A THOUGHT FROM THE VICARAGE

"For Thy Sake"

Just up the road, near Salisbury, there lived once a very wise and holy man. He was a poet, and a hymn writer. He lived and died 363 years ago, but his words and ideas are still strong and powerful.

One of his hymns is the one "Teach me my God and King". In this hymn there is a single idea; you can turn every little ordinary thing you do into something for God, just by adding the words "For Thy sake," or "This is for You".

It's an idea that ought to be "dusted off". We need to make ordinary things holy once again.

You don't need reminding that we live in hectic times. The demands made upon us are huge. We run to catch up. We are so busy. Running a home and bringing up children used to be a full time job for the majority of women. Now, many are doing that and working for a living. The financial pressures demand it.

You don't need reminding that we live in an age which is irreligious for the most part. It is a worldly age. Science has created a different world from the one in which we lived 100 years ago. We are highly stimulated to the point where our nerves are jaded and our tastes corrupted. Natural things have been replaced by the artificial. Holy things have been made vulgar; and sometimes, worship has been converted into a form of entertainment. We find ourselves becoming a bleary-eyed people constantly looking for excitement or stimulation. So many wonders have been discovered or invented that nothing on earth is any longer wonderful. Everything is so common, it becomes boring. And we become dissatisfied, like an overindulged child.

How can we escape the deadly effects of this jungle where the secular creepers wrap themselves around everything? How can we make ordinary things beautiful and holy? How can we find a true spiritual meaning to the new amazing world in which we find ourselves? That holy and wise man from up the road suggested using the words "For Thy sake", "This is for You".

We don't have to change what we do, but when we do it, think "This is for you, God". We do this so often in life anyway. Parents are constantly doing things "for the children". You put yourself out "for your in-laws"; you
So to convert a drudgery into something else we can simply add "It’s for you, God". Don’t worry about dramatic acts of devotion. Everyday ordinary activity can be converted into something holy. To begin to do for God what we would normally do for ourselves will begin to make us more God conscious. It also makes drudgery a bit sweeter. Shifting our motives for doing things on to Him will help us make our motives better too.

The words "For Thy sake" rescue the little empty things from vanity, and they give a holiness to the ordinary. The dull road along which so many have to walk can be transformed into a spring flowered country lane. The humdrum of our daily lives will take on a quality of worship, and the thousand irksome duties will become offerings and sacrifices for God.

To God, there is no such thing as a small sacrifice. "For Thy sake", three tiny words, which when put into the heart as well as into the mouth, turn the water of life into wine, and base metal into gold.

The wise and holy man up the road near Salisbury was George Herbert. He was Vicar of Bemerton in 1633.
THE PARISHES OF BERE REGIS AND AFFPUDDLE
WITH TURNERSPUDDLE

The Vicar
The Venerable Graham Roblin OBE
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CHURCH SERVICES in May

Sunday 2nd May  5th Sunday after Easter
8.00 a.m.   Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m.   Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m.  Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m.   Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 9th May  6th Sunday after Easter
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 and Sermon (Bere Regis)

Sunday 16th May  Ascension I
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 23rd May  WhitSunday
8.00 a.m.   Holy Communion (Bere Regis)
9.30 a.m.   Parish Communion (Affpuddle)
11.00 a.m.  Mattins (Bere Regis)
6.00 p.m.   Regis Praise (Bere Regis)

Sunday 30th May
9.30 a.m.   Combined Benefice Eucharist (Bere Regis)
BERE REGIS CHURCH NEWS

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS
Practices have started again on Wednesday evenings from 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a look or even have a go will be very welcome. Meet at the church porch at 6.30 p.m.

BERE REGIS and BALLIOL COLLEGE, OXFORD
The relationship between Bere Regis and Balliol College, Oxford, began 300 years ago, on 1st June 1699. Since that time, all vicars of Bere Regis have been appointed by the patronage committee of that College.

To mark this occasion, fifty of us went by coach from Bere Regis to Balliol on 24th April. We were met by the Master of the college, and the Chaplain. The Master is also the archivist, and he was kind enough to show us the original documents.

These documents are very hard to decipher, but Mr Fred Pitfield has done this for the magazine, and the “Advowson” is published below.

To all People to whom this present writing shall come

Roger Mander Doct in Divinity and Master of Balliol Colledge in the University of Oxon sendeth greeting

Know ytt that I the said Roger Mander for good and reasonable causes and consideracons mt hereunto especially movemts Have given and granted and by these presents doe give and grant unto the Master and Schollers of Ballioll Colledge in the University of Oxon aforsed and their Successors The advoignon Donation ffree disposition right of Patronage and Presentacon of and to the Viccaridge of the Parish Church of Beere Regis in the county of Dorsett And the Chappell of Winterbourne Kingstone to the said Viccaridge or Church of Beere Regis annexed with the rights members and appurtenances

To have and to hold the said Advowson Donacon ffree disposition right of Patronage and Presentacon unto the said Master and Schollers and their successors for ever

In Witnesse whereof I have hereunto sett my hande and seale the ffirst day of June in the Eleaventh yeare of the Reigne of Our Sovereigne Lord William the Third by the grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King Defender of the ffaith et Anno . . . Dm 1699

Note: acon = ation
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LEN "DAPPER" HALL of 20 Egdon Close
Buried in Bere Regis, aged 80

On 5th March, we buried one of the great characters of Bere Regis. He was one of those people who are known as "Old Village". He was born here and died here. He went to school in Sitterton. He knew every inch of the place, and, at one time, every person. He was known affectionately as "Dapper", a name he acquired in the 1930s, when working in the cress beds. To his devoted wife Hazel, he was always Len.

