A THOUGHT FROM THE VICARAGE

Most of us have to struggle in life. We may look at someone else whom we think is either strong or beautiful or talented or rich, commanding the attention and admiration of the world, but peep behind the outer curtain of that person's soul, and you may find a weakness, an ugliness, a poverty that is a heavy burden for them to carry secretly. Most of us have to struggle. If it isn't a physical problem, it can be a psychological one. Which one of us does not struggle in some way with a deep shyness, or feeling of inadequacy? What young person growing through the teenage years doesn't look in the mirror and think, "What an awful nose I've got!"

Then, as we progress, we find that an ambition can be thwarted, or a love denied. We rarely get the first choice in life. We normally settle for something less. It is for me a moving testimony to the strength of the human spirit that so many do their bleeding secretly, and their agonising in private. I like the story of the violinist, Paganini, who, whilst giving a recital in Paris, heard the A-string on his violin break. He was half way through the recital. His reputation was only beginning to be achieved. He finished the recital on three strings.

Am I right in thinking that this is what life is about, making some kind of music on a far from perfect instrument?

Our problem is a tendency to make false comparisons with more fortunate people. We think, if only I had had his start in life, or her ability, or his lucky break, or her money. The solution to the problem is to learn self acceptance. We may not be much, but we are all we've got!
I have met some great people during my life. Not one of them has had one effortless success. They have always had to overcome some crippling limitation. The strong, beautiful and talented, with a sword of shining fortune can command our attention, but I am more impressed by someone who has had no sword, and fights on with the empty scabbard. And as I grow old, I find myself more and more able to identify with the crippled, dying Jesus, who changed the course of history. He is my "rôle model". He had a poor start to his life, but had the beautiful love of his mother. He enjoyed little success by the world's standards. At 33 years of age, he was finished. The strong, beautiful, talented and rich of his day are totally forgotten. He is the best remembered person in the history of mankind.

We instinctively know that triumphant living against the odds is the most strong, beautiful and talented thing asked of us.

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS

Visiting ringers from Bishops Waltham will be in the tower on Saturday 18th July at 9.20 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. to start Carnival Day.

Tower History

The tower will be 500 years old in the year 2000. I am attempting to produce a small book on the history of the tower and all that has gone on in it over the last 500 years. If anyone has any documents, photographs, etc relating to it I would be very grateful to borrow them.

John England - 471469
THE PARISHES OF Bere Regis and Affpuddle
with Turnerspuddle

The Vicar
The Venerable Graham Roblin OBE
The Vicarage, Bere Regis, BH20 7HQ

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Kay March, Sybil Frampton, Eileen Bangay, Robert Croom, Mary England.

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Allan Smith, Jenny Silvas, Erica Moriatty, Dorothy Reed, Audrey Grindrod.
CHURCH SERVICES in JULY

Sunday 5th July 1998  Pentecost 5
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m. Mattins and Communion (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong (Bere Regis)

Friday 10th July 1998
7.00 p.m.  CONFIRMATION (Bere Regis Church)

Sunday 12th July 1998  Pentecost 6
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m. Church Family Service (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.  Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 19th July 1998  Pentecost 7
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 26th July 1998  Pentecost 8
8.00 a.m.  Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.  Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m. Mattins and Communion (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.  Songs of Praise (Bere Regis)
BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS

Bere Regis Sidesmen

5th July  9.30a.m.  Mr House / Mr Bates
          6.00 p.m.  Miss Frampton / Mr Dashwood

12th July 11.00a.m.  Mrs March / Mrs England
          6.00 p.m.  Mr Barnes / Mrs Jutting

19th July  9.30a.m.  Mrs Hazlerigg / Mr Strange
          6.00p.m.  Mrs Griffin / Mr Ventham

26th July  11.00 a.m.  Miss Chesney / Miss Miller
            6.00 p.m.  Mrs Ward / Mr Ward

Sanctuary Flower Guild

5th July  Mrs N Scott  Mrs D Croom
12th July  Mrs P House  Mrs B Cobb
19th July  Autumn Leaves
26th July  Mrs E Bangay  Mrs P Jesty

Readers

5th July  Miss Frampton
12th July  Mrs Lewis
19th July  Mr Ventham
**AFFPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS**

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### Church Yard Mowing Rota

- **29th June** - Paul Badcock, Campbell de Burgh, Philip Ventham
- **13th July** - Steve Sanderson, Jim Perris, Alex Armitage
- **27th July** - Elk Elkerton, Dereck Boyt, Bob Holman

### Sidesmen, Readers and Readings

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THE CONFIRMATION

For the first time in many years, the Bishop of Salisbury is coming to the benefice to take the confirmation service. He is coming on Friday 10th July to Bere Regis church and the service starts at 7.00 p.m.

In addition to the Confirmation, the Bishop will preach, and then preside at the Communion, which is part of the whole service.

We do hope that both congregations will make a point of being at this service, not only to welcome the Bishop but also to support and welcome those being confirmed.

There will be a small social gathering after the service at which the Bishop will have an opportunity to be with us informally. Do come if you can.

BARBECUE

at
Cruck Cottage
6.00 p.m.
Saturday 11th July
in aid of
Affpuddle Church

• Tombola
• Raffles
• Coconut shy
• Bar
• Weymouth Concert Brass

TICKETS £5.00
Senior citizens and under 12s £2.50
for more details see Affpuddle Church News
OBITUARIES

BERT HENRY GIBSON

The funeral of Bert Gibson in Bere Regis church was one of those moments when family and friends joined for having known a lovely man. Although severely handicapped for over 20 years, through a stroke, Bert managed to attract an amazing number of friends who visited him in his interestingly named house “D-Day”. The combination of Bert’s personality with that of his wife Pat made all of us feel better for having called.

