A THOUGHT FROM THE VICARAGE

Anyone who has been associated with the Armed Services will recognise the expression "I'm going on a course." "Courses" dominate military life. There are courses for every conceivable thing, and you are "graded" at the end of them. To get an "A" grade is preferable, and most get them, because the instructors benefit themselves if they achieve the desired numbers of "A" grades. I once was awarded a "Z" grade. I was a failure. It was a course for senior officers on computers. It was designed to bring us into the twentieth century before the time ran out. And I failed. This has left a scar on my personality. So when two parishioners offered to install an Apple Macintosh in the vicarage, and give me an e-mail address, and put me on the web site, I became very excited. Perhaps the time had come for me to re-join the human race.

I am reluctant to confess another Z grading. Despite careful and individual tuition from both of them over a considerable period of time, once they have gone home, I am a complete failure. Typing has never been part of my life, and the thought of spending half an hour in the morning looking to see if anyone had sent me an e-mail tended to spoil the first part of my day. The thought of "surfing the net" appealed to me enormously, and I really enjoyed doing this, once, but then I received a telephone bill. Nobody had told me I had to pay BT for surfing the net. Nobody had said, "Your wife will not be able to make any phone calls when you have that thing on," or "Nobody will be able to phone you whilst you are surfing." Of course they didn't. Everyone knew this, - except me.

So I am back to the fountain pen. Failures tend to need to justify themselves, and I suppose I am in that position. Nevertheless, I do believe in the value of the fountain pen, and my tutors in computing will confirm that I said this at the outset of my failure.
Test yourself. Which sort of letters do you value most? A letter created on a computer, or a letter handwritten. I am attracted to handwriting, (even if I have to work hard to decipher it!) The personality of the writer is contained in the handwritten letter. Even the envelope becomes recognisable when you see the handwriting. You don't have to look at the postmark. You know who is communicating with you.

So I have a thought. Those of you who are computer buffs, rejoice in your amazing ability to communicate beyond the comprehension of those of us with Z grades, but keep your fountain pen, bottles of ink, and ink stained middle finger. "It's good to talk," says BT. It's also good to write!

Graham Rose

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CHURCH SERVICES in JUNE

Thursday 1st June Ascension Day
7.30 p.m. Holy Communion (Bere Regis)

Sunday 4th June Sunday after Ascension Day
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m. Mattins and Communion (Affpuddle)
12.00 noon Holy Baptism (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m. Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 11th June WhitSunday
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 18th June Trinity Sunday
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Affpuddle)
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (Bere Regis)
11.00 a.m. Affpraise (Affpuddle)
6.00 p.m. Evensong (Bere Regis)

Sunday 25th June Trinity 1
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. Patronal Evensong (St John the Baptist) (Bere Regis)
BERE REGIS CHURCH NEWS

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS

Ringing practices continue in June on Wednesday evenings (7th, 14th, and 28th) at the usual time of 6.30 p.m. These will be the last until we re-start in September.

Tower 500 books, celebrating 500 years of the Church Tower and the year 2000 are still available from John England, the Post Office and Drax Arms, price £5.00.

Visiting Ringers to our tower from Worplesdon will be ringing on Saturday 17th June from 4.15 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.

John England
The ANNUAL VICARAGE GARDEN PARTY in aid of Bere Regis Church funds is on Saturday, 24th June, from 2.00 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. This will follow the usual format, with teas, cake stall, bric-a-brac, books, and, of course, a "draw". If you are new to the parish, it's a very good way to come and meet a cross-section of the community. If you're a holiday-maker in need of reading material, there is always a huge selection of second-hand books.
Our May meeting was held at Turberville Court and our guest speaker was the Revd William Johnstone from Chettle. He told us about the various Mothers’ Union groups with whom he had worked in various parts of the world including Tanzania and Belize.

Mr Johnstone’s own life-story was also of great interest to us. He decided to go on a world tour, then visited Africa with the Peace Corps. He became involved with the Taizé Community and also The Franciscans.

During a stay in Belize, the bishop encouraged him to consider ordination. This duly took place, and while in Belize, he became chaplain to the UK forces there. They suggested he came to settle in England which is how he comes to be living in Chettle now, looking after the people in that parish.

Mary led the business part of our meeting and told us that we have been asked to clear the caravans on 20th June. Four members offered to help, namely Christine, Hazel, Shirley and Sally. Gifts of food needed.

Christine has received a letter of thanks from Beckingsale House, the Women’s refuge in Salisbury, for the financial support which we have given.

Eileen gave us news of deanery and diocesan events including the following:

A sale will be held at the Corn Exchange, Blandford on Thursday 27th June. Our branch will man the plant stall, but bric-a-brac, jumble, cakes and produce are also needed.

The family holiday on the Isle of Wight requires various items including towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste and small gifts for children’s competitions. If anyone can help, please contact Eileen on 471724 (or any other offer).

Finally, our very popular mid-summer outing, the Church Crawl, has been arranged for Wednesday 21st June when we will visit the Gussages, finishing at the Inn on the Chase, (formerly the Cashmoor Inn). Non-members of the MU are most welcome to join us for this event.

