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NAMES and FACES

"I'm hopeless with names, but I never forget a face". So many of us say or think this. In small communities it would never be said because we know one another by name, by character, and by face. But in growing communities names are lost in a sea of faces.

Schoolteachers are amazing with names. They have this ability to learn every child's name so quickly, even when there is an entry of twenty one new children all at one time as happened in the Bere Regis First School this term. To be known by name gives pleasure and confidence, it helps a relationship to develop; it gives an individual identity and you cease to be a crowd.

Faces are different. We can all remember faces, except of course the blind person who, I am led to believe, can identify voices much more keenly than most. "I've seen you somewhere before" is a common remark in a fast moving world. What is it that makes your face memorable? The answer is that we are all different; even identical twins are different. And our faces are changed by our experiences of life. Sometimes we see a face which shines with goodness and kindness and love and we think "what a lovely face". Sometimes, and very sadly, we see a tiredness, or discouragement. We see the anguished face of the mother or father with a very sick child. Even more sadly we can see a face marked by wrong living, and everyone will be aware of this in themselves.

In the Christian, the face of Jesus Christ shows the Glory of God! As we look at his face on the crucifix or in Christian art, we see not only compassion, but also suffering and pain; we see a beauty of spirit that must light up the darkest day. We see a face which is the face of everyman, and everyman's face is the face of Jesus Christ.

A resolution for Lent. I will work harder at trying to remember new peoples names, and I will try and see Christ in other people.

Graham Roblin
Vicar

BERE REGIS SERVICES ON SUNDAYs

7 March (2nd Sunday in LENT)
9.30 Holy Communion Service (Sung)
6.00 Evensong (Prayer Book)

14 March (3rd Sunday in LENT)
8.00 Holy Communion (Said) (Prayer Book)
11.00 FAMILY SERVICE
6.00 Evensong (Prayer Book)

21 March (Mothering Sunday)
9.30 Holy Communion (Sung)
2.30 Mothering Sunday Service

28 March (4th Sunday in LENT - Passion Sunday)
8.00 Holy Communion (Said) (Prayer Book)
11.00 Matins (Sung) (Prayer Book)
6.00 Evening Eucharist and Laying on of Hands

BERE REGIS SIDESMEN FOR SERVICES IN MARCH

Date Bere Regis Sidesmen
Sun 7 9.30 am Mr Bates/Mr House
6.00 pm Mr Dashwood/Mr Ward
Sun 14 8.00 am -
11.00 am Mrs Stevens/Mrs England
6.00 pm Mr Barnes/Mrs Jutting
Sun 21 9.30 am Mrs Hazelrigg/Mr Strange
2.30 pm Miss Chesney/Miss Frampton
Sun 28 8.00 am -
11.00 am Miss Miller/Col Barne

DATE FLOWERS CLEANING
7th LENT Mrs Thorniley
14th LENT SPECIAL CLEAN
21st LENT Mrs Nicholson
28th LENT
FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism
At Bere Regis Church on Sunday 4 Feb
SAMUEL DAVID HOUSE

Burial of the Dead
At Bere Regis Church on Thursday 21st January followed by cremation at Poole Crematorium.
OLIVE GOULD

At Affpuddle Church on Wednesday 27th January
MURIEL MAY SHORTO

At Bere Regis Church on Monday 15th February followed by cremation at Poole Crematorium
ARTHUR SOLLIS

BERE REGIS CHURCH - SPRING CLEAN
The traditional 'spring clean' of our church will take place on SATURDAY 20th MARCH, commencing at 10.00 am and continuing until everyone is satisfied. The knowledgeable experts will dust down the apostles but there will be lots to do for the rest of us. The date for this is dictated by weddings taking place on all the other Saturdays.

PHOTOCOPYING - The Vicarage
During the 'Interregnum', the photocopying facility in the vicarage was continued, but at set times. This facility and timetable will continue.
TUESDAY evenings - 7.00-8.00 pm
FRIDAY mornings - 10.00 - 11.00 am
The contact number if you need help is 471391.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME
If there is anyone who is unable to come to church to receive the Blessed Sacrament, but would like to have a service in their own homes, the vicar is very willing to do this. Arrangements can be made for this at any time.

