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The Parishes of Bere Regis and Affpuddle
February 1996

Try taking a two year old for a walk. It takes ages to get from where you are to where you want to go. The child looks at everything. Every car or lorry passing in the street, every bit of growth in the hedge. Everything is interesting, new or different. The two year old has such enthusiasm and an amazing ability to enjoy life. It takes part in life wherever it is. Every moment is a memory by moment then. Laughing, crying, sleeping, playing. It is unique, special, a 'one-off.'

You are the same as that two year old child. You are unique, special, a 'one-off.' You have only to look at your fingerprints to remind you of that. No one else in the world has your fingerprints. Your fingerprints remain the same throughout life. Everything else about you changes. And the fingerprints of your soul remain constant as well.

It is a good exercise to have a look at your fingerprints. It is the secret of God's care for you personally. He made you special, unique. A 'one-off.' And like a parent holds the hand, put out of the two year old so does God hold your hand. He created you, innocent, trusting, and with an ability to love and to laugh. He enjoys you, especially when you respond to His love.

When you look at your fingerprints, leave the past where it is in the past. Begin anew. Make hope and trust your motives. You have only the rest of your life to lose if you stay stuck in a sad existence.

Yours sincerely

Graham Robin
Vicar of Bere Regis
CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

Sunday 3rd March  LENT 2
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m.  Mattins (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 10th March  LENT 3
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m.  Young People's Service (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 17th March  MOTHERING SUNDAY
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m.  Affpraise (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 24th March  PASSION SUNDAY
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m.  Mattins and Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.  Eucharist and Laying on of Hands (Bere Regis)
6.30 p.m.  Community Service (Briantspuddle Village Hall)

Sunday 31st March  PALM SUNDAY
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion - Distribution of Palms (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.  Benefice Holy Communion - Distribution of Palms (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong and A.G.M. (Bere Regis)

BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS

Readers
March 3rd  Mrs P Ward
March 10th  Mrs C Lewis
March 17th  Miss S Frampton

Sanctuary Flower Guild
March 3rd - 31st  LENT

March 3rd  9.30 a.m.  Mrs House/Mr Bates
6.00 p.m.  Mr Barnes/Mr Ward

March 10th  11.00 a.m.  Mrs England/Mrs March
6.00 p.m.  Miss Chesney/Mrs Jutting

March 17th  9.30 a.m.  Mr Strange/Mrs Hazlerigg
6.00 p.m.  Mrs England/Miss Frampton

March 24th  11.00 a.m.  Col. Barne/Miss Miller
6.00 p.m.  Mr Barnes/Mrs Ward

March 31st  9.30 a.m.  Benefice Communion
6.00 p.m.  Mr House/Mr Maunder

AFFPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS

Readers/Readings/ Sidesmen - March 1996

March 3rd  8.00 a.m.  Capt Badcock
11.00 a.m.  Mr D Payne

March 10th  9.30 a.m.  Mrs Wharton
1 Peter 2 19 - end
Mr or Mrs Menzies
Matt 16 13 - end

March 17th  8.00 a.m.  Lt Cdr Thorniley
11.00 a.m.  Capt Badcock
Hebrews 12 22 - 24
Mrs Thorniley
Mark 10 32 - 43

March 24th  9.30 a.m.  Lt Cdr Thorniley
11.00 a.m.  Affpraise
Hebrews 9 11 - 14
Affpraise

March 31st  8.00 a.m.  Lt Cdr Thorniley
9.30 a.m.  United Benefice Service at Bere Regis
(Palm Sunday Epistle)

Cleaning Rota
March 3rd  Mrs Smith
March 10th  Mrs Killer
March 17th  Mrs Johnston
March 24th  Mrs Armitage
March 31st  Special Clean

During Lent there are no flowers in church
CHRISTIAN INFORMATION

The last edition of the Parish Magazine contained information concerning lectures about Prayer and Spirituality by a Franciscan Friar. They are to be on the five Wednesdays in Lent, the first three in Bere Regis Church, and the last two in Briantspuddle Village Hall. They are for those who are church attenders and also for those who are searching.

The meetings start at 7.00 p.m. and close at 8.00 p.m. I do hope that this will meet a need.

For your diary:
- 28th February: Bere Regis
- 6th March: Bere Regis
- 13th March: Bere Regis
- 20th March: Briantspuddle
- 27th March: Briantspuddle

MIND THE WORLD MEETING (Bere Regis)

The meeting is at 1 Tower Hill starting at 9.30 p.m.

BENEFICE UNITED COMMUNION - PALM SUNDAY 31st March

We are now becoming familiar with a new desire, to hold a united service for parishioners of Bere Regis and Affpuddle whenever there is a fifth Sunday in the month. It has proved a most popular idea. Palm Sunday, this year is one of the fifth Sundays, and we have the United Communion at 9.30 a.m. in Bere Regis.

Because it is Palm Sunday, when the Distribution of Palms takes place, I have decided to have an 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion in Affpuddle with the distribution of Palm Crosses, in order to help those unable to come to Bere Regis.