Our next meeting on 7 June takes place in church, when the guest preacher at our service of Holy Communion will be our deanery chaplain, the Revd Ron Wood.

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AFFPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH SPECIAL CLEAN
There will be a special clean of the church on Saturday 17 June from 10.00 to 12 noon. Please come along and help polish the pews and other furniture, clean the floors and vacuum the hassocks. Please bring with you polishing cloths and dusters.

THE NEW KNEELERS
Andrea Smith has received back several completed canvasses. She has been making up the kneelers using foam pads which several of you covered at the two working parties held at Raithby Cottage. Please would those of you who are still working on the kneelers make sure that the canvas work is completed by the end of September 2000 to allow us time to make them up so that they can be dedicated before the end of year 2000. A date and time has not yet been arranged but it is likely to be at one of the regular services towards the end of the year.

Philippa Thorniley

EDITORIAL MESSAGE

to all regular contributors and new advertisers
It would be very, very helpful if copy for the July magazine could be submitted as early as possible this month, ideally by the 9th June, to either Jan Hopkins or myself, as I have commitments over the following two weekends which will adversely affect my normal timetable for the production of the magazine.

Many thanks
Alison.
BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL

The May meeting each year is the time when the Offices of Chairman and Committees are decided. Thus the Chairman for the coming year is Mr Lionel Street, from Hyde and the vice Chairman is Mr Laurie Fairhurst of North Street. The list of Committee representatives is displayed on the Parish Noticeboard. In general, if you have a problem that you feel should be aired, contact any Councillor and they will bring it to the attention of the Council.

Parishioners will have noticed that there is a resurfacing task being undertaken at Woodbury Cross. It would appear that an incorrect surface was applied to the new road junction and thus it is necessary to renew it all.

Also the same observers will probably have seen the return of the travellers along the remains of Lane End. It appears that the gate, that was put there to prevent people camping there, was left open and in no time at all the travellers returned! The Council has been advised that the travellers will be moving on ‘shortly’ to another location.

Confirmation of the application of a loan in order to purchase land for the New Hall has been received. However those Parishioners travelling to Dorchester will have observed that the notices for the sale of land have been removed. This is not because the Council has purchased the land but because the whole area has been sold as a result of the receipt of a ‘very substantial’ offer. This sad news was related to the Chronicler on the thirteenth of last month, not a Friday but it might just as well have been. Thus sadly it appears that we are without a site for the magnificent project of Village Hall, Medical Centre and Village Green. Propositions have been put forward to the new owners and we await the possibilities of having a discussion with them. However I have to say that we are only clinging on by a thread at this stage.

CM

IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND
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Many thanks to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning, at which £224.50 was raised. The next event will be

A BARBECUE to be held on Saturday 10th June, at Honeycombe Cottage, Sitterton. The tickets cost £5, and there will be a cash bar. Tickets available from Committee members, or from the Vicarage.
There is very little to report this month.

The Hall continues to be well used, proving the need for the continuation of a Hall in this Village. I was recently at a meeting where it was reported that the only way that several Village Halls are maintained is by constant fund raising.

As the Treasurer, I am pleased to say that we are currently able keep the Drax Hall going by its income from users. However that is not to say that fund raising does not help as indeed when it comes to the replacement of the chairs. A successful Hall is revenue led - eg its income. This must be in our minds as we think of the New Hall.

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At our April evening we welcomed Mrs Sheila Bird who gave a most illuminating talk on the history of buttons, complete with what must be thousands of **Buttons through the ages** all neatly attached to cards. It was rather like ‘Pandora’s box! Only there was more than one box! Some of us produced old buttons – but none raised any of our hopes of a fortune!

Next…. we have received such favourable comments on the display of daffodils in the village, that we have discussed and agreed to increase the number for next year, so ladies… be prepared for a further ‘ground force’ afternoon.

Our members that accepted East Burton’s invitation to their quiz evening have given a flowing account of a most enjoyable evening, so much so, we all wished that we had participated.

A date for the diary – 26th June has been set for the evening for the ‘group walk’ at Winterborne Kingston. All interested meet at Winterborne Kingston village hall at 6.30 p.m.

There are many ideas being discussed for the carnival on 15th July. As usual the ‘Theme’ will remain a secret until the day.

We are also united with the village to **Keep our Post Office**. Life would be quite difficult without its presence.

Why not join us next month? And find out what resolutions that we will have discussed and sent via the group representative to the Houses of Parliament. It is our opportunity to remind those in ‘high places’ that the WI was formed to have a voice within the community.

You would be most welcome to join us on the third Tuesday of the respective months at the Drax Hall – time 7.30 p.m. A warm welcome awaits you.

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Also to all our neighbours and friends who rallied round so wonderfully. And to all the people we didn’t know who offered their help and kindness.

Chantal and Tobin Sykes and family.

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**BERE REGIS FIRST SCHOOL**

The summer term this year is comparatively short and so there will be an exceptionally busy time at school, trying to fit everything in.

