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HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!

BERE REGIS MOTHERS' UNION celebrates 100 years of its existence this year: there have been a number of special events - and there is more to come!

But WHY does the Mothers' Union exist?
The Mothers' Union is a world-wide society whose aim is the advancement of the Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life.

There are five Objects of the Mothers' Union:

1. To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage, and to promote its wider understanding;

2. To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church;

3. To maintain a world-wide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service;

4. To promote conditions in society favourable to stable Family life and the protection of children;

5. To help those whose Family Life has met with adversity.

Our Mothers' Union meets monthly (usually at the Vicarage) and members support the twice-monthly Prayer Group at Bere Regis. Members share a number of activities through the year including the distribution of Baptism anniversary cards and providing the refreshments at the monthly Family Worship.

Full details from the Enrolling Member:
Mrs Di Phillips, 'Culver Dell', Sitterton Tel: 471423

CALLING MUMS (AND DADS) AND CHILDREN...

NOAH'S ARK FAMILY DAY organised by the Mothers' Union
WEDNESDAY 27 JULY FROM 11 AM - 3 PM

AT THE VICARAGE - BRING A PICNIC LUNCH
CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY

**SUNDAY 3 JULY**
9.30 am Parish Communion at Bere Regis Church 8.00 am Holy Communion at Affpuddle followed by Coffee and Bring & Buy for Christian Aid
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm Evensong

**WEDNESDAY 6 JULY**
10.30 am Holy Communion at Turville Court

**SUNDAY 10 JULY**
8.00 am Holy Communion at Bere Regis Church 9.30 am Parish Communion at Affpuddle
10.15 am Sunday School
11.00 am Family Worship with Holy Baptism
6.00 pm Evensong

**SUNDAY 17 JULY**
9.30 am Parish Communion at Bere Regis Church 8.00 am Holy Communion at Affpuddle
10.15 am Sunday School
11.00 am Affirmation: Family Service followed by Barbecue
6.00 pm Evensong

**SUNDAY 24 JULY**
8.00 am Holy Communion at Bere Regis Church 9.30 am Parish Communion at Affpuddle
11.00 am Matins
6.00 pm Evensong with the Dedication of the new Prayer Books

**SUNDAY 31 JULY**
8.00 am Holy Communion at Bere Regis Church 9.30 am Family Communion at Affpuddle
11.00 am Matins
6.00 pm Evensong

**WEDNESDAY 3 AUGUST**
10.30 am Holy Communion at Turville Court

**SATURDAY 6 AUGUST**
9.00 am Holy Communion (Transfiguration of our Lord)

**SUNDAY 7 AUGUST**
9.30 am Parish Communion at Bere Regis Church 8.00 am Holy Communion at Affpuddle
6.00 pm Lamentations Service 11.15 am Matins

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**BIBLE READINGS IN OUR CHURCHES IN JULY**

**SUNDAY 3 JULY**
Theme: Saint Thomas, Apostle
8.00 am Holy Communion
Ephesians 2.19 - 22; John 20.24 - end
9.30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 785 ff)
Hebrews 10.35 - 11.1; John 20.24 - 29
11.15 am Matins
Job 42.1 - 6; 1 Peter 1.3 - 9
6.00 pm Evensong
2 Samuel 15.17 - 21; John 11.1 - 16

**SUNDAY 10 JULY**
Theme: The More Excellent Way
8.00 am Holy Communion
Romans 6.3 - 11; Matthew 5.20 - 26
9.30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 668 ff)
Romans 8.1 - 11; Mark 12.28 - 34
6.00 pm Evensong
Hosea 11.1 - 9; 1 Corinthians 12.27 - 13 end.

