Traditionally, the week after Easter is a time of a little ‘R&R’ for most Vicars. Easter is the busiest and most important of our Church seasons and not just on Easter Day itself. Although we are not about counting numbers of our congregations or ‘bums on pews’ as some call it, I was encouraged by the turnout at our Easter Day services. It was especially encouraging that 25 or so faithful turn-out at Affpuddle at 6.00am to see the gentle sun light up our Easter Dawn, just as Mary experienced when she went to Jesus’ tomb to prepare him for burial. In total more than 200 worshipped with us including many of our children. It shows how much Easter matters and that is a good thing. And for me, perhaps the happiest and most telling moment was when our First School Children in Bere Regis were all in Church on the last day of term and they sang their hearts out ‘Jesus is alive’.

But Easter week – the week after Easter, is a chance to not only reflect on our most holy season, but to re-charge our secular batteries too. It’s a time to take the message of God’s saving grace for every one of us and work out how we apply it to our everyday lives. It’s a week to catch up on some of those really important aspects of life – not that ever mounting pile of paperwork important as some of that is, but renewing and rebuilding our personal relationships with family and friends. Relationships can so easily be neglected when we are so busy, even those relationships closest to us that we so easily take for granted.

The importance of working at and getting our relationships right is the subject of much discussion that I will share with the 15 or so couples I’m preparing for marriage, and planning with them their weddings in our churches this Summer. In my experience just about all of us, in time and often quite quickly, make assumptions about those closest, and nearest and dearest to us. And when we do, we often overlook the other’s needs or sensitivities. It is then that we can feel neglected and as a consequence our relationships suffer, diminishing all of us.

But relationships are not just important at the intimate level, for we are all...
interdependent; we need and rely on each other. For the way we relate and care about each reflects the way we care about our community and the wider world.

For me, the joyful message of Easter is that through the Cross and the Empty Tomb Jesus is indeed alive in our hearts and minds and we want him alive in all our relationships.

With love and prayers

A PLEA FROM THE EDIT

Occasionally, I receive telephone messages from would be advertisers or contributors, who express frustration at not being able to speak with me in person, if they call during the day. A couple of instances recently have resulted in a degree of rudeness and inappropriate comments being made.

I would respectfully ask callers to please be patient if they are having difficulty in making contact and to bear in mind that my efforts to produce this magazine each month are done totally in my spare time and on a voluntary basis, as I have a demanding and very full time job. If messages are left, or e-mails sent, I will try to reply within a few days (unless I am away on business or on holiday) and I always do what I can to offer the very best possible service. Your forbearance would be much appreciated.

If there is anyone who would like to volunteer to share some of this responsibility and who can be available to take calls during the day, then I would be delighted to hear from them.

Alison Debenham 01929 471780

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September
7th Gardening Club—Harvest Supper 7.00 p.m.
11th PiP Performer of the Year, Drax Hall
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.

October
5th Gardening Club—Pat Haskells - Knoll Gardens 2.00 p.m.
9th PiP Jumble Sale, Drax Hall
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.

Church website: www.bereregisiswithaffpuddle.org.uk
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May
4th Gardening Club - Mr Tinsley - Underwater Off the Dorset Coast
12th Autumn Leaves, Talk on Air Ambulance, Drax Hall 2.30 p.m.
14th Fork Supper with Pat and John House at West Court 7.00 p.m.

June
1st Gardening Club—Mark Read - Vegetables
6th Briantspuddle Open Gardens
8th PIP Village Quiz, Drax Hall 7.30 p.m.
9th Autumn Leaves, Tour to Sidmouth 10.00 a.m.
19th Bere Regis Church Garden Party
26th Affpuddle Church fete

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
30th Vicarage BBQ

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

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### BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS

#### Bere Regis Sidesmen
- **2nd May**: 9.15 Mr House / Mr Bates
- 6.00 Mrs Jutting
- **9th May**: 11.00 Mrs March / Mrs England
- **16th May**: 9.15 Mr Smith / Mr Croom
- 6.00 Mr Woodward
- **23rd May**: 11.00 Miss Miller
- **30th May**: 3.00 Joint Service at Bere Heath Chapel

#### Bere Regis Evensong Readers
- **2nd May**: Mrs Jutting
- **16th May**: Mrs Lewis

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### Sanctuary Flower Guild
- **2nd May**: Mrs J Herring / Mrs J Kinahan
- **9th/16th May**: Mrs J Clifford / Mrs H Loxton
- **23rd/30th May**: Mrs N Gibson / Mrs B Griffin