The children will be studying the local area, in history and geography, and in science lessons they will be looking at keeping healthy. Plans for the millennium show are progressing well, and we hope that anyone who would like to have a craft stall at the 3 day event, will get in touch. Anyone who has musical talents and feels they would contribute to the show would also be welcome to contact Mr Battishill at the school on 471334.

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Some members of the expedition have decided to take part in the Three Peaks Challenge in June to help raise this final sum. The Challenge is to climb the 3 highest peaks in the United Kingdom; Ben Nevis, Scafell and Snowdon, within 24 hours, including travel time between the peaks. Total height climbed is around 11,000 ft (compared with Mt Kenya at 16,000ft), total distance about 20 miles, road distance between peaks about 570 miles - quite a challenge!

We shall be looking for sponsorship. Can you help by sponsoring any of the participants listed below?

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- Tim Harley  01929471268
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23 (Fri) Interclub competition – Darts
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Although Terri Owers did not win the Royal British Legion National Standard Bearer Competition on the 16th April, her efforts saw her finish in 5th place at Nottingham on the day. Considering the short space of time that Terri had to train, after taking on the position of Youth Standard Bearer at Bere Regis Youth Section in January, the final result was a credit to her high level of dedication, enthusiasm, and reliability - attributes which cannot always be easily found in young people today.

Terri has received a letter, from the national chair of the Women’s Section, praising her efforts in the competition. It has also been gratifying to Terri, and the local youth section, that the local press have given good coverage of the event. Furthermore, a little of the history behind Terri’s role was also disclosed, for not only was her grandmother a past standard bearer, but also her great grandmother, both of whom carried the legion Women’s section standard. Terri should soon have the opportunity to carry the youth standard within the county as they are a number of parades being held at events during the summer.

Back at the club the Spring programme continues where the members have a chance to take part in mountain biking, volleyball, treasure hunt, beach BBQ and junior competitions.

Also the new Play Station, is now available for the members to use each week and they are welcome to bring along their own games to play on it if they wish. There are also a number of other new games available and sweets are again on sale, along with coffee and tea.

The section, now in its seventeenth continuous year of operation, is about to undergo a review that will lead to a number of changes. That will, no doubt, be wide reaching and include a major change to the set up of the youth group.

As they say “Watch this space” or “Look for next month’s exciting issue”, when all, I hope, will have been satisfactorily sorted out and the details can be revealed.

New members are always most welcome, just call in on any youth night.

Terry Vine, Youth Leader.
Meet every Tuesday 2pm-4pm in Turberville Court (off the main car park, Bere Regis.)

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With the help of friends from various quarters, a very successful Easter Holiday Club morning was held with 22 local youngsters joining in the various activities organised. Our Easter Monday Auction was a huge success, raising almost 500 towards floor repairs for the Chapel. Tony Shave did a magnificent job in preparing for and running the event, ably assisted by a number of colleagues. Many thanks to all who gave their support - those who donated, the 'tea ladies', those who came and bought and, most of all, to the auctioneer!

Join us if you can at the Coffee Morning on Monday 5 June between 10 and 11.45am. Proceeds to the World Church.

The Flower Festival sub-committee meet again at the end of June to finalise details for 4/5/6 August when 'Celebrations' will be the theme for our arrangements.

Meanwhile plans proceed for our 150th Anniversary weekend in October which will include a concert and a special service. We are delighted to welcome Les Orchard from Briantspuddle, who responded to our request last month for an occasional organist. He and his wife Faye are happy to join us every week, releasing our itinerant organists to other services in the Circuit, and giving us a consistency not known for many years. God gives far more than we dare ask or think.

The opportunity arose at Synod recently to briefly give good news. I was thrilled to be able to tell of all that is going on at Bere Heath in this special year for us, and special year for Jesus.

Su Roberts

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

We had no meeting in April but instead had a coffee evening which was held the headquarters. This realised £124.34. Our grateful thanks to the helpers, all who donated and all who came to support us.

Cenotaph:
June – Mrs Bennett
July – Mrs O Curtiss and Mrs Clarke
RECIPE OF THE MONTH

thanks to Pat House

STRAWBERRY AND CUCUMBER SALAD

♦ 1 small cucumber
♦ 12 large strawberries
♦ Salt and pepper
♦ A little vinaigrette dressing

Peel and slice the cucumber. Wash and hull the strawberries, drain well and then cut both into thin, even slices, from top to bottom.

Arrange in a pattern around a shallow serving dish – an outer layer of cucumber, overlapped bit by bit by a circles of strawberries, finishing with strawberries in the centre.

Season with salt and pepper and sprinkle the dressing over the salad and chill before serving.

Lovely with cold chicken or cold salmon.
A very wet April proved to be a busy month for us with 14 call-outs, including a light industrial unit at Milton Abbas which was well alight on our arrival but quickly brought her under control with the assistance of Blandford and Dorchester appliances. We also received a call, early on Bank Holiday Monday, to release a young lad who had trapped his finger in a multi-activity unit in his garden. On 9th April we had our sleep interrupted at 23.55 hours to a report of a fire on Gallows Hill. On arrival, we were faced with a potentially serious heath fire which had been started during an Army Cadets exercise. A cold northerly wind fanned the flames but quick action from the Land Rover crew saved a large area of Dorset heath land.