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS

Thank you to all those who have been attending practices recently with very encouraging results. While there are Wednesday evening Lent meetings in Church there will be a few Monday practices instead.

Visiting ringers soon to come here include the Dorset County Beltringers on Wednesday 13th March (8.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.) and a group on holiday in the area from Preston and Manchester who have asked to ring on 8th April from 11.40 a.m. - 12.20 p.m.

A PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

The Dog’s Prayer by Piero Scanzani

O Lord of all creatures, make the man, my master, as faithful to other men as I am to him. Make him as loving to his family and friends as I am to him. Make him the honest guardian of the blessings which you have entrusted to him, as I honestly guard his own.

Give him, O Lord, an easy and spontaneous smile, easy and spontaneous as when I wag my tail. May he be as readily grateful as I am quick to lick his hand. Grant him patience equal to mine, when I await his return without complaining. Give him my courage, my readiness to sacrifice everything for him in all circumstances, even life itself. Keep for him the youthfulness of my heart and the cheerfulness of my thoughts.

O Lord of all creatures, as I am always truly a dog, grant that he may be always truly a man.

CHURCH FUND RAISING

Despite the freezing cold day, the Jumble Sale in January was very successful once again, raising the sum of £189.50. Thanks for this go to the stalwart band of helpers and also to all who gave items to be sold. At popular request, we hope to repeat it all again next year!

Future fund raising dates for your diary:

Coffee Mornings
Wednesday 17th April at the home of Sybil Frampton, 1 Tower Hill.
Wednesday 26th June at the home of Eileen and Colin Jutting, 37 Elder Road.
Wednesday 21st August at the Vicarage

A Kipper Breakfast
Saturday 15 June at the invitation of Margaret and Christopher Mauder, Acorn Cottage, North Street.

A Car Boot Sale and Table Top Sale
Saturday 21st September at the Scout Hut
He was born near Piddletrenthide, one of nine children. But like many shepherds in the early part of the twentieth century, the family moved from place to place, as sheep farming gave way to cattle or arable. So it was that in 1929, his father moved to Throop to work, with Arthur, on the Debenham estate. On marriage, Arthur set up home on the Charborough Park estate, and then finally having had Joy and George, he and his young family came to Affpuddle to work as a general farmer on West Farm. Here they stayed for the rest of his working life (25 years).

In his twenty-five years of retirement, he never ceased to enjoy bicycling around the lanes, watching the farming going on in the fields and farm yards. As with most countrymen, he loved his garden, using it mainly for vegetables. “You can’t eat flowers” he would say.

With the marriages of Joy and George, he enjoyed his growing family, and his four grandsons, and two great-grandchildren were a delight to him. They will all retain the memory of him recounting stories of his boyhood, especially of his mother taking him in the ‘donkey and cart’ to Dorchester. The donkey’s name was Clover. They are precious stories from an age long gone.

Arthur, the countryman of Dorset, was laid to rest, with his wife who had died some years before, in the graveyard of Affpuddle. May he remain in the presence of the Good Shepherd who knows him by name.

**JEAN GABRIELLE DE LA HAY HUDSON (aged 76)**

Mrs Jean Hudson’s sudden death on 30th January came as a very deep shock, not only to her son Peter and daughter-in-law Lyn, but also to the many friends in the parish who had grown to admire her as a devoted friend.

Jean was not originally from Dorset, but came to live in Bere Regis in 1970. In those years, she had, through the beauty of character, attracted to herself a remarkable number of people who regarded her as their own personal friend, and confidant.

In the funeral service on 8th January, it was suggested that this beauty of character was created through deep and sudden tragedies. First, there was the death of her twenty-three year old daughter Mary-Anne in a mountaineering accident; then six years later, the death of her husband, Joe; and five years later, the tragic death of her son Keith. It would have tested the faith of most people, leaving them embittered, angry and of little use.

But not Jean. The severe testing through these tragedies seemed to refine her. It was as if she became purified by the fire of her suffering. She did not wear her tragedy or her suffering. Instead, she gave of herself to others in need. She was kind and generous, especially to those going through anxiety, pain or bereavement. In doing this she left people enriched by her spirit.
To the funeral service, in the church that she came to love in Bere Regis, a remarkable number of people came from all over the country. They were the people that had been part of her life before she came to the parish. They were people who knew her before the tragedies, when she and Joe had run a school in Bromley, Kent. People who never forgot her smile and gaiety of spirit, as well as her natural friendship.

So we bade farewell to a remarkable lady who will be remembered in the hearts of many of us. Although the farewells were very sad, there was a sense of deep gratitude for having known her, and for her influence for good in a hard world. The congregation also knew that she was secure in the presence of the Lord who had tested her so severely, yet without her losing her love for Him and his world.

BERE REGIS NEWS

MOTHERS’ UNION

The February meeting had to be cancelled because of the cold weather. The March meeting, on the 6th, will be at Sally Cheeseman’s house in North Street, when the speaker will be Molly Ransome from Wimborne.

March 17th is St Patrick’s Day and Mothering Sunday.

On Tuesday 19th March at 9.45 a.m. in the Morton Chapel, prayers will be said for Ireland. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our April meeting will be Holy Communion in Holy week.

