By the time our July Magazine is published our European elections will have been held and the debate on our Europeaness may have intensified. I think that’s a false premise because we should be free to develop our relationships with the wider world with the Commonwealth and the United States without diminishing our European links.

But it was with a greater sense of being European that at the end of May I had a few days off in Rome. Those of you who know it will no doubt, like me, marvel at its overwhelming sense of history – its like a living museum through which traffic races noisily. It is the city where Peter and Paul were executed for their faith in the first century AD; its where Emperor Constantine in the 4th century declared Christianity to be the official religion of the Roman Empire and so the Church was able to grow free of official persecution. Roman weather is generally mild so it was good to sit outside and catch up on my reading and take in the wonderful art for example, displayed at the Galleria Borghese, and wonderful paintings by the 16th century Caravaggio in the relatively modest city church of St Maria d. Popolo. There was worship and many visits to Churches and sites of early Christianity.

But Rome is not just for ‘culture vultures’, for like most capital cities Rome is a melting pot of peoples, a cosmopolitan city that attracts people from all over Southern Europe and the Mediterranean and beyond. True, you don’t see quite the variety of ethnic restaurants that you might see in London or New York. But it is truly relaxing and stimulating to drink a cappuccino at a pavement café in the Piazza Navona and see the Mediterranean world go by. You can see many people from the outer edges of Europe; from Albania for example, where there is still great poverty and Albania is still some way off from joining the European Union.

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I had a day out of the city and took the train down to Cassino where one of the most awful battles of the World War II was fought. It was a fearsome battle that caused thousands of deaths and casualties and the decimation of the town of Cassino and the Benedictine Monastery there. Both have been wonderfully rebuilt and the Commonwealth War Cemetery was beautifully peaceful and in marked contrast to the hustle and bustle of Rome. It was following the battle of Monte Cassino, that Rome was liberated on 4th July 1944. It was just two days before D-Day when the Allies launched their return to Europe on the Normandy beaches and then set out for Paris and Berlin, and the war took another year before Nazism was finally defeated.

Seeing the moving commemorations of D-Day on television, with all the heads of state of the allied powers and the German Chancellor there too, it showed how far we have come in 60 years. This 60th anniversary of the sacrifice and triumph of D-Day demonstrated that we are collectively responsible for the justice prosperity and peaceful existence of all peoples and Jesus Christ calls us to reach out to all people in need. It is an unending call of duty and love that we should joyfully respond to.

By mid June I will have spent a few days working and debating with our friends from other Christian Churches from Africa, Europe and the Americas seeing how we can make the recently signed Sudan peace agreement between the Muslim North and the animist and Christian South work. We hope it really is the end of a 40 year war in which 2million people have died and millions more starved, displaced and injured. Churches and whole communities have been destroyed. But now we hope that the new flare up of violence in Darfur in the west of Sudan can more speedily be settled, and that peace will return there too.

Every one of us has a responsibility to look after our neighbours wherever in the world, and whoever, they may be. We have a responsibility to use our democratic institutions in our own country and in Europe to reach beyond our own lives and help bring that fullness of life that Jesus promises to everyone. That is what being a Christian and living in a democracy means.

All this is looking outwards from our villages and churches at home. But it seemingly rationalises the importance of repairing the tower roof at Bere Regis, even though we now need to raise £35,000 to be sure of covering our costs. But whether our work is at home or abroad, whether it is mission or maintenance we must be active in Jesus wants us to be active in his service.

With love and prayers

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October
5th Gardening Club—Pat Haskells - Knoll Gardens
9th PIP Jumble Sale, Drax Hall 2.00 p.m.
13th Autumn Leaves - talk by a meter reader 2.30 p.m.
16th Church Gift Day

November
2nd Gardening Club—Richard Brown - Lambs Tails
19th PIP Children in Need, Drax Hall 10.00 - 12.00
27th Christmas Coffee morning at Cyril Wood Court 10.30 a.m.
27th Xmas Fayre - Autumn Leaves 2.00 p.m.

December
7th Gardening Club—Christmas Party
18th PIP Christmas Party, Drax Hall 3.00 p.m.

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July
3rd  Bere Regis Church coach outing to Malmesbury  8.30 a.m.
6th  Gardening Club—John England - Iceland
14th  Autumn Leaves Rose Competition and Exhibition of china birds
18th  Bere Regis Open Gardens
25th  Raising the Roof concert, Bere Regis church  3.00 p.m.
30th  Vicarage BBQ

August
3rd  Gardening Club—A Summer Evening In A Garden  10.30 a.m.
4th  Coffee Morning at Rene and Gordon Phillips’s
14th  Autumn Leaves, talk on Arabian Costume and Jewellery  2.30 p.m.
6th  PiP Childrens’ Activities, Drax Hall  10.00 - 12.00
13th  PiP Childrens’ Activities, Drax Hall  10.00 - 12.00
20th  PiP Childrens’ Activities, Drax Hall  10.00 - 12.00
27th  PiP Childrens’ Activities, Drax Hall  10.00 - 12.00
10th  Holiday Club at Butt Lane Chapel  10am-12.30pm
11th  Holiday Club at Butt Lane Chapel  10am-12.30pm
12th  Holiday Club at Butt Lane Chapel  10am-12.30pm
15th  Holiday Club Family Service - Butt Lane  10.00 a.m.

September
7th  Gardening Club—Harvest Supper  1.00 p.m.
8th  Autumn Leaves 33rd birthday lunch
11th  PiP Performer of the Year, Drax Hall  7.00 p.m.
11th - 19th  Dorset Architectural Heritage Week; Church Tours and Tower open
18th  Kingsbere Quilters Exhibition at Cyril Wood Court  10.30 a.m.
17/18/19  Twinning Weekend— visitors from Cerences
26th  Harvest Festival Family Service - Butt Lane  10.00 a.m.