He was a Dorset man, having been born in Poole in 1924, and then attending school at St Aldhelms. The Anglo-Catholic church of St Osmond had a profound influence on him as a boy, and he never forgot the words of the Communion service right to the end.

To all of us who knew Bert, the Royal Marines soon became the main topic of conversation. He joined the Marines as soon as he could, and had an extraordinary war. He was trained at Portsmouth (one of his comrades from those days came to the service), and then took part in the intensive preparation for the raid on Dieppe. He was posted before the raid, however, to HMS Belfast, and joined the Russian convoys through Scapa Flow.

Then came Commando training and Range Finding qualifications, and a return to the Belfast, with the dramatic sinking of the German battleship Scharnhorst.

By 1944, Bert was back in Poole training for the Special Boat Squadron, followed by the Normandy landings. Then came orders for the Belfast to sail for the Far East. So he found himself in Singapore, Southern Malaya, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea and Australia.

With the war over, he was posted back to Portsmouth as an Instructor of recruits.

Pat came into his life at this point and it changed his life. It was to prove a wonderful marriage of total devotion to one another. Angela was born, and Bert decided to settle down outside the Marines. Engineering became his trade with Vickers at Hurn, which in turn became the British Aircraft Company.
Once again he found himself very happy and remained there, even after his first stroke at the age of 49.

He had great hobbies. He built a cabin cruiser; he made furniture; he built bicycles; he joined in community activities. And of course, being a grandfather to Victoria and Alana was very special. (Victoria read a poem she had written about her grandfather at the funeral and it was very moving.)

Bert was laid to rest in the cemetery of the village that he had come to only twelve years before. It was inspiring to find so many people at the graveside bidding him farewell, and praying for him in his new life with the God that meant so much to him.

MRS IRIS ROCKSBOROUGH SMITH (aged 92)

On 26th May, we laid to rest a very remarkable lady who had lived in Bladen Valley for the past twenty eight years. She had become very well known and very much loved in that time through her natural kindness and warmth and care for others.

With her son and daughter welcoming the congregation and friends from near and far, we were able to have a loving Christian service of thanksgiving for her life. The service had been planned by her and we followed her wishes.

We sang Psalm 121 “I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills”, followed by “The King of love my Shepherd is”, “Dear Lord and Father of mankind” and “Love Divine”. One of her granddaughters read a poem that Iris had written before her marriage in the 1930s.

Meeting people like Iris, with her smile and chuckle and genuine interest, we can fail to know that such characters are built, often through pain. She was born in Colehill, Wimborne, just before the outbreak of the first world war. She had elder brothers. Two of these adored brothers were killed in battle, and the third died later in Aden. So she was no stranger to grief.

After the war was over, her family moved to Moreton Heath, and this became her home for sixteen years until she moved to London to work for a charity running clubs for young people.
Here she met the man who was to become her husband. Rock was his nickname which people enjoyed using right up to his death some nine years ago. With the second world war now starting Rock joined the 13th/18th Hussars, so Iris, with her new son, Simon, found themselves billeted around Dorset.

With the advent of peace, Rock returned to the Home Office, where he was an Inspector for the Probation Service. They set up home in Thames Ditton, and stayed put for a quarter of a century. Nicky was born and they enjoyed a most happy family life.

Dorset had always beckoned them, so on retirement, Iris and Rock came to Bladen Valley. They immediately attracted many friends, through golf, the church, their common interest in ornithology, the Council for the Protection of Rural England, and cancer charities. It was a full life and a fulfilling one.

With the passing of Rock, life inevitably changed, but amongst the instructions that she left, was a note recording “my indescribable gratitude for the love and the loyalty of my family and friends through life and in my latter days in this place.

One of her requests for her funeral was for the organist to play “Summer Time” from Porgy and Bess, together with music from Salad Days. It typifies her, nothing heavy and pompous, but light and full of fun.

She was ‘at home’ in her church for the funeral, and her spirit filled the place.
MOTHERS' UNION

At our June meeting, the Revd Canon Peter Hardman from Wareham celebrated the Eucharist and gave the address. He talked about living as a family in today’s world, something which is totally different than when the Mothers’ Union was founded in 1876. The role of mothers has changed, with both partners now being equally involved with child rearing and providing the needs of the family. Membership of the society is now open to men as well as single women and those who are not mothers. Nevertheless, the concept of the Mothers’ Union is still very relevant.

We would want to retain union and concord with each other and within our families as well as with the church family. The image for the whole of God’s church is for unity with Him through Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Thirty two people were booked for the Church Crawl on 17th June and six members had booked to go to the quiet day at Winterbourne Whitechurch on 24 June.

We were reminded about the outing to Edmondsham House on the evening of 1 July. Names to Mary England please as soon as possible.

We had been asked to clean the caravans at Durdle Door on 16th June and Christine offered to collect donations towards the food parcels.

The Wave of Prayer for our branch will take place on 31st July in church. See the notice sheets for the exact time. Please try to attend this short time of prayer when we remember the MU throughout the world.

We have arranged a Children’s morning in church on Tuesday 18th August. This will be led by Mr Andrew Saunders of Scripture Union. Please encourage any children you know to come along, but they must be school age (ie not under 5). MU members are required to help in various ways.