WITH GRATEFUL THANKS

I would like to say a big thank you to all my family and friends for their great help and support over the past 16 months and in particular during my recent stay in hospital. The way everyone rallied round and gave their time, friendship and love so generously has been wonderful.

Thanks to the attentions of Dr Harley, nurses and staff at the Surgery and Southampton Hospital. I am now, hopefully, on the mend and will soon be running around again, so thank you all once more for the many cards, presents and flowers I have received.

Thank you

Lewis Bartlett and family would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their messages of sympathy after the sad loss of Mum, Gran, and Great-Gran and for donations to Bere Regis Parish Church. Also thanks to Dr Harley, the Venerable Graham Roblin and neighbours Gill and Myrtle.

PARISH COUNCIL

At the February meeting the Council decided to enter the Best Kept Village Competition and also to organise a Bere in Bloom competition. Details for the Bere in Bloom competition will be available later. We were requested by the Royal British Legion to spread the word and help them celebrate their 75th anniversary by contributing to their 75 mile long Poppy Chain at £36 per yard. If anybody would like to contribute please contact Councillor Dunning 471395.

The Dorset Fire Brigade are seeking part time volunteers to make up the full complement for our Fire Station. Any interested volunteers are asked to contact the Fire Station. Warning - you have to be fit!!!

The visiting policeman reported that we had had a spate of vehicle break ins and thefts. Also thefts have occurred from workshops, garages and garden sheds. The latest advice is to ensure that cars and sheds etc are locked. For information, the latest trends in crime are reported to us by fax on a fortnightly basis, these reports are place on the notice board in the Post Office.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at the Drax Hall on Thursday 14th March at 7.00 p.m. This meeting will be the Annual Parish meeting when members of the public are able to raise items of interest to them. All are invited.

BLOOD DONATING

The Wessex Blood Transfusion Service will be holding a donor session in the Drax Hall on Tuesday 26th March. The session times are from 1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m. and from 4.30 p.m. - 7.00 p.m. This is a new venue, so please try to come along and give blood there. New donors are urgently needed and lapsed donors will be most welcome. Information on giving blood can be obtained by telephoning the Donor Helpline on 01703 707847 or from the local organiser - Mrs R Short on 01305 853538.

DRAX HALL

The AGM of the Management Committee will be held in the Hall on Wednesday 13th March at 7.30 p.m. All are invited to attend. Please take an interest in your Village Hall. On Tuesday 12th March, we have a presentation of Shakespeare’s ‘Much Ado About Nothing’ This is a modern version of the original. To quote “the story is a roller coaster of deception, intrigue and verbal sparring as villains, plot and lovers meet, and nothing is as it first appears in this world of trickery and misjudgment. Shakespeare’s play will be transported to the 1920’s, with music, dancing and lots of laughs for all.” This presentation is by the Forest Forge Theatre Company who came with ‘Tess’ last year. This should be a very good presentation and early booking is advised. All seats £3.50 each. Bookings to Margaret Mauderer at 15 North Street or telephone 471342.
ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

The R.B.L. Women's Section held their monthly meeting on January 17th. There were 23 members present. After the Exhortation, the business followed, plans were discussed how to raise money for the purse presentation for 75 years so please watch this space and support us all you can. As this is the 75th Anniversary of the Legion, there is to be an Open Day for all Legion members at Ironbridge on July 13th.

The final figure for the Coffee Evening held in November was £143.01. The Earl Haig Parade at Bovington is to be held on July 7th and County Entertainment at Blandford on May 17th.

After the business it was members’ time to either Sing, Say or Pay. There were stories, poems and songs which we all joined in - just few paid the forfeit. Tea was then served by Mrs Payne and Mrs Reed and a Bring and Buy was run by Mrs March.

BINGO

Do you like a game of Bingo. If so, why not join us at the Royal British Legion Club on Sunday evenings at 8.30 p.m. A nice friendly atmosphere.

IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND COMMITTEE

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Jean Hudson. Jean was our secretary for many years, but more than that Jean was the mainstay of our committee.

Minutes kept, letters written, Christmas catalogue orders taken, checked and despatched, fund raising events organised - Jean carried out all of these duties with her usual efficiency and cheerfulness - nothing was too much trouble for her, particularly for an Organisation which was close to her heart.

Jean was always on hand when there was work to be done and she had the marvellous ability of encouraging others to be there and to do their bit as well. She will be very sadly missed.

CALLING ALL SANDFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS (and volunteers)

Last year we staged a very successful Coffee Morning in Bere Regis in aid of Sandford Middle School. I have set a date for another so if you are able to help then please contact me. Saturday 27th April at the Scout Hut, 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

Alison Bennett - 472023

SANDFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

The school is holding two fundraising events during March, the first being a CRAFT FAIR on Sunday 10th March from 10.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. There will be stalls available and refreshments on sale. The second is one of the regular CAR BOOT SALES on Sunday 17th March at 10.00 a.m.

Further information can be obtained on both of these from the school on 01929 556228. Your support would be much appreciated.