**SUNDAY 17 JULY**
Theme: The Fruit of the Spirit
8.00 am Holy Communion
Romans 6.19 - 23; Mark 8.1 - 10a
9.30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 673 ff)
1 Corinthians 12.4 - 13; Luke 6.27 - 38
6.00 pm Evensong
Exodus 35.20 - 36.7; 1 Corinthians 14.1 - 19

**SUNDAY 24 JULY**
Theme: The Whole Armour of God
8.00 am Holy Communion
Romans 8.12 - 17; Matthew 7.15 - 21
9.30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 678 ff)
2 Corinthians 6.3 - 10; Mark 9.14 - 29
11.00 am Matins
2 Samuel 1.1 - 12, 17 - end; 1 Timothy 6.6 - end
6.00 pm Evensong
Jeremiah 26.1 - 16; Mark 1.14 - 20

**SUNDAY 31 JULY**
Theme: The Mind of Christ
8.00 am Holy Communion
1 Corinthians 10.1 - 13; Luke 16.1 - 9
9.30 am Family Communion (ASB pp 583 ff)
Luke 7.36 - end
11.00 am Matins
2 Samuel 9; Matthew 6.19 - end
FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism
May 21  Jane Ann LAMBERT
June 12  Scott James ARNOLD
June 19  Stuart David COX

Holy Matrimony
May 21  Timothy Alexander MAUNDER and Hilke Gertrud Hannelore MARTENS
June 4  Barry George PITMAN and Anne Margaret NEWITT

Burial of the Dead
June 6  Dora Kate BARNES

IN MEMORIAM

DORA BARNES died peacefully at her home in Tisbury Court: her whole life had been spent in this part of Dorset. She was born at Doodings and worked in her early years for Bedford and Jesty, taking her characteristic great pride in all that she did. During her married life she was active in many organisations in the village - Women’s Institute, British Legion, Mothers’ Union and Parochial Church Council, among them. Her interests also included knitting and cooking - for which she obtained many Certificates at the local flower shows. Dora was concerned greatly for the local community and always wanted the best for her village. For it was her family, her Church and Bere Regis which mattered most to her. She will long be remembered and our love and sympathy goes to her family and friends at this time; we especially remember Mary, Tony and Duncan as they mourn the loss of a mother and grandmother. May she rest in peace.

CHRISTIAN AID

The total for Christian Aid week for the two parishes reached £500. We are most grateful to all who helped to achieve this total.

The Bere Regis amount came from door to door collections, a Church collection, donations and the Hunger Lunch. It is difficult to itemise the various collectors’ totals as envelopes came from such a variety of sources; but in Affpuddle the £59.81 was made up from the following collections: Mrs P Thornley £11.60; Mr D Bentley £19.95; Mrs L Ventham £15.39; Mrs M Bentley £6.28; Mrs P Hampley £6.59.

This is in addition to the £110 that has been paid into the Christian Aid account this year from the Bere Regis 1st Sunday Bring & Buy sales.

ETHIOPIA

The Diocese of Salisbury is producing track suits for the children in the orphanages in Ethiopia: if you would like to make up one or more from kits please contact Fiona Burke at the Vicarage.

A FESTIVAL OF CRAFT AND FLOWERS

ART AND NATURE INTERTWINED IN BERE REGIS CHURCH

FRIDAY 22 JULY 10 AM - 6 PM
SATURDAY 23 JULY 10 AM - 6 PM (CLOSED 2.30 - 3.30)
SUNDAY 24 JULY 12 NOON - 6 PM

This unique occasion will combine the glories of a Flower Festival with the fascination of a variety of crafts, many of them working displays. In each case the flower arrangements will complement and enhance the chosen artefacts.

A music group will add a further dimension to this unusual event on Sunday at 3 pm and tea will be served in the Vicarage garden on Saturday and Sunday. There will also be a cook’s stall with a distinctly Dorset flavour and a handicraft stall for Christian Aid.

This is an occasion not to be missed, so make sure all your friends and relations visit Bere Regis during that weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS to Bere Regis Sunday School who won a FIRST PRIZE in the competition for the Diocesan Children’s Festival in Salisbury Cathedral in June.

SUNDAY SCHOOL finishes on July 17 and re-starts on September 11.

THE SALVATION ARMY FETE, the annual popular event, takes place in the OLD VICARAGE on SATURDAY 9 JULY at 2 pm. All are very welcome.

THE BERE REGIS PET SERVICE was a very enjoyable first attempt! We were delighted to have so many people and animals. Thanks to the orchestra and Brother Andrew Christopher SSF who preached. It was good to welcome our friends from Bere Heath Methodist Chapel to the Service. This looks like becoming an annual event.

THE NEW BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER copies which have been given for use in Bere Regis Church will be dedicated and used for the first time at 6 pm Evensong on SUNDAY 24 JULY.