LENT - Extra Services in Bere Regis Church
In order to help the keeping of Lent, there will be an evening service and devotional address every Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm. Because of services already arranged, the form of worship will be either a Holy Communion service or a form of compliance.

MOTHERING SUNDAY - Bere Regis - 2.30 pm
There will be a special Mothering Sunday service in the church starting at 2.30 pm. This service will be especially tuned to children (with mothers in mind), and will last about forty minutes.

BERE REGIS CHURCH - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Please note that the church AGM will be held in the church following Evensong on Palm Sunday, 4th April.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES
The Confirmation Service for our area this year is to be on 8th May at MILTON ABBEY at 7.30 pm. Confirmation is administered by the Bishop of Sherborne, and is open to anyone over the age of ten. Preparation classes for the young will commence in March, and should there be anyone who would like to talk about confirmation please contact the vicar.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
This will be on Friday 5th March, at 3pm at Puddletown Parish Church. The theme is God's People: Instruments of Healing, and the speaker is Mrs Vera Hancock. The service has been prepared by the women of Guatemala. If you would like to go please contact Mrs Mary England, tel no. Bere Regis 471469.

LENT STUDY GROUPS - 'COMMON GROUND'
Our Lent study follows this course published by the diocese, about five important areas of life shared by people of some faith or none. We hope to learn from each other as well as from the course booklet containing biblical perspectives and notes written by experts in their subjects.

The meetings will take place in Affpuddle parish on Mondays and in Bere Regis on Tuesdays throughout March, all starting at 7.45 pm until 9.30 pm. Please feel free to attend at either venue and day, whichever suits you best. The subjects, dates and venues are as follows:

1. FAMILY
   Mon 1st
   Tue 2nd
   Vicarage, Bere Regis

2. COMMUNITY
   Mon 8th
   September Cottage, Briantspuddle (Sherwoods')
   Tue 9th
   12 Sitterton (Wilson's')

3. WEALTH
   Mon 15th
   9 Bladen Valley (Bentleys')
   Tue 16th
   Vicarage, Bere Regis

4. POWER
   Mon 22nd
   Starmoor, Throop (Menzies')
   Tue 23rd
   12 Sitterton (Wilson's')

5. MASS MEDIA
   Mon 29th
   Barbary, Briantspuddle (K Wharton)
   Tues 30th
   Vicarage, Bere Regis

If you plan to attend, it will be helpful but not essential if you let the vicar or Jonathan Haigh or Brenda Pittfield know in advance and obtain from them a copy of the course booklet costing £1.

The course runs parallel to, but is not dependant on, a series of radio broadcasts on Wiltshire radio every Sunday afternoon at 2.30 pm starting on 28 February (103.5 FM or 1332 and 1369 KHz MW).

JH
APPRECIATIONS

THE LATE ARTHUR SOLLIS
Sylvia and Ivor Mullins and family would like to express their sincere thanks to all who attended the funeral service and for the many cards and messages of sympathy received. Our grateful thanks also to the Vicar, the Ven. Graham Robin for the inspiring service and to the many friends who helped to make Arthur's latter years so happy.

Mary House and Family would like to thank all relations and friends for their kindness shown with prayers and cards and enquiries during Mary's recent stay in hospital, it was very much appreciated.

Brian and Carol Halliwell wish to say a big THANK YOU to all their friends, neighbours, parents, staff and children of Bere Regis First School for all their good wishes, visits and cards received during Brian's illness. A special THANKS goes to Jill Hutchings, Marianne Griffith, Chris Smith and Dr Greenfield and staff at the Surgery.

THE DORSET LATVIA LINK
Latvian Bank Notes
A Sunday newspaper (The Sunday Times) recently gave away Latvian 2 Rublis bank notes as part of a sales promotion.

The Dorset Latvia Link is sending a party of 20 youngsters to Latvia this summer to help run a summer camp for disadvantaged and orphaned Latvian children.

The 2 Rublis notes are worth a considerable sum of money to a Latvian orphan. If you have any of these bank notes (or any other Eastern European notes) and do not know what to do with them, we would be happy to receive them and take them with us in the Summer to give to the Latvian children.