THE FRIENDS OF Bere REGIS SCHOOL

This year's committee are as follows: Chair - Bob Hewitt, Secretary - Alison Bennett, Treasurer - Denise Croom, Committee members - Angie Wright, Tina Elford, Cath Carr, Jan Bastian, Paula Hewitt, Julie McGoldrick, Kim Holland, Sarah Hewitt, Jane Hurdiss (teachers representative) and Steve Battishill (president). We would like to inform you of our forthcoming events.

Saturday 30th March

We are holding an Easter Fayre at the school at 2.30 p.m. There will also be a car boot sale in the playground. Cars are £3 and entry to the fayre will be 50p including a drink and hot cross bun. Among the many attractions we shall have an Easter Bonnet parade and an Easter Garden in a tin lid competition. Please come along with your entries by 2.00 p.m. It is open for the whole community to join in.

During April, it is hoped to run a skittle evening at the Royal Oak. More details to follow.

Friday 24th May

The Carnival Queen contest will take place. Again, more details to follow.

Saturday 13th July - Carnival

It is hoped another group or organisation will run the procession and for so doing, keep the money raised at the street collection. If anyone is interested, please contact the school on 471334. The carnival procession will be followed by a Summer Fete. During the course of the afternoon we will provide side shows etc. as in previous years but coming to a close at around 6.00 p.m. This is due to the huge financial outlay that is needed to continue into the evening and the lack of people willing to help out at such events.

We hope to see you at our Easter Fayre. Watch this space for other FOBRS events.
BERE REGIS TWINNING ASSOCIATION

At the recent meeting of the Bere Regis Twinning Association Committee all members were present. The Chairman, Bernard Hammick welcomed Mrs Greenfield to the meeting. Mr Bates & Mr Booth were also in attendance to assist in compiling a portfolio of photographs of Bere Regis to allow us to show the beauty of our village and surrounding area to our possible French Twins. The committee is hoping to include the surrounding areas of Affpuddle, Bloxworth and Winterbourne Kingston within the association.

The chairman has been in touch with four villages in France and has heard back from Madame Berger and Monsieur Remoue who are the mayors of Picauville and Cerences respectively. He is chasing the other towns for replies so that we can compare them to ourselves in terms of compatibility.

It is hoped that in the not too distant future there will be a ‘French Evening’ held in the village to stimulate interest in the association in an enjoyable manner and if anybody is interested in learning or improving their French, Mrs Linda Addison of Lychett Matravers would be willing to form a French Conversation Class if there is sufficient interest, but let me assure anyone who is interested in joining the association that a knowledge of the French language is by no means necessary or important!

The date of the next public meeting to discuss the replies and select a twin will hopefully be not too far away. If anyone is interested in joining the association or would like further information, please telephone any of the following numbers: Bernard Hammick 472424, Ruth Draycott 471295, Peter Loxton 471660.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

Our February meeting was a lovely afternoon spent with Mrs Crisp from Sturminster Newton with the things that have ‘Influenced’ her.

In March we look forward to seeing Mrs Barbara Hudson from Arlesford with her ‘World of Inspiration’. Hope to see you all there. Visitors always welcome.

Pat House - 01929 551266

AGE CONCERN

Bere Regis Age Concern are going on an outing to Laycock Abbey and village in Wiltshire, owned by the National Trust. Also there is the Fox Talbot Museum of Photography, all set in grounds featuring unusual trees and 18th century summer house. We shall also visit the garden centre a mile away, one of the largest in the south, with time to browse or buy your spring seeds and plants.

We will leave the village at 9.30 a.m. and return about 6.00 p.m. at a cost of £6 - £7 depending on numbers. Date May 2nd 1996. To book or for more details telephone Di Phillips on 471423.

BERE REGIS W.I.

We turned back the clock at the January meeting with Mr Goslin who with his records took us through past decades of the music hall (dare I say, some of us were transported to a past era?).

Our March programme invites you to come and hear “The History and Work of the Red Cross”. This will be given by our speaker for the evening - Mr Lugg. Maybe some of us have forgotten what wonderful work is done by them, it promises to be an interesting evening. At the same time a warm welcome still awaits you and our usual refreshments.

Zena Rogers

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP

Our Jumble Sale is on Saturday 16th March at 2.30 p.m. in the H.Q. Please bring any jumble to the H.Q. from 10.30 a.m. on the morning, or it can be collected by leaving a message with John England on 471469.

Help from Scout Group parents and friends in the morning and afternoon will be much appreciated as quite a few of our regular helpers are otherwise engaged on this date.

2nd BERE REGIS GUIDES

The Guides recently had an evening making pancakes and showed a lot of imagination with the fillings. After half term we will have games evening, obstacle races and cookouts.

1st BERE REGIS BROWNIES

The Brownies are very busy! All of them are preparing for their Talent Show which will be held at Easter. Keep an eye open for posters. There will be refreshments and a raffle. Entrance by ticket which will include a glass of wine. There will also be cake and Bring and Buy stalls. Everyone welcome.

PIDDLE VALLEY DISTRICT GUIDES

On behalf of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Young Leaders and Adult Leaders, thank you to the Venerable Graham Robin for the lovely Thinking Day Service held in Church on Sunday 11th February.