Dapper loved his sport. From an early age he played cricket and football for Bere Regis. In later years, he put back what he had received; he worked hard for the Sports Club, becoming its Treasurer. He also started and ran the Under 16 side and the Six-a-side competition. Two years ago, he and Hazel had their service to sport recognised. They were invited to Buckingham Palace and presented to Prince Philip. It was a proud moment, and richly deserved.

Dapper’s father had been a coach and taxi driver, so it was not surprising that this trade became his. The Second World War meant he was drafted into the Army, and he served with the North Irish Horse, and then the Royal Tank Regiment. As a tank driver, he fought through North Africa and the Battle of Alamein, and then up through Italy to the Battle of Monte Casino. As with many soldiers, he spoke little of this, but more of his friends and comrades. He made and lost many of these.

With the end of the war, Dapper returned to his place - Bere Regis. He became a bus driver for Toops’ Coaches (Bere Regis District), and for fifteen years he drove thousands of miles. It was at this time that he met Hazel, a Wimborne girl. On their wedding day, after the marriage service, he played football for Bere Regis.

He and Hazel then set up home in 20 Egdon Close, a newly built house, and it was there that they stayed put for the next 49 years.

Here their boys, Richard and Robin, were born and brought up, and it was to this home that the family looked.
Because he was a man who, having received, wanted to give back, his service to the Royal British Legion was very much “hands on”. As recently as Christmas, he could be found helping Hazel with the cleaning of the clubhouse.

The parish church was full of those who came to honour a man who made friends wherever he went, and a man who loved life to the full. We remembered and gave thanks for a driver, a fireman, footballer, gardener, but, above all, a husband, father and grandfather.

"BOB" PORTER of 68 Tower Hill

Cremated in Weymouth Crematorium, on Wednesday, 31st March 1999

Bob Porter died just before Easter, after a time of suffering from cancer. Although not a Bere Regis man from birth, he made it his home from his retirement almost 30 years ago, and he enjoyed being in the parish, making many friends and acquaintances.

Bob was a professional policeman. He was an Essex man, from Ilford, but, at the first opportunity, he joined the Metropolitan Police, and this became his life. With the outbreak of war, however, he was called up, and joined the Royal Tank Regiment. He had already met Lilian, and they were married in 1941.

As for so many at that time, years of hardship and separation followed. Bob became a Tank Commander, and was in the second wave of the Allied Landings in Normandy, moving on to the decisive Battle for the Ardennes. His first child, Keith, had been born in 1942, and then, on being “demobbed”, he returned to his profession in the “Met”. He spent many years in the East End of London. Being a man of very high standards and personal integrity, he was earmarked for promotion, first to the vice squad, and then on to Superintendent, Chief Superintendent and eventually Commander of K Division.
Marion, his daughter, was born after the war, and she eventually followed Dad into the police force. Lilian was always there behind him during the hugely successful years in London.

The police retire early. Having stuck a pin into a map, and found Bere Regis, they eventually found their lovely home up on Tower Hill. Bob enjoyed his retirement, and entered into village activities. He was a bell ringer in the church for 12 years - about 600 Sundays, 1200 bell ringings.

With Lilian, he enjoyed his time here. There were deep sadnesses and equally deep joys. Four grandchildren brought them enormous joy.

On the announcement of his death, people were very sad. Many spoke of his quality - considerate, polite, helpful, and "he was a true gentleman".

At the cremation, we gave thanks for a truly lovely man.

His ashes are interred in our churchyard.
MOTHERS' UNION

Several of our members attended the additional events in March, especially the prayers for Ireland when we gathered at Edie’s home on the morning of St Patrick’s day.

We were represented at the two deanery events, the first being a Lenten service at Shroton where the celebrant was the recently welcomed priest, the Revd Simon Everett.

The Lady Day service was held in Blandford Parish Church when the celebrant was our deanery chaplain, the Revd Robert Green. We were sad to hear that Robert will be leaving the deanery in the summer when he moves to a benefice near Bath. Eileen Bangay, deanery chair, presented Robert with a book token.

At our April meeting our speaker was Mrs Irene Birt from Dorchester who gave a fascinating talk on her life as a missionary nurse in Africa and her subsequent time spent in Papua New Guinea. She gave us graphic descriptions of that country and brought books, photographs and several examples of crafts from PNG.

The speaker at our next meeting will be the Revd Stuart Timbrell, chaplain of St Ann’s Hospital, Canford Cliffs, Poole.

Please support our coffee morning due to be held on 8th May at Cyril Wood Court from 10.30 a.m.

Brenda Pitfield – 471391
BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL

At the April meeting it was stated that the Planning Application for the developments along North Street, West Street and Chalkpit Farm had been deferred for further investigation. The Planning Committee from the District Council together with their Officers had visited the Village to have a look at the areas concerned and to get a feeling concerning the possible impact. No Parish Councillors were invited to accompany the visitors throughout the visit. This was before their monthly meeting at which they arrived at the deferment decision.