Brenda Pitfield - 471391
PARISH COUNCIL

At the June meeting a complaint was received from Parishioners concerned with the use of the footpaths and bridleways over Black Hill by motor cyclists. This practice, which disturbs the wildlife in one of the remaining peaceful areas of the Parish, can also be very dangerous particularly to the legitimate users of the paths. The Council discussed this problem in depth and, following suggestions as to how it could be countered, decided to write to the landowner concerned. Incidentally, by a recent Legal Ruling, it is necessary for the would be motor cyclist to prove that the track had been used by motor vehicles since before 1930.

The Council would be interested to hear from anybody who has used the bridleway which goes across towards Turnerspuddle from Lane End during the past thirty years or more. Evidence is being collected that this is an established route and should not be closed. Anybody who can help is asked to contact The Clerk - 556263 or any Councillor.

By the time this article is published the Car Park should have been re-organised with a new surface and the bins laid out in an orderly style. The proposals were shown in a diagram about eighteen months ago and there were no adverse comments from Parishioners. The remaining problem in that area is the Toilet Block. The Council continues to represent their concern about the state of the toilets which are constantly under ‘attack’ from vandals. For some reason small boys seem to be fascinated by the ‘Gents’, and leave their mark or remove the toilet paper and spread it about as in the famous puppy advertisement - perhaps there is a connection! The toilets are provided as a service for the public to use and as a Village we are frequently judged by the condition of services offered in the Village. We actually have, at present, little control on the maintenance as that is arranged by the District Council using Council Tax money. Your money which could go to other more pressing things or simply not need to be collected. For the sake of Village Pride the Council asks that anybody with influence on the young to pass this message on to them.

With the Millennium approaching the Council would be interested to learn from Parishioners of any proposed local celebratory scheme for which a sum of between £500 and £5000 might provide. The rules are, as one would anticipate, fairly limited, eg it does not permit ‘a pint all round’. They are also lengthy, the list is too long to include here so the themes are displayed on the notice board outside the Post Office. If anybody has any ideas would they please let any Councillor know of it so that it can be included in a list that will be discussed. Time is of the essence as we need to know very soon.

Mr Peter Fysh was appointed into the vacancy created by insufficient nominations for the Council this year. His was the only application received.

CM.
**MIND THE WORLD GROUP**

Coffee Morning, Saturday, July 11th, 10.30 a.m. at Cyril Wood Court

**CRIME PREVENTION**

From time to time our fax machine churns out, between the computer and mobile phone sales blurbs, an important message from the Dorset Police. This tells us of local criminal activities and it is our task to spread the word in the village. Hence the notices in the Post Office. Some of the messages are very specific and are directed at for example the Church or Petrol Station. Others are more general and remind us to lock up out buildings etc. If you see the messages and they concern you or your property do take heed as the message has originated as a result of various incidents. This month we also received a letter listing some incidents of which the following are a condensed list:

‘Ornate gates, garden sheds, a handbag - through an open window (!) - garage access into house resulting in video being stolen, pubs being broken into for the fruit machine proceeds, counterfeit money being tendered, cars in beauty spots - all lost handbags which had been placed under seats(!), boats at this time of the year are a special target - make sure that yours is truly anchored to your property, likewise bicycles - make sure that yours is post coded, cars go missing too easily and regrettably end up being burned by the culprits.’

The list seems endless but often they are the result of carelessness - I plead guilty having lost two car radios. The Police now have a good communication system and by its speed this can result in some of these minor crimes being thwarted much to the surprise of the intended perpetrators.

CM.

**CYRIL WOOD COURT**

Dorothy Towers Smith will be exhibiting her paintings and tapestries from Friday 24th to Sunday 26th of July between 1.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m each day. Do come along and view her work in the Community Centre. **By kind permission of the Trustees.**
BERE REGIS ROYAL BRITISH LEGION YOUTH SECTION

The Sponsored Coastal Path Walk from Osmington Mills to Lulworth Cove held on the 17 May raised £69. This sum has been split 50/50 with the Dorset Youth Association the event organisers. The youth section have put their share towards the cost of travel to Nottingham for the National Youth Conference in September this year.

Although the weather in Snowdonia at the end of May was, as usual, wet and windy with plenty of low cloud, the youth section members had the pleasure of climbing to the top of Snowdon on the Saturday. Here they were nearly blown over in the driving rain as the group approached the summit. On the Sunday the group made the climb up into the clouds once more to sit on the top of both Glyder Fawr and Glyder Fach. The cloud did break for just a few seconds to expose the breath taking views down below. In all an enjoyable weekend which most of the group would like to undertake in the near future.

At the club members have been able to take part in Teeshirt Painting, Lino Cutting/Printing and Scraperboard Art. Rounders has also been organised once again along with a Treasure Hunt around the village.

A small number of members are going off to Avon Tyrrell in the New Forest for a camping weekend on the 24—26 July. There they will take part in a Night Hike, Orienteering and Canoeing as well as a number of other activities.

New members in the 12—17 age range are most welcome and the section would like to see more joining from the Bloxworth and Winterborne Kingston Areas.

Terry Vine. Youth Leader.