### Guides
- Unit suspended

### Kingsbere Quilters
- 1st Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. Drax Hall

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

### Mobile Library
- Every Friday alternately 11.15 a.m. - 12.35 p.m. and 3.15 p.m. – 4.25 p.m. – Car Park

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

### Parish Council
- 7.00 p.m. 2nd Thursday, Drax Hall
- Sub-committees on Post Office notice board

### Playgroup Bere Regis
- Five mornings, Bere Regis School - Tel: 01305 848792  Wednesday/Thursday PM

### Pip Squeaks
- A musical youth group. Thursday (except 2nd)
- 6.00 p.m. - Drax Hall

### Pop in Place
- 10.00 a.m.- 12.00 Mondays and Fridays, Drax Hall

### Purbeck Singles social group
- Contact Roy Winder – 01929 471456

### Pop in Place Poppets
- 1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. Thursdays Drax Hall

### Rainbows
- 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. Mondays, Royal British Legion

### RBL Gardening Club
- 8.00 p.m. 1st Tuesday, Club House. - Elaine 471774

### ROGS Golf Society
- Golf days, last Friday in month – March to October. Contact Guy Storey for further details – 471041

### Scouts (10½-15 yrs)
- 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Mondays, Scout HQ

### Swimming Club
- Teaching sessions - Saturdays 6.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m, Blandford L. C. Bob Holman, 01305 848262

### Toddler Group
- 1.30 p.m. Mondays, Congregational Church

### Tuesday Club
- A social afternoon 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. every Tuesday at Turberville Court. All welcome

### Twinning Association
- Contact Ruth Draycott - 471295 for all activities

### Venture Scouts (15-20yrs)
- 8.00 p.m. - 10.00 p.m. Wednesdays, Scout HQ

### Village Scrapbook
- Jenny Silavs – 471577
**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

**Parish Council Meeting day**
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
Juniors 7.15 – 8.30 p.m. Seniors 7.15 – 10.00 p.m.

**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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CHURCH SERVICES IN MAY

Sunday 2nd May – Fourth Sunday of Easter (Easter 3)
8.00am Holy Communion            Affpuddle
9.15am Parish Communion           Bere Regis
11.00am Mattins & Shortened Communion Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong                   Bere Regis

Sunday 9th May – Fifth Sunday of Easter (Easter 4)
Christian Aid Week begins
8.00am Holy Communion          Bere Regis
9.15am Parish Communion        Affpuddle
11.00am Family Service – ‘Pets Service’ Bere Regis
1.00pm Holy Baptism            Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong                Affpuddle

Sunday 16th May – Sixth Sunday of Easter (Easter 5)
Rogation Sunday
8.00am Holy Communion           Affpuddle
9.15am Parish Communion for Rogationtide Bere Regis
11.00am Family Communion        Affpuddle
6.00pm Evensong                 Bere Regis

Sunday 23rd May – Sunday after Ascension (Easter 6)
8.00am Holy Communion            Bere Regis
9.15pm Parish Communion          Affpuddle

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**Sunday 30th May – Pentecost (Whit Sunday)**
8.00am Holy Communion
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9.15pm Benefice Communion
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3.00pm Churches Together Service
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**Sunday 6th June – Trinity Sunday**
8.00am Holy Communion
9.15am Parish Communion
11.00am Mattins & Shortened Communion
6.00pm Evensong

**Baptisms**
At St Laurence, Affpuddle:
Oscar William Charles Lewis on 11th April

At St John the Baptist Bere Regis:
Erin Mary Beck, Matthew Dalton Beck, and Ryan John Beck, on 4th April
Kayla India Rolls, on 11th April
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or write to Heatherdown, Brockhill, Bere Regis, BH20 7NH.

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN

A huge thank you to the nineteen or so people who very kindly gave their free time to come and help with the Spring Clean of our church in Bere Regis on the morning of Saturday 3rd April.

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Mr D Miller, No 4

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Please contact Gordon Phillips for details – 471525

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** Mothers’ Union **

The April meeting was held at Turverville Court on the 7th April. Ian opened with a prayer. Apologies for non-attendance were received from Eileen Bangay, Mary Fegan, Aileen Ives and Betty King.

The guest speaker was Mrs Winifred Alford who gave us a personal journey in Sudan (with slides). It was very moving and gave us an insight how extremely poor the people were.

The next meeting will be on the 5th May at 7.30pm in Turverville Court when the speaker will be Mrs Pam Montgomerie giving a talk about Mothers’ Union Holidays.

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The stops which affect the Parish are as follows:-
Briantspuddle Cross Roads 14.30 to 14.55, Bladen Valley War Memorial 15.00 to
15.15. Affpuddle by the Church Wall 15.25 to 15.40.