Also yet another plea for adult leaders. Most units would benefit from extra adult leaders. Unfortunately, Piddlethrethide Guide unit has just been suspended for this very reason. If you think you may be able to help in some way please contact me.

Pat Bentley, District Commissioner - 471875
AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 50's CLUB

We had a lovely talk illustrated with slides by the Swan Herd on Abbotsbury Swans in February, which was also very amusing. There were a large number of member's swans on display. These included paintings, photographs, tapestries, china, glass and crochet swans. After this we all enjoyed a delicious tea.

Our next meeting will be on the 13th March, and will be a film by Tony Bates on 'a Journey through Australia'. The competition is for three spring flowers. Also in March on the 23rd we have our Spring Fayre and 50p sale in the Drax Hall at 2.30 p.m.

DORSET LATVIA LINK

Our enquiries into the feasibility of bringing two young ladies from Latvia to England for medical treatment are continuing although we are unable, at this stage, to say when they will be arriving. We pray it won't be too long but there is much to consider. Fund-raising is one of the prime considerations and we are hoping to get together both the London Latvian Choir and the London Latvian Dancers for a planned concert at Hardy's School.

The singers and dancers are both independent bodies so it is a matter of co-ordinating available dates - no easy task. A coffee morning has been planned for 22 June, but more of that later.

The Annual General Meeting of the Dorset Latvia Link will take place on Wednesday 17 April at Scout HQ, Bere Regis and friends and supporters are most welcome to attend. We are seeking to increase our membership, which means that whilst not necessarily serving on a committee, members will have voting rights at the AGM and will receive information concerning future events etc. For any enquiries concerning the Dorset Latvia Link please contact the secretary on 471577.

Jenny Silays - Hon Sec

COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR DORSET

Villages for the 21st Century

Following the Rural White Paper, interest is turning to the countryside. Village communities will have more opportunity to have a say in planning their futures. The first step could be a 'village appraisal' - a kind of mini-census to sound out local profiles and opinions. Carried out by local inhabitants it is a really user-friendly way to start or carry forward discussions on options and opportunities. Some Dorset parishes have already benefited.

A Conference will be held in Frampton on Monday 25th March to show how appraisals can be set up with little effort and low or no expenses - other than volunteer time! Organiser Freda Hennessy says 'With help from Rural Action funding, every village community can learn how to combine new technology and old-fashioned commonsense to improve the quality of life in the countryside'. For details about this FREE Conference, please send a SAE to the Community Council for Dorset (Rural Action), 57 High West Street, Dorchester, Dorset. DT1 1UT.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL, Butt Lane, Bere Regis

Just one big bomb explosion, at 7.00 p.m. on Friday evening, 9th February in the City of London ended 17 months of a very shaky PEACE in Northern Ireland. The very idea of the ballot box becoming a reality caused the IRA to turn back to their bullets, bombs and brutal tactics. Did they ever stop? Now, like the many shattered panes of glass at Canary Wharf, PEACE lies in pieces, and fear and uncertainty returns to two islands.

Who now is left to sweep up the political mess and pick up the broken lives? Who is left to count the cost and pick up the huge bill? Who is to blame? Well, certainly not me!! It must be others, depending on where one is standing. So we point the finger at the IRA, Sinn Fein, the different political parties, the Prime Ministers John Major and John Bruton. Now they all stand at the cross-roads once again, looking for the way of peace. Who dare take a RISK to discover that way of peace?

As they stand at the cross-roads, what a pity it is that they don't look up AT THE CROSS! Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you, I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid". John 14:27.

It is amazing the RISK that the vast majority of people take by leaving JESUS CHRIST, the Prince of Peace, out of their lives, and by refusing to heed His warnings and accept His help and love. So as you stand at your next cross-roads crisis and decision time, dare to take the risk and look up - AT THE CROSS, and allow the LORD JESUS to show you the correct way ahead to peace and life, through His Word, the Bible. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119:105.
NATURE IN CHURCHYARDS COMPETITION

Winner of the 1995 Bishop’s Prize was St Mary the Virgin, Sixpenny Handley who received £50, runner up was St Nicholas, Abbotsbury. Churchyards which were highly commended were St Mary of the Annunciation, Beaminster; All Saints, West Parley; St John the Baptist, Symondsbury and St Wulfrida, Horton.

Winner of the 1995 Best Natural Churchyard was St Laurence, Holwell who received £25, runner up was St Mary Magdalen, Thornford. Churchyards which were highly commended were St John the Evangelist, Enmore Green; Holy Trinity, Salway Ash; St Mary the Virgin, Charlton Marshall; St Gregory the Great, Marnhull and St Laurence, Affpuddle.

THE LIVING CHURCHYARD PROJECT

Ivy clad walls, lichens on gravestones, snowdrops, slow worms, and spindle bushes might be some of the things you have noticed in your churchyard but you might not have realised that for many species of wildlife this is their last refuge.

The introduction of artificial fertilisers and other chemicals has changed the face of our natural landscapes and frequently there are only small areas such as a churchyard that escapes from their use and retains its native grasses, shrubs and trees. Churchyards and cemeteries are often remarkably rich in wildlife and many rare species such as the adder’s tongue fern are especially characteristics of churchyards.