Regarding recruitment, we received a couple of enquiries from people in the village who had read last months’ article and would hope to hear from more of you soon.
The Twinning Association really does include the three Parishes of Bere Regis, Red Post and Holy Rood in Wool, as this makes our area more compatible to Cérences. So if you are reading this and wondering…..?

Subscriptions entitle you to newsletters which give a full update on our friends and the local social activities both here and in France (useful if you are near Cérences on holiday) and at £5 per household, it is exceptional value. It’s not too late to pay, in fact some of our regular members have yet to do so!

We have 80, yes eighty, people coming from Cérences, who have booked their sailing for September and who are looking forward to a short weekend in our area.

Can you offer some hospitality?

The party arrive at 9.00 a.m. on Saturday 23rd September and leave at 8.00 p.m. on Sunday 24th September. There will be a reception and welcome in Bere Regis. The activities for the two days are being finalised to help you entertain and so far include – football match, cricket match, boules tournament, guided walk, tour of the watercress beds, tour of a brewery, tour of a farm, art exhibition and church service. These are all in hand. The Main Event is the Hog Roast on the Saturday evening which should be some party.

As you can see, two lunches and a breakfast are all you need to provide. If you have spare beds and can put up one or more people, the effort of entertaining is minimal. Please contact 472727 for more information or complete the tear off slip at the bottom of the page and return it to Judy Newton, Membership Secretary, as soon as possible.

Our forthcoming events include a Fun Wine Tasting at the Old Vicarage on Friday 16th June. Take a bottle of wine to the Old Vicarage by Wednesday 14th June to claim your entrance ‘ticket’. A magnum of wine from Cérences, will open the evening.

Judy Newton – 472163

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This is an exciting opportunity for people in Dorset and Wiltshire to show their support for more effective cancellation of poor country debts. All that is involved is making your way to the Japanese Embassy by 12 a.m. on June 20th, and standing outside it quietly for an hour with other supporters. During this time, we hope to make a presentation of letters and brightly coloured chains, to an official from the Embassy. M.P.s from the area are being invited to attend.

What’s it all for?
Well, despite the general perception that third world debt has been dealt with, action on the subject has largely been confined to unfulfilled promises. Nearly a year after the Cologne agreement to cancel $100 bn. worth of debts, only $ 13 bn. has been cancelled, and only 5 out of the 41 poorest countries have seen any relief. One of these 5, Tanzania, has seen debt service payment fall from $162 million a year to $150 million. Tanzania spends only $ 87 million a year on healthcare. Without better health and education provision, Tanzania will always be locked into poverty.

We need to continue urging the leaders of rich countries to take faster, deeper action to release money from debt repayments so that it can be spent on social measures to reduce poverty.

‘Yes, but why focus on Japan?’
There are two very good reasons why we want to demonstrate the strength of our support to Japan. The first is that Japan is hosting the Summit meeting of the G7 countries on July 23rd. It has a large influence over what is discussed, and at the moment there is still no confirmation that debt will be given much space on the agenda. Indeed, the G7 may only review implementation of the Cologne initiative and then "reannounce" the 100% bilateral pledges made by G7 countries. (So far, only one country, Mauritania, has received 100% cancellation, and that only from one country - the U.K.)

The second reason is that Japan is the G7 country which is most reluctant to cancel third world debt. It bailed out its own private banks when they had made unwise loans, but it is not keen to bail out unwise countries. This is despite the fact that no country will benefit from the cancellation agreed at Cologne until it has shown that it has achieved a viable economy and in addition, drawn up a Poverty Reduction Strategy showing where money released by debt cancellation will be spent in order to reduce poverty.
Time is running out, and we need your support!

If it is at all possible for you to come up and join us on June 20th, please do. Your actions may have a far greater impact than you can imagine! Japan has shown that it is very susceptible to international pressure, and this is an action organised to allow people from Dorset to show that they care.

You may of course just turn up at the Embassy on June 20th, but if you would like to phone me beforehand, I shall be able to give the Jubilee 2000 Office an idea of the size of our support. Many thanks.

See you there?

Philippa Ward 01929 471527

Pop in Place Summer activities

During August, we have arranged an exciting programme of activities for children aged 5 to 13 years. They are as follows:

Friday 4th August – “Fun with Fitness” with Sylvia Spurdell
Monday 7th August – “Artist Workshop” with Amy Bennett
Friday 11th August – “Drama of the Rain Forest” with Simon Stone
Monday 14th August – “Salt Dough and Creative Writing” with the PiP team
Friday 18th August – “Adventure Time” with Actress Sue Wylie
Monday 21st August – “Discovering Africa” with the PiP team
Friday 25th August – “Kapanologo Party” with Kofi Leo

Registration forms are available from the Pop in Place, Julie on 472069 or Alison on 472023. Everyone is welcome, but book early to avoid disappointment and all bookings must be made before 1st July.