THE PARISHES OF BERE REGIS AND AFFPUDDLE WITH TURNERSPUDDLE
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Sanctuary Flower Guild

4th and 11th July  Autumn Leaves  Mrs K Jeeves
18th and 25th July  Mrs K Benjafield  Mrs M Mooney
1st and 8th August  Mrs C Lewis  Mrs K Abbott

Bere Regis Sidesmen

5th  9.15  Mr Bates / Mr House  6.00  Mrs Jutting
12th  11.00  Mrs England / Mr Ventham
19th  9.15  Mr Croom / Mr Smith  6.00  Miss Frampton
26th  11.00  Miss Miller

Bere Regis Evensong Readers

5th  Mrs Jutting
19th  Miss Frampton

Bere Regis Church Rotas

Cleaning

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Dusting
3rd and 10th July  Mr B James, Mrs M James  Mrs G Whittle, Mrs N Scott
17th and 24th July  Mr R Robinson, Mrs A Robinson  Mrs O Curtis, Mrs M Lewis
31st July and 7th August  Mrs C Clarke, Mrs M Comben, Mrs E Jutting  Mrs E James, Mrs M Carlyle

Guides

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Kingsbere Quilters

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10.00 a.m. 2nd Saturday, Drax Hall

Mobile Library

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7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday, the Church

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Playgroup Bere Regis

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Pip Squeaks

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7.00 a.m. - 12.00  Mondays and Fridays, Drax Hall

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**CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES**

Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society

7.30 p.m. 1st Monday, British Legion Hall

**Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle** 2nd Wednesday - 7.00 p.m. at Briantspuddle Village Hall. Agenda displayed on Village Hall notice board

Autumn Leaves (over 50s) 2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday, Drax Hall

Babysitting Circle Contact Mary Lillie – 471365

Beavers (6-8 yrs) 6.00 - 7.00 p.m. Wednesdays, Scout HQ

**Bere Heath Methodist Chapel** 10.30am Sundays except 2nd Sunday monthly (3pm)

Bere Regis Youth “Lenny’s” RBL Club, 1st Wednesday and following Tuesdays

British Legion Club 7.15 p.m. - 11.30 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday

7.15 p.m. - 10.30 p.m. Sunday

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

Bere Regis Sports Club Open every Saturday night and on all home sporting fixtures

Briantspuddle Singers 7.45 p.m Tuesdays, Village Hall

Choir Practice 7.00 p.m. Fridays in Church.

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

Bere Regis Surgery (for patients of the surgery only)

Mondays 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

**Camera Club** 7.30 p.m 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Cyril Wood Court

**Coffee Stop** 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon, 1st Saturday, Cyril Wood Ct

**Congregational Church** 10.00 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Sundays, Butt Lane

10.00 a.m. Sunday School

**Cubs (8-10½ yrs)** 6.30 p.m. - 7.45 p.m. Thursdays, Scout HQ

Dancing classes Fridays 4.30 p.m.-6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m.-10.00 p.m.

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

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**AFFPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS**

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CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY

Sunday 4th July – Fourth Sunday after Trinity
8.00am Holy Communion Affpuddle
9.15am Parish Communion Bere Regis
11.00am Mattins & Shortened Communion Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong Bere Regis

Saturday 10th July
10.30am Holy Matrimony Affpuddle

Sunday 11th July – Fifth Sunday after Trinity
8.00am Holy Communion Bere Regis
9.15am Parish Communion Affpuddle
11.00am Family Service Bere Regis
12.30pm Holy Baptism Bere Regis
6.00pm Evensong Affpuddle

Saturday 17th July
2.00pm Holy Matrimony Bere Regis

Sunday 18th July – Sixth Sunday after Trinity
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9.15am Parish Communion Bere Regis
11.00am Family Communion Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong Bere Regis

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FROM THE REGISTERS

Thursday 22nd July
Mary Magdalene
2.00pm Bere Regis School - End of Term & Leavers Service
Bere Regis

Sunday 25th July
Seventh Sunday after Trinity – St James
8.00am Holy Communion
Bere Regis
9.15am Parish Communion
Affpuddle
11.00am Mattins & Shortened Communion
Bere Regis

Sunday 1st August
Eighth Sunday after Trinity
8.00am Holy Communion
Affpuddle
9.15am Parish Communion
Bere Regis
11.00am Mattins & Shortened Communion
Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong
Bere Regis
BERE REGIS CHURCH NEWS

BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS

As is usual practices, are not held in July and August due to holiday commitments. Thankyou to all those who have been coming to help newer ringers and who have been busy trying to improve our ringing capabilities. Practices will start again in September when any new ringers will be made welcome (tower repairs permitting). Come and have a go or just look. We have planned a Tower Open weekend for the 18th - 19th September.

A visit to Bryanston tower was arranged last month where a computerised ringing monitor is installed and it not only will tell you if you are early or late striking but it will fill in the number of ringers to make up the full peal.

MOTHERS' UNION

At our June meeting the Vicar celebrated and preached at a service of Holy Communion. The church was commemorating the occasion when the Blessed Virgin Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth when both were expecting their babies.

In the absence of the branch leaders and most of the committee, Brenda led the business part of the meeting.

Members offered to provide food and help at the Deanery Synod meeting in the church on Wednesday 23rd June, and the party at school on 5th July. Several members signed up for the church crawl on 16th June and Jean agreed to be responsible for flowers in church on 20th and 27th June.