Dorset Wildlife Trust is supporting a scheme call the Living Churchyard Project which encourages the management of a churchyard with sympathy for wildlife. To take part in this project you do not have to go to church but you must gain the approval and support of the incumbent - the vicar and the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

The Trust offers advice and support for anyone interested in becoming involved with the project. In addition, the Trust organises an annual competition ‘Nature in Churchyards’ to judge Dorset’s best churchyards for wildlife. There are three categories - The Bishop’s Prize awarded to the churchyard considered to be most imaginatively managed for wildlife, The Best Natural Churchyard awarded where there has been no specific management undertaken and Best Survey awarded for the most accurate and detailed survey of the churchyard.

The closing date for entries to the Nature in Churchyards competition is Friday 31st May. If you would like to recommend your churchyard for one of these awards or would like more information about the Living Churchyard Project, please contact Bernard Dowding on 01305 264620 or write to him at Dorset Wildlife Trust, Brooklands Farm, Forston, Dorchester, DT2 7AA

POPP IN PLACE

A steering group has been established to assess the need for a new community service for the village.

Please can you assist with our research by completing the following questionnaire, then tearing out the page and returning by 18th March to: P.I.P. Steering Group, c/o Alison Bennett, 3 Rye Hill Close, Bere Regis. Alternatively, completed questionnaires can be left in the P.I.P. collection box inside Bere Regis Post Office.

The Steering Group members are - Alison Bennett, Edna Collins, Denise Croom, Tina Elford, Sheila Leigh, Maria McMahon, Shelagh Rowan and Tony Wise.

It is hoped that through user participation the Pop in Place could develop into a real asset to our local community.

PROPOSAL

To open a ‘Pop in Place’ in Bere Regis, a meeting place for people irrespective of age and gender to socialize and have coffee. It is felt that a lot of people would benefit from such a project. It would be open to absolutely anyone wishing to have some company in a friendly uninhibited atmosphere.

There would also be a free lending library developed and a 50/50 sale of good clean reasonably priced second hand clothing and small household items. Thus benefitting the buyer and seller and helping to pay the rent for the ground floor of the Drax Hall.

1  If there were a Pop in Place in Bere Regis would you attend

sometimes............... regularly.............. never....................

2  Two sessions per week on different days have been suggested.

Which day(s) would you prefer - Mon...... Tues...... Wed...... Thu......

Fri........... Mornings.............. Afternoons

3  Would you wish to take advantage of the 50/50/sale of items that would be part of each session by either buying or selling items

Yes........ No................
Do you think that the 50/50 sale would be popular

Yes........ No........

Would you be happy to pay a nominal fee for coffee and tea e.g. 20p

Yes........... No...........

Would you be prepared to be a volunteer to help run sessions on a rota basis

Yes........... No...........
If yes, please complete question 6a

6a Name
Address
Telephone Number

We would welcome any other views or comments you may wish to make

Name.................................. Signature ...................................

Date..................................

Thank you for helping us with our research.

P.I.P. Steering Group

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

March 1996

Football Results

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Bere Regis' Football Club has never witnessed such a poor run of results in living memory. Faced with the biting cold, the Arctic weather only served up as light relief for Bere's reluctant players, as games against top notch opposition will have to be confronted.

The first eleven have played only three games in 1996 and now face an ever increasing task negotiating the slippery slope known as relegation. Every game from now on is crucial and Division Two status must be preserved for the village. A heated derby away to Wool turned to farce as 'Premier League' incompetence put the skids under Bere in the shape of some poor refereeing.

Two goals were amazingly allowed late in the game, one from a corner which left the field of play, all players stopped simultaneously with the referee's vision, despite profuse protests Bere received a swift kick in the teeth. Hardly deserved after a stirring performance spurred on by the Chairman's "six points over Wool" speech. As if defeat was unnecessary punishment, Bere went away to Witchampton expecting a cricket score and some Rorke's Drift defending, they held their opponents on a flat but cow ridden pitch.

With Steve Ives creating havoc up front, Bere edged their way into the game, Rob White dictated play as Bere should have gone in halfway 3 - 0 up, but they settled for a rare powerful Steve Cheeseman header to even things up at 1 - 1. Worse was to come as the otherwise consistent referee awarded a goal following a blatant handball from a corner, so much that the offender smirked all over North Dorset, safe in the knowledge that he had got away with it as 'Premier League' incompetence condemned Bere to another defeat. All the football was played by Bere right from back with Ricky Otto through to Roberto Cox and Hristo Oram.

A morale boosting victory at home to The Mount gave Bere's reserves something to sing about, after the drubbing away to the same side who showed no respect for authority and displayed everything bad about the uglier side of football, not seen too often after the rules clampdown. The reserves were overrun by Kingston, a team which have turned full circle after calling in mercenaries to help claim their top table. Once Kingston were the whipping boys and sheep were associated with their style, but they now boast a unique brand of football and Bere's midfield powerhouse Pete Thompson admitted afterwards that the reserves didn't have a prayer.
A narrow defeat at the hands of Lychett may well have been averted after Bere prevailed for most of the game and fell to cruel sucker punches late in the game when three points were virtually signed, sealed and delivered.