Enrolment forms for these activities are available by contacting either Alison on 472023 or Julie on 472069.
Sunday 23rd July – Gardens for Tina update.

Anyone wishing to help with this event by either helping to service teas at the Drax Hall or baking some cakes please contact Andrea on 472112. If you would rather donate a ‘Garden’ themed prize for the Draw, please phone Alison on 472023 or Julie on 472069.

A reminder to all young people performing in the Youth Choir and Instrumentalists – the next rehearsals are on:

Friday 2nd June 10.00 a.m. in the Drax Hall
Saturday 8th July 2.00 p.m. in the Drax Hall
Wednesday 19th July 6.00 p.m. at the Church
Saturday 22nd July 2.00 p.m. at the Church

Anyone who has kindly agreed to sell some Draw Tickets for us would they kindly return what they have, to Alison Bennett immediately.

Thank you

Julie Lye, on behalf of the PiP Community Team

POOLE HOSPITAL BODY SCANNER APPEAL

We would like to extend our grateful thanks to local schools who have arranged events and given money to our Appeal.

Very many thanks to the children of Sandford Middle School who raised £70 from a Disco and the Parents, Teachers and Friends of Bere Regis First School who raised £20 from an Easter Egg Raffle. Your support has been greatly appreciated.

The sums are banked in our special account and a large cheque will be presented to Poole Hospital in December, in memory of Tina.
On June 11th, John Phillips and Peter McMahon will be taking part in the annual Lighthouse Challenge. We will be walking 21 miles to raise money for the Children’s Leukaemia Research Charity. We both feel that this is a way of saying thank you for the life saving treatment we have both received, made possible through Cancer Research.

Please help us to help others by giving loads of money!

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Come and have a great afternoon out in our varied and beautiful gardens overlooking spectacular Purbeck coastal scenery. There will be Cream Teas, Plant Stalls, Preserves and Ladybird mementoes for sale.

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Phone the Revd David Clark, on 01929 480753 if you have any queries.

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Guided tour of the site and visit to the small museum on Monday 26th June at 7.00 p.m.

Will those interested please send names and numbers to me by 10th June.

John England, 10 South Mead (471469)

WAREHAM RANGERS UNDER 15 FOOTBALL TEAM

Congratulations to two Bere Regis youngsters on becoming award winners for this season. They were:

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Last month’s Coffee Morning held by Pat and John House raised the magnificent sum of £575. Thanks to all.

Pat House

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Thursday October 5th – Sunday October 8th – ROGS on tour – Southern Ireland

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AUTUMN LEAVES OVER ‘50’S’ CLUB

Mr Harry Dawe was prevented from coming to speak to us at our May meeting by a broken clutch. At the very last minute, Charlie Jeeves stepped in and gave us a very interesting talk on his early life in Weymouth. The competition for an ash tray was won by Mrs Dorrie Fisher.

Our summer outing to Bath will take place on Wednesday 14th June. The cost is £5.50 and the coach will leave the car park at 10.00 a.m. Tickets are selling quickly so please ring Kath as soon as possible to book your seat.

Thank you to all who came and gave to our May Fayre. A profit of £110 was made.
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Power, power and more power! Power seems to be the all important factor these days for survival, whether that power be for good or bad, to build up or knock down and destroy.

Over the last few years there seems to have been a marked change in the weather patterns all over the world. The news media have shown us dramatic pictures of powerful earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, avalanches, flash floods, gigantic storms at sea and forest fires on land. Recently we have seen another sort of power with the devastating firework explosion in Holland, that turned hundreds of houses into rubble in short time.

Powerful banks and big businesses are swallowing one another up, before they get eaten alive themselves! There is the power of the press to influence people, the power of politics, power wielded by our Prime Minister, and the power of Europe that almost certainly one day will draw us into the European Super State.

Where does that leave ‘little me’, you may well ask? Is there any hope for ordinary people in this power hungry world?

Contrast all this with the One who really is all powerful, the Lord Jesus Christ, - yet He made Himself nothing, taking the nature of a servant, and humbled Himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. As a result of His death and resurrection, which we recently celebrated at Easter, He gave hope and new life to all who will make Him their Lord and allow Him to take charge of their lives. This month we celebrate ‘Pentecost’, when we remember that Jesus empowered His disciples with the Holy Spirit, so that they could tell the world of all that Jesus had done for them. You can read all about this in the Bible in Philippians 2:5-11 and Acts 2: 1-39.

That same Holy Spirit power is given to everyone who will put their hope and trust in Jesus today. Amidst all the power that can make us apprehensive in this world, Jesus gives us His peace and love, which is more powerful that anything else. The only condition is that we freely give Him our lives, so that He is in charge and not us!

