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THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

"He came all so still
Where His mother was,
As dew in April
That falleth on the grass."

15th cent. Carol

It has been said by a cynic that the greatest pleasure in any event is in the anticipation. I do not necessarily believe this to be true, but when it comes to Christmas the amount of effort which we put into the preparation often seems to overshadow the Feast itself. To some extent this may be unavoidable, since those responsible for family celebrations must try to ensure that everyone is made happy, and that no one is overlooked. It is this last requirement however, that is so often the missing factor in our celebrations. It is so easy to concentrate on the feasting, and the jollifications, yet to give no thought to the wonderful gift which came to men on the first Christmas day.

There was no feasting then, no party, no jollification, only a quiet joy and a deep thankfulness, that after so many hardships the God-given Child was safely born. The place of his birth was unpromising, even the comforts of a simple bed were denied the Mother and Child. Yet there was peace in the stable, and the animals, regarding birth as commonplace, took little heed. In many ways it was to be preferred to the
noisy overcrowded inn, and so in the depths of the night "He came all so still".

I am certain that if only we might recover something of the simplicity of the first Christmas we should be infinitely the richer. So much of what we have come to regard as essential to our Christmas celebrations is after all mere dross. The pure gold of the event is there for all to claim. The Babe lying in the manger is our one certain hope. If we can keep close enough to him, threats from within and without, which lend a certain desperation to our efforts to achieve a temporary satisfaction, will be relegated to their proper place.

The joy of Christmas is eternal and unchanging. Don't allow fears and self indulgence to obscure something so precious. May God grant you to yours every blessing this Christmas time.

Yours very sincerely,
DENIS SHAW

NOTES FROM THE VICARAGE

THE ADVENT STUDY GROUP referred to in the last month's notes meets on the following dates: Thursday 1st December at the Vicarage, Thursday 8th December at Hazel Cottage Briantspuddle, Wednesday 14th December at the Vicarage. All these meetings are at 7.30 p.m.

A CHRISTINGLE SERVICE in aid of the Church of England Children's Society will be held in Blandford Parish Church on Sunday 4th December at 6.30 p.m.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASSES continue on Saturday mornings at 9.30 a.m. until the 17th December and resume on Saturday 7th January.

A SIDESMEN'S MEETING will be held at the Vicarage on Thursday 8th December at 6.30 p.m.

A SANCTUARY GUILD MEETING will be held at the Vicarage on Friday 9th December at 2.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS There will be a veritable feast this year for those who enjoy Christmas carols. Please note the following dates:

Thursday 15th December Bere Regis Church 7 p.m. Carols by Sandford School
Sunday 18th December Bere Regis Church 6 p.m. Carols by Candeleight
Tuesday 20th December Bere Regis Church 2 p.m. School Christmas Service
Sunday 1st January 1984 Affpuddle Church 6.30 p.m. Carol Service with the Briantspuddle Singers

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS Any gifts of flowers or greenery for the decoration of the Church will be very welcome. Decoration will take place on Friday 23rd December, and they will be removed on Monday 2nd January.

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THE PARISH MAGAZINE At a meeting of the joint P.C.C.'s of Bere Regis and Affpuddle held on the 20th October at Affpuddle, the main item on the agenda was the joint Parish Magazine. The price of this has been held at 12p monthly for the past two years, but printing costs have now increased and unless the magazine is to be a drain on our slender financial resources its price must be increased. It was therefore decided that the new price for the magazine should be 15p monthly from the 1st January 1984.
Henry (or Jack) Cox was the son of a game-keeper on the estate of Sir Ernest Debenham and passed his early years in Briantspuddle. Later his father moved to Moreton but when it was time for him to seek employment Jack was apprenticed to a painter on the estate to Mr Parsons. Upon his marriage Mr Cox moved to the Bladen Valley where he continued to live with his family of two daughters and one son until the house was destroyed by fire some years ago. Since then Mr and Mrs Cox have lived in the bungalow that was his home at the time of his death. A quiet and unassuming man, Jack Cox lived for his family and his garden of which he was very proud. He will be much missed by his many friends but most, of course, by his family, to whom we extend our sympathy in their bereavement.