Please send them to: The Dorset Latvia Link, c/o Philip Ventham, 5 The Hollow, Briantspuddle, Dorchester DT2 7HX.

BLOOD DONOR SESSIONS
The next blood donor sessions will take place in the D'Urberville Hall, Wool on Thursday, March 11th from 1.30-3.30 pm and from 5.00-7.00 pm. New donors are always welcome. The second session this year will be on Thursday, September 2nd.

Information on giving blood can be obtained by phoning Freephone 0800-373701 or your local organiser Mrs P Bartholomew, 0305 852900.

BERE REGIS NEWS

BERE REGIS PARISH CHURCH COUNCIL
The council met on 24th November 1992 in the church and on 21st January 1993 at the home of our churchwarden, Mr John House and his wife Pat. This was, in part, a social gathering to enable us to meet our new vicar, the Ven. Graham Robin and his wife Penny.

The council had been able to allocate a small amount of money to help to pay for the Vicarage to be redecorated and the diocese had contributed a similar amount. External work on windows and soakaways would also need to be done.

The treasurer reported that income and expenditure for the year had balanced exactly and donations were up by 12% on last year which was encouraging at a time of recession. The quota has been paid in full but this year our parish will have to pay an additional 26%. If more of our church members could covenant their giving, this would result in a much needed increase, and if we could all review the level of our giving each year, this too would boost our income.

The new gas central heating system is working well but we had experienced a few weeks without any heating at all during a particularly cold spell. The church notice board has been repaired and repainted.

The Christian helping committee has been keeping in touch with some Sudanese refugees now living in Uganda - a coffee morning for Sudanese refugees is to be held on March 27th. The collection taken at the service to welcome our new vicar amounted to £350. This will go to keep the people of Sudan, our diocesan link province, which always benefits from collections in a church in our diocese whenever a bishop is present.

The chairman reported that the coper was now working well and was obviously more reliable in a warm setting. He thanked John Pittfield and Mrs Mollie Carlyle for all their hard work. He was pleased to report that the magazine would remain at the same price, owing to the efforts of the editor, Miss Dorothy Briggs who had found additional advertisers. He thanked everyone who had helped in the parish during the interregnum and hoped that Graham and Penny would enjoy a long and happy time with us.

Brenda Pittfield

PARISH COUNCIL
The February meeting of the Parish Council was important because it was the meeting at which we agreed the level of the Parish Council tax for the next financial year.

As I indicated in a previous report we are embarking upon the scheme to bring street lighting to parts of the village that have so far been missed - this is the major reason why the Tax this year will be higher than in recent years, giving an actual gross figure of £8,200. One advantage of the late Community Charge was that this total could easily be converted to show exactly what each Charge-paying Parishioner would have to pay; with the new Council Tax this exercise is not so easy. However, as an example, a household in Band D of the new Tax system will pay £12,41, with other bandings either higher or lower according to the complex method of calculating the Tax liability.

The Parish Council has, amongst its other functions, responsibility for the Drax Hall,
of which it is the Trustee. For some time now it has become increasingly apparent that
a combination of decreasing usage (caused at least in part by competition from rival
meeting places in the Village), and a grave shortage of enough Parishioners to serve on
the management committee and get involved in the practical management of the Hall,
is reaching the point where there is a real possibility of the Hall having to close.

It would be a retrograde step for Bere Regis to have to close its Village Hall, and the
Parish Council wishes to urge all those who wish to keep the Drax Hall open and thriving
to offer their active help by forming the Management Committee that will be elected
at the AGM on March 4th at 7.30pm. If you are a parishioner of Bere Regis, aged 18
or over, you are qualified to serve on the Management Committee, and therefore play
an active role in running the Hall.

In the recent past there have always been plenty of Parishioners who have been eager
to pass comment upon the way in which the Drax Hall should be run, have declined to
help in any more practical way. Now is the time for them, or anyone else, to step forward
and put their ideas into effect - the alternative will be no Village Hall in Bere Regis.
Tony Wise

THE BLUE VAN
Dorset Community Council announce with regret that as from 31st March 1993 the
Blue Van service will cease its regular visits to the towns and villages of the county.