THANKS to all who supported the Coffee Morning at Sunnyside in May; £150 was raised to cover the cost of flowers and so benefit the Church during the Festival of Craft and Flowers.

ANY ADULTS OR TEENAGERS who would like to be involved in the Belfast teenagers’ week of activities from 25 July - 1 August should contact the Vicar.

THE SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS in Bere Regis will be given to the work of the CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
APPRECIATION
Mary House and family wish to gratefully acknowledge the many cards and letters received and to thank everyone who attended the church and sent donations, also the beautiful flowers.
We wish also to thank the Rev Jonathan Burke for the lovely service.

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - BERE REGIS

SIDESMEN'S ROTA
July 3 9.30 Parish Communion J House A Bates
6.00 Evensong C Maunder R Stallard
July 10 11.00 Family Worship H Dashwood E Spracklen
6.00 Evensong
July 17 9.30 Parish Communion J House S Hazlerigg
6.00 Evensong P Chesney M Barnes
July 24 11.00 Matins G Ward
6.00 Evensong S Frampton M England
July 31 11.00 Matins A Barne
6.00 Evensong C Maunder R Stallard
Aug 7 9.30 Parish Communion J Strange A Bates
6.00 Lammass Service J House P House

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD
July 3 Mrs Bates Mrs Hudson
July 10 Mrs Strange Mrs Roffey
July 17 Mrs Jeeves
July 24 FLOWER FESTIVAL Mrs G Griffin Mrs M Cox
July 31 Visiting Ringers - 23rd July - from Slough area

FLOWERS & CLEANING
FLOWERS CLEANING
July 3 Mrs Thornley
July 10 Mrs Kelleway Mrs Prideaux
July 17 Mrs Gooch Mrs Moriarty
July 24 Mrs Forty Mrs Haigh
July 31 Mrs Johnston Mrs Elkerton

SIDESMEN & READERS
July 3 Col Corrner Mr A Smith
July 10 Mr Prideaux Mr Prideaux
July 17 Mr D Payne Mr Elkerton (e)
July 24 Capt Johnston Mr A Smith
July 31 Mr G Payne Affpraise

AFFPUDDLE CHURCHYARD MOWING
Fortnight beginning:-
July 11 Dick Hall, David Hall, Richard Hall
July 25 Michael Hepwell, Brian Allen, John Reebey

BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL
The May meeting was the Annual Parish meeting, when the election of officers and representatives took place. The new Chairman is Mr C Maunder, and Vice-Chairman Mr D Gibbs. Most of the serving representatives were re-elected. The Chairman's first task was to thank the retiring Chairman, Mr L Street for all the hard work he had put in over the past few years.

THE MOTHERS UNION
Met in church in June and after hymns and prayers, discussed "Is television taking over our lives?" We all agreed we didn't like a lot of the things presented on TV and, in some cases, it had destroyed Christian family life, but no-one felt they could live without their set. Tea hostesses next time: Di, Fiona and Mary Eastmant. On 27 July 11.00 to 3.00 the Mothers Union are holding a Noahs Ark Family Day in the church and vicarage garden. All parents and children are invited. Please bring a picnic. There will be games, mask making, singing, a video, and we shall end in church with a service and acting the Noahs Ark story, using the ark and animal masks we have made during the day. Coffee and soft drinks provided.

FIRE OVER ENGLAND - CELEBRATION OF THE SPANISH ARMADA 1588-1988
19 July on Woodbury Hill (by kind permission of Mr M Miller). As part of a chain of 400 fires over England, Wareham and Purbeck Young Farmers Club, together with Bere Regis Parish Council are staging a bonfire and party. Starting at 8.00 pm there will be a pig roast, hot dogs and drinks.
The fire will be lit by the High Sheriff of Dorset, Mr Drax, at 10.17 pm. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Free car park provided: please do not park on roadside.
For further information see posters or ring Jim Shave on 471433.
The timber for the fire will be provided. Do not take household or garden rubbish.