CHURCH SERVICES - DECEMBER

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**SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD**

No flowers are arranged in the Church during Advent. The Church will be decorated for Christmas on Friday December 23rd. Gifts of holly and greenery will be much appreciated. Decorations will be taken down on Monday 2nd January. There will be a meeting of the Guild in the Vicarage on Friday 9th December at 2.30 p.m. If members are unable to attend please let me know. New members are needed.

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AFFPUDDLE NEWS

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS. The annual Christmas Gift Service will be held on 18th December at 10.30 a.m. Further details are given later on in the magazine. All the gifts and collection taken at this service will be given to the Cheshire Home for Mentally Handicapped Children in Dorchester. Please be generous. The Church will be decorated for Christmas on Saturday 24th December from 10.30 a.m. onwards. Do come along and help. Gifts of holly and other greenery will be most welcome and should be brought to the Church. As in previous years I am organising a collection for the purchase of flowers for the Christmas decorations, suggested donation is 50p though lesser and greater amounts will be most welcome. This year the midnight service will be at Affpuddle. The service to be used will be series 2 and we will be singing carols from the newly purchased Bethlehem Carol Sheet. At the 9.30 service on Christmas morning we will be using the service set out in the New Alternative Service Books. At both these services the collection taken will be sent to Christian Aid to be used to help children. At the Carol Service which will be held on Sunday 1st January 1984 the collection will be given to the Church of England Children's Society. So with both our collections we will be helping children at home and abroad; please be as generous as you can.

Philippa Thorniley

SCHOOL NEWS — PUDLETTOWN C.E.V.C. FIRST SCHOOL. December is a very busy time of the year for us as we prepare ourselves for Christmas. For children, of course, it is a most exciting time. We start on 1st December with a theatre production “Grotty Blotty” performed by a local drama group, Chisilbourne School are coming to spend the day with us so that they may enjoy it too. On 7th December the Vicar of Puddletown The Rev. Dr. Hancock will take assembly for us. On 13th December Mr S. Gillam will come to show us films about the Christmas story. He has been to us before and we always enjoy his visits. Our own concert will be on Thursday 15th December. We will give two performances, one at 10 a.m. and one at 4.00 p.m. The children’s Christmas party is on Monday 19th December and we finish for the Christmas holidays on Tuesday 20th December.

School re-opens on Monday 9th January 1984. We wish you all a very happy Christmas.

M.J.P.

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB ENTERTAINMENTS. Well here we are in the last month of the year once again. Christmas will soon be here. Here is a list of dates for club members and their children to take note of.

■ Saturday 10th December — our Christmas Dance with “Okie” for members and guests only. No Children. Time 8.30 – 11.30 p.m.
■ Wednesday 14th December — our O.A.P. members Christmas Party at 5.30 p.m.
■ Thursday 15th December — Club members children’s Christmas party. Time 5.30 – 8.30 Age 3 – 14 years
■ Monday 19th December — Members Christmas Draw — Time 8.30 p.m.
■ Wednesday 21st December — Christmas Whist Drive
■ Saturday 23rd December — New Year’s Eve with Roy Stone and his Electric Organ.

Finally, on behalf of the Committee, I would like to say thank you to everyone who gave us their newspaper throughout 1983, and hopefully in 1984 as well. Mr F. Bannatt will collect any newspapers — just put them by your front gate. We also wish you all a very happy Christmas and a Happy New Year. W. Johnson

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS. At the end of October Philip Ventham resigned as Parish Clerk. Philip became Clerk when I left the post in 1980 and he did sterling work on behalf of the Parish. It was largely due to his drive and energy that changes were made in the running of the Village Hall. He also masterminded the fantastic exhibition in the Village Hall in May which provided so much information and enjoyment for us all. Bill Poore and I are extremely grateful for the energy, efficiency and loyalty he gave to both of us as Chairman of the Parish Council. The Parish owes him a huge debt for what he has done on their behalf. We wish him success with his training to be a Chartered Surveyor. The new Clerk is Mr John Strange of Stanbarrow Farm House, Bere Regis, Telephone Bere Regis 471125. We wish him well in his new post. This I think is a suitable time to remind everyone that Parish Council meetings are held on the second last Wednesdays in the month at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall Kitchen, Briantspuddle. Agendas are posted on the notice boards in Affpuddle, Briantspuddle and at Waddox Cross. Details of planning applications are also shown with advice as to when and where plans may be inspected. Unfortunately the Purbeck District Council have no hard and fast rule about advising neighbours of planning applications which could affect their properties and everyone is advised to keep an eye on the notice boards and make their views known at the right time to the Chief Executive, Purbeck District Council.

