THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

Very warm and grateful thanks to all those many people who by their efforts, made such a success of our Annual Garden Party. Although the weather was cold and draughty a very good number of people came out for the occasion, and going by the results came ready to buy. We are most grateful to Brigadier and Mrs. Tadman for lending us their beautiful garden and indeed a good deal of the house as well.

It was a happy afternoon and I am sure everyone enjoyed it. The accounts are printed on a later page, and what good reading they make, again an all time record. Although the takings did not quite make up for the frightening inflation of the last 12 months at least they went a good deal of the way and considering the many difficulties of the time, were quite remarkable.

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mrs. Clatworthy the mother of Mrs. Jeeves. She had not been in good health since being involved in an unfortunate car accident some little time ago, but had been nursed and cared for by her daughter until just a short time before her death. We send our warm sympathy to Mrs. Jeeves and her family.

I see in the July magazine I said that I would publish the completed programme of the Centenary Festival. This I have done and I hope you will peruse it carefully. It will also be published in the September issue to give it the maximum publicity. But nothing can take the place of the personal touch between person and person, so please play your part in talking about it between yourselves and also to those outside the parish. We are hoping to have the Church packed out for the Concerts and it will help the organisers very greatly if you could order your programmes, in advance - either from the Post Office or Mrs. Tadman at Sumnerrods.

Please note the slight changes in Sunday Services during August when I am on holiday. I am very pleased to be able to tell you that Mr. Stanger will again be taking all the services for me. Please support him all you can.

Your sincerely friend and Vicar,

PAUL TRANTER
SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

August 3rd  Mrs. G. N. Griffin  Mrs. Wyatt
August 10th  Mrs. J. House  The Misses House
August 17th  Mrs. Bates  Mrs. Hudson
August 24th  Mrs. J. Jesty  Mrs. Boyd
August 31st  Mrs. G. R. Griffin  Miss Combes

SIDESMEN'S ROTA FOR AUGUST

August 3rd  11 a.m. Major M. Knowler, and Mr. K. Woolfries
6 p.m.  Messrs. M. A. Bloomfield and H. Dashwood
10th  11 a.m. Major J. Hudson and Mr. A. Bates
6 p.m.  Messrs. M. Barnes and F. Parsons
17th  11 a.m. Messrs. W. F. Lys and I. Mullins
6 p.m.  Messrs. J. House and M. A. Bloomfield
24th  11 a.m. Messrs. F. Parsons and K. Woolfries
6 p.m.  Messrs. D. Poore and H. Dashwood
31st  11 a.m. Messrs. W. F. Lys and G. Ward
6 p.m.  Messrs. M. A. Bloomfield and M. Barnes

Sept. 7th  11 a.m. Messrs. K. Woolfries and F. Parsons
6 p.m.  Messrs. M. Barnes and H. Dashwood

GUILD OF SERVERS

Aug. 3  8 a.m. Richard Mullins
10  8 a.m. John Pittfield
17  8 a.m. David Miller
24  8 a.m. Mark Pittfield
31  8 a.m. Richard Mullins
Sept. 7  11 a.m. Christopher Booth

VILLAGE CALENDAR

Aug. 8th  Fri.  Cheese and Wine Party, R.B.L.Hq. 8 p.m.
9th  Sat.  Horticultural Show. 2.30 p.m. Sports Field
13th  Wed.  Autumn Leaves. Mystery Tour.
14th  Thurs.  Drax Hall, Coffee Morning at Summerrods
        10.30 - 12.
29th  Fri.  2.30 Magazine Distributors Meeting
Sept. 3rd  Wed.  7.30 Mothers Union Opening Meeting
4th  Thurs  7.30 Social Committee, Summerrods

September 10th  Wed 7 p.m. School Managers
September 15th  Mon 7.30 p.m. Parochial Church Council Vicarage
September 27th  October 5th  Centenary Celebrations of the Restoration of the Church

OCTOBER 5th  HARVEST FESTIVAL. Preacher at 6 p.m. The Ven. The
Archdeacon of Dorset. Torchlight procession round the village

Novmbr. 23  Sun.  6.30 p.m. Deanery Service at Wareham
25th  Tues.  Floral Group Christmas Fair.
December 3rd. Wed. 2.30 Sanctuary Guild, Vicarage
6th  Sat.  Xmas Stocking, Drax Hall

BELLRINGERS - AUGUST

Due to holidays, the list of ringers has not been compiled for this month, but those ringers who can attend are asked to do so, as numbers will be short.