CYRIL WOOD COURT
This year the Community intend to hold as many events as possible, starting off with
a coffee morning cum bring and buy sale on the 20th March. Between 10 am and 2.30
pm there will be plenty of time to buy a range of articles from books to bric-a-brac and
good secondhand kitchen implements, before indulging in a ploughmans, or sand-
wiches and cakes. Come early for bargains - stay late to eat!

ARTHROPS RESEARCH
The Bere Regis Branch of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research will be
holding a 'Soup and Sweet' lunch at Cyril Wood Court, West Street, Bere Regis on
Wednesday 10th March at 12.30 pm. The speaker will be Mrs Pauline Gibbs of Marks
and Spencer.

All are welcome. Tickets at £2.50 available from Mrs Vicki Peters, 'Little Hoathly',
West Street, Bere Regis.

BERE REGIS MOTHERS' UNION
Our speakers in February were George and Jenny Silvas and they gave us an illustrated
talk on life in Latvia today. We saw pictures of hospitals and schools, and were told how
medical supplies and books and materials for the schools were very limited. We were also
able to see a number of articles made in Latvia.

On the 3rd March we are to have Corporate Communion with an address for Lent
by the Vicar. The tea hostesses will be Di, Sally and Dorrie.

AUTUMN LEAVES over 50's
Our next meeting will be on 10th March when we are to have a talk by Mr Burbidge.
There will be a competition for three spring flowers.

DISTRICT NURSES TEA PARTY
Once again many thanks to you all for turning out on such a miserable afternoon - it
was lovely to see so many of you. We raised eighty pounds - forty of which we have
donated to Joseph Weld Hospice the remainder to the new hospice to be built at Poole.
Many thanks for all the raffle prizes. We look forward to seeing you all in May.
Gill Webb
D.N. Sister

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP
Our regular spring Jumble Sale is to be held on Saturday 13th March at 2.30 pm in the
Scout HQ. Any contributions for our usual stalls, clothes, bric-a-brac, books, produce
and cakes will be very welcome on the day from 10.30 in the morning or a call to the
Scout Group Chairman, John England on 471469, will arrange for its collection.

This year with help from the Guide Troop, there will be another 'Cub Roast' at
Shitterton Farmhouse by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Ian Ventham and family. Note
the date SATURDAY JUNE 12th.

The Group is collecting BP Options vouchers in order to buy items of equipment or
if enough - being a charity - we can exchange them for cash but this needs a mini-
mum of 5000 vouchers!

If you have any you do not wish to use yourself we would be very grateful if you could
give them to Mrs Denise Croom, 1 Bitchams Mead or any Scout Leader or committee
member. Many thanks.

BERE REGIS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
The speaker at the January meeting was Mr G Vickery, who told us about the life of the
Honey Bee. It was very interesting, and they do indeed have busy lives. We had delicious
honey biscuits for refreshments, which were enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be
on March 16th, when the speaker will be Miss D Hills on 'Did the Punishment Fit the
Crime?' Our meetings are held on the third Tuesday in each month at 7.30 pm in the
Drax Hall. All new members will be very welcome.

OPEN DAY
There will be 'Open Day' on Wednesday 10th March at Woodbury Cottage, 74 West
Street, Bere Regis, from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

Tea and coffee will be served with home made cakes. There will be a bric-a-brac stall
and a cake stall. All proceeds will go to an orphanage in Albania, and will be used to
provide toilet and washing facilities for the 120 children being cared for there.

With your support last year we raised £112.

Thank you.
Roy and Norah
2nd BERE REGIS GIRL GUIDES
Have had a pleasant month beginning with an adventure course at the H.Q. with climbing through tyres, over plank bridges while carrying a cup of water! ending with a few pulls of tug of war.
Later in the month we had a guided tour of 2CR Radio station. A very humorous look around led by none other than Rick Adams. Three girls had a go at being DJ’s, while some others ‘went live’ during Mark Rice’s show. Did anyone hear us just before 7pm on February 9th?

BERE REGIS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Spring seems to have come early this year judging by the buds on the trees, the crocuses and daffodils that are already blooming, and the busy birds that are singing away at the top of their voices. The promise of new life is everywhere, if we care to look.