Philippa Thorniley

YOUTH CLUB WEEK. The Bladen Youth Club held their fund raising week during the week 18th - 23rd October. The events held were a Bingo evening, a Coffee evening, and a sponsored Wheel Barrow Push. To date the funds raised amount to £69.35; we are still waiting for some of the members to collect their sponsor money! The Chairman and Committee are most grateful to everyone who attended the events, sponsored members or helped in any other way. This is a suitable time and place to publicly thank the Bladen Social Club for their generous donation of £100 to enable the Youth Club to hire the Village Hall for their weekly meetings and also for a splendid gift of a set of lightweight skittles. Everyone is looking forward to many hours of happy skittling and who knows, we could even produce a champion skittler!

P.R.T.
AFFPUDDLE FAMILY SERVICE - 10.30 a.m. Sunday 18th December
This will be our annual Christmas Gift Service, and will be augmented by music and a Nativity scene provided by the younger members of the congregation. Please bring gifts suitable for the children at Dorchester's Cheshire Home for mentally handicapped children, remembering that these children have a mental age of 3 - 5 years in most cases and like toys that are easy to handle, can be pulled along or make a noise!
We hope that, as last year, some of the children and staff from the Home will be able to come to our January service. J.P.

CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE Our grateful thanks once more to all those stalwarts (43 in all) who volunteered to mow our churchyard grass this past summer and kept it looking so tidy. Also to George Poore who cut and looked after the hedges; to the Youth Club who tidied round the gravestones and looked after the Peace Garden memorial; and to the party of 9 who gave the grass an end-of-season "once over" at the end of October. Many thanks too to Tom Marchant whose sheep contributed so enormously to the good work. We hope to see them again next year!
E.R.S.

DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST Those interested in Dorset churches will be glad to know that our total Deanery gift to the Trust for the sponsored cycle ride on Saturday 26th September amounted to £2,050.
E.R.S.

BRAINSPUDDLE VILLAGE HALL Don't forget the Christmas Fair to be held on Saturday 3rd December when the Grand Christmas Draw will take place. Please let Philippa Thorniley have your cash and counterfoils by then.
E.R.S.

RECIPES FROM AROUND THE PARISH My apologies for hogging the recipe spot two months in a row but I went away round about magazine time and forgot to ask anyone to give me a recipe. This is a recipe for devil sauce which is useful for dogging up cold pork, turkey legs, game, etc. as a mid week meal.
Mix together 4 tablespoons gravy, 1 tbsp. chutney, 1 tbsp. tomato ketchup, 1 tbsp. vinegar, 1 or 2 tbsp. made mustard, salt to taste. Pour over slices of chosen meat and cook until heated through in a hot oven. This dish is nice served with boiled rice.
E.R.S.

A MESSAGE FROM MRS MARTIN Katherine Martin is now living in her new home - 36 Greenway. She sends love and Christmas greetings to all her friends in the parish and a welcome awaits those who call there whenever they are passing.

BERE REGIS NEWS

NOTICE FOR ADVERTISERS All advertisers requiring renewal of 1983 adverts are asked to contact the editors by 10th December.

VISCOUNT CRANBORNE your Member of Parliament, will be at 15 North St. Bere Regis on Saturday 21st January 1984 from 10.30 a.m. for the purpose of meeting any of his constituents who have any problems or views they wish to put to him.

