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"WHITSUN"

Whenever I hear or use the word "Whitsun", I automatically think of the "Whitsun Treat". It happened on a Monday - Whit Monday. It was always a beautiful day, and we would go by charabanc to a field somewhere. Then there would be races; egg and spoon races, three legged races, Mums and Dads races and ending up with "Everyone" races. There would be a huge picnic, with far too much to drink (lemonade) or Tizer, or Dandelion and Burdock. Then we would be transported home very tired, often with grazed knees from running too fast and falling on the grass. But it was just like heaven, except that I never won any race. Well, I can't remember winning any. Memory is a very fickle thing.

When I began to get older and serious, and thought about things a bit more, I began to see how very wise and perceptive our ancestors were. The Whitsun Treat was a 'family' event. Whitsunday is the day when we remember the disciples being altogether in one place, and the "Spirit of Jesus" infected them. They was enormous happiness and fun in their lives.

Gone was all the gloom and depression of those wintry days after Jesus was murdered. They were so happy, it seemed as if they were "on a trip" as we might say today; the bible says "they were all lit up".

Sometimes we are tempted to be so nostalgic for the past that we think that things like the "Whitsun Treat" never occur today. Well they don't occur exactly like they used to, but I was delighted by the tremendous feeling of togetherness that we all experienced over the VE Day commemoration. Everyone I spoke to seemed to have the "feel good factor" about them. And there were races on the sports fields, and lots of lemonade!

This Whitsun can be a time when we as churches in the community pledge ourselves to enjoy our faith, to have fun, and to be an attractive and welcoming group of people. Let's get infected with the spirit of Jesus.

Yours ever
Graham Roblin
CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

Sunday June 4th - WHITSUNDAY
8.00am Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30am Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00am Mattins (Affpuddle)
6.00pm Evensong (followed by "Friends" Party) Bere Regis

Sunday June 11th - TRINITY SUNDAY
8.00am Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30am Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00am Young Peoples Service (Bere regis)
6.00pm Evensong (Bere Regis)

Thursday June 15th - CORPUS CHRISTI
7.00pm Holy Communion

Sunday June 18th - TRINITY I
8.00am Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30am Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00am Affpraise (Affpuddle)
6.00pm Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday June 25th - TRINITY II (Patronal Festival at Bere Regis)
8.00am Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30am Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00am Patronal Festival Communion (Bere Regis)
Preacher: The Bishop of Sherborne
6.00pm Special Evening Service (Bere Regis)

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS
BERE REGIS SIDESMEN - JUNE
June 4th  9.30  Mr House / Mr Bates
         6.00  Mr Barnes / Mr Ward
June 11th 11.00  Mrs Stevens / Mr Croom
           6.00  Mrs Jutting / Miss Chesney
June 18th  9.30  Mr Strange / Mrs Hazelrigg
           6.00  Mrs March / Mr Barnes
June 25th 11.00  Col Barne / Miss Miller
           6.00  Mrs Ward / Miss Frampton

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD
June 4th  Mrs P Ward  Mrs S Hazelrigg
June 11th  Mrs P House  Mrs M England
June 18th  Flower Festival
June 25th  Autumn Leaves

BERE REGIS READERS - JUNE
June 4th  Mrs C Lewis
June 11th  Mrs E Jutting
June 18th  Mrs S Frampton

AFFPUDDLE
READERS and SIDESMEN ROTA

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MOWING ROTA
Fortnight beginning 12th June
Philip Nicholson  George Silavs  George Sherwood

Fortnight beginning 26th June
Sam Cox  Hugh Flavell  Dave Penman
FLOWER and CLEANING ROTA

Date       Flowers    Cleaning
June 4th   WEDDING    Mrs Thorniley
June 11th  Mrs Holman  SPECIAL CLEAN
June 18th  Mrs Badcock Mrs Ventham
June 25th  Mrs Silavs  Mrs Badcock

NOTICES
"The Friends of Bere Regis Church". The annual party for the "friends" which traditionally is held after evensong on ASCENSION DAY, has been put back this year to WHITSUNDAY - after evensong. I do hope this hasn't put any of you out. We will try to make the party even better. I am very grateful to the many who give so much of their time in supporting the church.

Affpuddle Parochial Church Council Meeting. On Wednesday 7th June at 7.30pm. Please note that this meeting will be in the Vicarage.

Bere Regis Church Flower Festival. On Saturday June 17th, the Bere Regis Floral Group are kindly demonstrating their skills in Bere Regis Church this year. It coincides with the Ramblers Weekend, and, so the theme for the festival is to be "Jubilation". I am sure it will be lovely.

The Bishop of Sherborne. Will be coming to preach at a special service at Bere Regis on Sunday June 25th at 11.00am. It is the week-end when we celebrate the birth of St John the Baptist, patron saint of Bere Regis.