It is hoped that the publishing of a monthly list has been useful, and the captain thanks all those who have co-operated in keeping the bells ringing during the year.

We can only take note and try to copy Tom Woolfries, who not only is always willing to ring morning or evening, but also keeps an eye on the "works" of the belfry.

Let us hope that we will see both Joyce Corben and Bruce Collis back ringing again soon.

With shorter autumn evenings ahead, it is intended to restart practice on Wednesday evenings in September, and any new ringers will be very welcome to join the team listed in the Dorchester branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers.

BERE REGIS: St John the Baptist, Bells 6, Tenor 19 cwt. in E. flat
Sunday ringing 10.30 - 11 a.m.  5.30 - 6 p.m. Practice night Wednesday, 7.30 - 9 p.m.

D. R. Gibbs (Correspondent), 17 Sitterton Close, Bere Regis
Hon. Life Members: H. Pittfield, T. Woolfries
RINGERS: E. Collis, Mrs. J. Comben, J. Bugland, R. Holman, R. Porter,
Miss I. Pittfield, R. Ricketts, E. Steele, Rev. P. Tranter.

MOTHERS UNION

There will be no meeting in August but the Winter Session will commence with a social gathering on Wednesday September 3rd at which I hope every
member will try to be present.

Offers of refreshments to Mrs. England please, 10 South Mead.

Also please make a particular note of the alteration of the date to the first Wednesday in the month on this occasion as I shall be away on the second Wednesday.

P. J. T.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

No meetings of the above Group during August, but we shall meet once during September, on the 19th.

HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS

All Services will be the same during August, with the exception that on the first Sunday there will be an 8 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Communion with Mattins at 11 a.m. There will be no Family Service on the second Sunday neither will there by any Baptisms.

During the Vicar's absence on holiday, the Services will be taken by the Rev. W. H. STANGER of Winterborne Stickland.

HYMN SINGING

As August 31st is the fifth Sunday in the month, we shall have shortened Evensong and in the place of the sermon will be singing some of your favourite hymns.

If you have a particular choice please speak to Miss Smith about it.

Come and join in and help with the singing.

REMEMBER THE CENTENARY FESTIVAL WEEK - SEPT. 27th - OCT. 5th.

THE DORSET ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED

The Collection for the above amounted to £25.76. This is an increase on last year. Mrs. Lys thanks those who collected and those who contributed.

BERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES

SEPT.

On Tuesday 9th September there will be a talk on Stone Polishing, and on the 23rd a talk by Major Dickinson of the Citizens Advice Bureau.

M.E.

BERE REGIS CHURCH. RESTORATION CENTENARY FESTIVAL

Saturday September 27th to Sunday October 5th

Saturday September 27th at 7.30 p.m.

The Dorset County Orchestra

Tay Cheng-Jim - Counter Tenor

Sunday September 28th at 6 p.m.

Evensong with the Dorset Blind Choir

Monday September 29th

A Full Peal by the Dorset Guild of Ringers. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Wednesday October 1st at 7.30 p.m.

The Dmitri Wind Ensemble

The Kingsbere Singers

Barry Ferguson. F.R.C.O. - Organ

Thursday October 2nd at 7.30 p.m.

Historical Pageant with Music by the pupils of Bere Regis School

Friday October 3rd at 7.30 p.m.

Jane Casson. Word and Song

Geraldine Bush - Flute

Saturday October 4th

A Quarter Peal by the Isle of Wight Ringers

Parish Harvest Supper

8.30 p.m. Bonfire, Singing and Fireworks on Court Green

Sunday October 5th

HARVEST FESTIVAL

6 p.m. Festal Evensong

Preacher - The Ven. The Archdeacon of Dorset

Brass Ensemble

Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis. Pitfield

(First Performance. Specially composed for the occasion)

Torchlight Procession through the Village.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Minutes and business of our June Meeting over, Mrs. Cottee of Wareham W.I., who had also represented our W.I. at the A.G.M. in London, gave us a clear, brief account of the voting on the Resolutions put before the A.G.M.
We had been promised ‘Fun with Music’ by Mrs. Winkworth, and the promise was certainly fulfilled! It was a noisy, hilarious evening, with our singing and playing our ‘instruments’. Mrs. Winkworth is Vice-Chairman of the County Executive Committee, and also Chairman of the Music Sub-Committee, and we were fortunate in having her at our Meeting.