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**Dorset Gardens Trust**

**Garden Day**

Melplash Court, Near Bridport
(on A3066 between Beaminster and Bridport)

**Saturday 18th July**

10.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Entrance £3

Lectures by Cary Goode, Penelope Hobhouse, Nori Pope and Patrick Taylor (£3 each lecture payable at door)

Unusual plants for sale Displays and demonstrations Garden Tours (£1)

Light refreshments and Teas (or picnic in the beautiful Park)

Registered Charity No 1000743
THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGIONS WOMEN’S SECTION

Our Coffee evening held on April 27th realised £103.83 and the stall run for the transport fund made £12.55. Our thanks to all who helped, donated and supported this event.

The May meeting held on the 20th was a members afternoon and was attended by fifteen members. Thirteen of these members entered a sponsored knit, Mrs S Leigh won by knitting 13½ inches. While the knitting was in progress, Mrs Bush sang one of the songs that she sang when she first started singing and other members recited poems.

Teas were served by Mrs Maidment and Mrs Cockburn. A bring and buy stall was run by Mrs D Clarke and a raffle by Mrs Jeal.

Cenotaph July - Mrs Curtiss and Mrs Clarke August - Mrs Burt and Mrs Stickley

DRAX HALL

This month we see the visit again of the Blood Bank. We have always had a very good response from the village - and about - so please continue with the good work and come along to boost the blood stock available for the busy summer holiday period. It is quite harmless and painless and afterwards you get a quick ten minute nap and cup of tea, with a chocolate biscuit thrown in for good measure. Somebody will also be better off as a result of your efforts. The date? Tuesday 28th July afternoon and early evening in the Hall.

Our representatives went to Frampton Village Hall during June to see the live theatre productions that are being offered this year. We have made our selections and have applied for a number. We now await the Directors to let us know whether they are able to book events on our behalf. So watch this space in the future.

Mrs Kath Jeeves held an open day in her garden last month on behalf of the Hall. We are trying to build up funds in order to replace the chairs which, when we acquired them thirty years ago, were wonderful. Time is telling and the repairs required are more frequent so new chairs, hopefully more comfortable, are being sought. If anybody wishes to help with this project please let me know - all contributions will be gratefully received.

The Sunday Table Sale proved to be a success and raised a very welcome £60.50 for which we thank all who came along but more so our Bookings Secretary - Angie Wright and her family.

CM
BERE REGIS W.I.

The May meeting debated the resolutions, this provided us with lively and interesting discussion, resulting in unanimous decisions.

The plans for our 80th Anniversary party are in hand. It is quite a milestone in Bere Regis history. Maybe we should remember, that if the movement for women’s rights had not been taken up by stalwart women of yesteryear, (starting in Canada), perhaps we would not be the independent women of today? I am sure that there are some ladies reading this that are past members, maybe there are also some ladies to be encouraged to join. Why not make a ‘resolution’ to join us in the Autumn. Your ideas and thoughts are needed to keep the WI of tomorrow in full command of all situations arising in the world. Together with all other WI groups we can go forward to keep our observations known to the parliament of the day.

Zena Rogers

TO ALL FANS OF HILDEGARD OF BINGEN, SEQUENTIA AND ELIZABETH GLEN!

Quite a number of people have been asking us about the forthcoming concerts of Elizabeth, better known in the village as the former Liz Booth. At present she is on tour with Sequentia in America, but is to give a solo performance of a work about Hildegard of Bingen, written by a modern composer, in Salisbury Cathedral on July 31st, at 7.00 p.m. Liz gave the first performance of this work last year in Winchester, and made a CD of it. It is a dramatic presentation of the life of Hildegard, and was written by an authority on her life and music, with the music reflecting that of Hildegard herself.

On September 8th, Liz will be singing with Sequentia at the Proms in the Albert Hall. This concert is not going to be televised, but will be broadcast live on Radio 3 at 10.00 p.m. The concert will be of music by Hildegard, including some from the CD "Canticles of Ecstasy", which went to the top of the American, French and British classical charts for many weeks when it was first released, and won a "Disque d'Or" for the ensemble.

Joan and Geoffrey.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

July 14th will be the Club Show to celebrate 40 years of the Floral Group.

The judge will be Denise Pharaoh from Broadstone. there will be no meeting in August and we meet again on September 8th.
AUTUMN LEAVES OVER ‘50’s’ CLUB

Our Annual Summer Outing to Sidmouth was enjoyed by 40 members - weather was good after a heavy shower whilst we were travelling.

Our next meeting is our Open Day, when we invite the residents to join us. There will be an Exhibition of Teatrays, (members please bring one) and our Annual Rose Competition. One rose only, no buds - members only. Last year we had 28 entries. You do not have to grow it yourself. There will be a stall for miscellaneous items, clothing, a stall for cakes etc. Entrance is 25p including tea. Please come and support your over 50s Club.

Mary England - 471469  Kath Jeeves - 471175

100 WATT CLUB

1st prize - £10
mrs s neilson, no 39

2nd prize - £10
mrs b jarvis, no 143

3rd prize - £10
mrs h loxton, no 69

4th prize - £5
mr b bush, no 8

5th prize - £5
dorothy briggs, no 35

Shares still available from Gordon Phillips - 471525
BARN DANCE, LOWER STOCKLEY FARM - Thank you

John and Pat would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped make the evening such a great success. Obviously with so many people helping, blowing up balloons, moving bales, cooking food, organising drinks it is impossible to thank everyone individually, but you know who you are.

Over £2,000 was made which will be a tremendous help towards the church rewiring that has to be done.