Church Fund Raising. A wonderful treat was in store for all those who attended the Concert in church on 7th May. This was given by Elizabeth Glen and two friends and was a delightful experience. At a recent Coffee Morning, held in the Vicarage, the magnificent sum of £200 plus was raised towards the cost of the flowers for the festival.

The Garden Party will be on June 24th in the Vicarage Garden at 2.30pm. Items for sale and offers of help will be most welcome and DO COME AND ENJOY A HAPPY AFTERNOON.

Bere RegisBellringers. Like many church towers we joined in the VE Day 50 commemorations by ringing for a time before the two minutes silence and again afterwards while the beacon was lit on Woodbury Hill. Thankyou to those ringers who were able to join in.

Visiting ringers include Christchurch Priory ringers on the morning of Saturday 8th July and the East Dorset Branch of the Guild have their practice on Saturday evening 17th August.

Local practices continue on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 when possible.

AFFPUDDLE CHURCH AGM

At the AGM after evensong on 23rd April, Paul Badcock stood down as churchwarden and was warmly thanked by the Vicar on behalf of everybody for his work over the last nine years. He was presented with a book token as a small appreciation for all his hard work. Bill Thorniley was re-elected Churchwarden and Robin Gainsford was elected churchwarden to fill the vacancy.

The vicar thanked the many in the parish for their various contributions to the work and life of Affpuddle Church over the last year. One unresolved issue is the replacement of the organ, now somewhat unreliable and in need of constant repair. He outlined the various options for its replacement. He confirmed that the pattern of services would continue as currently - with a Mattins on the first Sunday in the month and a joint service with Bere Regis on the fifth Sunday. Over the last few months coffee has been made available after morning service and this will continue. The parish Homegroup continues to meet on Monday evenings and all are welcome to attend.

In his report to the meeting the Treasurer noted that this year's contribution to the Diocese by way of quota or "Diocesan share" stands at over £6000 and is likely to increase to £8000 per annum by the turn of the century. Contributions to parish funds over the last year have been gratefully received and the same goes for further and future support!

RK

AFFPRAISE FOR PETS! - 11.00am Sunday 18th June

June is the month for our annual pet service and, as in other recent years, we will be holding it out on the green in front of Briantspuddle Village Hall. Please bring a folding chair or a rug to sit on, and of course bring your pets. All pets however unusual are welcome as long as they are under control, but if it is raining or seems likely to do so please only bring the ones which can be taken unussely into the village hall if we have to take shelter.

"Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!" (Psalm 150, verse 6). JH

SPECIAL CLEAN

There will be a special clean of the church on Saturday 10th June, from 10.00 to 12 noon. Please come along and help. Please bring with you cleaning cloths. We hope to be able to polish all the woodwork and wash the floors.

CHURCH FETE

The Church Fete will be held at Cruck Cottage on Saturday 1st July 1995 from 2.15 to 5.00pm. there will be the following stalls:-


Contributions for all the stalls will be most gratefully received and should be brought to Raithby Cottage on Friday 9th June between 9.00 and 12 noon or after 5.00pm, or delivered to Cruck Cottage before 12 noon on the day of the fete.
Help is also needed to set up the fete and clear away afterwards. If you can help please contact Robin Gainsford, Bere Regis 471419. Do tell all your friends and relations and come along and enjoy what is always a very pleasant afternoon and at the same time help support our beautiful Parish Church.

PCC MEETING
There will be a meeting of the Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle Parochial Church council at The Vicarage on Wednesday 7th June, 1995 at 7.30pm.

SEND A COW TO AFRICA
Very many thanks to all those who supported the jam and marmalade stall at the United Benefice Service on 30th April, 1995. £20 was raised and Send A Cow To Africa has asked that their thanks should be recorded.

FROM THE REGISTERS
Holy Baptism (Bere Regis)
23rd April Oliver Ryan Govier
30th April Nicholas George Patrick

Confirmation (in Shroton Church) 6th May
Kirsty Selby Louise Kathleen Raven
Natalie Baker Kelly Elaine Gale
Donna-Marie Merrit Rachel Joanne Percy
Michael-Lee Moore

SEPTEMBER 9th 1995 GREAT CYCLE RIDE
The Dorset Historic Churches Trust are having their sponsored ride this year on 9th September. Half the sponsorship money goes to the Trust and half goes to the Chapel or Church chosen by the cyclist.

People riding a horse or walking are just as welcome. Please note the date and watch this space for further details!

SF

THE DORSET-LATVIA LINK
Many thanks to all those who supported our BLUEBELL WALK on Easter Monday and our JUMBLE SALE on 29th April. In spite of the cooler, windy weather, following on from a glorious Easter, we had a lot of fun with the Bluebell Walk, notwithstanding the unaccountable pointing heavenwards of some of the route markers. It has been suggested that the Bluebell fairies may have been responsible - they are obviously able to ride bicycles and are blessed with the ability to remain invisible! The combined monies raised for both Walk and Jumble Sale, after minor expenses, totalled £105 and will assist with financing the Summer Camp in our link village of IKSKILE.