All of those avid readers who make use of the mobile library should be aware of the new times coming into force in May. The library will still visit every Friday but it will alternate between mornings and afternoons. Thus on the 21st May the visit will be from 1110 until 1255 then on the 28th May it will be from 3.35 until 5.00. Thereafter it will continue to alternate. We are lucky that our weekly service continues - other villages are down to fortnightly visits. A full list of dates and times has been placed on the Village Noticeboard and in the Drax Hall.

A copy of the latest DCC ‘Out and About’ booklet has been received. This booklet is guide to the Dorset Countryside for the less able. Twenty five locations are described with details of how to get there and what there is to see once you are there. A copy is held by the Pop in Place Group in the Drax Hall, from where it may be borrowed.

The Old Boys and Girl Councillors from the School remind everybody that the a re-union of pupils is being held at the School on Saturday 19th September. This is to commemorate the seventieth anniversary since its opening. Please let everybody know and try to attend. Bring along those old souvenirs - prizes, photographs etc and your memories. It has all the makings of a fun day.

The Council is discussing the Millennium - who isn’t one is tempted to ask. They are concerned that, because of the cost and possible lack of transport etc, the evening might become a ‘damp squid’. One thought is a large ‘Street Party’ on The Cross with an impressive firework display to shoot the old thousand out and bring the new one in. It only has to be a short burst of rockets. Naturally one then thinks about a central bonfire etc - on Court Green? A disco for those able to? Food - BBQ. Bring your wellies and thermals it is December/January! Might this get somebody talking and tell the Council what you feel that you would like to do on that evening.

CM
The Hall is in a better condition than it has been for some while. It seems though that every year just as we get on top of the defects and regulatory requirements concerning fire extinguishers and the electrics, that somebody else invents the latest gadget and we all have to change costly items. Sadly, in our case, there is a time limit on our Hall and one wonders sometimes whether we are not wasting precious resources. Of course we are not as without these alterations we could not continue to have the Hall serving the Village as well as it does. The insurance demands the best available in case of accidents. It was very nice to see the door repaired and finally painted - it marked the end of that ‘trail of woe’

The Mini Market, which is held on the second Saturday of the month, is a wonderful source of home made cakes, marmalades, plants and lots of gift ideas. It is run by a very loyal band who come along each month with their good variety of wares. Please try to give them your support.

We have no live theatre planned as yet but we will be attending a meeting to see what is available later this month. In the meantime we hope to partake in the Purbeck Film Festival in October when maybe we will see an Ealing comedy.

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LIBRARY TIMES

The visits by the Mobile Library will be altered during May and until March 2000. Please note the new times to avoid disappointment.

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A BIG THANK YOU

To everyone who organised, contributed and came along to my surprise 40th Birthday Party. It was a really lovely night and I thoroughly enjoyed myself. Thanks again everyone.

Christine Granger

BERE REGIS AMATEUR THEATRE (BRATS)

From the Director:

Late but not too late, at very big thankyou to all who made the ‘January Review’ a reality and a success. A mammoth undertaking when we were all ‘new recruits’. And not forgetting the invisible backroom team who made it all roll. Of course there were flaws – but enthusiasm brings its own reward. May we thank you – the Audience – who made all the performances a big sell-out. Where would we be without you! Keep it up, we still need you.

Now the latest. Our next production is now in rehearsal – ‘All the World’s a Stage’. Make a note of the date Saturday 10th July and Sunday 11th July. Put it on your calendar. Our aim is to bring all age groups together, not only on stage but in the audience as well. By supporting us, you are helping our village.

John Brown
KIMMERIDGE GARDENS OPEN AGAIN

Sunday 13 June 2.30 - 5.30 p.m.

For the fourth year in succession keen gardeners in Kimmeridge Village are opening their gardens to the public. If you have been before come again and you will see changes and new additions in all our gardens. As H.E.Bates wrote, “The garden that is finished is dead”!

Cream Teas will be available at Kimmeridge Farm House or in the Village Hall if wet. There will be a well stocked Plant Stall at 1 Coastguard Cottages, which is half a mile beyond the Village.

Tickets at £2.50 (pre-school children FREE, older children £1.00) at the Car Park beyond the farm at the top of the Village.

All takings for the Cystic Fibrosis Fund.

Book this Date Now!
BERE REGIS ROYAL BRITISH LEGION YOUTH SECTION

The ladies of the Women's Section, took on the youth members once again, feeling confident that they were going to avenge their previous defeat at the game of Carpet Bowls. After a closely fought series of games, the ladies very nearly achieved their aim. However, in the very last game, the youth section took the spoils to win by 6 games to five. The evening was rounded off with a feast of fine food, kindly provided by the ladies. The youngsters showed their appreciation by quickly clearing it all away. Thanks, once again to the ladies of the Women’s Section, for providing an excellent evening of entertainment.

News was also received that day, from the legion's headquarters in Pall Mall. To the effect that the Bere Regis RBL Youth Section, had been judged the winners of the 1998 "Windsor Spinks Memorial Youth Trophy". This trophy is awarded to the youth section, that the national council considered to be the "Legion Youth Section of the Year 1998". This being the third time that the section have taken the title, having also won in 1990 and 1996. The section have also finished as the runners-up on five occasions as well as taking third place once.

The winning of a national award is of course a great honour, not only for the youth section and the legion but for the village of Bere Regis as a whole. To mark this event Lt -Col Tom Buckby of the RBL National Council, will be presenting the trophy to the youth section chair, Miss Lisa Johnson, at the club on the 20 April. Many leading members of the legion within the county, will be joining the youth section on that evening to celebrate their award.