Mary reminded us of the vicarage garden party on 19th June when members provide items for our ‘Gift Stall’. Some members agreed to man the stall. Some of our members are going on the Deanery outing to Hestercombe Gardens on 22nd June.

Our next meeting will be a social evening at Turberville Court on 7th July at 7.30 p.m., refreshments to be provided by the committee. Non-members are most welcome to join us.

Brenda Pitfield - 471391
Bere Regis Junior Church

The Next Children’s Activity Morning will be about

Joseph & His Technicolor Dream Coat
On Sunday, 11th July 2004
in Bere Regis Church
10 – 11am.

All children between ages 4 & 10 are very welcome. There will be lots of fun and no charge! – just come along and enjoy yourselves.

And why not join us for the Family Service (11.00-11.30am) with refreshments for everyone afterwards!
Raising the Roof

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Lyrica Singers In Concert
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From The Royal Albert Hall to Bere Regis Church..

The singing group Lyrica will be performing an afternoon concert of popular classical and jazz
music at Bere Regis Church on Sunday 25th July at 3pm. The lead singer and director of the group,
Elizabeth Glen, was brought up in Bere Regis, and is taking time out from her busy singing career
to help raise money for the restoration of the church tower. She has sung in concerts at the most
prestigious venues and festivals in the world, including New York, Melbourne, and our own Royal
Albert Hall, where she opened a Proms Concert as a soloist in 1998, with the ensemble
"Sequentia".

Since forming her group "Lyrica" in 1995, they have sung concerts in castles, open-air festivals,
churches and cathedrals and have also featured in concert at the Royal Albert Hall. They have
received many favourable reviews for their singing, and this will be the first chance to hear them in
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**Church Porch Gates**

We are sincerely grateful to Mr Eddie Butterfield for making the gates at the Church porch. They are beautifully made and make our Church look even more impressive.

We also wish to convey our thanks to Mr Dyke for preparing the gates and painting them. It is a joy to have craftsmen in our parish to do this expert work that will live on long after we have all gone and will be appreciated by all those who come into our lovely historic Church in the future.

From your Church wardens,

John England and John House.

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**100 Watt Club**

1st prize - £10
Mr I Ventham - No 292

2nd prize - £10
Mrs P House - No 42

3rd prize - £5
Mrs E Bryon - No 133

4th prize - £5
Mr G Phillips - No 77

New members are always welcome.

Please contact Gordon Phillips for details – 471525

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Anne Soulsby

1930. And Anne Soulsby was born in Morpeth, Northumberland on 27th September just 23 months after her big sister Maureen. Daddy was a bank clerk with Barclays and though the girls had much of their initial growing up in Morpeth, a retail banking job as we would now call it meant pretty frequent moving of home. So it was in 1934 the family moved north to Berwick-upon-Tweed – sort of England in Scotland or is it the other way around? There, they had a cliff-top house that was particularly ‘bracing’ in winter. Maureen relates that in Anne’s early childhood days many admirers thought she was a boy because her hair refused to grow.

Schooling was in Berwick at the local convent school, which Anne loved, and she discovered an abiding love of music and dancing. The two of them went to ballet classes together. By now the gathering storm of World War II was threatening and the girls gave concerts to the troops in training in the Borders. Their father, in addition to his banking duties joined the St. John’s Ambulance Brigade. But then, in 1943, they were all off again, this time to Ponteland near Newcastle–on-Tyne. In 1945, in August whilst on holiday on the Clyde near Greenock –about the time of VJ Day, Anne contracted diphtheria and was taken into an isolation hospital in Glasgow. For seven distressing weeks, Maureen and her parents could see her just once a week and only then through a glass screen. Eventually Anne completely recovered but she missed quite a lot of her education and she was unable to take her matriculation by the time she left school. Anne was a very attractive young lady and she went to modelling school and became a fashion model, but still living at home with her parents. With Maureen she became an active member of the Young Conservatives, and politics was an abiding interest throughout her life. Indeed Maureen was insistent that Anne’s funeral and memorial services should not be held on the 10th June as the Council and European elections were being held that day and it is everyone’s duty to vote.

Anne’s father retired in 1954 and she moved with her parents all the way south to Bexhill-on-Sea in East Sussex – about as far as one can get without getting wet. They wanted somewhere warmer in their retirement. So Anne’s modelling career ended and she
BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB

On Saturday 6th June, Dr John Clegg presented the club with a portrait of one of our founder members and life long servant to the club - George Poore. This was accepted on behalf of the club by George’s daughter Jeanette Symes. John also presented Jeanette with a smaller painting of George done by John’s mother for Jeanette and her family to keep. It was nice to see some old faces back at the club for the evening, especially Ted Steele and his wife.

Our sincere thanks to John and Margaret for this memorial gift of a still greatly missed member.

Open Gardens

Thank you to all who donated or supported our book and bric-a-brac stall at the Open Gardens. £74.50 was raised towards our window repair fund. Work has now started on the windows but more funds still need to be raised.

Horticultural Show - Saturday 7th August

Anyone wishing to have a stall at this event (outside only) please contact me on 01258 837267 as soon as possible.

Quiz Nights and Bingo

23rd July is the next one with none in August. More support is needed. Bingo every Thursday in the club at 8.30 p.m.

Sue Jeanes

OBITUARIES

Anne enjoyed a very good social life with many friends. But by now Maureen her big sister, who had qualified as a teacher was getting married, and then living as an Army wife with all its constant moving – again - including spells in Singapore and Germany, where Anne visited her. Maureen returned to England and became a teacher at the school at Blandford Camp and settled in Affpuddle.