Summer Camp - 22nd July 5th August, 1995 - A small group of Dorset-Latvia Link members will be attending the annual Summer Camp in Latvia (for orphans and under privileged children) between the above dates. This year the first week will be spent in assisting with refurbishment of the building at the new site 10km from Iksskile and accommodation will be home-stays with local families. The second week will be taken up with various activities connected with the camp and also some sightseeing. Should there be anyone - over the age of 15 - who would like to attend the Summer Camp, would they please contact me in the first instance. All those attending will be paying their own air fares, which it is anticipated will be somewhere between £250/£260, spending money will of course be additional.

Jenny Silavs, Hon. Sec. (01929) 471577

BRIANSPUDDLE SINGERS
The Brianspuddle Singers will be giving a concert of English music - including Purcell - on Sunday 18th June at 7.30pm in Kingston Church, Purbeck. The choir will be joined by a small orchestra and soloists. Tickets, £4 available from Dorothy Briggs (471509) or at the door.

NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE
The next blood donor sessions will take place on Monday 3rd July in the D’Urberville Hall, Wool, from 1.30pm - 3.30pm and 4.30pm - 7.00pm.

There is always an urgent need for blood and new donors are very welcome.

The third session this year will be on Monday 30th October. Information on giving blood can be obtained by telephoning 01703-703747 or your local organiser, Mrs R Short (01305) 853538.

WDGH NHS TRUST
The Chantry Garden Fete, Martinstown, 1st-2nd July from 2 - 6pm. Adults 50p. Stalls, Children’s activities, refreshments. (In the Village Hall if wet).

In aid of West Dorset Breast Care Service and Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund.

BERE REGIS NEWS
Bere in Bloom Competition - Best Garden Competition
The Parish Council will be running the Bere in Bloom Competition again this year to encourage parishioners to grow flowers which enhance their properties and the overall appearance of the village.

As you know, the Bere in Bloom Competition will be for the best floral display visible from the Highway. The competition will be judged in the last week of July.
Please note it need not be a vast display and can be a small display of window boxes or hanging baskets. Obviously the quality of the plants, imaginative use of varieties and colours will be relevant factor as well as how they are displayed.

In addition there will be a Best Garden Competition for those who have no space visible from the highway. This will be judged on Neatness and Tidiness, as well as the quality and choice of plants as imaginative design and layout. The Parish Council would like entrants to open these gardens to the public one weekend in August for a Garden Trail. This would hopefully raise money for the Christmas Tree Lights appeal.

Entry forms are available through the Bere Regis RBL Gardening Club and from Miss S J Stone, 97 North Street, Bere Regis, Tel. 471933.

PARISH COUNCIL

At the May meeting of the Council, Mr David Gibbs was elected Chairman, with Mr Alan Dunning as Vice Chairman, for this year. The council expressed its gratitude to Mr Lionel Street for his hard work as Chairman.

The Council is grateful to Messrs Peter Larder, Brian Phillips, Herbie Swann and Peter White and others for their continued efforts to keep the village tidy. Their efforts resulted in our winning the Best Kept Village Competition last year and if we all help will give us a good chance for this year.

The pathway from West Street through to the Car Park is to be named Kellaways. A sign to this effect will be erected shortly.

The Council is concerned about the number of flyposters which are put up to announce the various events. This if fine, though illegal if on a BT pole(), but please will the 'putter-uppers' take down the notices after the event.

The Council, as the Burial Authority, is currently discussing the interment of ashes. They would be interested to hear the views of Parishioners on whether an area should be designated for this purpose. Please write to the Clerk or contact any Councillor. This is a long term issue and it is right to take time on the decision.

CM

COUNTDOWN TO JUBILATION DAY - 17th JUNE, 1995

Have you bought your Programme for Jubilation Day to see what is going on in the village on Jubilation Day? The children from Bere Regis First School have done us proud with their drawings and some of them are to be found in the programme - 50p for 16 pages, available from 38a West Street.

Dr Geoffrey Tapper, President of the Dorset Area of the Rambler’s Association was invited to open the School’s May Fayre and to choose the Carnival Queen and Princess. He was also able to thank the children for their drawings.

The Deputy Director of the Rambler’s Association is also joining us for the day and although at the time of writing, the fine tuning for the day’s events is going on, we hope that "it will be all right on the day" and everyone will enjoy themselves. Ann Richards and Sue Blake, Jubilation Co-Ordinators, together with Laurie Fairhurst, will be "on duty" in the Drax Hall on the day - so please call in and say hello.

BERE REGIS MOTHER’S UNION

Our Rainbow Coffee Evening was held in the Vicarage on a lovely May evening. The stalls were in the garden, and it was enjoyed by all who attended.

Our next event on the 7th June will be our outing, when we will be visiting the garden of Rev. Jimmie Hamilton-Brown at Spetisbury.