BERE REGIS PLAYGROUP
We will be having another Car Boot Sale on Sunday 10 July in the school playground. Tickets £3.50 in advance, £4 on the day. Details phone 471165. Also we will be holding a Jumble Sale in the school hall on Friday 15 July at 2.30 pm. Later in the month we will be having a 60/70 disco, for details of this, phone 471537.
Every Monday morning during school term, the playgroup run a Toy Library which is open to all pre-school children. This runs between 9.00 am and 9.30 am in the school hall. Details phone 471503.

We expect some vacancies in our playgroup after Christmas, so if you have a toddler who will be about three years old at that time and you would like him/her to join our thriving playgroup phone Sue Cheeseeman on 471165.

AUTUMN LEAVES

Our first trip this year was to Exmouth. We had a lovely day and the sun shone on our 45 members who went. On the way back to Bere Regis we stopped at the Coach and Horses, Winterbourne Abbas for supper. All in all a very enjoyable day. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13 July at the Drax Hall, do come along and bring your friends and neighbours to the Autumn Leaves Open Day. Bring a teapot to put on show (not a competition) or a Candlestick, which will be for our competition. This Meeting will also be Rose Day, when all members are reminded to bring one rose for judging (no buds).

We shall have our usual stalls and raffle. The committee and members wish any members who are unwell a speedy recovery and a warm welcome to any new members or people who come along and join us.

THE PBL WOMEN’S GROUP

Hold their monthly meeting on 18 May. 19 members were present.

At this meeting, money so far raised this year was donated as follows: General Fund £75, Benevolent Fund £200 and County £75 making a total of £350.

Our speaker was Mr Handcock, on "Comic Poems and Stories".

Teas were served by Mrs Payne and Mrs Reed and a raffle was run by Mrs Duff. On 15 May five of our members did a 10 mile sponsored walk and raised £100. Our Annual Fete on 11 June was a great success, the sum of £242 was raised, our thanks to all who donated and attended this event and helped to make the day a success.

Conotaph - JULY Mrs Parker and Mrs Curtiss

AUG Mrs Steele

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

On Tuesday 12 July, Mrs B Rochford will give a demonstration called "All on a Summer’s Day".

There will be no meeting in August.

PUZZLE CORNER

Last month's anagrams were:–
1. Northbourne 6. The World's End
2. Southbourne 7. Holnest
3. Cold Harbour 8. Woodlands
4. Ilsington House 9. Stourton Caundle
5. Fifhead Neville 10. Forde Abbey

Here are more Dorset anagrams:-
1. WIN TOP MATCH (11) 6. HEARD OF CHANT (7,5)
2. STONE-BLASTING ART (7,2,7) 7. BAR SCORES (4,5)
3. SORCERY BRAND (6,6) 8. WARDS OFF TEST (4,8)
4. BORROWING A MODEL (10,5) 9. MOVE CORN POT (4,7)
5. OR OTHER TOWN (6,5) 10. CLEAR THE BEST WAY (9,6)

100 YEARS AGO

From the Parish Magazine for July 1888:–

THE SCHOOLS

We were unable last month to do more than give the results of our examinations, as shown by the percentage of passes, and as the Kingston examination did not take place until the 1st of June, nothing could then be said about that school. We are glad to say Mr. Berry has again achieved a very high percentage - viz., 91 - a number which warrants us in expecting that the report, which has not yet arrived, will be all that we can wish, and we hope that the "excellent" merit grant will again be awarded to the school. The Government grants have gone up in a satisfactory manner proportionate to the improvement shown in the various schools; but the low average attendance for the year prevents the total increase from being of large amount. The following are the names of the children who passed successfully in the 4th, 5th and 6th standards:–

BOYS Standard GIRLS Standard HEATH Standard
William Smith V Alice Bugby VI Lily Miller V
James Janes V Charity Davis VI Ada Phillips IV
Thomas Boyte V Elvina Barnes VI Aug Nutbeam IV
Charles Moseley V Louisa Lockyer V Edward Hoare IV
Arthur Langdown IV Alice Hewitt V Stephen Day IV
Henry Chapman IV Annie Davis IV
Frederick Day IV Charity Hewitt IV

KINGSTON Standard
Mary Rickets V
Francis Cake V
Sydney Joiner V
Bertie Berry V
Flor Hawkins IV
Harry Kent IV
James Hawkins IV
Joseph Synes IV
Charles Miller IV
Beatrice Dunn IV
Kate Marsh IV
Alice Sheppard IV
CHURCH ARMY NEWS

The house-to-house collections in the two villages totalled £173, which is a record. Many thanks to all who gave and especially to all the collectors.