Back in Sussex, it was a happy time for Anne and her parents. Life in Bexhill had a holiday atmosphere with lots of visitors to the house and parties in the garden. She loved people and she was friendly to all. By now Anne was looking after both her parents, having given up her own secretarial work. She continued to be busy herself with her Conservative politics, but as Maureen has said, in Bexhill there were no Young Conservatives but politics for older Conservatives much occupied her.

Mummy died in July 1981 at the age of 79, and as she was always ‘Daddy’s girl’, and very much like him, she looked after him until he died four years later aged 92. So, in 1986 Anne sold the family home in East Sussex and moved to Dorset to join Maureen at Affpuddle.

The two of them lived very happily at Helliers and life entered a new phase for local Dorset Politics. Traditionally it had always been a true blue seat but at the 1997 general election the sisters were shocked when the Labour Party just won the seat. Anne was secretary of the Affpuddle and Moreton Branch South Dorset Conservative Association and secretary of the Womens’ Committee.

She was an avid reader and though usually quiet, she sometimes surprised people with the strength of her views.

As Maureen has said, there was usually a holiday atmosphere in Bexhill, but on moving to Affpuddle, the two sisters took many holidays together, enjoying timeshare apartments in Spain and Tenerife and Lanzarote. They particularly enjoyed Tuscany and parts of France and back home in Cornwall. One memorable event occurred in Venice, just after Frank Sinatra died, when they listened to his music in St Mark’s Square until the wee small hours.

Anne loved cats and they seemed to know that. At Bexhill a tortoiseshell, whom Anne called Purdy, just wandered in and adopted Anne and she moved with her to Affpuddle.
Anne was a great knitter and needleworker and she supported many charities especially those supporting children’s work and particularly Great Ormond Street Children’s hospital. Anne lived all her life close to the coast so her ashes will be scattered off Dorset’s Jurassic coast where she had been very happy. She had a quiet faith and calm belief. We can be certain she is at peace.

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The Clerk gave a report on her meeting about hedge cutting notices with Mr. Richard Bastow and Mr. Jon Munslow of Dorset County Council, which had also been attended by County Councillor Shakesby.

Authority was given to pay the grants agreed at the May meeting and to pay the outstanding accounts due to the Parish Council.

The end of year financial statement for the year 2003-2004 was received prior to the internal audit which would be carried out by the Town Clerk of Chickerell. The Council authorised the appointment of the internal auditor.

Correspondence received was notified to the Council.

Under any other business a letter from Mrs. Tucker of Briantspuddle was read. Mrs. Tucker asked that residents should be considerate about using noisy garden machinery on Sundays.

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 14th July 2004 at 7.00 p.m. at Briantspuddle Village Hall.

Thank you to all the kind people who sponsored me for the Race for Life on Sunday 13th July at Kingston Maurward in aid of Cancer Research U.K. Thanks to the generosity of my sponsors I will be able to send off £300 to the charity, that is when I have collected in the money!

Philippa Thorniley
HALL REWIRING

Arrangements have been made to rewire the hall only. A more variable lighting system is to be installed together with lots of plugs (my goodness we needed these at the Open Gardens) and when it is finished everything should be up to standard. The rewiring work is scheduled for the week beginning 9th August 2004 and is expected to last between one and two weeks. Regular users will be notified. It is to be hoped that there will not be too much disruption to hall users as work will be done during the holiday period. The monies raised by fund raising this year will go a long way towards paying for the work planned.

At present the kitchen and W.C.s are not being rewired as it is hoped that very soon we will be replacing the kitchen, the ladies and gents W.C.s, installing a disabled W.C. and building a small meeting room (which can be used in conjunction with the main hall for big functions or for meetings of the various organisations) as well as making space for some decent dry storage facilities. It would be foolhardy to pay for work now and only have to whip it out and replace it with new build in what we hope will be, the not too distant future.

Philippa Thomiley

PARISH COUNCIL

At the June Meeting of the Parish Council the following business was discussed.

The minutes of the Annual Statutory Meeting and the previous parish council meeting were approved.

Written reports were received from the following Village Organisations:-

The Bladen Valley Residents Association, The Bladen Social Club and the Briantspuddle Hall Committee. A verbal report on the Shop was given by Captain Badcock.

Approval was given for planning permission for the demolition of existing rear addition and construction of new single storey rear addition to 22 Briantspuddle.

District Councillor Malcolm Barnes gave a report on the recent activities of the Purbeck District Council.

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AFFPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS

SPECIAL CLEAN

In June’s Magazine a special clean was arranged for Saturday 3rd July. Fortunately since the decorating of the church was done more quickly than expected this special clean will not be necessary as a team of volunteers cleaned up on Wednesday 2nd June. However, please remember the Autumn Cleanup on Saturday 16th October.

Thank you to the seven doughty volunteers who turned out to clean the church on Wednesday 2nd June. They all worked with a will and the beauty of the newly decorated walls was augmented by the smell of beeswax furniture polish and traffic wax not to mention pine floor wash and shining floors and pews. The church looked beautiful and shiny clean for Paul and Julia’s wedding on the Friday following.

Philippa Thomiley.
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**BERE HEATH METHODIST CHAPEL**

On a lovely sunny WhitSunday afternoon, St John the Baptist and Congregational members and friends united at Bere Heath Chapel for a service of Pentecostal Praise led by our minister the Rev’d Paul Arnold.

There was an anthem by the Parish Church Choir. The address was given by Mrs Brenda Pitfield. Les Orchard was at the organ. Fellowship followed with tea and biscuits.