Mrs. Sharman has kindly invited us all to her home, Robinswood, for the Members’ evening in July, so we are hoping for fine weather, otherwise we shall be in the Drax Hall as usual. We do not hold a Meeting in August.

On Saturday, 18th October we hold our Annual Sale in the Drax Hall - do please come.

BERE REGIS CARNIVAL DAY

On behalf of the Parent Teacher Association, I would like to thank everyone who helped to make this year’s Carnival a success. We very much appreciated all the help we received in so many ways. The amount of support given is a great encouragement.

On the financial side, the week’s activities made a total of £511 - almost half of which we estimate to be clear profit. This is considerably more than last year, and will I am sure be enormously useful during the coming year to provide further facilities at the School.

R. Holman (Secretary)

BERE REGIS CHURCH FETE

1975 1975

Groceries £62.22 Knitting Comptn. –
Produce 27.80 Tombola £14.68
Mothers’ Union * 69.18 * Cakes 21.05
Orangery 25.33 Sideshows 9.34
Household, China, Glass 23.00 Teas 11.95
The Old Curiosity Shop 22.00 Soft Drinks (net profit) 2.40
Raffle 51.75 Girl Guides 1.03

£341.73

Donations

Gross receipts £346.73
Less Expenses paid in Cash
Net receipts in cash £344.28
Less Expenses paid by cheque to follow
Net Income OVERALL

* including £42.62 sale of plants raised by Mrs. Tranter.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Mr. Editor,

May I say a very sincere ‘thank you’ for the wonderful letters, cards and messages we have received on the passing of my mother - also to “Autumn Leaves” Over 60 Club for their donations and to friends who have sent donations for Autumn Leaves. To my friends who have been so kind and helpful to me during the past week - it has been so overwhelming

Kathleen Jeeves

AUTUMN LEAVES - Over 60s Club

It made a nice change to have a “Mr. and Mrs.” game again after so long. It caused a few laughs - Mr. and Mrs. Osboldstone were the first victims but they won the Jackpot of 90p and so we started a fresh game with Mr. and Mrs. Chaldecott, and Mr. and Mrs. Croft.

The competition for the loveliest rose was won by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and the raffle by - Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Gale, Mrs. Bowring.

Please do your best for exhibits for the Fete for The British Legion Horticultural show on Friday August 8th. Mrs. Jeeves will take good care of them if you leave them in the shop. Also keep up the good work with the wool - you have all done splendidly up to now but will need a lot more to make the stall a success.

May I take this opportunity to thank the R.B.L. for giving the “Autumn Leaves” a section at the show this year.

Our August trip will be around the Sherborne area again but different of course, although we’ll return to the same place for tea at Bradford Abbas - it will cost about 65p.

Very many thanks for your contributions toward the lovely basket of flowers for Mrs. Jeeves’ mother - she was very touched by your kindness.

D. J. L.

FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS

BURIALS - July 11th: Annie Catworthy

HOLY BAPTISM - July 13th: Dean Antony Steele

HOLY MATRIMONY - Vincent Fullwood and Ann Elizabeth Percy.
COMMENT ON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
(held June 18th 1975)

To fill the vacancy on the Council caused by Dr. Boyd's resignation Mr. J. M. Kain of 11 Boswells Close has been co-opted to serve for the remainder of the present session and we hope he will enjoy his work as a Parish Councillor.

Among matters discussed at this June meeting was that of the junction of Doddings Road with the main Bere Regis - Poole road. The Parish Council consider this to be dangerous (two accidents have occurred fairly recently) and have decided to approach the County Council with a view to obtaining more adequate road signs and markings.

Also concerning roads; Councillors were encouraged by a report in the local press suggesting that the Ministry of the Environment would be including Bere Regis By-pass in plans about to come forward for consideration. Although these would probably still be long term plans, things may be moving, however slowly, and frequent correspondence between the Parish Council, our Member of Parliament and the Ministry could have proved helpful.

P. H.

SMALL ADS.
(15p every 3 lines)

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EVENINGS AND WEEK - ENDS.

HOUSE wanted - to rent - Unfurnished or semi-furnished. Bere Regis District.

Percy Lineen,
Snow Hill. Bere Regis 466.

Rented accommodation required.
Furnished or unfurnished.
Radius 5 miles Bere Regis.

Mr. G. Gale, Bere Regis 324.