Mothers Union Church Crawl. Our evening outing takes place on Wednesday 28th June, and we will meet at Cerne Abbas church at 7.30pm From there, we travel to Nether Cerne, but please do NOT take the turning marked "to the church". The last of the three churches we will visit is Charmminster and we complete our evening with a visit to the New Inn. Anyone is welcome to join us but please let me know if you wish to join us at the New Inn (Menus available).

Brenda Pitfield 471391

PLAY AND LEARN VAN

Wednesday 14th and 28th June
9.15 - 10.00 Bere Regis School
10.15 - 11.00 Bere Regis Surgery

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL, BUTT LANE, BERE REGIS

Someone remarked to his friend, "I haven't heard the cuckoo this year yet, have you?" His friend replied, "Yes I have, often. Do you never listed to 'Yes! I have, often. Do you think?" Or 'Prime Ministers Question time'? One can't help but laugh, or should it be cry, as the leaders, and would-be leaders, of this country try to empty their 'nest' of any credible ideas, so that they can lay their own 'eggs' in their place, for the real owner of the nest to hatch our in due course, at real cost! But which one is the real cuckoo? Do not be deceived!

PENTECOST was the day God's true CHURCH was born on earth in POWER. Many of the onlookers at the time laughed and mocked the 120 disciples of Jesus Christ, and refused to believe the TRUTH that Jesus had risen from the dead and that He had now sent the HOLY SPIRIT. Instead the onlookers were deceived and accused the disciples of being drunk with sweet wine - cuckoos! But others were amazed and perplexed and they asked one another, "What does this mean?" Acts 2: 1-13.

Don't be a cuckoo and allow the majority to deceive you and rob you of God's TRUTH and genuine POWER. If you ask Jesus Christ to take control of your life, He will show you what PENTECOST is all about, and what it really means to follow Him and know His power in your life.
On Saturday 24th June at 7.30pm we will be having our monthly 'Praise and Celebration' meeting, when the speakers will be Ron and Eve Axon from Colne, Lancashire. If you want to know more about the Christian life why not come and find out on that evening, when there will be many people there from around this area. Don't be a cuckoo and miss the opportunity!!

BERE REGIS GUIDES AND BROWNIES
10 Guides recently enjoyed a dry, sunny but windy afternoon's Archery recently, our thanks to Mr Battershill for the use of the First Schools field. 3 girls helped with the VE Day celebrations, my thanks to Kirsty Selby, Laura Caswell and Victoria Rolls for representing the whole unit at this event. Thanks also to parents, friends, guides and brownies who recently made our Spring Concert such a success. Guides have received their Entertainers badge and certificate for taking part.

Brownies are busily working towards two badges. Agility at which many need more practice and First Aid. Three members of St John's will be over here for three consecutive weeks to help Brownies with this. Brownies have also gained their musicians and Jesters badges for taking part in the Spring concert.

We are still looking for more leaders. ALL units Rainbows, Brownies and Guides would benefit greatly if we had extra hands to help. It can take as much or as little time as you are able to give. If you feel that you would like to help please call me.

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP
Thankyou to those who have been to help with some springcleaning and painting windows and cedar cladding. There is more to do but it is a start.

Thankyou to all those who supported our Antiques Roadshow especially our hosts at the Royal Oak and our very helpful and knowledgeable antiques experts from Dukes in Dorchester.

The 'Shitterton Spectacular' with Jim Etherington is on Saturday 8th July at Shitterton farmhouse by kind permission of the Ventham family. Your support for one of our group's main fundraising events will be much appreciated.

The Scouts and Guides are organising a 'Discovery Trail' round the village for the Ramblers Day - June 17th - and are providing light refreshments.

At the AGM we were able to thank Derek Boyt for his many years of service to the Scout Section by presenting him with a well earned book token. Our secretary for the last two years, Marilyn Humphrys, retired from her post and also received a gift from the committee.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP
A most inspiring and entertaining afternoon was enjoyed by a full house at the May Meeting when Elizabeth James of Marnhall enthralled all with her delightful charm and elegance using a wide variety of foliage and selection of colourful flowers to depict her theme of "Special Editions" in her arrangements. June promises to be an equally exciting month with firstly a Coffee Morning to be held on Saturday 10th June at 10.30am by kind courtesy of Mr and Mrs E Herridge, at Throop Farm, Throop. Stalls include Bring and Buy, Cakes, Plants and a raffle. Please come along and bring your friends - All Welcome.

The June meeting is on Tuesday 13th June at 2.30pm to be held at Winterborne Kingston Village Hall. The demonstrator, Mrs Pam Bluer comes from Bristol so do try to come along and give her your support. Her theme will be 'INSPIRATIONS'.

BERE REGIS WI
The resolutions have been debated at our May meeting and our decisions forwarded to our county representative.

This month is always a pleasure when a group of members other than the committee organise a pleasant evening for us. This year, Mrs Pauline Jesty has invited us to enjoy it at her home - so all we need is a nice warm evening to accompany it.