The piano recital given by Sarah Briggs in Dorchester was a great success. Sarah delighted the audience with the brilliance of her playing and a profit of £411 was made for the work of the Church Army.

IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND - LONDON MARATHON

The Bere Regis Friends of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund were most grateful to Mr V Clarke for the £290.88 sponsorship money raised by his marathon run.

W.I.

You are invited to a Cheese and Wine party to be held at Hill View, 105 North Street on Friday 15 July at 7.30 pm in aid of the PIAM Brown child cancer fund. Tickets price £1.25 obtainable from Mrs Peggy Moss or members of the WI.

BRSC CRICKET RESULTS AND FIXTURES

15/5 Away 2nd XI Shroton 190-5 - Bere 185 AO, Mark Bennett 85
18/5 Away PEL Bovington RAC 89 for 8, Harvey Nunn 2-17
Bere 90 for 1, Tony Bessant 43 NO, Harvey Nunn 41 NO
21/5 Home 2nd XI Bere 75 AO, Peter Cheeseman 25 - Pomperne 78 for 2
22/5 Away Div 2 W Moors 248 for 8 - Bere 159 AO
Doug Curtis 53, Alan Green 42
W Moors 20 pts - Bere 8 pts
28/5 Home 2nd XI Bere 108 - Wilts Wanderers, rain no result
29/5 Home 2nd XI llberton 132 for 8 - Bere 86 AO
30/5 Home 2nd XI Maccabi 54 AO, Dean Merritt 3-8
Bere 56-6
1/6 Away PEL Bere 95 for 5, Reg Fripp 27,
Tony Bessant 23 - Morden 96-2
4/6 Away 2nd XI Bere 167 for 6, Gary Barrett 62,
Kevin Steele 27 NO - Dewlish 81 AO,
Reg Fripp 3-6, Kevin Steele 2-7
5/6 Home 2nd XI Coombe Down 122 AO, gordon Tucker 3-8
Bere 68 AO, Kevin Hłatwitt 20,
Reg Fripp 29 NO
8/6 Home PEL Sandford 64 AO, Robin Hall 2-6,
Alan Green 2-8 - Bere 65 for 2,
Reg Fripp 29 NO, Garry Barrett 19

FIXTURES JULY
1st XI Div 2
2 Redlands Away
9 Yetminster Home
16 Bournemouth 3 Away
24 Colehill 2 Away
2nd XI
10 Wessex Pilgrims Home
17 Knights of Read Home
23 Spetsibury Away
25 Claverdon Tourists Home
29 Fordecombe Tourists Home
Purbeck Evening League
6 Morden Home
13 Sandford Away
25 Purbeck Home
27 6-a-side round 1

The following report was incorrect in the May Magazine - we apologise to all concerned:-

"ADRIAN WELSTAD MEMORIAL TROPHY. This year was played at Bere Regis. The teams, Bere Regis v W. Kingston fought a hard but good natured game resulting in a 1-0 win for W. Kingston. The Kingston scorer was Steve Gale, midway through the second half. Adrian's parents, Alan and Beryl started the proceedings and afterwards presented the trophy to Kingston's captain, Steve Painter. Proceeds of £57.10 from the raffle donated, at Mr & Mrs Wellstead's request, to SENSE, a charity to help deaf and blind children to use their other senses. Many thanks to all who participated and helped in any way."

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP

To celebrate 21 years of Venture Scouting, the Venture Unit are organising an entertainment weekend for the Group at Kimmidge on the 16th and 17th July. As well as this they are helping the less fortunate by taking 12 children from Maiden Castle school to Monkey World.

BERE REGIS R.B.L.

Branch members were well represented at the Earl Haig Memorial Service held at Bovington on 5th June. Although the parade of ex-service men has sadly diminished in numbers in recent years, it was good to see some 63 Branch and Women's Section standards leading the parade, indicating the importance of this occasion in the British
Legion's calendar. This was also a special occasion for Brian Way, who having succeeded Harry Cleal as standard-bearer, admirably performed his duties on his first Earl Haig parade. We were pleased for the support given by the Women's Section, whose standard was also paraded.