Revd Ray Healy, 12 South Mead, Bere Regis – 471443
**BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB**

**Football Results**
- 27 Apr (Div 3 League Cup play-off)
  - BERE REGIS 0
  - ALLENDALE 3
- 29 Apr MARINA SPORTS 4
  - BERE REGIS 1
- 9 May LYTCHETT UTD 5
  - BERE REGIS 0

**Cricket Results**
- 7 May POOLE & POOLE OG III 125 for 8
  - BERE REGIS 126 for 9
  (R Fripp 35, P Fripp 25no.)
- 13 May BERE REGIS 130 for 9
  (R Hewitt 31, A Green 31)
  GILLINGHAM 119 for 8
  (M Bennett 4-27, D Rogerson 3-31)

The Sunday team got the clubs millennium cricket season off to a nail biting start at Whitecliff against Poole OG's. The home team soon regretted their decision to bat as Rick Davis & Reg Fripp bowled a mean line & length. When the ball was not beating the bat, it found the edge and the safe hands of a diving Pete Macklin, with the resultant web site enquiry from a Mr Ferguson requesting tickets for the next match.

After 24 overs OG's were 28-4. However, the young ones were unable to follow the standards set by the Cardigan Twins. Varying degrees of line and length, albeit not helped by the skipper having a Des O'Connor day at long off, enabled OG's to recover. Nick Cheeseman also auditioning for a No.1 shirt claimed 3 catches as wickets fell in the chase for runs at the end of the innings, which ended on 125-8.
Tea was a welcome relief in the humid conditions. Bere's batting millennium, however began in stark contrast to its bowling. Nine deliveries in and the 'DCC' No Waiting sign was in operation. A long slow walk back to Egdon. Lord Charles arrived and with Reg proceeded to pepper the leg side boundary, before mistiming a pull to square leg.

The skipper then proceeded to show his all rounder status by scoring fewer runs than he had dropped catches! This precipitated a middle order collapse, punctuated only by some imperious cover drives from Dave Scott, who then sadly tried to follow instructions to play sensibly and was bowled exhibiting a forward defensive push.

Apart from Reg Fripp, who continued in the fine form of last season, the collapse continued apace, with batsmen being tempted to hit out at cleverly flighted deliveries and catches being taken at every opportunity. At 94-9 in the 32nd over the only objective seemed to be to establish the whereabouts of the after match refreshment.

However, during those remaining overs Paul Fripp and Pete Macklin proceeded to confer hero status upon themselves with a display of sensible batting, running and nerves of steel. They nudged the score ever closer to the target, until 6 runs were required from the last 2 overs. At this stage cardigans had become frayed and rollups were being chewed at a prodigious rate as the tension mounted.

Paul hit the first ball of the penultimate over into the covers for 2, played a straight bat to the second and as the bowler gambled by tossing the next delivery high in the air, took 2 steps down the wicket and smashed the ball, through mid-wicket for the match winning boundary. The only thing missing from the celebratory victory charge of happy players was David Pleat’s beige suit, although there are reports of a sighting in Egdon. A game to remember.

The Sports Club will be holding its annual football six-a-sides on Saturday 3 June 2000, with DCFA affiliated teams welcome. For details please call 01929 471512, or for application for see the official club website as detailed below.

Please do not forget that full and comprehensive football and cricket reports, club events, developments and club history can be viewed at the extensive Bere Regis Sports Club official website-http://www.welcome.as/bereregis
Village History Exhibition
What a grand show our ‘band of willing workers’ managed to give us. Visitors were treated to a comprehensive historical guide to our parish which included geology and prehistory as well as our more recent history. The Village Hall was packed full of photos, artifacts, maps and information. A grateful and appreciative public filed through ....was enthralled ....and in some cases .... returned (with friends) for more.

Tea and cakes were gratefully consumed in the Social Club. The supper was super and the speaker informative. All in all the weekend was a great success.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all the Hall committee, to thank all who contributed items (often treasured mementoes). It was a really good community day with so many local people involved in one way or another.

Open Gardens
The Open Gardens on Sunday 25 June holds out the promise of another enjoyable day, with 15 gardens ‘in the frame’ at present. With so many gardens available a ‘catalogue’ and map will enable visitors to make an informed choice as to which places most take their fancy, and will be available at the car park. We will also have a plant stall packed with goodies in the Village Hall Yard and lunches and tea and cakes in the Village Hall ..... Come along and have a nosey!!

Village Street Fair
Requests are coming in thick and fast for stalls at the Street Fair so if you’re interested phone Linda now on 471091.

Hall Chairs
The chairs are still lingering in the Hall despite a full refund having been paid at the beginning of May. We await the attentions of the suppliers, but as usual they remain elusive.

Annual General Meeting
An Annual General Meeting is not every person’s idea of really hot night out, but, this year 3 yes 3 members of the public turned out into the cold wind and rain to visit us.
We offered an enticing cup of tea and bickies and when we’d lulled them into a false sense of security we co-opted two of them onto the committee - that’ll teach ‘em.

The Chairman’s report was full of praise and congratulations on a good years work. The committee is now up to full strength with a maximum membership and we have two welcome additions to our excellent team. The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary were re-elected and remain the same and for the information of interested parties our full committee consists of:-

- Jenny Lightfoot Chairman
- Linda Holmes Secretary
- Philippa Thorniley Treasurer
- Bert Jeanes Bladen Social Club Representative
- Paul Badcock Friends of the Village Shop Representative
- Mary Bentley Briantspuddle Singers Representative
- Audrey Grindrod Parochial Church Council Representative
- Frances Solly Women’s Institute Representative

Eric Rolls, John Solly, Sue Jeanes, Jan Hopkins, Nigel Lord and Jenny Beedle give us our full compliment.

