My dear Friends,

This month we publish the full and final list of events which will be taking place during the Centenary Festival. As you can see it makes most impressive reading.

Application forms for reserved seats can be obtained from the Post Office or from Mrs. Tadman at Summerrods. Admission for unreserved seats can be obtained at the Church door on the nights of the concerts.

I feel sure that many of you will want to come and hear the Dorset Blind Choir on Sunday evening Sept. 28th and we shall all be looking forward to seeing and hearing the children of the School on Thursday October 2nd.

In order to accommodate more people than usual on this occasion the Harvest Supper will not be a sit down meal as such but will take the form of a Buffet - so enabling us to sell up to 150 tickets instead of the usual 110. Unless the weather is wet there will only be a short entertainment in the Drax Hall but instead there will be a bonfire - singing and fireworks on Court Green. Tickets from - Mr. P. Parsons, 7 Green Close. The bonfire and fireworks are open to all the village.

The Harvest Festival will take place as usual on the Sunday, Oct. 5th, but there will be a very special form of Evensong at 6 p.m. with the Torchlight procession round the village afterwards.

I very much hope that all the various village organisations will come to this Service and will join in the procession with any banners, emblems or flags they possess. I am having a special form of service printed so no Prayer Books or Hymn Books will be needed.

May I here say how extremely grateful we are to the Drax Hall Committee who have made a once for all exception to their rules, and lent us the Drax Hall Chairs for the Concerts. This is their contribution to the Festival and is a tremendous help, enabling us to avoid hiring.

By the time you read this, all preparations will be made and the success or otherwise of the Festival will depend on the support that is given to this important event. Remember that a week of festivities such as this has not been put on since 1875 and will probably not occur again till 2075. So none of us will have another chance of taking part in such a Festival!

Before I close I should like to say how sorry we all were to hear of the tragic death of David Hinz in a motor accident. We send our warm sympathies to his parents and relatives at the Warren.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

PAUL TRANTER.
SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD.

September 7th. Miss E. Lys Miss A. Lys
14th. Mrs. Benjafield. Mrs. Lys.
21st. Mrs. R. Barnes. Mrs. Tadman
28th. Centenary Festival Week. Mrs. Barne.

The Church will be decorated for Harvest Festival by the regular decorators on Saturday, October 4th.

C.T.T.

GUILD OF SERVERS.

Sept. 7th. 11 a.m. Christopher Booth.
14th. 8 a.m. David Miller.
21st. 8 a.m. John Pitfield.
28th. 8 a.m. Mark Pitfield.
Oct. 5th. 8 a.m. Christopher Booth.

SIDESMEN’S ROTA.

Sept. 7th. 11 a.m. Messrs. K. Woolfries & F. Parsons. 6 p.m. Messrs. M. Barnes & H. Dashwood.
14th. 11 a.m. Col. A. Barne & Major M. Knowler 6 p.m. Messrs. J. House & M. A. Bloomfield.
21st. 11 a.m. Messrs. I. Mallins & W. F. Lys. 6 p.m. Messrs. G. Ward & M. A. Bloomfield.
28th. 11 a.m. Mr. A. Bates & Major J. Hudson. 6 p.m. Messrs. F. Parsons & M. Barns.
Oct. 5th. 11 a.m. Messrs. W. F. Lys & K. Woolfries. 6 p.m. All Sidesmen.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Sidesmen will take place on Monday, 1st September at 8 p.m. at the Vicarage.

Please N.B. the much earlier date than usual.

BELLRINGERS - SEPTEMBER

7th. 11.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Porter, Ricketts.
       6.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Porter, Ricketts, Steele, Miss Pitfield.
14th. 11.00 Woolfries, Holman, Porter.
       6.00 Woolfries, Holman, Miss Pitfield.
21st. 11.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Porter, Ricketts.
       6.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Ricketts, Steele, Miss Pitfield.
       11.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Porter.
       6.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Miss Pitfield.