VE DAY CELEBRATIONS
The sun shone and people came to join the celebration of the ending of World War 2 in Europe 50 years ago, and what a lovely crowd. Thank you to all those who did come and join in the fun and celebrations, hopefully everyone enjoyed themselves.

May we take this opportunity to thank Rev. Robin for two splendid open-air services, Mr and Mrs Michael Miller for allowing the bonfire to be set up in one of their fields, also Adrian and Eileen Standfield and friends for collecting and returning the skittle alley to its rightful owners, and helping to man the bar-b-q.

The results of the competitions were as follows:

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Decorated cake, sadly only one person entered for this and the lucky winner was Mrs Jane Storey.

Look out for more competitions to enter for VJ Day!
AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 50's CLUB
Our Spring Tour to Street took place on a lovely day in April. We were able to buy shoes, sit in the lovely gardens, visit the many shops in the village, and enjoy a nice cup of tea in the restaurant to finish off the day.

In May we had a talk on antiques, and particularly antique jewellery by Mrs Young from Wareham, and many of us were surprised by the valuations.

Our Summer Outing to Sidmouth will take place on the 14th June, and will cost £4. The coach will leave from the car park at Bere regis at 11am. Please give your names if you would like to go to Mrs N. Mooney, or Mrs Kath Jeeves.

IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND
Money is coming in now in sponsorship for Barbara Browning, our London Marathon runner from Dorchester. Barbara was 142nd runner in a fantastic result when you think of all the competitors involved. So far, £475.00 has been raised, but more is coming in.

The Committee's thanks are warmly extended to Barbara for her marvellous result, and to everyone who gave money to sponsor her.

BERE REGIS FIRST SCHOOL
As is usual at this time of year, the school's diary is crammed with events.

Firstly, the older children are camping in the New Forest with pupils from some other small schools in the area. The teachers, at least, are praying for fine weather!

Later in the term are annual events such as the country Dance Festival at the Purbeck School, sports day, regular swimming sessions and the leavers' visit to Sandford Middle School.

This year, also sees the Ramblers Jubilation Celebrations, when the children will mount an exhibition of work done as part of a local study. This work will be on view in the school hall for the whole day, (June 17th) and all visitors will be welcome.

FRIENDS OF BEREGIS SCHOOL
Many thanks to everyone who joined us for the May Day celebrations at school. We managed to raise £82.29. The children gave a wonderful display of country dancing and dancing round the Maypole. Our congratulations to Jessica Ives and Thomas Bastian who were chosen as this year's Carnival Princess and Prince. (The reserves are Robert Crowe and Kerry Pitman).

Our next event will be on 17th June and will be an Alphabet Treasure Trail, starting from the school at 2pm. A Table Top Sale starting at 10am until 4pm (pitches £3 per 3 hours) and should be booked by 14th June. Telephone number 471862 or 471734 or contact any Committee member. Refreshments will also be available.

On the 30th June at 7.30pm at the Royal Oak we will be holding the Carnival Queen Event. Anyone wishing to enter must be 10 years old or over and have attended the school. They must also live within a 10 mile radius of Bere regis. Please look out for posters for further details. Many thanks to Jean and Peter for allowing us to hold the event. We are pleased to say the 'floats' will be allowed into the playground at Carnival.

Procession/Trade Stand/Display forms now available from School - 471334 or 471862/471734. Judging of the procession at 2.30pm. Procession will leave sports field at 3.00pm (follows the usual route through the village). Fete will start at approximately 4pm at School and will continue into the evening until 10pm.

Lots to see and do. Anyone wishing to enter the "It's a Knockout" and/or "Tug of War" contact Ian/Angie on 471734. All trophies, cups etc should be returned to the school please. Many thanks.

GARDEN OPEN
Kathleen and Charlie Jeeves will be opening their garden for the 7th June for the Guide Dogs. This is in conjunction with the Ramblers Celebration Day, we hope to have a guide dog in attendance and a demonstration of wicker-work by a member of the Blind Association. It will be open all day from 10am. Let us hope the weather will be sunny and warm.

Hope to see you all with the Ramblers.

Kath & Charlie

WOODBURY HILL SINGERS
A very successful evening for our Celebration VE - a full house - an excellent audience in full voice.

Our thanks to our husbands for all their support and help - to Mr Eastment for lighting and to everyone who helped one way or another. Delicious refreshments and thanks to all who gave Raffle prizes.

A profit of £250 so far was made for a Seat at the Bus Stop, inclusive of a donation by the Woodbury Hill Singers of £50 and our thanks to folks who sent donations.

We have entertained the Sunshine Club, Wareham for their Easter Bonnet Afternoon.