Also thank you to everyone who joined us for this great social gathering. Thanks to Geoffrey Booth for the picture gallery which follows - this is only a very small sample!
This Church Warden certainly knows how to have a good time!
“And how much am I bid for one Vicar, low

“And now it’s our turn, at last”
1st BERE REGIS BROWNIES

During the last two months, the Brownies have been working on projects from the Brownies 97/98 Challenge, including trying to blow up balloons without air (this one was fun and thanks to BRRBL for not minding too much about the flour and rice scattered outside), a nature ramble down by the river, drawing pictures showing healthy foods (these to be laminated to make place mats), a display to each other of various dance routines and making chocolate crispies (which looked delicious, even the bits in their hair).

Jane Storey has rejoined the pack and is thinking of further messy and noisy activities. These will include finishing the Challenge over the next month or so and certificates of achievement will be presented. We also welcome Kim Cope as a unit helper.

Other activities: We hope to enter a walking group in the Carnival and we are also starting to plan our end of term barbecue/fund raiser. Details to follow on this and we hope to see you there.

A big thanks to American Express Bank in Poole, who have donated funds to the pack. We will be able to use the money to stock up on equipment, badge books, badges and activity packs. Donations of any size are always greatly appreciated and help us to make the Brownie activities more interesting, educational and fun.

HELP: We have been given permission to put/build a cupboard in the ladies’ cloakroom at the British Legion. If anybody has an old cupboard or would be willing to make one for us, it would be greatly appreciated. Please call Jane Storey on 01929 471041 (evenings) if you can help.

If any girls would like to join the Brownies, ages 7 to 10, please feel free to come down to Royal British Legion any term time Monday, between 6.00pm and 7.15pm and speak to one of the Leaders - Pat Bentley, Liz Gale or Jane Storey.
BERE REGIS CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

My thanks to everyone who supported us on Bank Holiday Monday (25 May). We had a lot of people turn up to spend their money but unfortunately we were let down by people not entering for the tug of war and a shortage of cars for the car boot sale. The duck race did very well with 166 ducks being thrown in the river. Well done to Phil Nash who won the race and Adrian Standfield and Kay Way who came in second and third. This is turning into one of the more popular events and was once again well supported. The weekend made a profit of just over £350 (with money taken at the Disco on the Saturday night and the events on the Monday). Congratulations to Hope Rogers who will be this year’s Carnival Princess and to Gregory Booth who is the Carnival Prince. Thank you very much to the judges who had a very difficult time selecting a winner. There were no entries for the Drag Queen competition so bad luck Colin - you get to go in the parade again as last year’s winner.

By the time you read this, draw tickets should be on sale for the Carnival Draw. Please support us by buying tickets.

Carnival programmes should be on sale before the event - don’t forget entry is by programme at £1 per person.

Anyone wishing to enter a float into the parade please contact one of us for an entry form. Entry is free of charge. Entry forms are also available from the shops and should be returned to me by 11 July.

Trophies will be awarded on Carnival Day for the various events that have taken place over the last few months (i.e. Skittles, Quiz etc.). Unfortunately we had to cancel the pleasure ride due to lack of interest so there will be no trophies for that event.

The parade will leave the Sports Field at 2.30 with judging taking place at 2 pm. The route will be the same as last year (North Street, West Street, Manor Farm Road, Elder Road, Southbrook and back along North Street).

I look forward to seeing you all on Saturday 18 July. Come along and enjoy yourselves and support the village carnival.

Wendy Johnson - Secretary
01929 471803

Wally Dyke - Chairman
01929 471536
MILTON ABBEY MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Milton Abbey Music Festival will take place as usual, over the August Bank Holiday Weekend, from Friday 28th to Monday 31st August inclusive. It opens on the Friday evening at 8.00 p.m. with a varied programme of choral and organ music by composers from the 15th to the 20th Century. The Festival Chorus will be conducted by Stephen Binnington and Trevor Doar will be at the organ.

The Sunday evening choral and orchestral concert will also be conducted by Stephen Binnington and the works to be performed are:

- J C Bach Magnificat in C
- W A Mozart Ave Verum Chorus (K618)
- G Faure Cantique de Jean Racine
- F Poulenc Organ Concerto in G minor (Trevor Doar at the organ)
- J Haydn The Creation Mass

The soloists for this evening’s concert are Ann-Marie Williams (Soprano), Felicity Forrest (Contralto), Tim Trenchard (Tenor) and James Davies (Bass).

Other events during the weekend include an organ recital by Trevor Doar, a concert by the Mellstock band in a programme entitled ‘Love and Liquor, Death and Dancing’ - the great things in life according to Thomas Hardy. Sung Eucharist will be celebrated on Saturday morning in St Catherine’s Chapel and in the Abbey there will be service of Matins on Sunday morning and Choral Evensong on Monday afternoon.

Compline will be sung in the Abbey on Friday and Saturday evening.

Further information and tickets may be obtained from Mrs Jeanette Whinefield at “Windrush”, Winterbourne Houghton, Blandford - Tel: 01258 880683.

THANK YOU

Thank you does not seem enough to say to the village of Bere Regis for the support received by Bert’s family following his death. To the Venerable Graham Roblin for his regular visits to Bert at home, and to Dr Harley, nurses and surgery staff who cared for Bert’s welfare. Thank you also to the RBL Ladies section who made up numerous baskets of fruit and thank you to both village shops and the Post Office and their staff, all of whom enquired constantly of Pat after Bert’s health.