Our Creator God is a God of LIFE, not only in the natural but also in the spiritual. That is why Jesus Christ came to this earth, so that all who would truly believe and receive Him might have LIFE and have it more abundantly (naturally and spiritually) John 10:10.

Yet how sad and true it is that mankind, without Christ can treat LIFE so cheaply. The taking of someone’s LIFE, whether the unborn child, two year old James Boulger, a soldier in Northern Ireland or an elderly person is common place these days, life seems to count for nothing.

The instant dispensing of a person's livelihood in mass redundancy is just as callous. The person is left feeling unwanted and on the scrap heap.

Jesus said ‘The thief (Satan) comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I am come that you may have LIFE and have it to the full.’ John 10:10.

The Lord must weep when people refuse to turn to Him. God gives us LIFE - live it for Christ’s sake and glory.

On Saturday 27th March at 7.30 pm we shall be having another of our special meetings when we shall be celebrating the new life we have in Jesus. Our speaker will be Ron Axon from Colne in Lancashire. He has a Bible teaching ministry, and along with his wife, Eve, also has a healing ministry. Why not join us that evening and have a taste of the new life that Jesus has for you.

BERE REGIS FLOWER CLUB
The first meeting of the New Year started with a vivid splash of colour of bright yellow lilies and purple orchids displayed in tiers of baskets and depicting an atmosphere of the Far East. Demonstrator Mrs Marilyn NOURSE had spent some time living in Borneo and soon captured our imagination and interest in her skills as well as with her amusing tales of the Far East.

The afternoon passed all too quickly with her arrangements moving westwards to the Continental Style using groups of spring flowers. Other arrangements included an informal picnic basket to the sophistication of the more formal using a combination of fresh flowers and glycerined greenery.

The next meeting will be held at Winterborne Kingston Village Hall on Tuesday 9th March at 2.30 pm. The demonstrator will be Mrs K Johns, and her subject will be 'SPRING ODYSSEY'. New members and visitors are always welcome.

WATCH
The Children of Bere Regis and Sandford Middle School WATCH clubs wish to thank everyone who helped and supported the Bring and Buy Sale for the Shetland Islands on 6th February. The grand total of £183.69 was raised and will be donated to the RSPCA Shetland Island Appeal.

Play and Learn Van - March Programme
4th/18th 11.50-12.30 - Briantspuddle
10th/24th 9.15-10.00 - B R School
10.15-11.00 - B R Surgery
11th/25th 2.15-3.00 - B R Elder Road (please note change of venue)

MIND THE WORLD GROUP
Bring & Buy + Traidcraft
We hold a monthly Bring and Buy and Coffee Morning in church at 10.30 am on the 1st Sunday in the month. Proceeds go to Christian Aid for their work in developing countries.

All support is welcomed - Recycle your surpluses! Traidcraft goods are also on sale at the same time. Purchases made from Traidcraft ensure that producers in developing countries receive a fair return for their work.

We stock a variety of goods, from dried apricots to jewellery. Perhaps there is something there for you - Why not come and see?

Mind the World Notice Board (in church)
Monthly topics which we shall be covering are:
March - Women in the Developing World
April - Worship in the Developing World
May - Christian Aid (Trade)
June - Sight

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - (Bere Regis Branch)
Yet another month has passed by. Before going on to complete this months news, I would like to correct a couple of small errors from last month.

The music at the Elderly Citizens Party in December was supplied by George (Harry) Hurst and not Eileen Maldment. Eileen very kindly supplied her very own specialist entertainment which was readily enjoyed by those attending.

The branch and club continue to go from strength to strength and will do so with greater strides with the support of our members. A warm welcome awaits all who cross the threshold of our Branch/Club building in North Street.
CAR BOOT SALES
By the time these notes are converted into print the 21st February sale will have come and gone. However, remember there is a further opportunity to empty the loft or pick up a bargain on the 21st March. The place: Court Green, the time: 2pm.

YOUTH SECTION
Our youth section under the careful and watchful eye of Leader Terry Vine are going from strength to strength. January saw the second leg on the Annual Challenge against the Sandford RBL Youth take place. Despite great efforts by those taking part our youth went down fighting to give Sandford their first win in this competition.

The junior club competitions are progressing well and are well on course to be completed in time for the Club Finals night.

