       " 14. Mon.  8 p.m. Vicarage - Centenary Sub-Committee.
       " 17. Thurs.  2.30 Mothers' Union Corporate Communion.
       " 27. SUN.  6 p.m. Youth Club Service.

Nov. 10. SUN. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

" 18. Mon.  7.30 p.m. Parochial Church Council - Vicarage.

Dec. 4. Wed. Conservative Evening Party, 7.30 p.m. - Drax Hall.
       " 7. Sat.  Autumn Leaves - Christmas Bazaar - 2.30 - Drax Hall.
       " 12. Thurs. 2.30 Sanctuary Guild - Vicarage.
       " 22. SUN.  6 p.m. Carol Service.

Jan. 12. SUN. 3 p.m. Plough Sunday Service.


MOTHERS' UNION.

What a splendid social gathering we had for our first meeting of the Autumn held in September. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all and I should like to say 'thank you' to all those who contributed such wonderful refreshments.

Our next meeting will take place at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 9th October. I am not quite certain as to the speaker at the moment, but will see that the Vicar announces it in Church as soon as I have heard.

Phyllis Tranter.

BELLRINGING.

Bellringing practice has commenced again on Wednesday evenings. We have a few new ringers starting at the moment, and any others interested, or who would like to get back into the 'ringing' are very welcome from 7.00 p.m. onwards.

J.C.E. - Captain.

BERE REGIS COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

The Annual General Meeting will take place at the School on Wednesday, 16th October at 7.45 p.m.

All parents are cordially invited to hear of the past year's activities, to elect the P.T.A. officers and committee, and raise any matters relating to the school for action in the future.

J. G. Ryland - Chairman.
BIBLE STUDY GROUP.

The above Group will meet at 2.30 p.m. on Fridays October 11th and 25th at the house of Mrs. Boyd, 19 South Mead.

HARVEST ARRANGEMENTS

Sunday October 6th.

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Mattins.

3 p.m. Children's Gift Service.

6 p.m. Evensong.

Gifts of fruit, flowers and vegetables will be welcomed, preferably on Friday morning Oct. 4th, when the Church is to be decorated. Groceries are also welcomed as we hope this year to distribute the goods round the parish.

A good deal of help will be needed on Monday Oct. 7th, to do this.

The Family Service usually held on the 2nd Sunday will for this month be moved to the 1st Sunday, so as to coincide with the Harvest.

We hope all children will bring a gift to the harvest.

HARVEST SUPPER - SATURDAY OCTOBER 5th.

DRAX HALL - 7 p.m.

Bring your own knife, fork & spoon.

Speaker - Mr. Simon Tranter on Fertilizers.

HYMN SINGING.

As Sept. 29th. Michaelmas Day is the fifth Sunday in the month we shall have shortened Evensong and in place of the Sermon will be singing some of your favourite hymns. You will find a list on the Visitors table for any of you to indicate your choice. Come and join in and help with the singing.

SCRIPTURE UNION - BERE REGIS BRANCH.

Mr. Harold Robertson is coming for

A Re-Union

Thursday October 10th

6.30 p.m. - Drax Hall

Come and meet him again. Bring your parents. Singing, Quiz, Slides - Refreshments. Transport provided if needed. Let us know.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Dr. & Mrs. Boyd,

19 South Mead.

Phone B.R. 304.

BERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES.

Meetings are held in the Congregational Church at 7.30. The Annual General Meeting will be on the 8th October. All members please do their best to attend this important meeting. The annual party will be on the 22nd October.

BRIANTSPUDDLE SINGERS.

The Briantspuddle Singers meet every Tuesday at 8.00 p.m. in the Briantspuddle Village Hall. The main work this year will be Haydn's "The Seasons". For further details, please contact Mrs. Pitfield, Tel: Bere Regis 391.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The weather was reasonably kind to us for the trip we had planned round the Dorset countryside, during August, and all seemed to have a very enjoyable evening.