Our 16th Annual Flower Show will be held in the Clubroom, North Street, on Saturday, 13th August. As usual there will be three main sections comprising some 55 classes, including some Ladies' Floral, Homecraft and Children's Classes. Schedules will be available in due course from members, at the Clubroom and at the Post Office. Exhibits must be staged not later than 10 am, and the Show opens to public viewing at 2 pm. Admission 20p. Children under 12 - free. Entries to be in the Show Secretary's hands by Wednesday, 10th August, who will be in the Clubhouse that evening to receive final entries.

An outing was arranged by the Branch Youth Section to Alton Towers and it was well supported; a party of 36 youth members and adults having a fine day out, and are looking forward to the arranged outing to Windsor Safari Park.

BLOOD DONOR SESSIONS
The Blood Donor Team will be at the D'Urberville Centre, Wool on Thursday, 21st July from 1.30 - 3.30 and from 5 - 7 pm.
Donations of blood are particularly needed at holiday time and we look forward to welcoming those who could spare a little time and effort to ensure there is always enough available.
For further information contact your local organiser:
Tel: Warwell 852900

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

AFFPUDDLE PARISH HOLIDAY for American visitors. 6th - 14th July.
Our American visitors, from various parts of the U.S.A. will be staying with families around the parish during this period. If you meet them out and about, do please stop for a chat: they will enjoy meeting you. And if you can, join them at the celebration of Parish Communion in Affpuddle Church on the morning of Sunday, 10th July - there will be an opportunity to meet and chat over coffee after the service. Or at the Evensong in Bere Regis Church the same evening.

CANCER RESEARCH CAMPAIGN
This year's result: £231.47 from the House-to-House collection was splendid. Up, yet again, on the previous year, £183.25 for 1987.

My most grateful thanks to all who contributed so generously and to our helpers cheerfully visiting local homes, with their blue tins and achieving excellent responses.

Since, after 20 years, I am resigning at the end of this year, may I take this opportunity of expressing my gratitude to all helpers and collectors for their splendid co-operation. With complete confidence and with Cancer Research Headquarters' blessing, I shall hand over this area to Mrs Graham Vingoe (Gill) to whom I am certain you will give all possible help. Thank you to everyone, over so many years, for your help in raising funds for this important cause; keep your records up. I shall miss much that this work involves, but, please, may still call in to see friends without the Blue Tin!

Mrs. J.P.

CHRISTIAN AID
Many thanks to the collectors and contributors in the recent Christian Aid Week. The total of £60.41 raised in Affpuddle and Briantspuddle has been sent to help the churches work for the poor of many countries.

D.B.

MAY STREET FAIR
How lucky we were to have such a lovely day this year! The Morris Dancers danced themselves to exhaustion - weren't they good! The Talbot Children's Band played with their usual excellence and the Dutch Organ added the right touch! The Hall Committee made a profit towards the maintenance of the Village Hall of £610.26. The stalls all did very well for their own charities and organisations. The Hall Committee works very hard to organise such events and we must thank them for putting Briantspuddle on the map once again with the Street Fair. Thank you to everybody else who helped and for the happy atmosphere which pervaded the whole event.

BLAIDEN SOCIAL CLUB

Results:

Blockbusters Quiz:
1st Mr & Mrs D'Alcuen
2nd Dr & Mrs McGrorty

Treasure Hunt:
1st S McGrorty
2nd C Spenceley
3rd B Miller

Bladen Princess:
Carrie Anne Wade

In-House K.O.s:
Darts Singles:
Bert Jeanes
Darts Pairs:
Bert Jeanes & Simon Scott
Crib Singles:
Vera Miller
Crib Pairs:
Paul Rolls & David Gale
Pool Singles:
Tony Hewitt
Pool Pairs:
Bert Jeanes & Simon Scott
Overall Champion:
Bert Jeanes
Events for July:  
Saturday 2nd July - Pete Howell  
Saturday 9th July - Pete Bowditch  
Thursday 14th July - Bingo  
Thursday 28th July - Bingo