Looking ahead, there is still the 'Talent Night' on May 11 and the 'Mexican Night' on July 8 to get actively involved in. Archery is also on the programme for April 27 and June 22, for those would be budding 'Robin Hoods'. There will also be a camping weekend at Avon Tyrrell in the New Forest from the 25-27 June, cost just £14.

If any young person, is interested in taking part in any of these activities and they are not already a member, all they need to do is call in at the youth section and join on. Membership is only £4 for the year ending 30 September 1999 and there are no nightly subs to pay either. So why not drop in, we will be glad to see you.

Terry Vine, Youth Leader, Telephone 471693
THANK YOU FROM TINA

What can I say? Thank you to all so much for all the cards, flowers, messages etc over the past two months of this terrible time. I can honestly say; knowing so many people care has really helped. When I’m back home, I shall thank as many people personally as I can, but I must give a special mention to my husband Pete, who gave up work to keep all the kids together and as settled as possible, you have all been wonderful and I love you all very much.

Now I have just got the radiotherapy to get through, hopefully as an out-patient over the next six weeks.

A big hug to my mum-in-law Mary, and brother-in-law John for their support to Pete and the kids, and also love to my Mum and Dad because they haven’t been well either! Things can only get better now, so I’ll see you all very soon.

Tina Elford

PS A big hug to Alison for being such a pal – I’ll be back at the Pop in Place soon!
ARE THERE ANY VINCENTS OUT THERE?

A gentleman from America has contacted the magazine editor as he is trying to trace his ancestors who originated in the village. His great-great grandfather, Edward Benjamin Vincent was born in Bere Regis in 1835. He went to America in 1854 landing in Boston. He ended up in Kalamazoo, Michigan and became successful in real estate, at one time owning quite a few properties in the town. The Vincent family became quite prominent in Kalamazoo and Edward Vincent was well known when he died in 1929.

Details about his family in Bere Regis are quite sketchy although it is known that he had several siblings and that he returned to the village to bring his parents and siblings to America. It is thought that his parents’ names were John and Mary.

Charles Chase does not have much more information to go on but he hopes that some of our readers will recognise the Vincent name or have a Vincent connection.

If anyone can help, Charles’s address is 1930 South Westnedge #2, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008, USA. Tel: 616 383-8183. Alternatively he has an e-mail address and the Editor would be happy to send a message to him.

THANK YOU

Hazel Hall would like to thank everyone who sent such kind and understanding messages of condolence after the sad passing of her husband Len (Dapper). She would also like to thank anyone she has not had a chance to speak to, who sent such beautiful flowers both to the funeral and to her at home.

WOODBURY HILL SINGERS

The Singers have had a very busy March and have entertained the British Legion; Wool Senior Citizens; Rotarians Daffodil Party, Wareham; Cornerstone Club, Westbourne; Sunshine Club Easter Afternoon, Wareham; Allendale Senior Citizens, Wimborne; and the Stroke Club, Poole.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

On May 11th – a Touch of Glass. The demonstrator will be Mary Keily from Warminster. On June 8th there will be a workshop – Just take 2 flowerpots – and the tutor will be Diana Holman.

If you would like more information please phone Pat House on 01929 551266
AUTUMN LEAVES OVER ‘50’s’ CLUB

What a day! We started with a terrific snow-cum-hailstorm for our Spring outing to Christchurch. Forty of us boarded the coach and then the weather cleared and we eventually had a superb day ending in a lovely tour right into the New Forest, gorgeous views, gardens, animals etc, and at last the sun shone.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 12th May at 2.30 p.m. at the Drax Hall, and Mrs Eady will give a talk on Being in the Land Army. The competition is ‘A Wartime Photograph’. The usual sales tables, library and raffle will be held and tea served. Entry 35p. New members welcome. You do not have to pay to join Autumn Leaves, just come along.

Mary England - 471469 Kath Jeeves - 471175
BERE REGIS GARDENING CLUB

John Baldwin gave an excellent and amusing talk on Fuchsias at the April meeting. We should see a profusion of fuchsias around the village as he very generously invited all of us to take cuttings from his plants.

For Tuesday 4th May we have Harry Dawes talking about successes and failures in his garden. On Tuesday 1st June, Kevin Pope will give us a talk on Bees.

We are still taking bookings for the trip to Brownsea on Sunday 23rd May. On the day we will catch the boat from Poole quay at 11.00 a.m. and there will be a guided tour of the Nature Reserve by John England at 11.45 a.m. From about 1.40 p.m. onwards you can visit the rest of the island at your leisure. Boats return to Poole Quay every half an hour with the last boat at 5.00 p.m. If you need transport to Poole, please sing out and we will endeavour to squeeze you in. Tickets are £5.50 (not £6.50 as previously advertised). Telephone 471774 for bookings.

Andy Morrison – 472343
This is your chance to join the human chain for debt cancellation in the world’s poorest countries! The G8 leaders are not meeting again in Birmingham this year, as the Presidency of the EU has now passed to Germany; but we have the opportunity to demonstrate massive support for Jubilee 2000’s aims, in London on 13th June.