Thank you Tina for allowing your children to bring extra joy to Bert’s life by their frequent visits and to Charlie Jeeves. Still come for a cuppa Charlie, but can we talk about cake baking instead of WWII. And to all I have not mentioned, I know each and everyone. Thank you all.

Pat, Angela and Family
THE LEGION NEEDS YOU

New recruits are needed by the Royal British Legion in Bere Regis to carry the flag for the ex-servicemen’s welfare and social organisation.

A variety of membership is open to men and women of all ages, regardless of whether or not they have served in any branch of the armed services. The legion and its club offer a bar and regular organised activities which include - darts, pool, cribbage, quizzes, treasure hunts, whist drive and a gardening section.

On Saturday nights there is dancing to live country and western music, or a variety of disco music for all ages. We also provide a regular meeting place for other organisations.

If you are interested and wish to join, simply come on down any Friday evening between 8.00 p.m. and 10.00 p.m. and make yourself known where a very warm welcome awaits you. Or for further details ring 01929 471235.

ANONYMOUS LETTER

A letter was received for publication this month from a concerned parent regarding dog fouling in the Children’s Play Park in Elder Road and other parts of the village. Whilst the issues raised in this letter are very important, I regret that the Parish Magazine is unable to accept anonymous contributions of this type. If members of the public have something they wish to comment on, through the pages of this magazine, the occasional letter is acceptable. However, unless the writer is willing to identify themselves at the time of submission, I regret that the letter will not be included.

Alison, Editor

SKETCHES FROM VICTORIAN DORSET

An exhibition of the life and watercolours of Henry Joseph Moule MA (1825 - 1904) is to be shown at the Dorset County Museum, Dorchester from 8th August to 10th October 1998 (including bank holidays and Sundays in August).

Moule, a member of the famous Dorset branch of the family, walked out into the Dorset countryside daily to paint a view. Due to local demand, this new exhibition has developed from the museum’s ‘Victorian View of Dorset’ of 1997. Almost half the pictures have not been seen before and will show many more views of Dorset. Moule painted during the golden age of landscape painting and has left us a unique record of Victorian Dorset. A book about his life has been especially written for the museum. The exhibition is the culmination of 4 years work by eight volunteers of the Dorset County branch of NADFAS who have catalogued over 2,000 paintings by Moule, organised the exhibitions by not only selecting the pictures for exhibition but also mounting them, making the frames and hanging the pictures. Sketches from Victorian Dorset will therefore be of great local interest.
**BLOOD DONOR SESSIONS**

The next blood donor sessions will take place in the Drax Hall Bere Regis on Tuesday 28th July 1998. Do please try to come and donate if at all possible. We are trying to build up this venue and blood is always urgently needed. New and lapsed donors will be most welcome as well as regular donors.

The next sessions in 1998 will be on 24th November. The next sessions in 1998 will be on 24th November. Information on giving blood can be obtained by telephoning 01703 296723, or your local organiser, Mrs R Short on 01305 853538.

**BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Jumble Sale at Blandford Corn Exchange. We made the grand sum of £153. Also thank you to all who came to our Jumble Sale at the Scout HQ where we made a further £53.

The Cubs had a successful camp at Bowling Green Woods, Lulworth in May and the older Cubs will camp at Lulworth again at the sixers and seconders camp in July.

The scouts camped on Dartmoor for a long weekend in May and the Venturers will spend a week on a sailing barge off the East Coast during the summer holidays.

The Beavers spent Saturday 13th visiting Longleat so all the sections are enjoying an active summer.

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I think you may just about have noticed, that is unless you have been visiting another planet or been fast asleep for many weeks, that the Football World Cup is in progress in France. Come to think of it, because satellite communication is so good these days, I am not sure that even Mars could be guaranteed as a ‘Football Free Zone’!

It is amazing that such ‘free zones’ have had to be created for the sake of many people, especially the ladies. These offer secure shelter from any soccer fall-out, and the after blast if our team loses, not to mention what might happen if we win the coveted prize!

Between now and Sunday 12 July there are going to be lots of tears and disappointments, good and bad decisions, yellow cards and red cards. Much time, energy, money and planning has gone into kicking a ‘bag of wind’ around, but in the end there will be only one winner of the solid gold trophy. Put who will it be? Time will tell!

The question is, ‘Is there life after the World Cup?’ Now don’t get me wrong, I quite enjoy soccer, but if that is all I live for, then life would be very pointless and boring. The Apostle Paul tells us in Philippians 3: 12—14, that he had a quite different sort of goal in his sights. He pressed on towards it, so that he might win the prize for which God had called him heavenwards, through believing in Christ Jesus.

That same call is for everyone who will listen and receive what God has on offer. No, you can’t buy or earn your ticket to heaven, not even on the black market! It is all because of God’s grace, and through faith in Christ Jesus alone to those who believe. “For it is by God’s grace that you have been saved, through faith. It is not the result of your own efforts, but God’s gift, so that no-one can boast about it.” Ephesians 2:6-9. “Jesus said, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’” John 11:25-26.

Do you dare to believe that these words from the Bible are God’s promise to you? I do. And if you believe, you will have received far more than being on the winning side in a Football World Cup that has to be re-played every four years. If you want to be on the winning side make sure you join Jesus’s team. God’s prize lasts for ever

Rev Ray Healey, 12 South Mead. Tel: 471443
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AFFPUDDLE/BRIANTSPUDDLE NEWS

CHURCH NOTICES

Church Special Clean
Due to the delay in the installation of the church organ it was decided to transfer the Summer Special Clean of the church from 13th June to Saturday 4th July 1998 from 10.00 to 12 noon. Please come armed with dusters and polishing cloths. Apologies to anyone who we could not contact and who came to the church to clean on 13th June.