Cis Lewis 472399

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The balances in the savings accounts totalled £33,727 at 31st December 2003. These funds are earmarked for eventual rethatching and matched funding for any grant application for the planned improvements. The build up of funds is due to careful management by the Committee over the past twenty-one year’s life of the Committee.

Finally I would like to thank the Committee for their participation which enabled such wonderful results and to Mrs. Debbie Scott of Bere Regis and formerly of Briantspuddle for so kindly auditing our accounts.

Phillippa Thorniley

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**ARTSREACH**

On Thursday 3rd June Jenny Beedle, Mary Bentley and myself attended an Artsreach Promoters’ evening at Portesham where we selected several shows to be shown in the Autumn and Winter. It is not possible to report on the shows as our selections will be subject to availability both from the performers and to make sure that the shows' performances do not clash with neighbouring venues. We also hope to take part in the Purbeck Film Festival during October.

Philippa Thorniley

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**OPEN GARDENS**

The 2004 Open Garden event which took place on 6th June was a resounding success. Fortunately we were not blessed with “D-Day” weather. The sun shone throughout the day and a procession of visitors visited the gardens and partook of refreshments in the Village Hall. We were all hard at work throughout the day.

Jenny Beedle organised the Open Gardens and as usual her organisation was faultless (or nearly faultless). Delicious ploughman’s lunches were served until they ran out! Visitors partook of tea and coffee with delicious home made cakes made by the committee members and others. Teams of volunteers washed up, cleared the tables, took the food orders and replenished the cake buffet.
Once again 2003 was another successful year in the life of the Briantspuddle Hall Committee.

We have ended up with a surplus of £450 of income over expenditure. However, from monies raised during the year sufficient funds were generated to pay for the extra architects’ fees necessitated by the change of the original plans for the village hall improvements and also to pay for materials for the much needed improvements to the village hall kitchen and work levelling the hall yard highlighted by the risk assessment carried out last year by Jenny Lightfoot. We did not have to dip into funds to pay for these works. The free help given by Jim Crane and Graham Hopkins has saved the Hall Committee a considerable sum of money for which our grateful thanks are due.

Hire charges together with the grant from the Parish Council covered the cost of the caretaker’s wages, heat and light, insurance, rent, and water rates, administration and other miscellaneous charges. (There was a surplus of £62). Because of this it was agreed that from 1st May 2004 a charge of £1 for hirers using the kitchen would be made to cover the cost of electricity used and to defray costs of loss and wear and tear on the equipment and that regular users who served tea and coffee during the hiring would pay an extra £1 charge per hiring. A watch will have to be made on running costs and possible consideration given to increasing charges in May 2005. The biggest running costs are insurance (this year £1,242) and the caretaker’s wages which are kept in line with statutory wage levels.

The profit from the events held by the village hall has been excellent; as well as making money for the repair fund the events themselves have been fun and enjoyed by all. The Open Gardens this year was the best ever. The Valentine’s Supper and the Barn Dance were both very successful evenings. The Hall Committee will continue to participate in promoting Artsreach events (the total takings of which this year were £412) and the 100 Club continues to provide another £400 towards the maintenance fund.

Due to the introduction of a monthly account charge of £5 by Portman Building Society on current accounts it was agreed to close this account (which was used for fund raising) and to transfer the balance to the Community Account at Barclays Bank for which there is no charge at present.
BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL

At the June meeting the Council recorded their thanks to the team of volunteers who had distributed the bark about the Play Park area. This is an onerous but very necessary task and the team led and organised by Jayne George seems to have completed the task very quickly.

The Council discussed the state of the Youth Shelter, or rather lack of it at present. It now looks as if we are going for a steel prefabricated shelter together with a kicking wall. After the construction of a concrete base the shelter can be easily dropped into place, which would seem simpler than constructing as originally planned. Funding seems to be in place and it is hoped to include the necessary lighting.

The toilet block at the car park is a regular topic discussed by the Council. The District Council regularly ask our views as to its future. Our Council takes the view that though it may be easier to demolish to provide a couple of extra parking spaces, that replacement when the present trend of vandalism dies down, would be prohibitive. Thus we wish them to be retained even though there may be a charge for maintaining them from time to time.

The long awaited work to tidy up the roundabouts was welcomed. Sadly the weeds in the gutters are not seen to be in the same priority. It is hoped that these may be dealt with before the Gardens Open Day.

The Council is rightly taken to task concerning the footpaths and the weeds overgrowing them in particular. Gone are the days when we could direct a person to deal with these and it results in a long process of reporting to the County and waiting for them to deal with the problem. This year has been particularly bad with the nettles seeming to thrive on hot dry conditions. Naturally with the apparent lack of progress the feeling gets around that the Council is not interested in footpaths. Nothing could be further from the truth as many of us walk the paths regularly.

The Council representatives attend the meetings of the North Purbeck Task Group – the current name for Crime Prevention – and the recent meeting great emphasis was placed upon the sale of restricted items – tobacco, videos, alcoholic drink, fireworks and solvents. As a safeguard there is a scheme of Proof of Age Identity Cards which children can

fridge, and thrilled to get a swanky new cooker, but when we got cupboards and work surfaces and plugs and proper lights, well, we were quite overcome.

The Risk Assessment produced last year threw up the fact that the rear surface of the Yard was unsafe, and with the threat of bollards and problems parking, Jim flew into action once more along with Graham Hopkins, and in no time at all we had an attractive usable, safe surface. There are other tasks where Jim has proved invaluable, but it would take too long to list them. Thanks Jim

The next items for attention in 2004 are the wiring and ridge thatching, both require a fair amount of expenditure, but there are some things that just cannot wait and these are two. The wiring is inadequate and could be dangerous. We must at all costs keep a sound roof over our heads especially when so much fund raising was done in order to pay for the thatch.