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July 1988
2nd 10.30am Coffee Morning - Mission to Seaman - 7 Bladen Valley  
2nd 10.30am Coffee Morning for Drax Hall - 22 Green Close  
13th 2.30pm Autumn Leaves 'Open Day' - Drax Hall  
15th 7.30pm W.I. Cheese & Wine - 105 North Street  
21st 1.30pm-3.30pm, 5pm-7pm - Blood Donor Sessions - D'Urberville Centre, Wool  
22,23,24th 'Art and Nature Intertwined' - Bere Regis Parish Church  
27th 11.00am Noah's Ark Family Day - Vicarage

FUTURE EVENTS

August 1988
6th British Retinitis Pigmentosa Soc - Garden Party - Old Vicarage  
6th Bladen Social Club Horticultural Show  
13th Bere Regis RBL Flower Show  
19/20th 'Larkspur', Snow Hill - Garden Open - Guide Dogs for the Blind

September 1988
15th W.I. Open Concert Night for Village Groups  
17th Affpuddle Harvest Supper - Briantspuddle Village Hall  
October 1988
8th Scouts Autumn Fair & Bargain Basement - Drax Hall  
15th Study Day - Bere Regis in the 17th Century - Parish Church

November 1988
4th Scouts - Yetties Barn Dance - Puddletown School

December 1988
19/20th Scout Group Carol Singing in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AUTUMN LEAVES  
BEAVERS  
BELLRINGERS  
BINGO  
BLUE VAN  
BRITISH LEGION CLUB

2.30pm 2nd Wednesday  
6.00pm Monday, Winterborne Kingston School  
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None of us knows the reasons why things happen to us that cause suffering and anguish. What we do know is that these things come to everyone in some measure at some time in life - it's an illusion to think you can ever have it all rosy. And we know that God himself is more deeply involved in it than we can ever imagine, because he has shown himself to us as one who suffered and died for our sake alone.

God can do miracles. Never forget that. Perhaps the miracle he wants to do is in your own lives, and not the sort you long for at the moment.

Remember too that he promises that for those who love and give their lives to him, death will one day be swallowed up in victory. He says he will wipe away tears from all eyes, and there will be no more sorrow, or crying or pain.

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UNIVERSAL TRUTHS

DID YOU KNOW that the Vatican had an astronomical observatory? Apparently there is one attached to the Pope's summer villa at Castel Gandolfo in the hills outside Rome. (Perhaps to make sure that nobody like that Galileo chap should spring any unwelcome surprises). From September 21 to 26 some 20 top brains will be attending a conference on Theology and Cosmology at the Pope's personal request.

The title of the conference 'Our Vision and Knowledge of God in Nature' seems straightforward enough. In case the subtitle 'probing the interaction between physics, philosophy and theology' sounds slightly more difficult to grasp the Rome correspondent pins the whole thing smartly to the ground as "What we know about the Universe, how we know it and what it means."

READING & RITING

(THERE IS a slightly coarse joke about a millionaire who would never have made his millions if he hadn't got the sack from his first job as a loo attendant for being illiterate. (In a television play on the same theme the job was being a church verger! Alas, this unlikely exception doesn't alter the general rule that if you are slow to read, everything else becomes vastly more difficult, too. Even in this TV age most instructions about everything from preventing Aids to using zebra crossings are in written words.

According to a recent survey by Lancaster University, about seven million people in Britain cannot adequately write, read or do simple sums. This figure, if true, is vastly more than we have been led to believe from any previous survey in the last 20 years. It suggests a situation more serious than any of the participants in the teachers disputes have wished to talk about. It must affect our thinking about Christian communication, too.
NO ESCAPE

FATHER, resting after lunch, firmly closed his eyes against his children’s pleas to “play a game, Daddy”. At last he felt small fingers move one of his eyelids and heard one child confide to another “He’s still in there”.

BECAUSE of the housing shortage near the military base where he was stationed, a young doctor, his wife and children were obliged to live in a hotel.

A friend said to the doctor’s six year old daughter, “Isn’t it a shame that you haven’t got a home?”

“Oh we have a home,” the youngster replied quickly, “We just don’t have a house to put it in.”

THE TROUBLE with never having a goal in your life is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never scoring!

CONSCIENCE

A NEW CHRISTIAN wrote to the Inland Revenue: ‘I can’t sleep at night so I am enclosing £100 I forgot to declare. PS If I still can’t sleep I will send the rest.’

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