Barbecue at Cruck Cottage
There will be a barbecue in the garden of Cruck Cottage in the evening of Saturday 11th July from 6.00 p.m. until 9.30 p.m. There will be a licensed bar serving wine, beer, cider and soft drinks. Supper will be available from 7.00 p.m. Weymouth Concert Brass Band will play throughout the evening and there will be a tombola, raffle, coconut shy etc. Tickets at £5 each (senior citizens and under 12s £2.50) are available in advance from any member of the P.C.C. In the event of poor weather the supper, bar and band will be transferred to the Village Hall. Please come with your family and friends to support this event.

Replacement Organ
Following the delay in the programme due to the need to repair the plaster on the tower walls the installation of the replacement organ is underway at the time of going to print and should be completed in the first half of July.

Coffee morning at Blackdown House
The coffee morning at Blackdown House was well attended and raised £430 (entrance £53, cakes £104, plants £87, raffle £92, bric-a-brac £53). The P.C.C. is most grateful to Lord and Lady Neill for allowing us to use their house and garden for the event.
BRIANTSPUDDLE HALL AGM

At the AGM of the Briantspuddle Hall Committee held on Monday 1st June 1998 the following were elected to serve as members:

- Mrs J Lightfoot - Chairman
- Mr E Rolls - Vice-Chairman
- Mrs L Holmes - Secretary
- Mrs J Beedle
- Mrs G Vingoe

The following representatives from village organisations are:

- Mrs P Thorniley - Parish Council - Treasurer
- Mrs B Jeanes - Bladen Social Club
- Mrs M Bentley - Briantspuddle Singers
- Mrs F Solly - W.I.

The Friends of the Village Shop have asked that Mr Paul Badcock be their representative - following the next meeting of the Hall Committee it is expected that the Friends will be officially recognised as a community organisation and will be duly registered with the Charity Commissioners as eligible to send a member to meetings of the Hall Committee. The P.C.C. have yet to notify the Committee of their choice of representative. The following have been co-opted: Mrs PS Jeanes and Mr J Solly.

The AGM was a very friendly affair when the above members were voted or co-opted onto the committee. Mr Robert Beedle, the retiring Chairman, gave an exceptionally well presented speech in which he drew together all aspects of the previous year. Mr Beedle will be sadly missed and was given a unanimous vote of thanks for his sterling work as Chairman over the past year.

Mrs Thorniley gave a report on the finances of the Hall.

The winning 100 Club ticket of number 68 belonging to Mrs Ivy Stockley was drawn.

The Committee are currently investigating purchasing new tables to accompany the new seats which were bought late in 1997.
Mrs Lightfoot is currently organising a Barn Dance which will be our major Summer fundraising event. This will be held on Saturday 22nd August; the music will be provided by Ivor Hyde and there will be a traditional home-cooked farmhouse supper.

Mrs Beedle announced that Briantspuddle W.I. had once again entered the village in the Best Kept Village Competition - she hoped that cooperation in the presentation of our village would be as forthcoming as last year. A stone bench which has been paid for by last years prize-money will soon be installed in front of the Old Granary.

There will be a meeting with members of the Club Committee on Wednesday 17th June 1998 when the proposed design of the improvements will be available and discussions will take place regarding proposals by the Purbeck Planning Department in conjunction with our Lottery bid.

The next meeting of the Hall Committee is expected to be fixed within the next few days - I shall post a notice with the date as soon as it has been agreed.

Finally the Hall Committee would like to rectify any misunderstandings which may have been given in the last Parish Magazine - relationships between the Club and the Hall Committee are amicable and indeed the new Committee hopes that this co-operation will continue to grow in the following year. The Club very kindly had the Hall floor sanded and sealed over the Summer of 1997 to provide a smooth and safe skittle alley and surrounding area. This was very greatly appreciated.

Linda Holmes - Secretary

Briantspuddle Hall Committee and The Bladen Social Club

At the Annual General Meeting of the Briantspuddle Hall Committee held on 1st June 1998 Mrs Jeanes expressed the hurt feeling of the Bladen Social Club at my report of Hall Committee matters in the May Magazine.

I Quote

"Firstly the Bladen Social Club and the Briantspuddle Hall Committee are two separate organisations. The Social Club may use the Hall for skittles and functions but at all times they pay for the use of the hall. Apart from paying for the use of the hall the Club does not contribute cash grants or profits from the bar takings towards the maintenance or running of the hall".

What of course I should have said that it does not form part of the club's constitution or rules to contribute any profits after expenses have been paid towards the running or maintenance of the hall.
Over the years the Club Committee have made discretionary donations towards the maintenance of the hall amongst other things in the form of resurfacing of the car park, the maintenance and sealing of the skittle alley and hall floor and the painting of the toilets. This help has obviously been very gratefully received by the Hall Committee on behalf of the community.

They also wished it to be pointed out that they are the largest user of the hall so that through the hire charges that they pay they make the greatest contribution towards the day to day running of the hall.

I unreservedly apologise for any unintentional hurt or offence that I might have caused any member of the Bladen Social Club.