THE PARISH COUNCIL is concerned about the number of cars parked in West St. and North St. since the opening of the by-pass. It is especially worrying at the amount of parking at the junction of these two roads causing blind spots for moving traffic. There are fears that a serious accident could happen and unless more care is taken yellow lines will have to be painted and this is something that nobody wants. A small sub-committee on civil aid has been formed and has had a meeting with Mr. Wall the Area Emergency Planning Officer. The war committee handbook was examined and possible headquarters in the event of war and other responsibilities such as communications, welfare resources, etc. were discussed.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP Tuesday December 6th is the date of the annual meeting (note change of date) which will be at 2.30 p.m. Will all members make a special effort to attend this meeting to elect their officers and committee and to hear what the programme for next year has in store for them.

THE WARDEN & RESIDENTS OF TURBERRY COURT would like to say thank you to all who gave gifts, help and patronage to their coffee evening held in aid of their Christmas party. It was a great success with takings of £130.79.

THE R.B.I. WOMEN'S SECTION held their A.G.M. on October 19th and twenty eight members were present. Miss E. Lys was elected as the new president, the officers were returned en bloc, also the committee with Mrs. Farrant and Mrs. French taking the place of two committee members retiring after many years service. A raffle was run by Mrs. Farrant and a Bring & Buy stall by Mrs. Hilyard and Mrs. Young. A coffee evening was held on November 9th in aid of the Poppy Appeal which realised £82.75, and the club, at the end of this event, donated a further £250. The R.B.I. Women's Section were runners up in the Club Quiz.

The Centenary: December - Mrs. Kircher-Smith: January - Mrs. Maitland.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE The Third World, Lesotho in Africa, will benefit from your effort of raising over £21 on the W.I. mini-market stall in October. Mrs. Clark told us at the October meeting, with visual aids and slides that in conjunction with U.N.I.C.E.F. clean water is now pumped to many villages and that good sanitation and hygiene would follow. The W.I. project will come to an end but the Third World is ever with us! W.I. members on the group outing to Salisbury were privileged to be shown over the workshops as well as visiting the Cathedral and Chapter House. Carpenters, stone masons and stained glass repairers were seen at work. After lunch we enjoyed Christmas shopping in Salisbury. Many thanks to all who helped raise £31.75 at Pat Mills coffee morning for W.I. funds. Dates to remember:
Group Carol Service December 10th: W.I. members Christmas party December 20th.
BERE REGIS WIVES GROUP Christmas Dinner to be held at the Royal Oak on 21st December. 7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m.

P.T.A. NEWS During the summer months a Solar Heating System for the school swimming pool has been installed. This has been paid for by a number of local donations together with monies raised by P.T.A. activities. In August the pool was open to school children and their families under the supervision of P.T.A. volunteers. Many people enjoyed this facility. In October the Best Hay Competition raised the sum of £73.45 despite the most appalling weather. Refreshments were provided at the school open evening and chess sets have been bought for use during lunchtime. In late November a coffee morning will be held to raise funds for the children’s Christmas Party. On December 7th sherry and mince pies will be served at the Autumn Leaves Christmas Party. This proved to be a great success last year and once again the children of Class 4 will be entertaining the guests. At the moment parents and staff are painting the school corridor; this has not been done for many years and is a daunting task. If any reader has an hour to spare on a Monday or Tuesday between 3.45 and 8.30 p.m. we have plenty of spare paint brushes and all volunteers will be most welcome.

THE MOTHERS’ UNION We started our November meeting in church with the service of Holy Communion and then at the Vicarage we enjoyed a lively and informative Bible Quiz set by the Vicar. Our next meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 7th December, at the Vicarage, when there will be a play reading by members of the branch of Mr Edward Murch’s “The Journey of the Star”. This will be followed by the singing of favourite carols and the consuming of mince pies. We are very glad that Mr Fred Pitfield is able to be with us, and also some members of the Milborne St Andrew Branch of the N.U.W. The Prayer Group will meet in the Morton Chapel at 11.00 a.m. on Fridays 10th and 29th December.

YOUTH CLUB A very good Youth Club Week was held this year and a total of about £100 raised. We are very grateful to all who partook in the events and particularly to Mr Cyril Bennett for organising the Darts Festival. The added responsibilities of becoming a grandfather did not affect his accuracy, as yet again he emerged as the winner. After two years as Leader Mr Alan Touzel has decided to resign but has remained until our new leader assumes the role. For this we are most grateful and also for his efforts during the past two years. The new leader is to be Mr Ron Symonds who lives in the village. We welcome him to the position and wish him every success.