After the success of the planning application in 2003 the Project Management Team continues the work to improve our facilities. There are one or two difficulties, but that is always going to be the case in a project like this and I must thank Paul for his sterling work in keeping the ball rolling even if it has hit the rough now and again. Ken Killbank and David Taylor are on the team, and we are drawing up a business plan before going out to funders.

Lastly I would like to thank all members of the committee not already mentioned. I will reiterate this year that we are a team and as such we function very successfully (if not very speedily). There are unmentioned contributions like cake making, leaflet delivering, minute taking, fire equipment maintenance and even washing up, without people to do all these things we could not function properly. So I thank all committee members for the time, effort and sheer hard work they have put in over the year.

Since this year I am most definitely retiring from the position of chairman I would like to take this opportunity to restate my commitment to our Village Hall as the hub of community life. Running this building is a thankless task at the best of times and downright disheartening at the worst, but there is nowhere else for people in this parish to hold their celebrations and meetings, nowhere else for voting or classes, nowhere else for fund-raising events or performances, it is all we have and as the centre of our small rural community we should all commit ourselves to its survival.

Thank you all

Jenny Lightfoot.
food, and above all sunny weather we excelled ourselves. Hard work was the order of the day for all concerned, but it paid off in the swelling of the Hall's coffers.

The Festival of Talents and following supper in the yard to celebrate 200 years for the Barn and 20 for the hall committee were yet another success story. People came out of the woodwork with many undreamed of talents, and we had loads of requests for a repeat performance perhaps in another 20 years? My thanks are due here to Sue Taylor, for her helping organising the Festival, and Mary Sherwood and Ann Forty for help in staging the exhibits, and to all the other unsung heroes who mucked in on the day.

The Barn Dance, not a huge fund raiser, but a good chance to get together, partake of a pleasant supper, benefit the Hall AND Social Club and usually have a bit of fun too.

The Purbeck Film Festival and Artsreach are another pair of Philippa's babies and always pull in a few different people to the village and spread the burden of fund-raising a little further afield. I feel that it is not quite understood how much effort goes into bringing these performances to the hall, and how much of the effort is expended by Philippa herself organising, liaising, setting up, feeding performers, clearing away and sometimes even billeting the performers as well. Not too many years ago I can remember going to a hall committee meeting where it was decided that performances in Briantspuddle were not feasible, well now we know they are.

The 2004 Valentines Supper was even better organised than last year with a splendid menu, a beautifully decorated hall and such efficient service that even a proper restaurant would be envious, well done the team.

I hope that I've included all our events here, but my memory is notoriously unreliable!

The running of the hall has seen a few noteworthy happenings, our new maintenance committee man Jim Crane has proved an absolute star. After seeing, the appalling conditions suffered by the caterers at the Open Gardens day he set out to modernise the kitchen facilities, to great effect. For those of us used to roughing it, it came as a shock. I mean, we are not used to things being convenient here in the hall, we thought it was great having a sink where the water actually drained away, and were pleased to be given a second hand...
The big event in July will be the PIP’s organised Open Gardens Day. This has always been a great success thanks to the gardeners and visitors alike. However it has been the luck of the Drax Hall to benefit from all the hard work. The financial successes in the past are all going to make improvements in the Hall.

Thus please give the event yours and your friends support. There will be lovely cakes to devour and the walk around will be very good for us. The Hall Committee is grateful to Alison Bennett and her PIP Committee for all of their hard work to ensure a successful day.

The group quiz was a great success with quizmaster Miss Susan Stone setting the questions. Resolutions for the Annual General meeting were discussed, the subjects covered were the trafficking of women and children and other controversial topics.

The evening finished with a flower quiz and surprise refreshments of cheese and wine arranged by the committee.

Visitors are always welcome and the next meeting is in the Drax hall on the 20th July entitled iron a painting.

The 2004 AGM was held on 20th May. At the meeting Jenny Lightfoot resigned as chairman and her place was taken by Philippa Thorniley who is also doubling up as treasurer. The new committee was voted and reports on the previous year’s work were given. Since no members of the public attended I thought it would be of interest if both the Chairman’s and Treasurer’s Reports were reproduced here.

My first thought tonight is for the sad loss of Jan Hopkins suffered at the end of 2003. She was a marvellous woman who put her considerable energies into many of the village activities, and I believe helped to make people realise that to have successful events, we must encourage people to attend and provide what the customers want, NOT adopt the ‘use it or lose it’ approach of penance support. She was a live wire and is sadly missed. For the hall the year has, though, been another success in terms of fund-raising.

The 100 club resolutely run by Philippa has once more done us proud and provided an opportunity for those who do not necessarily attend events in the hall to make a contribution and possibly win a decent prize, as Jenny Beedle did last Christmas when her huge efforts in organising the Open Gardens day were at last rewarded with a £60 win. (This was a complete fluke and most definitely not engineered’)

The Open Gardens in 2003 were a resounding success. With the help of a double page centre spread the week before in the Evening Echo, the marvellous efforts of garden openers, beautiful posters and maps produced by Nigel, a smashing plant stall, delicious home made cakes to devour and the walk around will be very good for us.
Forthcoming Fixtures for July 2004