BELLRINGERS - OCTOBER

5th. Harvest Festival
       11.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Porter, Ricketts.
       6.00 Woolfries, England, Holman, Ricketts, Steele, Miss Pitfield

VILLAGE CALENDAR.

Sept. 1. Mon. 8 p.m. Sidesmen’s Meeting - Vicarage.
3. Wed. 7.30 p.m. Mothers’ Union - Social Evening - Vicarage.
4. Thur. 7.30 p.m. Social Committee - Summerros.
15. Mon. 7.30 p.m. Parochial Church Council - Vicarage.
19. Fri. 2.30 p.m. Bible Study, 19 South Mead.
27. Sat. 7.30 p.m. Dorset County Orchestra in the Church.
28. Sun. 6 p.m. Dorset Blind Choir.
29. Mon. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Church Bells.
2. Thu. 7.30. Historical Pageant in the Church.
3. Fri. 7.30. Recital in the Church.
4. Sat. 7 p.m. Harvest Supper - Drax Hall.
7.30. Bonfire - Fireworks on Court Green.
8. Wed. 7.30 p.m. Mothers Union.
25. Sat. Put Clocks back one hour.
Dec. 3. Wed. 2.30 Sanctuary Guild - Vicarage.
6. Sat. 2.30 Xmas Stocking - Drax Hall.
21. Sun. 6 p.m. Carol Service.

MOTHERS’ UNION.

In September our meeting will be held at the Vicarage on Wednesday Sept. 3rd. at 7.30 p.m. and as I indicated last month will be a special meeting to mark the beginning of our Autumn Session.

We are proposing to have a "get together" with special refreshments and a 'Bring and Buy' Sale.

We shall be most grateful for offers of refreshments, which should be made to Mrs. England our Secretary, 10 South Mead.

I am looking forward to seeing all our members at this meeting, and will very much welcome non-members... New members at this Social occasion.

Please note the change of date for this month - the first Wednesday in the month instead of the usual second Wednesday.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

We gratefully acknowledge a gift of £3.80 from the Women’s Institute toward the cost of the fireworks on Saturday October 4th on Court Green. This is a very kind thought and is much appreciated.
Acknowledgements (cont'd...)

We also gratefully acknowledge a very generous and anonymous gift of £10 towards the Ordination Candidates Fund. This has been added to the recent Church collection for this purpose and has been forwarded to the Diocesan Treasurer.

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HARVEST SERVICES.

Sunday, October 5th.

8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Mattins: Preacher – The Vicar.
6 p.m. Festal Evensong. Preacher – The Ven the Archdeacon of Dorset.
Special Music *** Torchlight procession.

Gifts of fresh flowers – vegetables will be welcomed. Please bring to the Church as early as possible on Saturday morning Oct. 4th. Groceries are also welcomed as we hope again this year to distribute the goods round the parish.

There will be no children's gift Service this year owing to rehearsals in the Church during the afternoon; but the Family Service will be held as usual at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 12th.

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HERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP.

We start the Autumn with a demonstration by Mrs. Margaret Farrell of Bournemouth entitled "Antiques with Flowers". This meeting is on Tuesday, September 9th at 2.30 p.m. Visitors and new members welcome.

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BRIANTS PUDDLE SINGERS

We practice every Tuesday evening in the Briantspuddle Village Hall at 8.00 p.m. Next season begins on Tuesday September 30th. and the main works this year will be Brahms’ Requiem and Kodaly’s Missa Brevis. The performance will be in Salisbury Cathedral.

New members welcome.

For further details, please phone Brenda Fitfield, Here Regis 391.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY.

At the recent Coffee Evening held at the Vicarage, a total of £25.35 was raised. This, plus the total of the boxes of £28.88 raised the sum of £44.23.

I wish to extend grateful thanks to all who helped, came to the event, to box holders and any who supported it in any way.