The Sunday heroes of late have seen fortunes dip dramatically, finding points hard to come by. A postponed game at Bovington added to the frustration, but a victory was secured and three points following a successful raid on the Beehive Cave in the camp. Warmwell Leisure inflicted further misery upon Bere on a cold wet day, after the extreme cold snap. The game went the way of the Leisuremen, as Bere were denied a certain goal by a pacy six day old snowman, turning up in the most unlikely places. Bere’s management had hoped to sign up a colleague for the season but were unable to obtain a work permit.

WOODBURY HILL SINGERS

The singers have entertained the Happy Hour Salvation Army and Wareham hospital.

PLAY AND LEARN VAN

Wednesday 6th and Wednesday 20th March
9.15 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. Bere Regis School
10.15 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Bere Regis Surgery

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

TRIO SIROCCO

Briantspuddle Hall Committee and Artreach have arranged a concert in the village hall on Saturday 16th March 1996 from 7.30 p.m. Tickets costing £3.50 and £3.00 for students may be obtained from Philippa Thorniley on Bere Regis 471497. There will be a bar for drinks in the interval.

HOME WATCH

It was with much regret that I was informed by the police that the Holman’s house was broken into on 19th January. Not only did the burglars steal items of value, but also vandalized precious ornaments and a clock. The offenders carried out this burglary in daylight hours, between 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. According to the police, they probably first rang the front door bell and then finding no one in, went to the back of the house. In a garden shed they found a spade which they used to lever open the back door.

Police analysis indicates that houses such as those in Briantspuddle and Affpuddle are vulnerable targets by burglars. Many of them have secluded back gardens which overlook amble fields such as water meadows or ploughed fields. The thieves may well park the ‘get away’ car some distance from the house targeted.

It is recommended that garden tools such as spades are kept locked away and that all doors and windows are fitted with special bolts and locks, respectively, especially at the back of the property.

Bill Thorniley

BRIANTSPUDDLE VILLAGE QUIZ

The 1996 Village Quiz will be held on Saturday 9th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. The format will be the same as last year with teams of four from the organizations or ‘syndicates’ competing for the cup. Last year’s winners, the Parish Council, will be setting the questions. If you would like to enter a team, please contact Gill Vingoe as soon as possible and not later than 6th March. Light refreshments will be on sale and there will be a raffle to defray expenses.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met on 17th January and on 14th February.

Lea Woods: Talks were continuing with Sir Patrick Neill regarding public access to and through Lea Woods.
Rights of Way: Two members of the Dorset County Council were present and they pointed out that no public footpath could be diverted of blocked without permission.

Mobile Library: The discontinued stop at Bladen Valley and the changed time at Throop had given rise to a number of complaints. The whole timetable for the mobile library was to be changed in April when the Bladen Valley stop would be reinstated.

Mobile Youth Club: It was felt that the general lack of response had dictated that there was insufficient interest to warrant trying to restart a youth club in the village.

Highways: A letter had been received from the DCC stating that they would be installing warning signs at the junction at the top of the Hollow, as requested.

Public discussion: Mr Solly had written a letter to the Council regarding the benefits of the village shop and was present at the meeting on the 14th February to discuss the subject. He was aware that the shop has been on the market for some time and thought that if the property ceased to be a shop/post office, a valuable asset to the community would be lost. Mr Rolls agreed to obtain details of a community venture/co-operative as a contingency should the shop be sold.

Reports/Correspondence: It was noted that a lot of mature oaks had been marked for felling in Oakers wood. The Council had written to the DCC regarding this matter. DCC had also been notified of the obstruction of some public footpaths at Marlpits by treefelling.

The County Structure Plan had been reviewed and it was noted that development around Briantspuddle was unlikely as it would not enhance employment. However, projected high level of building in the County as a whole was reviewed with dismay.

Mrs Debenham was to obtain a copy of the video explaining details of an aerobic digester which could be one of the alternatives to the incinerator.

THANK YOU

Babs Smith and family would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of sympathy at the time of Sam’s death, support at the funeral and generous donations to Purbeck Blind Centre.

BRIANTS PUDDLE W.I.

Due to the wintry conditions our guest speaker in February was unable to attend, we therefore had to cancel the meeting. This month our guest speaker will be Mrs Mulliner who will talk to us about Egypt. In June we hope to take a trip by coach to Forde Abbey on a Saturday afternoon, the date will be decided at the next meeting. This trip will be open to non-members. For more details please watch this space next month.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

March 1996

12th Much Ado About Nothing, Drax Hall 7.00 p.m.
13th Autumn Leaves Tour of Australia with Tony Bates 2.30 p.m.
16th Jumble Sale, Scout HQ 2.30 p.m.
16th Chamber Music Concert, Briantspuddle Village Hall
23rd Autumn Leaves Spring Fair and 50p Sale, Drax Hall 2.30 p.m.
23rd Coffee Morning, in aid of Albanian Orphanage, Cyril Wood Court 10.30 a.m.
31st Venture Unit Car Treasure Hunt

April 1996

10th Autumn Leaves Spring Tour
17th Coffee Morning for Church Funds, 1 Tower Hill 10.30 a.m.