02 Jul Herrison Youth (away) Evening League
03 Jul Weymouth II (home) DCL Sat Div 2
04 Jul Branksome (home) DCL Sun Div 4
08 Jul Hazelbury Bryan (away) Evening League
10 Jul Cattistock (home) DCL Sat Div 2
11 Jul Poole Town (away) DCL Sun Div 4
14 Jul Purbeck Fossils (home) Evening Friendly
17 Jul Fovant (home) DCL Sat Div 2
18 Jul Abbotsbury (home) DCL Sun Div 4
19 Jul Youth Cricket Friendly Centenary Celebration Week
20 Jul DCL Representative XI Centenary Celebration Week
21 Jul Cattistock (home) Evening League
22 Jul Presidents XI vs Chairmans XI Centenary Celebration Week
23 Jul Gentleman of Dorset XI Centenary Celebration Week
24 Jul Broadstone II (home) DCL Sat Div 2
25 Jul Robin Smith Select XI (home) Centenary Celebration Week
25 Jul Iwerne Minster (away) DCL Sun Div 4
28 Jul Herrison Youth (home) Evening League
31 Jul Dorchester II (away) DCL Sat Div 2

DRAX HALL YOUR VILLAGE HALL

Pound Per Person Appeal

During July and August the Drax Hall committee are appealing to everyone who lives in the village to give £1 to help to carry out urgent repairs and improvements to your village Hall. We have raised a lot of money already through Open Gardens and the Exhibition and various other fundraisers but we still need more to complete new toilets and disabled access.

Some of you will say what about a new hall, well we still hope that will happen in the future, but it is the future and we are faced with keeping the Drax Hall going until such time.

So please if you have ever been to a concert or belong to any of the village groups and organisations that use the hall, if you have ever visited the hall for any type of event we need your support now, please give a Pound Per Person or more if you can afford it. Send your donations to the Secretary Alison Bennett 3, Rye Hill Close, Bere Regis Cheques over £5 payable to the Drax Hall or put your money in the donation tins in the hall, it will be open on Monday and Friday mornings from 10 am until 12 noon.

Your Village Hall Needs your Help!
**Elections**

The election for Purbeck District Council held on June 10th produced no net change with the following results.

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**Surgery**

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turberville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and in the Bloxworth Village Club from 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. If you have any questions or queries related to the business of Purbeck District Council please come along. If anyone wants to contact me and cannot get to the surgery my email address is peterwharf@hotmail.com.

Peter Wharf, District Councillor
BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

Cricket Results

25 Apr
Weekend Friendly
MOORDOWN II 126 for 9
BERE REGIS 130 for 7
(M Price 48, N Cheeseman 20)

3 May
NSA Dorset Cricket League Sunday Div. 4
BERE REGIS 151 for 5
(M Tatchell 71no, R Fripp 32)
BRANKSOME 154 for 1

9 May
NSA Dorset Cricket League Saturday Div. 2
BERE REGIS 176 for 8
(A Kent 37, D Merritt 41, N Carruthers 20)
CATTISTOCK 166 allout
(C Oram 5-28, D Rogerson 4-41)

10 May
NSA Dorset Cricket League Sunday Div. 4
BERE REGIS 214 for 7
(D Scott 77, M Tatchell 48, P Fripp 22)
POOLE TOWN II 167 allout
(G Elphinstone-Davis 3-10)

12 May
Dorchester & Dist Evening League Knockout Cup Round 1
ST. GEORGES 103 for 8
(S Cheeseman 2-13, P Fripp 2-27)
BERE REGIS 72 allout
(G Price 23)

15 May
NSA Dorset Cricket League Saturday Div. 2
Well another R.o.g.s outing has come and gone and what a fantastic turnout we had with 27 members and 1 guest, the fight to get amongst the medals would be tough and so it proved to be. Crane Valley Golf Club did us proud with a superb course and a wonderful meal which everybody enjoyed. I for one will certainly look forward to playing there again.

There were three near pin prizes on offer. The Captain in his generosity put up 2 prizes. The first was for nearest the pin on the 119yd 6th hole which was won by Paul Ebsworth. The 2nd prize was for the longest drive on the par 5 14th hole, won with a mammoth drive by John Ruskin. Jim Corbin sponsored the nearest the pin 16th hole - won by Shane Mooney. The nearest the pin third shot, on a par 5, was won by Martin Debenham.

We had two new members join us at Crane Valley - Mike Cristford and Bob Gordon and I would like to welcome them both to the Society.

In third place, on the day, with a superb score of 38pts was the Captain and in second place also on 38 pts was Tom Crabtree - Tom getting 2nd place on a count back. However, in first place, making his ROGS debut, was Bob Gordon with 39pts. Well done to all that took part.

A big thank you must also go to Guy Storey for sorting out the order of play on the day which turned out to be a bit of shambles. I can’t thank him enough for that and in future there will not be an order of play list. Each member will be expected to be at the venue well in advance of the first tee time to find out their playing group and start time.

I look forward to seeing you all at Came Down on the 25th of June. The first tee time is 11.00 a.m. Please be there early.

Many thanks.
Golf Days held every month, usually the last Friday, from March through to October. New members are invited to join.

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Wow! Most of last month lived up to its ‘flaming June’ reputation and many of us will have taken time out to enjoy the sunny Dorset countryside. What a beautiful part of God’s creation we live in! As I’m writing these notes two events have raised the temperature somewhat in addition to the weather. The European Elections held a few shocks and perhaps more than a wake-up call for our politicians. I look forward to our new MEP’s for the South West representing the interests of this part of the world in a Europe, which seems to have lost its way!

The other big event last month was the Euro 2004 Football competition, which saw a boisterous English Team cruelly beaten literally in the last kick of their opening game against France. It just goes to show that you have to concentrate especially on those extra minutes of a game. I hope that by the time you read this England, win or lose, will have acquitted themselves well in the competition.