On that day, there is to be a large gathering of people along Westminster Bridge, and along both sides of the Thames, to witness the departure of the boat which will be carrying the completed petition forms by sea and river to the G8 meeting in Cologne. From 11.00 a.m. there will be a Jubilee 2000 rally with international speakers, plus a host of meetings, workshops, music, theatre and information. At 3.00 p.m. a human chain will be formed along and across the Thames to give the boat a huge send off.

Would you like to join a group going from Dorset to show support for Jubilee 2000’s aim of a new start for the world’s poorest people, in a new Millennium? We are planning to travel to Richmond by car, park there (£1 per day on Sundays) and then travel by District Line direct to Westminster. If each car is full it should cost under £10 per person, and we would probably rendezvous at Richmond station at around 9.45 a.m.

For further information please contact Philippa Ward, especially if you would like a seat in a car, or can offer one to somebody else. Also, what about a last minute entry for the banner competition? We hope to be able to take the finished banner with us to London, and then on to Cologne. So you have only a few days in which to submit your design, as we need to get stitching! See the March Parish Magazine for details.

Be there! Make your voice heard! Help make debt cancellation happen!

Philippa Ward – 471527
BERE REGIS W.I.

We greatly enjoyed our evening in March. In the company of the Rev S Timbrell, who took us on a further journey of his experiences in his clerical work. He has the ability of bringing mirth into the reality of everyday life.

Four delegates attended the Spring council meeting on 27th April in Weymouth, and have furnished us with quite an extensive report, which we have debated (yes we are still able to have quite a lively debate). Our WI may be over eighty years old but we are the present ‘young members’ carrying on this tradition.

Also Mrs Sally Cheeseman has consented to be our representative at the IGM 1999 Resolutions debate at the Albert Hall on 2nd June. We wish her success and look forward to a report at the following meeting.

Note to Sally - take a special note of all the glamorous hats on the Stage!!

Our June meeting has been moved on a week. The date will be 29th June. this is to make it possible for us to visit Mrs Penny’s ‘Cavalcade of Costume’, Lime Tree House, Blandford. At the time of going to print we still have a few seats available. If you would like to join us please contact Gertie on 471745. Don’t waste a moment, pick up the phone now. It’s a wonderful journey through the ages.

Zena Rogers
FRIENDS OF BERE REGIS SCHOOL

As the weather is improving, our programme of monthly Car Boot Sales is picking up and the Sale at the end of March was well supported by Sellers. So come along all you ‘Bargain Hunters’, the next Sale will take place on Sunday 30th May at 2.00 p.m. Sellers should arrive at 1.00 p.m. and pitch fees are £3.50 per car, £4.00 for a table top inside, and £5.00 for a van/car with trailer. Entrance for Buyers is free and refreshments will be on sale.

The Annual Summer Fete will take place at 2.00 p.m. on Sunday 13th June at the School and the Committee is busy planning and praying for good weather!! If anyone has any ideas or suggestions or would like further information please contact Christine (472159) or myself.

Finally, congratulations to Christine from all of the Committee. By the time she reads this she will be an honest woman!

Claire Gamble 471682
**MUSIC FOR A MAY EVENING**

This is the title of a concert to be given in Bere Regis Church on Saturday 22nd May at 7.30 p.m. by the Metrognomes Recorder Ensemble. This music group, under the direction of Eric Gosney (Headteacher of Bere Regis School 1970 – 1982) gave two concerts in Germany last October in conjunction with the Waredenburg Blockfloten Orchester, and consists of thirty players – juniors and adults.

The programme will consist of recorder and other instrumental items from Purcell and Handel down to Vaughan-Williams, Jerome Kern and ‘blues’. There will be vocal solos by up-and-coming young soprano Fiona Hymns, and some short readings. Tickets at the Church door only £1 (children of school age – 50p) to meet expenses, but there will be an opportunity to contribute to the Disasters Emergency Appeal for Albanian refugee relief through a retiring collection. Do please come along and support us!

Eric Gosney – 01929 422744

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**THE COUNTY MUSEUM, DORCHESTER**

In the April magazine, page 24, there was an item about the pleasures and benefits of membership of the Dorset Natural History and Archeological Society, who run the Museum.

Further information and application forms may be obtained from Dorothy Briggs, 1 South Mead, Tel: 471509

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**Notice to all our Readers**

The June issue of the Parish Magazine may be a few days late reaching you.

This is due to our printer’s holiday commitments.
**POP IN PLACE NEWS**

For a trial period of two months the Pop in Place will be running an afternoon session on the following dates: Wednesday 5th, 19th and 26th May and also Wednesday 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th June. These sessions will run from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. so come along for a cuppa and a chat! These sessions do not affect our usual opening times of every Monday and Friday mornings (excluding Bank Holidays) from 9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon. Anyone wishing to know more or to offer help in any way, please feel free to contact me.

Julie Lye – 472069
POPPIN PLACE SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Monday and Friday throughout August – 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon.

This year the Pop in Place have arranged an exciting children’s programme. This includes arts, crafts, fabric work, creative writing, music, and lots more.

There are also some professional workshops booked – Drama on the Sea Shore theme, Caribbean Carnival Music and Dance Workshop. Also Arts Workshops.

Full details are available by phoning 472023 and registration forms are available from the Pop in Place or Julie Lye. Register early as there are a limited number of places and all children must be registered by 2nd July. The age range is 5 – 13 years. Children under 5 may come to the Drama and Dance workshops but they must have an adult with them. Prices range between 50p per session to £1 per session for the workshops and this also includes drinks and snacks.