It is an important position and he deserves all the backing that the village can muster.

GUY FAWKES NIGHT When it appeared that this year the event to have gone by without a celebration up popped Ron Symonds and Tony Shave together with others to organise an evening to be remembered. Sandra Symonds organised the victuals and the evening went off with a .... BANG. It so happened that a great deal of garden rubbish was available and I for one was grateful to see my beech hedge cuttings go up in smoke.

Thank you all for a super Bonfire Night!

C.M.

SCOUT GROUP CAROL SINGING In aid of the Stephanie Henville Fund

Monday 19th December - Briantspuddle Tuesday 20th December - Bere Regis.

REMINDER DRAX HALL CHRISTMAS FAIR on Saturday 3rd December at 2.30 p.m.

Admission 10p. Children free. Father Christmas will arrive by pony and trap at 2.30 p.m. Please come along and greet him.

Also CHRISTMAS BINGO at Drax Hall on Monday 19th December at 7.45 p.m.

All welcome, also children. Good prizes. Come early: doors open 6.15 p.m.

MINI-MARKET in Drax Hall Saturday 10th December. Entrance Free. See Small Ads.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION A.G.M. was held on the 14th November, when the Chairman, Mr E.J. Steele, welcomed the Branch President and outlined the previous year’s activities to a good attendance of members. Looking forward to the 1983/4 events, he expressed appreciation of the help received from all sections, particularly the recently established Youth Section. Officers were re-elected and two new members were elected to the Committee. Donations to allied organisations included £120 to the Poppy Appeal Fund. The previous day, Remembrance Sunday, Lt. Col. A.N. Barne laid a wreath on the Bere Regis Cenotaph during the short ceremony prior to the church service. In the afternoon, led by the Parkstone Sea Cadets Band, some 100 members from all Sections and supported by Scouts/Cubs and villagers attended the annual Remembrance Day Parade which was held this year at Bloxworth – a Church Service following the laying of wreaths at the local Memorial.

AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 60 Our November meeting was enjoyed by over 50 members who played whist and dominoes – a competition for a crust provided us with some lovely sets. Tea and a raffle were provided. Next Meeting is the first Wednesday in December which is our Xmas Party (7th December 2.30 Drax Hall) when we shall be joined by the P.T.A. of Bere Regis School which is supplying mince pies and sherry. The children of our school will be entertaining us. The invitation is extended to all over 60s in Bere Regis so please let me know (at the Butcher’s Shop) if you would like to come and have a very pleasant afternoon. You do not have to be a member of Autumn Leaves for this afternoon, so come along and let us have a really good audience for the children. K. Jeeves

The Annual Ball at Bovington was again a real success and a profit of £175 was made for Autumn Leaves Over 60 Club Funds. Thanks for the help of Charles Jeeves and other helpers. The Concert given by the Gadabouts proved a great success and the hall was full. Thanks for the support of our friends from Bournemouth, Wareham and outlying areas. This Concert was to help provide curtains for the windows for the Drax Hall, and a profit of £70 was made. £50 had already been collected by donations in the Butcher’s Shop and at a Coffee Morning at Kathleen Jeeves. If anybody wishes to make a donation towards the curtains, please bring it to the Butcher’s. A total of £120 has been collected so far, so PLEASE help to support this cause as we all use the hall sometime or other.

K.J.
CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AUTUMN LEAVES
BEAVERS
BELLRINGERS
BINGO
BRITISH LEGION CLUB

""WOMEN'S SECTION
CHOIR PRACTICE
CUBS
FLORAL GROUP
MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP
MOTHER'S UNION
PLAYGROUP BERE REGIS
PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDE

SCOUTS
SCRIPTURE UNION
ADVENTURERS CLUB

SUNDAY SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY GROUP

WIVES GROUP
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
YOUTH CLUB

2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday
6.30 p.m. Monday Winterborne Kingston School
7.30 p.m. Practice Wednesday
7.45 p.m. Mondays Drax Hall
7.00 p.m. Mon. to Fri: 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. & 7.00 p.m. Sat:
12 noon to 2.00 p.m. & 7.00 p.m. Sun.
2.30 p.m. 3rd Wednesday at H.Q.
6.30 p.m. children, 7.30 p.m. adults. Fridays in the Church
6.30 p.m. Thursday School
6.30 p.m. 2nd Tuesday Drax Hall
2.15 p.m. Monday, The Manse, Butt Lane
7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday Vicarage
3 mornings at Bere Regis School. Enquiries to Morden 474
9.30 - 12 noon Tues., Wed., Thurs., Village Hall
Bindon Abbey 462024
6.30 p.m. Thursday Youth Club Hut
7.00 p.m. Tuesdays Congregational Church Hall
7 - 11 years
10.15 a.m. every Sunday in Parish Church
7.30 p.m. Wednesdays Congregational Church Hall
Young people 12 years and over
7.30 p.m. 4th Tuesday Vicarage
7.30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday Drax Hall
7.00 p.m. Monday & Friday Club Hut

PARISH CALENDAR

DECEMBER
3rd Saturday Christmas Fair 2.30 p.m. Drax Hall
7th Wednesday Autumn Leaves Christmas Party 2.30 p.m.
8th Thursday Sidesmen's Quarterly meeting 6.30 p.m. Vicarage
14th Wednesday Parish Council Meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall
19th Monday Christmas Bingo 7.45 p.m. Drax Hall
Children welcome
19th Monday Scout Group Carol Singing
20th Tuesday Scout Group Carol Singing

JANUARY
18th Wednesday Parish Council Meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall

FEBRUARY
22nd Wednesday Parish Council Meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall
SMALL ADS - The best bargain in local advertising.
10p per line or £1 per line per year.

* FREEZER, Electrolux upright, nearly new £90.
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* FOR SALE. 1 single bed eiderdown £1 - 1 Russell Hobbs Percolator £2 - 1 Dreamland Halcyon Electric under blanket £2
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* BILL SLADE CAR SERVICING & REPAIRS. Prompt and personal attention. M.O.T. check, welding repairs etc.
22 Green Close, Bere Regis 471685 before 8.00 a.m. and after 4.30 p.m.

* CHAOS WALLPAPER International Market Centre, Old Christchurch Rd., Bournemouth. May we invite you to come and browse at our wide range of wallpapers at really competitive prices.
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* INDOOR MARKET at Drax Hall every second Saturday in the month from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Stalls include Bric-a-Brac, knitwear, homemade cakes, jams, etc. and more.

* M.A.E. ELECTRICAL - Agricultural, industrial, commercial and domestic rewiring, repairs, servicing and maintenance. 24 hr. service. Free estimates. Tel: Bere Regis 471865

* BRIANTSPUDDE VILLAGE HALL - Listed building. Ideal for parties, wedding receptions, dances. Hire £2.50 an hour from October to April with heating: £1.50 an hour May to September. Also for hire: chairs, trestle tables, crockery etc. For further details contact Mrs Bowell, Bere Regis 471214

* BLAHDEN STORES Briantspuddle. Groceries, provisions, fruit, vegetables and off licence. Delivery service available.
Tel: Bere Regis 471214

* BERE REGIS COACHES. For every kind of excursion and holiday. See local press for details of day trips and tours. Luxury coaches available for any kind of group outing. For all enquiries and bookings telephone Dorchester 69292.

* CELEBRATION CAKES - Cakes iced and/or baked for that special occasion. Telephone Megan Stone Morden 293.

* GREYHOUND INN North St., Winterborne Kingston Tel: Bere Regis 471332. Bar snacks in the basket from 7pm. Specialties: Venison Sausages & Chips £1.30: Home made curry & rice from £2.35: Steaks, T/bone, rump, served with veg. from £4.50. Take away food available at all times. Taxi service. Bere Regis 471332

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* M.I.R.A.S. means Mortgage Interest Relief at Source. A new method of tax relief for mortgage which may directly affect you from APRIL THIS YEAR. For further information telephone Bob Holman, your Canada Life Assurance Consultant on Puddletown 262
* MOBILE FISH AND CHIPS calling at Turbeville Court car park
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