But back to the weather and particularly the Sun. Just take in these facts for a moment. The sun is the source of virtually all of the Earth’s energy. Yet the Earth receives only half a billionth of the energy that leaves the Sun. The Sun is 1,306,000 times the volume of the Earth. Its surface temperature is about 10,000 degrees F and its temperature at the core is about 27 million degrees F. A ray of light travels at about 186,282 miles per second and takes about 8 minutes 19 seconds to reach the Earth. It emits not only light rays but X-rays and radio waves. The Sun is far too hot for an Earth-type chemical reaction like burning to occur on its surface. If that were the case it would have used up all its fuel for burning a long time ago. Scientists now agree that thermo-nuclear reactions are the source of solar energy. Each second the Sun converts about 700 million tons of hydrogen into helium with 4 or 5 million tons of this being released as energy.

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‘Badge Making’ once again proved to be very popular with the young membership. On May 25th everyone had an opportunity to make at least two badges each, using a photograph or drawing of their own or in some cases by cutting something out of a magazine. Altogether fifty badges were produced with the most popular designs being a pop star or footballer.

Due to a change of night, ‘Outdoor Games’ were held on Wednesday 9th June instead of the ‘Connect Challenge’ due to have taken place on the evening before. Fortunately, rain that had started to fall a half an hour prior to the start soon passed over to leave a dry evening. This was just as well as the legion clubroom would not have been available on that evening. Various team games were held including Rounders and Tag but as no one brought a football, a first I do believe, there was no football.

With the continuing hot sunny weather, the Disco planned for the 15th June was postponed, being replaced with football. This proved to be the right move as nearly everyone, save for four, headed outdoors to make the most of the glorious evening. At club closing time, everyone was still actively playing away and did not even want to go home when their parents arrived to collect them.

22nd June is the date of the first ever ‘Bin-Bag Challenge’, this will involve members in producing an article of clothing using a maximum of two bin-bags and some sticky tape. The climax will be a fashion parade in order to show off the various creations.

To end off the month there is a ‘Wet Games Night’ on the 29th June, as the title suggests, everyone is sure to get very, very wet indeed. If the weather continues to be hot and sunny, I am sure no one is going to complain. The evening will involve team races where members will be required to carry water bombs and buckets of water; they will also have sponges to transfer the water to measuring containers.

Looking ahead to July and August there will be a Barbecue, Outdoor Fun and Games, Circus Skills and much, much more.

Terry Vine    Youth Leader           Tele: 01929 471693

Help and Care have confirmed their commitment to continue to provide a popular repairs service for older people. This follows Help the Aged’s recent announcement that they will be terminating their agreement for this joint venture.

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Naturally, we are disappointed that Help the Aged is unable to continue its support but Help and Care is committed to its future. We are investigating alternative sources of funding and have ambitious plans to develop this valuable community service to assist the increasing numbers of older people in the county”.

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**AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 50’S CLUB**

The Club had a lovely day on their day trip to Sidmouth with 48 members travelling.

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Further information or enquiries should be made to Mark Magee, chair of the Village Hall Management Committee, on 01305 854220 or jamaam2@tiscali.co.uk. Members of the press who wish to be involved in this weekend are particularly welcomed to make contact.

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Golden Jubilee Weekend

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On Friday 16th July there will be an open air concert on the recreation field, supported by local employer the UK AEA, featuring the London-based salsa band Coco Xpress. On Saturday afternoon, various organisations around the village, most notably the Village School and Village Football Team, will be holding a Village Fete and Car Boot Sale. On the Saturday evening, the Winfrith Drama Group will play host to a Murder Mystery in the Village Hall. The weekend is rounded off on Sunday 18th July with an Open Gardens and Cream Teas event, an open air church service, the annual cricket match between the Church XI and the Village Club and a Hog Roast.

Winfrith Newburgh Village Hall is a registered charity and some of the proceeds of the weekend will go to the Hall’s funds. However, the other organisations taking part in the fete on the Saturday will take all profits from their own stalls and entertainments for their own uses.

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1st July  Performance Pieces
15th July  Performance Pieces
22nd July  Competition Entries and Party
2nd September  Rehearsal – Performer of the Year

Summer Activity Programme

We are running the Summer Activity Programme again this year at the Pop In Place for children aged 5 to 16 years. Details are as follows:

6th August  Friday  Fun with Fitness  Sylvia Spurdle
13th August  Friday  Art Attack  Alison Bennett
20th August  Friday  Street Dance  Annabel Canaven
27th August  Friday  Instant Theatre  Word in Action

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The Pop In Place – Open Gardens Event

Come along to the Open Gardens Event which offers a variety of different types of garden throughout the village. The event is on Sunday 18th July and runs from 10.00am until 4.00pm.

Programmes will be available, at a cost of £2-50 per adult (children free), from the Drax Hall in North Street.

There will be a Grand Prize Draw raffle with a splendid range of prizes. Tickets for the raffle will be on sale in the Drax Hall and the prize draw will take place at 3.30pm.

Refreshments will be available throughout the day at the Drax Hall.

This event is organised by the Pop In Place project team but all hall users will benefit as the proceeds will be donated to the Drax Hall. Any donations of cake(s) would be most welcome on the Sunday morning. All offers of help on the Tea Rota would be most welcome.

Pop In Place Poppets – Baby and Toddler Group

The Poppets Parent/Carer Baby and Toddler Group meet on a Thursday 1.30pm to 3pm. (during term time). This group provides a useful link for young families both as a social occasion and also for friendship. For more information contact Mandy on 472583.