WANTED YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS FOR THE MILLENNIUM FRIEZE

We need your help to produce this historic picture. We want photos of people – adults, children of the past and present. We want views of the parish, so if you haven’t already handed those photos over please let us have them as soon as possible. The picture will be framed and glazed and hung in a public place, yet to be decided, for all to see.

THE MILLENNIUM SHOW

If you wish to take part in this show we must have your name now. The show will commence with World War I songs and sketches by your very own BRATS. We have various talented solo artists going to perform. The youngsters from the Pop in Place are going to perform the songs from Oliver. If any youngster would like to audition for a part in that, call now. Preferably children in class 4 and older. We have instrumentalists and the rest of the Pop in Choir taking us right up to the present day. A show not to be missed.

Alison Bennett – 472023
BERE REGIS CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

Thanks to everybody who supported the Easter bingo held on 1st April. This event wasn’t as well supported as we had hoped but all the same went very well.

Also a big thank you to all who attended the Darts Knockout at the Drax Arms on Friday 9th April. We had a total of 32 players enter and the winners were Paul Moss and Gerald Pitman. With the money taken on the draw and the entry money we took just over £90. Expenditure on this event was about £24 giving us a profit of £66. Thank you also to our new landlord Steve and his wife Collette for a very good evening and may I wish them the best of luck for their future in the Drax.

We have some dates for forthcoming events. These are as follows:

Glamorous Granny British Legion Club Saturday 12 June
Competition

Carnival Prince/Princess British Legion Club Saturday 26 June
Disco

Please come along to any of the above events and lend your support – without support we cannot give the village a carnival.

If you have any ideas for events or would like to help out at any event, please contact one of the Committee.

Don’t forget – Carnival Day – Saturday 17 July 1999

Wendy Johnson, 01929 471803, (mobile 07971 348951)
TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Pete McMahon writes:

The Swanage & Wareham Under 15 Easter Rugby Tour to France swept into Cerences late Monday afternoon. We had been invited to take part in a six-a-side soccer tournament, and although our footballing skills may not have impressed our hosts, the hair styles on display certainly did. As we disembarked from the mini-buses, dogs began to howl, pregnant women fainted and young children ran about screaming. The boys, after three days of tom-foolery were sporting coiffure such as 'blue mohican', 'inverse monk cut', 'rainbow crop', coloured eyebrows, no eyebrows etc. Thankfully we managed to prevent one of the Dad's displaying his clean shaven arm-pits !!!

The tournament was a great success and all the English boys in the winning team were presented with a cup. So the rugby squad, after being twice thrashed by teams from Lot et Gronne, came home with a soccer trophy. We were made very welcome by our friends in Cerences and they are keen for some kind of sporting event to take place during the June visit - Cricket perhaps?

We departed after being well fed and watered with our boys belting out a French Rugby Song they had learnt - which translated something like:

"For they are truly,
For they are truly,
For they are truly magnificent"

And in Cerences, to us, they truly are.

Other Items:

Visit to Cerences 25/26/27 June

Most people have booked their crossing to Cherbourg by now. Sadly the cost of hiring a coach has been prohibitive this time but will be striving to change this in the future once there is a greater following. If you are still interested in coming please do not delay, telephone either Bernard 472424 or Ruth 471295.

Dorset Twin Towns Quiz Night 23 April

Being as we are the holders of the shield, we are to host the next quiz night which will be held at the Royal British Legion. We should like to thank them for their help in organising this event.
Summer Barbecue - date to be arranged
By kind permission of Peter & Heather Loxton, The Association barbecue will take place in the beautiful garden of Honeycombe Cottage, Shitterton. More details to follow.

The Bears are Back
Both Woolly & Regis bears have returned to Bere Regis and will go to their respective schools when term commences.

School Art Competition - 1st prize - Day trip to France.

The Twinning Committee are sponsoring a children’s painting competition for the two, twinned, First Schools, "On a French theme". The two winning entries will win a day trip to France. Details to be finalised.

And Finally.......

A young French boy aged 14, who speaks English, would like to arrange a short exchange holiday this summer. If you are interested contact Caroline on 471306.

A Bientot.

Bernard Hammick
I don't know about you, but I am always amazed and intrigued that small propellers connected to a powerful engine can propel a small or large ship through great oceans and stormy seas. The propeller seems so small in comparison with the vessel.

It is just as amazing that a small rudder can guide and steer a small boat or a large liner to wherever the captain chooses. The same wonder comes to mind when one sees a miniature steam engine pulling, with little apparent effort, many coaches full of adults as well as children! It is also amazing how very quickly one small spark can set a great forest on fire, especially if there is a strong wind and dry conditions.

On May 23 the Church celebrates Pentecost, remembering when a small group of 120 disciples in Jerusalem, were set on fire for God by the power of the Holy Spirit. How amazing, that the fire that started burning in their hearts on that day, when the Church was born, is still burning strongly today. Acts 2:1-4.

Many have tried in vain to extinguish that fire of God down the ages, but it continues to burn in the hearts of millions of believers, giving them amazing new life, hope, security and strength, that takes them through the rough, stormy seas of everyday life.

The promise of God the Father still stands today for all who will repent and put their trust in Christ Jesus, allowing Him to be Lord and Saviour of their lives. Acts 2:37-41.