M. England.

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HERE REGIS WOODWORK CLUB.

Autumn Session begins on Thursday, 18th September at 7 p.m. at White Lovington.

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HERE REGIS CHURCH...

RESTORATION CENTENARY FESTIVAL 1975.

SATURDAY, September 27th at 7.30 p.m.

VIVALDI, HANDEL, SCHUBERT, ARNOLD. Admission by programme £1.50.

SUNDAY, September 28th, at 6 p.m.
Evensong with the Dorset Blind Choir.

MONDAY, September 29th, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
A Full Peal on the Church Bells by the Dorset Guild of Ringers.

WEDNESDAY, October 1st, at 7.30 p.m.

Admission by programme £1.25.

THURSDAY, October 2nd, at 7.30 p.m.
Historical Pageant with Music by pupils of Bere Regis School.
Collection.

FRIDAY, October 3rd, at 7.30 p.m.

Admission by programme.

SATURDAY, October 4th.
1.15 p.m. The Isle of Wight Ringers will Ring a Quarter Peal on the Church Bells.
7 p.m. Parish Harvest Supper (by ticket only) in the Drax Hall.
8.30 p.m. Bonfire, Singing and Fireworks on Court Green.

SUNDAY, October 5th.
Harvest Festival. 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Mattins. Preacher: The Vicar.

Anthem: "Harvest Blessings" (Haslen)


Followed by a Torchlight Procession through the Village.
Supper at the Drax Arms (telephone bookings (36) advisable) or Coffee and Biscuits at the Woodbury Cottage Tea Rooms.

All Concerts will be held in the Church.

Pull Car Park facilities available.

Programmes (for reserved seats) may be purchased at Bere Regis Post Office or obtained by post from Mrs. D. Tadmor, Summerrods, Bere Regis, Wareham, Dorset.

Unreserved at the Church door.

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The business of the meeting was hurried through, and as soon as we had heard Mrs. Andrews read two Link letters from New Zealand we were ready to enjoy our Members' evening. This year Mrs. Sharman had kindly invited us to 'Robinswood', but once again the weather made us meet as usual in the Drax Hall. Our hearty thanks to the Members Committee, led by Mrs. Sally Cheeseman, for such a happy evening — a great deal of thought and hard work had been put into it. This evening we had a raffle, proceeds to be given towards the cost of the fireworks at the Church Centenary celebrations in September. Our thanks also to Sarah Sharman who, with songs and guitar ended our pleasant evening.

We have no Meeting in August, but in September, Mrs. Cox is to give us a talk with the intriguing title 'Bed and Breakfast Round the World'!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO COME TO OUR AUTUMN SALE — DRAX HALL,
18TH OCTOBER.

J.W.D.

PARISH COUNCIL COMMENT.

As the July Council Meeting was held on the fourth instead of the usual third Wednesday, it was too late to include any report in this copy of the Parish Magazine. It will appear in the next.

Meanwhile the Parish Council would like to remind members of the public that the Chairman and another Councillor are always available for questions or discussion during the half hour (7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.) immediately before the monthly Council Meeting, and that all observers of the official proceedings which follow are very welcome indeed.

P.H.

FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT.

The following series of Advertisements appeared in a South American paper of a small country area:—

Monday: "The Rev. A.J. — has one TV set for sale. Tel 626 1313 after 7 p.m. Ask for Mrs. — who lives with him cheap."

Tuesday: "We regret any embarrassment caused to Father — by a typographical error in an advertisement yesterday. It should have read: The Rev. A.J. — has one TV set for sale. Cheap. Tel. 626 1313 and ask for Mrs. — who lives with him after 7 p.m."

Wednesday: "Father.... informs us that he has received several annoying calls because of an incorrect telephoned advertisement in yesterday's paper. It should have read: "The Rev. A.J. — has one TV set for sale. Cheap. Tel. 626 1313 after 7 p.m. and ask for Mrs. .... who loves with him."

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