BERE REGIS AND DISTRICT BRANCH R.B.L.
Our branch Meeting was held one week earlier this month due to the forthcoming VE Celebrations. The Chairman reminded member of the forthcoming Drumhead Service on Sunday May 7th at Bovington. Also of the service on VE Day at 11am to be held at Branch Headquarters. There was also a reminder to any Branch members who have not yet rejoined and still wish to do so, as our affiliation fees are to be paid to London and any unclaimed cards are to be returned.
In his youth report, Mr Vine said that nearly all the Junior competitions have been completed and that the Blackpool Trip has one or two seats available but hopefully these will be filled.

Since our meeting, VE Day has come and gone, and no doubt 'it's History'. However, we would like to thank the Venerable Graham Roblin for taking the services. The one at 11am was very well attended. Our congratulations to the three standard Bearers and also thank you to everyone who made it such a special occasion. We should also like to thank Mr Miller and Family for allowing us to have our Beacon at Woodbury Hill.

For the very first time ever, our two standard Bearers and a small party of members paraded at Winterborne Zelston church on the Sunday evening. They are a part of our Branch and work extremely hard supporting our Poppy appeal each year. It was somewhat of a surprise for the congregation as it was arranged at very short notice with the Revd. Hugh Maddox, but they were delighted that at last we showed we had not forgotten them.

On Sunday May 7th, a mini-bus and cars took members to the Army Service at Bovington. Our three Standards were on parade, although it was extremely hot standing for over an hour. Only one Standard Bearer was taken poorly, thankfully not one of the Bere Regis ones. To conclude our very busy Sunday, some of our members went over to the church service at Brantspuddle for their Morning service. So, thank you to all the Legion members for attending whatever service they could.

THE R.B.L WOMEN'S SECTION

The monthly meeting was held on April 19th. 23 members were present. The meeting opened with the Exhortation and the minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. The Treasurer in her report said that donations could now be made, and it was agreed that £400 should be donated to the Benevolent fund, and £200 to the General fund. The coffee Evening held on March 15th realised £100.58p and the Sponsored Knit £404.

Our speaker for the afternoon was unable to come, so one of our member's, Mrs Charlesworth, kindly stepped in and gave us a talk on her "ancestry". The chairman announced we had one new member, Mrs B Owens.

Teas were then served by Mrs S Leigh and Mrs March and a Bring and Buy run by Mrs Payne and Mrs Read.

Five members attended the group meeting at Wool, a very enjoyable evening. Six members attended the National Conference in Bournemouth.

Our Annual Mystery tour is on June 21st, names please to Mrs A Carr and don't forget our Annual Fete to be held at HQ on June 10th at 3pm. Please come and support us.

Cenotaph for June - Mrs Bennett
Cenotaph for July - Mrs Curtiss and Mrs Parker.

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

Football Results: 1st Team

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Just about the bleakest season in Bere's football history unfolded during the past few months. Despite all the bad performances and such like, only one team was relegated. There were one or two high spots during the end of the season run-in, like the triumph over bitter rivals Wool and the rousing second half comeback from Archie's Babes at home to Wessex TV, but overall the best prospect for the players was the start of the 1995-6 season. The Sunday eleven fared the worst. A depleted squad saw 148 goals in the debit column and gained just four points. Next year will see them in familiar territory in Division 4. Finally, the Club will be holding its annual football six-a-side competition at the Recreation ground, Bere Regis, on June 3. For more information regarding this prestigious event, contact 01929 471566.
A club record 223 was hit by the second eleven at home to Frizzellians. The backbone of the innings was a 94 stand in quick time between Jason Davies (50) and Dean Rogerson who hit a mammoth 95 not out, in Bombay temperatures, a score which was applauded at all corners of the B.R.A.C.A.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

First the good news

Everyone will, I am sure, be relieved to hear that the proposals put forward be the army at Bovington to make much greater use of the Southern All-Weather tank training circuit have been largely refuse by Purbeck District Council at a recent planning meeting. However, it was recommended that for a trial period of six months, the circuit could be used for County Council minibus driving training during the week and for bicycling or running events. It was felt that neither of these activities would attract either crowds of onlookers with the accompanying supporting acts of 'fast food', public address systems etc, nor would they create any additional noise pollution. In order to be certain of avoiding the latter, no other motorised activities on the circuit were permitted at all. The trial period will come to a close in the autumn, when the situation will be re-appraised.

Many will know by now that the re-cycling bins are in place in the car park behind the Social Club - please keep using them!

Now for the bad news

On the subject of rubbish disposal, it has come to the notice of the Parish Council that the unmade road running to the west of the B3390 at the Marlpins junction (towards Clyffe) is being used as an unofficial dump for building materials and the like. Whereas we are sure locals are not responsible, we felt we should ask everyone who uses this track for recreation to keep a watchful eye and report any details of sighted dumpings either to a Parish Councillor or directly to West Dorset District Council or the local police. Anxiety has been expressed that broken glass and other potentially hazardous materials are being disposed of in this area which may endanger children or dogs.