Rev Ray Healey, 12 South Mead, 471443
AFFPUDDLE/BRIANTSPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS

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Note. There is a wedding on the 22 May
VILLAGE HALL HIRE CHARGES

The Village Hall Committee aim to cover the running costs of the Village Hall (ie. cleaning, heating, lighting, insurances, rent, water rates and other fees and maintenance charges) by the hire charges. The money raised by the fund raising events (100 Club, Art Reach etc. etc.) is saved to replace equipment, to pay for repairs and to be set aside for such major repairs as the thatch and partnership funding in the event of the Lottery Grant application being successful.

The Committee have reviewed the hourly hire charges and with effect from 1 May 1999 they will be as follows:

**Level 1**  
**Summer Rate £4.50**  
**Winter Rate £5.00**

Regular Users - Bladen Social Club - Briantspuddle Singers - PCC - Parish Council - WI - Friends of the Village Shop - The Hall Committee

**Level 2**  
**Summer Rate £5.50**  
**Winter Rate £6.00**

Residents on the Electoral Roll of the Parish of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle or those who are likely to be on the Roll (ie. people who have bought property in the parish after the compilation of the current Voters List), those who rent on a long term basis for their personal and private use, - Parish - District and County Council Elections.

**Level 3**  
**Summer Rate £6.50**  
**Winter Rate £7.00**

People from outside the Parish for private and personal use, events run by charities and non profit making organisations.

**Level 4**  
**Summer Rate £10.00**  
**Winter Rate £10.50**

Commercialhirings and General and European Elections.

There is also a limited range of equipment for hire by residents living within the Parish this includes trestle tables, the old metal and canvas stacking chairs, the old card tables and the old tea cups, saucers and tea plates.
If you wish to hire any of this equipment please give Philippa Thorniley plenty of warning as arrangements have to be made to get some of the equipment out of storage.

It has been decided that the new upholstered chairs, the new melamine stacking tables, the new white tea cups, saucers and plates are for use only in the Village Hall.

Part of the Bladen china together with 60 soup bowls is also available for use by Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle residents within the Village Hall.

A deposit of £50 is required in addition to any deposit or hire charge for the hall.

Under no circumstances may this china be taken out of the hall.

BRIANTSPUDDLE OPEN GARDENS - SUNDAY
JUNE 20 - 1.30PM - 5PM

Already several kind gardeners have offered to open their gardens - but more would be welcome. Cottage gardens - patio gardens - large gardens - orchards - vegetable plots, any size, big or small, weeds and all!

Please join in. Proceeds are in aid of the Village Hall Restoration Fund.

Phone Jenny Beedle on 471002 or Audrey Grindrod on 471214

HOME WATCH

Now that Summer is approaching and everyone is working in the garden and the weather (it is to be hoped ) is warmer and windows and doors are open, do watch out that thieves cannot break into your house, garden shed or garage. If you are sitting out or working in your garden remember to shut windows and keep doors locked (it is better to come back to a stuffy house than a burgled house). Keep garden tools and machinery in locked garages and sheds.

Note down numbers, make and colour of any strange cars and don’t be too helpful when strangers ask where Mr or Mrs. So and So are! Thieves can be very charming and unfortunately don’t go round in striped jumpers, wearing masks and carrying bags marked swag! If you know your neighbours are away keep an eye on their house, push junk mail through their door and remove parcels and Yellow Page directories etc. from outside their house to your house to await their return and if you see anything untoward telephone the police sooner rather than later.
BRIANTSPUDDLE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE NEWS

By the time this magazine hits your doormat, people in Affpuddle, Throop, Tunerspuddle and Briantspuddle should have received their first copy of our Village Hall Newsletter. Hopefully people will now be a little better informed about the situation.

Perhaps a few readers will have noticed the ‘up beat’ tone of the said newsletter. We are aiming to engender a little local enthusiasm and appreciation of the building itself and events staged there. Possibly a few who have received and read the newsletter might be enticed to participate in some way. New faces and voices are always welcome on the committee and at events. You see, we don’t want to whine and moan at people for not ‘joining in’, we want to tempt and encourage people by providing a bit of what YOU fancy.

Well, what news is there to bring you all up to date?

Architects have been to the hall, looked it over, and had a chat with a couple of committee representatives. Questionnaires have been issued in order to obtain some sort of objective comparison of prices, services, firms and so on (the only way we could think of to carry out our obligation to obtain the best value and service for our charity).

This may all seem a bit tedious, but our committee members are answerable to the Charity Commission for all our actions and we are personally liable if we do not use funds prudently – quite a responsibility if you think about it ........

The firm which supplied the new chairs has failed to reply to our letters asking them to take some action to rectify the poor condition of the metal coating, and we are considering our position. They were an expensive addition to the hall and we must pursue the matter. The small claims court seems to be our next course of action, a step we are reticent to take, but there seems to be no alternative.

There has been a visit from the fire officer to check on numbers allowed in the hall for various functions. Our permitted numbers have been increased for dancing events, and when used by the Bladen Social Club due to the extra exits provided through the clubs premises.

A new hiring agreement has been adopted in line with legal advice and will be implemented in May along with a revised schedule of charges. (For details see the next entry on Village Hall Hire Charges).