With teams entered for the 'Gladiators Challenge' at Wareham Youth Centre on the 28th February, and a 5-a-side football competition at Poole Sports Centre in March our Youth section are making their presence felt within area youth circles.

A 'first' for the Section takes place on the weekend of 20th February when the Youth Section Standard will be carried for the first time by a Female Youth Section Member, namely Miss Helen Stockley, at the final South West Area Conference in Exmouth. This 'first' is particularly special as 1993 marks the 10th Anniversary of our Youth Section.

The Section is well to the forefront of the formation of the Dorset Youth Link Committee. On the 2nd March, Terry Vine, on behalf of the RBL Youth in Dorset, will be hosting at Bere Regis Club, the Dorset County Council Youth Service Day which will take the form of a Seminar on 'Contracting Culture'. A feather in the caps of our Youth Section and their leader.

The Section Membership stands at 37, but like any other organisation needs to sustain growth in membership. Our 22 lads and 15 lasses are always happy to welcome new members.

Without the time and expertise of adult leaders our Section would not function as successfully as it does, if at all. There is a real need for additional adult leader help on Wednesday evenings. Interested? Then contact Terry Vine through the Branch or Club to find out more.

THE R.B.L. WOMEN'S SECTION
Held their first meeting of 1993 on January 20th. 17 members attended.

Our speaker was Mr G Phillips who showed us a most interesting video of the work of the Royal British Legion.

At this meeting the Chairman announced that at our county conference we had been awarded certificates for 'runners up' for the Chadwick Cup, County Poppy Cup and the Dorothy Cross Memorial Cup.

Teas were served by Mrs S Legg and Mrs Crook.

Cenotaph for March Ms J Hartley. Date for the Diary: Coffee Evening at HQs 7pm.

RBL GARDENING CLUB
With preparations for the RBL Gardening Clubs Spring Show well under way it was hardly surprising that Show expert B Sprackland draw a big crowd for his advice to members on how to Grow and Show to the best advantage.

If the rapt attention of his audience is anything to go by, this years Spring Show to be held at Legion Club, North Street on 27th March should break all records for quality of content and presentation.

Club Membership numbers are creeping up. We have passed the 70 mark to date and are pretty confident that those of you who haven't renewed membership yet will do so in the near future.

Tudor Nursery at Morton, Woodlands Nurseries Lytchett Matravers, Countrywise, (Now Batchelors) Dorchester, Batchelor Farm Supplies Winterborne Kingston, and Central Glass Alder Road, Poole have replied to my request for discounts on garden supplies for 1993. I hope to hear from Mardon’s Dorchester, G Elmes & Son Wareham and Peter Earley Blandford to confirm continuation of their generous offers and will let you all know when I do.

Seed orders were a little slow this year but we have managed to put together enough to get a reasonable discount from Dobies and will continue with our offer of 25% off all seed orders to RBL Members. Andy Morrison is the man to see. He's on 472343 but you can still drop your orders through the letter box at Silversprings. Thank you Silversprings for your assistance. It is much appreciated.

Just a reminder, and a gentle nudge to those of you who haven't got round to renewing membership, on March 2nd, 8pm in the Legion Club North Street, Mr D Pouncey will be guest speaker. His subject, Floral Art Flowers & Foliage is very popular so be a little early, I'll be in attendance. Cross my palm with £1.50 and join the Best Club in Town.

Committee Meets at RBL Club 7.30 pm each Last Tuesday of the month.
Gardening Club Nite at RBL Club 8pm each first Tuesday of the month.
Bere Regis & District RBL Gardening Club Spring Show, 27th March. More details from Adrian Standsfield on Club Nite.