May 1996

2nd Age Concern outing to Laycock

June 1996

15th Kipper Breakfast, Acorn Cottage, North Street 9.00 a.m.
26th Coffee Morning for Church Funds, 37 Elder Road 10.30 a.m.
27th Age Concern Fete, Culver Dell 2.00 p.m.

July 1996

6th Cub Roast, Shitterton Farmhouse

August 1996

21st Coffee Morning at the Vicarage 10.30 a.m.

September 1996

21st Car Boot and Table Top Sale, Scout Hut 12.00 noon - 4.00 p.m.

October 1996

5th Autumn Leaves 25p Sale

November 1996

23rd Autumn Leaves Christmas Bazaar
CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

March 1996

Age Concern
2.00 p.m. Thursdays, Turberville Court

Autumn Leaves
2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday

Beavers
6.30 p.m. Monday, Scout HQ

Bingo
7.45 p.m. Monday, Drax Hall

British Legion Club
7.00 - 11.30 p.m. Monday - Saturday
12.00-2.00 p.m. and 7.30-10.30 p.m. Sunday

British Legion Women’s Section
2.00 p.m. 3rd Wednesday, HQ

British Legion Youth
7.00 - 10.00 p.m. Wednesday, HQ

Brownies
6.00 - 7.15 p.m. Wednesday, Scout HQ

B.R.S.C.
Winter season opening times: Tues, Wed, Fri 7.00 p.m., Sat 4.25 p.m., Sun 7.30 p.m.

Briantspuddle Singers
7.45 p.m. Tuesdays, Village Hall

Choir Practice
6.00 p.m. Junior, 6.45 p.m. Full Choir, Fri in Church.

C.A.B.
Waresham - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.00 a.m.-2.00 p.m.
(closed Wednesday)

Cubs
6.30 p.m. Thursdays, Scout HQ

D.S.S. Van
1st Mon 10.15 a.m.-11.00 a.m. Bere Regis P.O./carpark

Dorset/Latvia Link
Secretary - Jenny Silvas - 01299 471577

Floral Group
2.30 p.m. 2nd Tuesday, W. Kingston village hall

Guides
6.30 p.m. Tuesdays, Scout HQ

Mini Market
10.00 a.m. 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall

Mobile Library
Every Friday 2.10 p.m. - 3.45 p.m., car park

Mother and Toddler
2.00 p.m. Mondays, Congregational Church

Mothers’ Union
7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, the Church

Parish Council
7.00 p.m. 2nd Thursday, Drax Hall

Sub-committees on Post Office notice board

Playgroup Bere Regis
Five mornings, Bere Regis School - Tel: 01305 848792

Rainbows
4.30 p.m. Tuesdays, Scout HQ

RBL Gardening Club
8.00 p.m. 1st Tuesday, Club House

Scouts
Junior - 7.30 p.m. Mondays, Scout HQ
Senior - 7.00 p.m. Fridays, Scout HQ

W.I. Bere Regis
7.30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall

W.I. Briantspuddle
7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, Briantspuddle Village Hall

Tuesday Clubs:

Junior Club
7.00 p.m. 6 - 9 years, Congregational Church

Youth Club
7.00 p.m. 9 years and over, Congregational Church

Swimming Club
Ring Puddletown 848262

Turberville Court
2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. Social afternoon each Tuesday
10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning, 1st Friday

Woodbury Hill Singers
2.30 p.m. Mondays, Larkspur

BERE REGIS

March 1996

Lay Readers
Mrs B Pitfield - 471391

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Mr J House, Lower Stockley Farm. Tel: 471255/551266
Mr J England, 10 Southmead. Tel: 471469

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Miss S Frampton, 1 Tower Hill. Tel: 471643

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Chairperson
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Organist
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Mrs Kay March - 471883 Mrs Dorrie Barnes - 471531
Mrs Eileen Bangay - 471724

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March 1996

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Mr R Gainsford, 19 Briantspuddle. Tel: 471419
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Mr R Killer, 4 Bladen Valley, Briantspuddle. 471202

Treasurer of PCC
Mr R Elkerton Greatfield House Affpuddle. Puddletown 331

Organist
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Mrs Penny Haigh - 471678

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Please submit all announcements, copy or advertisements to Alison (for Bere Regis) or
Martha Tucker (for Affpuddle/Briantspuddle) by the 15th of each month

EDITORIAL NOTE
In last month’s magazine, a request was made for advertisers to send monies owing by the
end of February. As a number of these are still outstanding, could this note serve as a gentle
reminder to those who have not yet paid. Also, as the current advertiser records only show
the information which is contained in the advert itself, I am unable to write to those people
for whom we only have a telephone number on file.

It would be very much appreciated, therefore, if advertisers could include full names, postal
addresses and telephone numbers, together with a note of any changes which may be
required, when sending in their cheques. Please makes cheques payable to Bere Regis
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