We welcome Miss Wainwright at our September meeting, when she speaks on the Flowers in Austria. Unfortunately the speaker arranged for October is indisposed, but nevertheless we are hoping to have a "Pot-luck" evening - and who knows what might come out of the "Pot"!

AN APPRECIATION.

Mrs. Lucy Beken & family would like to thank most sincerely D. Benjafield who showed such splendid patience and understanding during the late Mr. Beken's illness, also all those who sent such kind messages and letters on her recent bereavement. She regrets it is not possible to answer each one personally but hopes this short announcement will express in small measure her gratitude to so many friends.

AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 60 CLUB.

Our 2nd Birthday Luncheon took place on Wed. 11th Sept. 95 sat down to roast beef etc. with a glass of wine with the toast. Mrs. Jeaves welcomed our guests and Mrs. Knower was the Speaker who outlined the Club's activities throughout the year. The Club now registered 93. We were entertained by Doreen and David a Duo, a raffle was held and several prizes won throughout the afternoon. The birthday cake was cut by Mrs. Boyd and Happy Birthday was sung. The competition for the largest dahlia was won by Mr. Sollis. A letter was read from Chelsea Pensioner Jimmy Brown. Tea was served latter and to finish we sang Auld Lang Syne. The whole afternoon was a great encouragement to our President Mrs. Jeaves and her hostesses. We still would like to see new members so just come along on October 19th and join us.

S. K.

2nd Annual Ball at Bovington on 19th October, Sat., at 7.30, Skyliners Dance Band, tickets limited, price £2.25p. Including buffet obtainable from Post Office and Butchers. Please get your tickets soon so as to avoid disappointment.

S. K.
HERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP.

The next meeting of the Group will be on Tuesday, October 8th when Mrs. Aldridge will be demonstrating Foliage Arrangements. There will also be a Plant Stall. New members and visitors will be welcomed.

A.I.

NATIONAL YOUTH CLUB WEEK - OCTOBER 18-26TH.

| Fri. 18th. | Discotheque | 8 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Mon. 21st. | Club Night  | 7.30 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Tues. 22nd.| Whist Drive | 7.30 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Wed. 23rd. | Coffee Morning | 10.30 p.m. (By kind permission of Dr. & Mrs. Boyd, South Mead.) |
| Thurs. 24th.| Bingo      | 7.30 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Fri. 25th. | Discotheque| 8 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Sat. 26th. | Tea Afternoon & Main Draw | 3 p.m. - Club Hut. |
| Sun. 27th. | Youth Service | 6 p.m. at Bere Regis Church. |

CHILDREN'S THANKS.

The children of Sitterton would like to thank everyone who gave or helped in any way at their fete, during the Summer holidays.
Special thanks to Mrs. Howard who gave the prizes, and her French friend who judged the fancy dress. £15.75p was given to the handicapped children at Henchard House, Dorchester.

R.H.L.I.

The house-to-house collection in aid of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution carried out in Bere Regis at the end of July produced £34.09. Very many thanks indeed to all Collectors and to those who gave so generously.

The total amount raised throughout the area covered by the Wareham and District Branch was £357.54.

P. Howard.

BLIND COLLECTION WEEK.

The amount collected in Bere Regis during the flag week for this very good cause amounted to £20.64. I would like to thank all who gave and those who did the collecting.

M.C.

HERE REGIS PARISH COUNCIL.

The monthly meeting was held on 21st August. Some of the matters previously discussed which were carried further are shown in the following account.