Philippa Thorniley

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Barbecue

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Saturday 11th July

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for more details see Affpuddle Church News
On 20th May the Annual Parish meeting took place. Following the recent elections two new members were welcomed to the council. These were Mrs Philippa Thorniley and Mr David Buck. The Chairman thanked the two members who were standing down - Mr Robin Gainsford and Mr Robert Beedle, for their valuable contributions to the Parish Council.

At the Parish Council meeting which followed the AGM, Mr Charles Barker was re-elected as Chairman. Mr Barker thanked the council for their continuing support. Mr Eric Rolls was re-elected as Vice Chairman.

Members of the council together with their duties are as follows:

- Mr C Barker  Chairman
- Mr E Rolls  Vice Chairman
- Mrs R Turner  Clerk
- Mrs J Lightfoot  Rights of Way/Hall Committee/Lottery Committee
- Mrs B Debenham  Transport Liaison
- Mrs P Thorniley  Hall Committee/Friends of the Shop
- Mr R Wharton  Parish Magazine/Tree Preservation
- Mr A Chamberlain  Turnerspuddle Rights of Way
- Mr J Russell  Emergency Planning/Friends of the Shop Liaison
- Mr D Buck  Purbeck DAPTC

It was decided to use the main hall for future meetings unless it was previously booked and then the kitchen would be used. The appropriate hire charges would be paid.

A letter from the Friends of the Shop had been received. It set out proposed conditions for an agreement for the Parish Council to permit the use of the Granary as a Shop/Post Office. NALC were to be approached for assistance in drawing up a legal agreement. In the meantime the present arrangements would continue.

The June meeting was held on the 10th in the village hall.

With the onset of warmer weather, flies were again becoming a nuisance. Many households were inundated with them and it seemed that flypapers were the only effective method of removing them. Purbeck District Council had taken insects to the Natural History Museum for identification but the source of infestation was still uncertain.
A report from the Lottery Application Committee was read out. A meeting between the Hall committee and the Social Club had been arranged to discuss plans for the Hall/Social club. Full public support was essential and it was suggested that public consultation in the form of a newsletter followed by canvassing or a public meeting would be an effective way of obtaining public opinion.

The Puddletown By-Pass road builders (BBTA) are holding a public meeting in the village hall on Thursday 2nd July at 7.00 p.m. There will be a slide show and an up date on the progress of the by-pass.

Also on the evenings of 2nd July and 3rd July in the Social Club, Mr Poore has put together a fascinating historical collection on Bladen Valley which includes the old school register and photographs which we are invited to inspect.

**BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB**

Waste paper. We are once again collecting waste paper for the MRI Scanner Appeal. As the price of paper is dropping please keep your newspapers coming. We will be shortly handing over £1000 to the children’s ward at Dorchester County Hospital, mostly raised from waste paper.

Following the comments in last month’s magazine, the Bladen Social club is a non-profit making organisation, hence the low prices. Yes, we rent the village hall at the same rate as anyone else, paying an average of £1000 per year rental. We also pay for the upkeep of the skittle alley and last year we paid for the whole hall floor to be sanded and re-varnished. Members also raised the money a few years ago to buy new trestle tables.

Forthcoming events:

2nd and 3rd July - Display of papers about the Bladen Estate and Affpuddle School. Raffle for the MRI Scanner Appeal - 8.00 p.m.

Saturday 4th July at 2.00 p.m. there will be a Jumble/Table top sale for the Scanner Appeal.

Saturday 25th July - Vic Gale Memorial darts KO. Open to non-members.

Saturday 1st August - Horticultural Show. Schedules are available from Dr McGrorty at 15 Briantspuddle.

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**Forthcoming events:**

### JULY

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**CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES**

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<td>B.R.S.C.</td>
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<td>Briantspuddle Singers</td>
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<td>C.A.B.</td>
<td>Wareham - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10.00 a.m.-2.00 p.m. (closed Wednesday)</td>
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<td>Bere Regis Surgery (for patients of the surgery only) Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon</td>
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<td>D.S.S. Van</td>
<td>1st Mon 10.15 a.m.-11.00 a.m. Bere Regis P.O.</td>
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<td>Dorset/Lativa Link</td>
<td>Secretary - Jenny Silavs - 01929 471577</td>
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<td>Floral Group</td>
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Kingsbere Quilters 3rd Wednesday, Drax Hall
Mini Market 10.00 a.m. 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall
Mobile Library Every Friday 2.00 p.m. - 3.35 p.m., car park
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 Wednesday/Thursday PM
Pop in Place 9.00 a.m.- 12.00 Mondays and Fridays, Drax Hall
Rainbows 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. Mondays, Royal British Legion
RBL Gardening Club 8.00 p.m. 1st Tuesday, Club House. - Elaine 471774
Scouts Junior - 7.30 p.m. Mondays, Scout HQ
Senior - 7.00 p.m. Fridays, Scout HQ
Swimming Club Teaching sessions - Saturdays 6.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m,
Blandford L. C. Bob Holman, 01305 848262
Toddler Group 1.30 p.m. Mondays, Congregational Church
Turberville Court 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. Social afternoon each Tuesday
10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning, 1st Friday
W.I. Bere Regis 7.30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
W.I. Briantspuddle 7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, Briantspuddle Village Hall
Woodbury Hill Singers 2.30 p.m. Mondays, Larkspur, Snow Hill

PLAY AND LEARN VAN
Wednesday 1st and Wednesday 15th July
Bere Regis School - 9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
Bere Regis Surgery - 10.15 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.
Briantspuddle - 12.20 p.m.
### Dates for Your Diary

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