The committee look forward to our coming years efforts with optimism and (I hope) enthusiasm.

Jenny Lightfoot - Chairman

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**A35 NOISE POLLUTION**

An Action Group has been set up to co-ordinate efforts in arguing the case for a quieter road surface on the A35.

Provisional noise meter readings have been taken. The figures already suggest a 15dba increase in noise levels compared with the figures projected by the Highways Agency to the year 2010.

Contact has also been made with the A30 Protest Group (Honiton Bypass), who have been ‘waging war’ with the Highways Agency for a quieter road surface on their similar constructed concrete road.

The Puddletown petition is still being signed and it is hoped approximately 350 signatures in total will be presented to Oliver Letwin MP.

Jan Hopkins
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
The meeting held on 11th May included the Annual Parish Meeting and for this meeting representatives of local organisations were invited to give a brief presentation on their activities during the past year.

Mrs Wharton reported on the many varied and interesting activities of the W.I which had encouraged a growing membership.

Cpt. Badcock represented the P.C.C. It was interesting to note that according to the records, there was a greater number attending our church now than in the 1930’s. Cpt. Badcock also gave a resume on the progress of the Village Shop/P.O. which was now firmly established.

The activities of the Social Club were reported by Mr Rolls who also reported on behalf of the Parish Council. Among the many items handled by the P.C during the course of the year, Mr. Rolls mentioned in particular the subject of the recycling bins which had been the cause of much debate and frustration throughout the year. The preferred site on the old A35 was agreed by all concerned but the land now belonged to Vodaphone and it was hoped that permission would be forthcoming.

There followed a public discussion period when Mr Solly firstly thanked the P.C for its efforts in improving the local bus service and suggested that the bus time table should now be posted on the notice board and he volunteered to do this. (Thankyou Mr Solly). It was also suggested that the timetable be put in the Parish Magazine.

Public concern was expressed over the amount of heavy traffic on the B3390. The surface was breaking up in places, the verges were being eroded and it was now extremely dangerous to attempt to walk from the church corner to Beehive Cottage. P.C to speak to Mr Westwood the DDC transport Manager, to attend a site visit.

The subject of the recurring hole in the road going up the hill out of Briantspuddle was also raised. Filling in the hole was clearly not a solution and the P.C had already suggested putting a drain cover over the patch to allow the water free passage.

Following the recent spell of warm weather, swarms of flies invading our homes was once again a concern. One person reported that he had counted as many as 60 flies in his house and although we live in a rural area, the level of infestation every year was too much. The Chicken Farm was often blamed as a culprit and obviously Environmental Health Regulations must be adhered to. However, it was pointed out that in our agricultural community we have horses, cattle, sheep and pigs all of which attract flies.
Nevertheless the meeting was of the opinion that, notwithstanding all that had been said, the amount of flies was not normal and a solution must be pursued. To this end the P.C would continue to barrack the appropriate authorities. However, it would be of immense help if all those suffering from fly infestation would contact the Environmental Health Office in Dorchester to help persuade the Authorities to identify and eliminate the source(s).

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The P.C meeting commenced with the election of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the allocation of the duties of councillors. Due to the disappointingly poor attendance of council members at this meeting, it was decided to postpone this item until the June meeting.

Mrs Lightfoot reported that the money for the chairs had been received (the Village Hall chairs with the unsatisfactory paint finish), and they were to be collected. In the meantime the old chairs would be brought back into service while replacement chairs were sought.

Three quotes had been received for making a new base for the bench around the Mulberry tree and the best one accepted. Once this is completed, the repaired bench will be replaced.

The contract for grass cutting behind “the den” was to be renewed with the stipulation that the cuttings are removed.

There was an opportunity to have dog litter bins in the village and these would be emptied by the District Council.

The PCC had purchased a new mower and the PCP agreed to contribute to the cost of this.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

There have been no special messages this month but without being boring, everyone is reminded to keep downstairs windows closed and doors locked if you are out in the garden. Make sure that garden sheds and garages are securely locked.

Bill Thorniley
OPEN GARDENS DAY
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THANK YOU

I would personally like to thank Jenny Lightfoot and Lynda Holmes who helped me with the washing up and the serving of the supper and Sue Taylor and Sheila Newall who helped me by making up the delicious salads served at the supper on the night of the Village History Exhibition.

A final figure of £659.64 was raised from the supper, talk and exhibition entrance fees.

The supper and talk made a profit of £233.93 and it was very kind and generous of Bladen Social Club to donate half of the proceeds of the sale of the teas over the two days and the entrance money to the traffic competition they organised. These donations amounted to £50 and £76.25.

The Hall Committee is also most grateful to Debenham Stores in Weymouth who sponsored the exhibition to the tune of £100.