With regard to dogs, there is, I'm afraid some more bad news! As we all know, the gardens in Briantspuddle Village are on the whole beautifully cared for and greatly enhance the appearance of the village. In many cases, the carefully mown grass and neat colourful borders lie adjacent to the roadway and are accessible to passers by. But over recent months there would appear to have been an increase in the unsupervised use of these private areas as dog's lavatories. There may not be many offending animals but just one unwanted parcel left on your garden is one too many! The Parish Council has been asked by local residents to appeal to all local dog owners to make sure that your pet is neither roaming free at any time around the village doing as it pleases where it likes, nor when you are out with it, that it is choosing a neighbour's garden or the road where we walk and the
children bicycle and play, to do it's business! No-one wants to see the mushrooming of countless notices to warn off dogs - particularly the dogs who can't read them. A little thoughtful common sense on the part of the owners would be the answer to this sticky problem!

In March, the Parish council was visited by Andrew Meegan, a Countryside Ranger from Purbeck District Council, and his assistant. His current project is to devise ways of encouraging the use of Purbeck's delightful countryside for tourists' recreation, in order to alleviate the pressure on the coastal regions of this beautiful area. The staggering statistic of 4.5 million visitors per annum to Lulworth Cove was quoted and it is the PDC's hope that many of these can be tempted to divert their interest from the coast altogether and visit the countryside instead. For better or worse, one of the chosen locations is Turnerspuddle and Brianspuddle. It is proposed to clear and signpost the circular walk from Turnerspuddle to Throop, Brianspuddle and Brockhill. The P.C. suggested that if such a walk along this route were being encouraged, then surely it would be more practical to commence it from one of the car parks either at Culpeppers Dish or on the other side of Black Hill in Bere Regis. Mr Meegan appeared to accept this suggestion as congestion would be avoided at Turnerspuddle and at the same time, the risk of ruining the charm of this quiet backwater would be diminished.

As with all such progress there are winners and losers. The village shop may benefit, which would please us all, but at the same time, there may be further pressure brought to bear to provide public conveniences somewhere in the area which in itself is a contentious issue. We hope that in any advertising material, visitors will be urged to follow the County code. In the meantime, Mr Meegan is looking for volunteers over the summer to help him prepare the footpaths and bridleways, so if you would like to be involved with this project, please contact him through Purbeck District Council. In conclusion, he was asked to report back to the P.C. with his progress at the end of the summer, by which time we hope that anyone who has any comments or representations they would like to make on this matter has come forward with them.

At this special time of remembrance, it is with pleasure that we are able to report that vital repairs have been skillfully completed on the Bladen Valley War Memorial and that our attention is once again to be given to the matter of the four corner stones on the plinth.

Finally, by the time you read this the Parish Council Annual General Meeting will have taken place. We hope it will have been well attended. I would remind everyone that every Parish Council meeting is open to the public, when any member of the parish can raise any matter which concerns them during the public discussion period. We like to think we are all approachable and we would welcome your contributions. A list of the Councillors names, addresses and telephone numbers can be obtained from the Clerk, Rosemary Turner on (01929) 471144. We are happy to answer your queries or deal with your complaints and suggestions at any time to the best of our ability.

FROM TURNERSPUDDLE FARM CONCERNING BLACKHILL HEATH
A project by English Nature to restore more heather to the heath to the heath has been set up. Access to all the public rights of way will not be affected. It is however intended to graze a small number of cattle, 6 or 7 in all, for three months each year, as part of the project. People are asked to shut the new gates at the access points to assist us.

Any questions will be answered by English Nature, tel. (01929) 556688 AC

BRIANSPUDDLE W.I.
After last month's slightly more serious meeting about this year's resolutions, this month we meet twice.

On the first occasion, Wednesday 7th June, we meet at 6.45pm outside the village hall from where we will head towards Corfe Castle for an evening stroll followed by a visit to the local pub.

This year's annual outing takes place on Saturday 17th June, when we travel to Bath by coach, starting off at 9am. The morning can be spent in Bath at your leisure and after lunch the coach will take us to the American Museum, from where we head for home towards 5pm. The cost of this trip will be £6 per person (excluding museum entrance fee), and as we may have a few places spare on our coach we are able to take some non W.I. members. If anybody is interested please contact Martha on 471358.

PLAY AND LEARN VAN
Wednesday 14th and 28th June
1.45 - Briantspuddle

BRIANSPUDDLE HALL COMMITTEE
The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 5th June, 1995 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All representatives of the Hall Users may attend together with any resident in the Parish of Afpuddle and Turnerspuddle. The first draw of the newly formed 100 Club will take place during the meeting.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS
By the end of May the painting should have been completed. Listed building consent has been applied for and when obtained the installation of the new boiler will take place. The Parish Council as the Hall Committee Landlord has made the planning application. They will pay for the work and reclaim the cost from the Hall Committee. The reason that the Parish Council has made the application and will pay for the work is due to the fact that they are not liable to pay V.A.T. They will be able to reclaim the V.A.T, paid on the work and thus save the Hall Committee and ultimately the Community over £200.00. It is hoped that when the new boiler is installed the problems experienced during the past Winter will not be repeated.