VILLAGE PLAN: A reply, on exactly the same lines as those received over the years regarding the By-Pass, was read from the Department of the Environment; this was of a completely general character and committed no-one to anything! However, a member read a letter, sent on to him by the Member for South Dorset, Mr. Evelyn King, which the latter had received from Mr. Neil Carmichael, Under Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment. In this, while re-iterating the present position, it was stated that a public exhibition would be arranged by the County Council at which would be shown alternative Village Plans and the alternative lines for the By-Pass, work on the latter of which was then nearing completion. It is expected that this exhibition will be prepared early next year, but Mr. Carmichael hopes that possibly this timing will be improved on. Public comment will be invited so that the Department will be able to take these opinions into consideration before deciding on the line of the By-Pass, which will be published as a Statutory proposal; the Village Plan will, in a number of respects, have to be determined by the latter, so that, presumably, it cannot be finalised until the Statutory proposal is made known. At least, however, the Department has made some commitment as to the timing of the decision - though none at all, of course, as to the commencement of any part of the work of the By-Pass, the most important part of which is, of course, the North Street Relief Road. It is still the policy of the Parish Council to press for the latter as a matter of priority and urgency.

BUNGALOWS AT SOUTHROCK. A letter from the District Council stated that these could be expected to be started in 6-12 months. The Clerk was instructed to send a strong letter of protest, pointing out that the tenants affected had been told some months ago to expect to hear "shortly" as to the extent of their gardens to be taken, and had heard nothing since, and that a member, on enquiry from the then Surveyor, about the same time, was told that this development was on the programme for 1974, and would therefore be started in that year.

HERE DOWN MILL: The Department of the Environment have at last replied about the decision on the appeal of the owner against the Discontinuance Order. The Order was confirmed by the Secretary of State on July 5th and the County Council were so informed on the same date.

STREET LIGHTING. It was agreed to leave the question as to whether some small accounts for maintenance were in order to the Committee on this whole matter.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE: It was reported that the maintenance was being carried out in an exemplary fashion and all Councillors who had seen it agreed that it had never been better kept.
PLANNING MATTERS:

CHILK PIT FARM. Dr. Boyd reported having discussions and correspondence with Colonel Mansell, County Council Chairman and Member for the Parish, on the subject of the re-opening of the application for planning permission for a Caravan Site here, and he gave a resume of this and of the correspondence between Colonel Mansell and the Chief Executive of the District Council. All agreed that Colonel Mansell had been extremely active and helpful in this matter and Dr. Boyd was asked to convey to him the grateful thanks of the Council. Arising from this it should be noted that the Chief Executive had known of the offer to sell to the Council for some time, but had not so informed the Development Services Committee before it met, so that the effect on the latter was exactly that reported last month; it appears that this action is quite valid. The property has now changed hands again.

A number of actions becoming known as apparently quite valid and legal should act as warnings to all to remember that 'the price of liberty is eternal vigilance'; these include the following:

The Planning Authority can reconsider a previously refused application without notifying the Parish Council. It can also hold a site meeting without representatives of the Parish Council being invited. A variation in an already agreed application to the District Council can be considered and agreed to, without any reference to the Parish Council, either before or afterwards. A Planning Application can be considered and permission granted, (e.g. an extension to a house) without the neighbours being necessarily informed, thus losing the opportunity of protest, all the more important as the latter have no right of appeal, this only being open to the applicant if he is refused permission. Anyone becoming aware of such occurrences should therefore contact a member of the Parish Council at once.

SITE 88 (Lands of Manor Farm and adjacent ground). Members have now had opportunity to inspect this site, purchased by the District Council for eventual development, at the western part of which the River Authority has given permission to develop up to within 100 feet of Bere Stream. It was decided to inform the Council that this Council favoured leaving the limit as previously, namely 75 yards, thus keeping this part of the village as an open area which should not be encroached upon in any way.

NEW MATTERS RAISED, included the following:

An outline planning application for one dwelling on a two-acre site close to Bere Lodge, Hyde, recommended for refusal as it would not be in conformity with the Council's Rural Planning Policy.

D.H.S.E.

FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS.

HOLY BAPTISM: Sept. 8th. Mark Green.


SMALL ADS.

(15p. every 3 lines).

TAXI

Contact — RON RICKETTS, "Lamorna", Tolpuddle. Tel: Puddletown 508. Evenings and week-ends.