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB
Football Results - 1st Team
30 Jan Bere Regis 1 4 Littlemoor Sports
6 Feb Bere Regis 1 1 Dorchester YMCA
13 Feb Chideock 4 0 Bere Regis

2nd Team
16 Jan Wytch Farm 3 7 Bere Regis
13 Feb Bere Regis 2 2 Dorset Fire Brigade

Sunday Div 4
31 Jan Bere Regis 5 4 Bovington RBL
(S Ives 3, R White 2)
7 Feb James Brooks 6 1 Bere Regis (R White)
14 Feb Bere Regis 8 1 Stokeford Inn
(R White 4, W Cope 2, A Cheeseman, D Brown)
The weather has proved to be Bere's stumbling block in their relegation dogfight, however after their January programme where most games were decided by the pools panel some face was saved. The first eleven met a very strong Littlemoor team packed with Weymouth mercenaries, and they held their own for half an hour when Keith Pound joined an elite band, this being 'The Ancient Order of the Bere goalsecorer' and went in at half-time 1-1. Unfortunately Bere needed more than a few funny handshakes in the second half and couldn't quite keep up with their shadows to crash 4-1. If Dorchester YMCA had remembered their finishing boots then the scoreline would have resembled a rugby one, but Rich Cummins gave us the lineout needed and Bere held on to that lead right up until the death conceding a fatal equaliser. Some questionable referring away at Chideock started the home team off and Bere never recovered only apart from a golden chance from players' supreme Arch Cheeseman which ended up in the keeper's midrift, as a result Bere were humbled to 4-0. The oilmen of Wyth Farm were once a formidable force, but the slick play of old has de-generated into a crude form of attack as Bere's reserves easily dismissed them and enhanced their goal difference, but they suffered a scare in the shape of three goals in quick succession, but there were no slip ups this time as Bere mopped any pollution of their defence. An ever increasing Dorset Fire Brigade met the reserves and our own Steve Ives who was a thorn in their side as he went down for a penalty which was duly converted by Paul Crabb, the game then turned into one of the most open seen at Bere at this term, chances at both ends culminated in a 2-2 draw, Pat Merritt was Bere's defensive cornerstone as the Fireman closed in.

Facing a Bovington RBL team seeking to do the double over the Sunday warriors, they set about their task with some very uncertain defending and inept 'Bow' finishing kept the score down to 0-2. Bere never lacked commitment and their response came through Steve Ives who completed a well taken striker's hat-trick and Rob White who was all over the place running Bovington ragged. The second half Bere pressed and pressured and there was only going to be one winner although Bovington managed a cursory response to make things exciting in injury time. If the strikers against Bovington spared defensive blushes then they were only papering over the cracks as Bere showed a somewhat indifferent side to their football away to James Brook's, four were conceded early on cancelling any threat, although Bere did have a makeshift referee and pitch to contend with, but they were giving no excuses. They were hoping to improve their goal difference against re-election hopefuls Stokeford Inn and the 10,000 crowd were not disappointed as Bere marched to a 6-0 lead at the halfway stage, ther was some world class finishing straight from the San Siro as Rob 'Goal a Game' White showed his prowess in front of goal. Improving Wayne Cope netted twice, Bere failed to substantiate calls for a 20-0 scoreline although it was encouraging to see so many chances created, one missed by super sub and player-manager Ally McLeod which would have pleased the many watching at home and likewise in the ground. New signing Mick Henderson proved his worth with his experience in midfield.

Dikes Bakery Indoor Cricket 6-a-side Div IV
3 Jan        Lychett B 138 for 6
            Bere Regs 60 for 6. D Merrit 20

Finally a special mention for the club's dart team who play in the Wool and District Darts League captained by Chris Oran, they sit proudly on the top of the pile after being undefeated; two more wins will be sufficient to secure the title. Good luck to them.

The Sports Club Annual Dinner Dance will be held on 30 April at the Neptune Bars, Weymouth. Tickets are £12 each inclusive of music and transport available from Len Hall and Reg Snook, or phone 0929 471566. The cricket net practices have been set for 4 April and 11 April at Milton Abbey School, time to be confirmed. The Cricket Club will be staging a social evening on 3 April for players/non players old and especially new, this will be at the clubhouse.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

THANK YOU TIME
Thank you to all those who helped in the preparation of the refreshments for the induction service on 16th January. A delicious assortment of sweet and savoury food was delivered to me at Raitby Cottage. The very small residue which was not consumed at the induction tea party was given to the Grosvenor Crescent House of the Dorchester Cheshire Homes.

Thank you to all the people who provided food and helped with the vicar's welcome supper party on 23rd January. Some 75 people enjoyed a three course supper and had an opportunity to meet Penny and Graham Roblin and have a pleasant social evening.