PJH
The Listed building consent application also includes plans for the renovation and reorganisation of the kitchen. It is hoped that this work will be done during 1996.

MILTON ABBAS STREET FAIR
The Hall Committee are running a cakes, preserves and food stall at this year's Street Fair. Please help us by saving up all your empty jam jars/coffee jars/mustard jars etc and delivering them to either Gill Vingoe or Philippa Thorniley. Please may we have offers of help to bake cakes and make hams. Basic ingredients have been purchased and are held by Gill Vingoe - please contact her if you can help. At The Fair in 1993 over £400 was raised and all the produce was sold. Please help us to hold another successful stall.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 1995
10th 10.30am Coffee Morning - Throop Farm - Bere Regis Floral Group
14th 11am Outing to Sidmouth - Autumn Leaves
15th 7.30pm Purbeck Quire - Cyril Wood Court
17th Jubilation Day - Ramblers Association
17th Larkspur Garden Open
17th-19th Flower Festival - Bere Regis Church
18th 7.30pm Briantspuddle Singers - Kingston Church
22nd 6.15pm Victory Music Hall - Weymouth Pavilion Car Park
24th 2.30pm Bere Regis Church Garden Party - Vicarage
28th M.U. Church Crawl
29th Age Concern Fete - Culver Dell - Shitterton

July 1995
1st 2.15pm Garden Fete - Cruck Cottage - for Affpuddle Church
1-2nd 2-6.00pm NHS Trust Garden Fete - Martinstown
6th Age Concern - Outing to Cotswolds
8th Shitterton Spectacular
12th Coffee Morning - 2 Tower Hill - for Bere Regis Church
15th 10.00am Mini Market - Drax Hall

August 1995
5th 10.00am Mini Market - Drax Hall
9th 3.30pm Tea Party - Vicarage - for Arthritis and Rheumatism Research

September 1995
9th Great Cycle Ride

October 1995
21st Cavalcade of Costume by Mrs Betty Penny Bere Regis Church

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES
AGE CONCERN 2.00 pm Thursdays, Turberville Court
AUTUMN LEAVES 2.30 pm 2nd Wednesday
BEAVERS 6.30 pm Monday, Scout HQ
BINGO 7.45 pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
BRITISH LEGION CLUB 7.00-11.30 pm Monday-Saturday,
12.00-2.00 pm & 7.30-10.30 pm Sunday

BRITISH LEGION
WOMENS SECTION 2.30 pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ
BRITISH LEGION YOUTH 7.00-10.00 pm Wednesday
BROWNIES 6-7.15 pm Wednesday, Scout HQ
B.R.S.C. Winter Season Opening Times: Tues, Wed & Fri 7.00 pm, Sat 4.25 pm, Sun 7.30 pm
BRIANTSPUDDLE SINGERS Tues 7.45-9.30 - Village Hall
CHOIR PRACTICE 6pm Junior, 6.30pm Full Choir, Friday in Church
CAB Wareham - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - 10am-2pm (closed Wednesday)
CUBS 6.30 pm Thursday, Scout HQ
D.S.S. VAN First Mondays 10.15-11am - BR P.O./car park
FLORAL GROUP 2.30 pm 2nd Tuesday,
GUIDES W. Kingston Village Hall
MINI MARKET 6.30 pm Tuesday, Scout HQ
MOBILE LIBRARY 10.00 am 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall
MOTHER & TODDLER Every Thursday- 10.50am-12.25pm Car Park
MOTHERS UNION 2.00 pm Monday, Congregational Church
PARISH COUNCIL 7.30 pm 1st Wednesday, Vicarage
PLAYGROUP Bere Regis 7.00 pm Second Thursday - Drax Hall,
Sub-Committees on PO noticeboard.
PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDLE 5 mornings Bere Regis School - Tel 01305 848792
QUORUM Playgroup BRIANTSPUDDLE Enquiries Gill Jennings 471198
RAINBOWS 4.30 pm Tuesdays - Scout HQ
RBL GARDENING CLUB 1st Tues, 8.00 pm - Club House
SCOUTS Junior - 7.30 pm Monday, Scout HQ
Senior - 7.00 pm Friday, Scout HQ
SUNDAY SCHOOL
10.15 am Sundays in Church
W.I. BERE REGIS
7.30 pm 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
W.I. BRIANTSPUDDLE
7.30 pm 1st Wednesday, Village Hall
TUESDAY CLUBS:
JUNIOR CLUB
7.00 pm 6-9 years, Congregational Church
YOUTH CLUB
7.00pm 9 & over, Congregational Church
SWIMMING CLUB
Ring Puddletown 848262
TURBERVILLE COURT
2 - 4pm, Social afternoon each Tuesday
10.30am, Coffee Morning - first Friday
WOODBURY HILL SINGERS
2.30pm Mondays, Larkspur

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