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**JOAN BROCKLEBANK**

**Thursday 8th June 2000**

To commemorate Joan Brocklebank with a more permanent memorial in Affpuddle where she spent some of her happiest years at Greatfield House in the 1960s and 1970s, and to which she contributed its published History in 1968, a stone seat is to be installed in the Peace Garden of Affpuddle Churchyard. This has been designed and sculpted by one of her friends, the Dorset sculptor Mary Spencer Watson.

On the occasion of the dedication of this tangible tribute to Joan from Dorset friends, you are invited to attend a celebration by the Bloxworth Singers, a group which she revived and led over many years; a short concert, conducted by Richard Hall, will begin at 7.15 p.m. in Affpuddle Church and will be followed by the seat’s dedication by the Venerable Graham Roblin, OBE.

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**BRIANTSPUDDLE WI**

The May Meeting was mainly concerned with the Resolutions which will be presented at the TGM in June. We had a VCO, which we now hear is an obsolete title, it is now ‘WI Advisor’ (sounds very Joyce Grenfell!) but short. Mrs Withers lead our discussions and our voting ‘for’ the Resolutions, particularly for the retention of rural Post Offices.

Names are being given in for our London outing on June 17 (detailed in last month’s Parish Magazine) but there are still seats to be had in order that we may fill the coach, do tell your friends.

Our June meeting will take the form of a car Treasure Hunt to be organised by two of our members. This will take 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) -2 hours and end with a pub Ploughmans. Hopefully we shall be all at the same pub!

Mary Bentley

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Thank you to everyone who bought the 100 numbers in this year’s 100 Club. Nearly everyone was very kind and tolerant when I called. (I can always think of other things I would rather do than ‘flog’ around the village but when I get out there, it is lovely to meet everyone and catch up on what has been going on since I last came asking for something!)

12 of you will be lucky and win prizes, the others will have the ‘consolation’ of knowing that they have made a valuable contribution towards the Hall renovation fund for which once again grateful thanks!

Philippa Thorniley

SATURDAY JUNE 17 - WI OUTING TO KENSINGTON PALACE OR THE V & A MUSEUM OR THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

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Their names are known but a board is required upon which to record them. So please help to raise the funds for this project by coming to a Coffee Morning at Audrey Grindrod’s home, Bladentre, Briantspuddle on Saturday June 10, 10a.m. - noon. Bring and buy a cake or bric-a-brac and have a chat with friends and neighbours.

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Arising from The Village History Exhibition the suggestion was made that a scroll should be placed in Affpuddle Church listing the names of the vicars of Affpuddle from 1526 to the present day.

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If anyone has any items of interest or knowledge concerning any of the previous incumbents do bring them along to the Coffee Morning.
June 2000

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May 20th until June 4th
Dorset Art Weeks at Cyril Wood Court – open daily from 11.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m.

10th May – 2 September
2000 years of Christianity in Wessex – Travelling Exhibition, Dorset County Museum, Dorchester

June
1st ASCENSION DAY
4th Treasure Hunt, Bladen Social club, Briantspuddle 11.00 a.m
6th RBL Gardening Club – Containers for Colour 8.00 p.m.
5th World Church coffee morning, Bere Heath Chapel 10.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.
11th WHITSUNDAY
14th Autumn Leaves summer outing to Bath 10.00 a.m.
16/17/18th Annual Cub Camp, Bowling Green Wood, Lulworth
24th Vicarage Garden Party
25th Briantspuddle Open Gardens

July
2nd Foresters Millennium Service, Bere Regis Church 3.00 p.m.
7th Vicarage BAR-B-Q
15th Carnival
23rd Gardens for Tina event 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

August
4/5/6 Flower Festival, Bere Heath Chapel 10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
5th Briantspuddle street fair and horticultural show
6th Affpuddle Patronal Festival
9th Autumn Leaves Collectors Lot
26th 'Tower Week-end’
27th Tower open, Flower Festival, Cream Teas
**September**
1st  PIP 4th Birthday Party and Raffle  10.00 a.m.–12.00 noon
22nd Visit of Twinning members from Cérences
22nd-24th Hidden Treasures of Bere Regis at Cyril Wood Court
24th  Bere Regis R.B.L. Harvest Festival
30th Barn Dance, Briantspuddle Village Hall

**October**
1st  Harvest Festival - Affpuddle  11.00 a.m.
    Harvest Festival - Bere Regis  6.00 p.m.
7th/8th  150th Anniversary Celebrations, Bere Heath Chapel

**November**
4th  Bangers and Mash Party, and Auction of Promises - Drax Hall
12th Remembrance Sunday
25th  Autumn Leaves Xmas Bazaar, Drax Hall  2.00 p.m.

**December**
2nd  Church Coffee Morning - Cyril Wood Court
16th  PIP Show and Party
17th  Affpuddle Carol and Gift Service  11.00 a.m.
    Bere Regis Carol Service  6.00 p.m.
24th  CHRISTINGLE - Bere Regis  6.00 p.m.
    MIDNIGHT COMMUNION - Bere Regis  11.30 p.m.
25th  CHRISTMAS DAY
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