CHURCH SPECIAL CLEAN
The pre Easter Special Church Clean will take place on Saturday 13th March from 10 am until 12 noon. Your help is requested. Please come along armed with dusters and cleaning cloths.

AFFPRaise FOR MOTHERS
IN BRIANTSPUDDLE VILLAGE HALL - 11.00 am Sunday 21st March
Our Affpraise Mothering Sunday Service will as usual be an informal service for all the family. Not just mothers but fathers, brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, grannies, grandpas, uncles, aunts etc. - all are welcome, with or without their families.

VILLAGE QUIZ - Wednesday 17th March 7.30 pm
This year we have decided by popular request to try a new format which will take the form of a pub quiz (without the beer)! We hope this will encourage families, friends, neighbours, organisations etc to enter a team. There will be no separate quiz for the children... just one quiz for all ages ... mix and match your team as you like... maximum in team four. The same questions will be asked of all teams and then team members will
have time to confer and complete their answer forms.

We would prefer teams to enter in advance to give us an idea of numbers, however, no team will be refused entry on the night. This should prove to be an enjoyable and relaxing evening for all and we hope you will take part. Please bring your own pens and pencils. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED (including Hot Dogs!) If you wish to enter a team please phone Gill Vingoe, 471832. Spectators welcome too.

AGE CONCERN
Age Concern would welcome the residents of Briantspuddle and Affpuddle to their weekly meeting on Thursday from 2-4pm at Turberville Court, Bere Regis. Regrettably transport cannot be provided but for further information please contact Di Phillips on Bere Regis 471423.

BRIANTSPUDDLE W.I.
The starting times of our monthly meeting has been brought forward to 7.30 instead of 8pm. During our meeting in March 3rd, 'Liz' will talk to us about the Samaritans. Teas: Mrs Riglar and Mrs Highman.

JUMBLE SALE
The W.I. are holding a Jumble Sale on 27th March in the village hall in Briantspuddle.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH 1993
7th 10.30 Traidcraft Bring & Buy Stall in B.R. Church
10th 12.30 ARC Lunch - Cyril Wood Court
13th 10-4 Open Day - Woodbury Cottage, Bere Regis
13th 2.30 JUMBLE SALE - Scout HQ
17th 7.30 pm Briantspuddle Village Quiz
20th 10am Coffee Morning - Cyril Wood Court
20th 10am B R Church Spring Clean
21st 2 pm RBL Car Boot Sale - Court Green
27th 10.30 Wise Owl Coffee Morning - Scout HQ

APRIL 1993
4th 10.30 Traidcraft Bring & Buy Stall - B.R. Church

MAY 1993
19th 8pm Scout Group AGM - HQ

JUNE 1993
12th Cub Roast - Shitterton Farmhouse
26th Garden Party - B.R. Vicarage

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WEEKENDERS
2.00 pm Thursdays, Turberville Court
2.30 pm 2nd Wednesday
6.30 pm Monday, Scout HQ
7.45 pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
10.15-11am First & third Monday. B.R. P.O.
7.00-11.30 pm Monday-Saturday, 12.00-2.00 pm & 7.30-10.30 pm Sunday
2.30 pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ
7.00-10.00 pm Wednesday
6-7.15 pm Wednesday, Scout HQ
Winter Season Opening Times: Tues, Wed & Fri 7.00 pm, Sat 4.25 pm, Sun 7.30 pm
Tues 7.45-9.30 - Village Hall
7.15 pm Junior, 7.45 pm Full Choir, Friday in Church
6.30 pm Thursday, Scout HQ
2.30 pm 2nd Tuesday, W. Kingston Village Hall
6.30 pm Tuesday, Scout HQ
10.00 am 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall
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2.00 pm Monday, Congregational Church
7.30 pm 1st Wednesday, Vicarage
7.00 pm Second Thursday - Drax Hall. Sub-
Committees on PO noticeboard.
5 mornings Bere Regis School - Tel 463214
Enquiries Gill Jennings 471198
4.30 pm Tuesdays - Scout HQ
1st Tues, 8.00 pm - Club House
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10.15 am Sundays in Church
7.30 pm 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
8.00 pm 1st Wednesday, Village Hall
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Church 10-14 Youth Group,
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