It is hoped that the hall will at some time, in the not too distant future, host an exhibition/talk about the archaeological finds from the bypass works. Titbits of information on this imply it could be very interesting.
After approaching BBTA to ask for contact numbers of archaeologists they have ‘pinched’ our idea and are proposing a presentation at Puddletown Hall - a pity since so many finds were made around our Parish. We have approached Wessex Archaeology independently since speaking to BBTA and they indicated they would be happy to come to Briantspuddle too.

Another small project we wish to undertake is to produce a small biography/history of the paintings hanging in the Hall. It must be done now while people can still remember first hand the subjects and their lives. Anyone with something to recollect about the paintings please contact Eric Rolls or Audrey Grindrod or just grab a passing committee member and tell them.

Our huge insurance premium for the year has been paid. Despite our endeavours we failed to find a cheaper quote.

We are tentatively exploring the possibility of resurrecting the May Fair for the year 2000. Has anyone any comments or suggestions?

Dates to set aside for events in Briantspuddle Village Hall include:

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**BRIANTSPUDDLE WI**

Our April meeting was a social evening when members invited family and friends to a game of skittles and a buffet supper. A lively evening ensued.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 5 May when we will discuss Resolutions followed by a quiz and Chinese meal.
AFFPUDDLE AND TURNERSPUDDLE PARISH COUNCIL

At the April meeting Mr Rolls reported on the progress of the efforts to improve public transport in our parish. He said that unlike Tolpuddle and Puddletown, bus fares to and from Briantspuddle and Affpuddle were not subsidised which raised the question of just how is the £22k government grant spent. This was to be the subject of the next correspondence with the Transport Department.

The Parish council had received a copy of a letter sent to County Hall concerning the possible down-grading of the B3390 Affpuddle to Warmwell road. This road was being used more frequently by heavy goods vehicles and is totally unsuitable. As a consequence the risk of an accident was greatly increase and the lack of a pavement made the road particularly dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists. These comments were endorsed by the parish Council who would write to County Hall in support of the arguments.

The removal of and earth bank along a section of the new by-pass had made an exposed section of the new road visible and audible from Affpuddle. A letter had been drafted to Ian Bruce requesting his support in reinstating the protective earth bank.

The on-going saga of the Village Shop/Post Office agreement appeared to be still on going as the advice from DATPC regarding responsibility for the building maintenance was ambiguous.

In an effort to draw the matter to a conclusion more quickly, the Local Government Act 1972, Section 137 was to be consulted and a final decision made at the May meeting.

There had been a site meeting with Purbeck District Council at the proposed new area for the recycling bins (on the road opposite the pumping station towards Throop). Purbeck District Council was sympathetic to the idea and agreed that the site could be made into a suitable and safe area closed to the village yet without causing a nuisance to residents. Purbeck District council was to pursue the matter with Dorset County Council. Another site was proposed by Mrs Thorniley (by letter) which was out of the village toward the A35. There were some advantages in this site and the suggestion would be taken further should the current proposal be rejected.

The Parish Council had received a letter regarding the imminent withdrawal of the mobile library service to Throop. This was well used by most of the residents and was one of the few public services available to the hamlet. It was unfair and unreasonable to withdraw this well supported service without consultation. The council members agreed with these sentiments and would take up the matter with County Hall.

The May meeting is the AGM coupled with the Annual Parish meeting. At the Annual Parish Meeting, representatives of local organisations – e.g. Hall Committee, Social Club, PCC, Friends of the Shop, WI etc are cordially invited to present a short summary of their activities during the past year. Would those wishing to make a contribution please inform the Parish Clerk as soon as possible. The meeting is on 12th May at the Village Hall and starts at 7.00 p.m.
HIMALAYAN TREK IN AID OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS

I am taking part in the RSPB’s Himalayan Challenge at the beginning of September, trekking 100km in the Tien Shan Mountains in Kyrgyzstan, together with 70 other volunteers. The aim is to raise £80,000 for the RSPB’s Wetlands Restoration and Recreation Programme. This includes further development of sites such as our local Weymouth reserves of Radipole Lake and Lodmoor, internationally important for some species of birds.

I have agreed to contribute to the organisational cost of the trip, and then to raise £1,800 myself in sponsorship and other ways. I have already raised £300 by holding car boot sales and am planning a 70 mile sponsored walk of the Dorset Coastal Path at the end of May. Jim and I, accompanied by Freddie the dog, are hoping to walk from Lyme Regis to Studland in 3 days.

I have also organised a Grand Draw. Andrew Stock, one of Dorset’s well known wildlife artists, has very kindly donated one of his limited edition prints of ‘Swallows’ as first prize. Other prizes include a bird identification guide and a nest box.

I would be very grateful for support in this venture. Please contact me on (01305) 848268 if you would like to sponsor Jim or I on our walk, or would like draw tickets. I would also be pleased to collect any bric-a-brac that could be used for car boot sales.

Marion Perriss, Old Barn Cottage, Affpuddle
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# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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July
3rd FOBRS Barn Dance, School
9th Shitterton Spectacular with Jim Etherington and Strand Hugg 7.30 p.m.
10th Cub Roast, Shitterton Farmhouse 2.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.
17th Carnival
24th Minatures Exhibition, Briantspuddle Village Hall

September
11th Barn Dance, Briantspuddle Village Hall
19th School reunion for ‘old’ boys and girls

November
10th RBL Women’s section coffee evening, HQ 7.00 p.m.
27th Xmas Fayre, Autumn Leaves

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