April meeting
At the April meeting of the Parish Council the following business was discussed.
Commander de Burgh provided an update on the progress of the Parish Plan. The
consultation period had now come to an end and the final document would be
passed to the District Council prior to publishing in June or July.
There had not been a great deal of progress with the highway repairs. The Clerk
would make further enquiries.
The Council considered three planning applications for alterations and extensions to 3 Briantspuddle. There
were no objections to the internal repairs. The Council raised objections to the external alterations on the
grounds that it altered the character of the building and was out of keeping with the original listed
building.
County Councillor Malcolm Shakesby reported on County Council matters. The Council was informed that the improvements to the A351 was back in the Dorset Structure Plan.
The Council heard that the problems with the road drainage on the Bladen Valley
road had been investigated and a report was awaited.
The next meeting of the Council, The Annual Statutory Meeting, would be held on
Wednesday 12th May 2004 at 7.00 p.m. in Briantspuddle Village Hall.

THANK YOU
I should like to express my very sincere thanks to all those who attended Jan's funeral at Affpuddle Church in January and who gave so generously towards the
two nominated charities. Fortuneswell Cancer Trust and the Dorset Wildlife Trust. I believe they are both very deserving causes.

Graham Hopkins.
Thank you to all the flower arrangers who decorated the church for Easter. After the Lenten starkness the church looked beautiful when it had been decorated with daffodils, and other Spring flowers.

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March meeting
At the March meeting of the Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle Parish Council the following business was discussed.

Commander de Burgh reported on the progress of the Parish Plan. Contact was waited from Mrs. Miles of Dorset County Council Highways Department regarding the flooding problems. No progress had been made by either the By Pass contractors or Dorset County Council in clearing away the redundant tree guards.

Arrangements had been made to transfer the Parish Council bank account from Portman Building Society to Barclays Bank. The Portman Account would be closed at the end of the current financial year and the Barclays account would start to be used in April 2004.

The Council considered a planning application for improvements to Best Berry Briantspuddle. It was proposed that the application be recommended for approval on condition that the front porch be removed as Council considered this to be inappropriate to the character of the cottage.

A grant had been received in respect of tree work at 21 Affpuddle. Planning Application 2003/0378 Residential development at land at Redbridge Pits had been withdrawn.

Authority was given to pay accounts due at 17th March 2004. Various items of correspondence were noted. The conclusion of audit had been received and in accordance with legal requirements had been displayed on the notice board.

The Clerk notified the Council that an item would be included in the April magazine concerning the procedure to be followed by those organisations who wished to be considered for a grant of money in 2004/05.

Mr. Buck reported on drainage problems in Bladen Valley.

Mobile Library Service Review
Dorset County Council have asked that the new timetable should be publicised in the Parish Magazine.

The new timetable will be effective from the week beginning 7th June 2004.

The Parish Library Day is Friday every fortnight and the
Membership fees were due on 1st March. As from 1st April the membership fees are £6.50 and £5.50 for OAPs. £4.40 Junior includes registration.

Newspapers and magazines are still being collected for charity. This year’s charity is the Joseph Weld Hospice. Last year (until February 2004) £600 was raised for Cancer Care Dorset and £500 for the Macmillan Nurses.

On Saturday 8th May we are holding a Coffee Morning in the Village Hall to raise funds for work needed on our windows. Please try to support this event and all the usual stalls.

On Saturday 15th May we have a social evening in the club dedicated to our founder Member — George Poore. If you would like to attend this, please phone me on 01258 837267.

The Horticultural show is on Saturday 7th August, so please get growing your veg and flowers.

The Village Quiz on 24th March was won by James and Sheila Pearce and friends. Eleven teams of four took part and an enjoyable evening was had by everyone. Thanks to Ian, Margaret and Steph for setting this year’s quiz. Good luck to James and Sheila with next year’s.

Sue Jeanes
The April meeting discussed the condition of the Board Walk where a section has become defective. The repair is to be arranged by the District Council and will entail closure for a period as clearly the supports to the walkway are deteriorating. The Council is aware that the surface can be slippery in wet weather and thus asks walkers to take care. We have tried various methods to improve the safety but without success, therefore please take care.

The Library service is to be increased from June. In addition to the present service there will be a session on Saturday mornings each week. Details are available from the mobile library.

Mention has been made before in this column of the booklet describing the Village Conservation Area. For those persons who would like to obtain a copy, they should contact the Planning Department of Purbeck District Council. The cost is £10.00 plus postage. It is a very good book and sits very comfortably beside Mr Pitfield's Book of Bere Regis.

As I write this, the Parish Housing Needs Survey letters are in the final delivery process. A report has been received that responses are beginning to be received by the Rural Housing Enabler, which is very encouraging and makes the effort of getting the letters out very worthwhile. He has written to say that four parishes in Purbeck have undertaken surveys and three were identified as having housing problems. There were a total of thirty six households with such problems as having to leave tied accommodation, homes in poor repair, homes which were too small, mature children unable to afford independence etc. These parishes are now receiving support for the delivery of small schemes to meet parish need. The Joseph Rowntree Foundation report ‘Can work, Can’t buy’ states that 89.6% of first time buyers in Purbeck cannot afford to buy the cheapest housing. Thus the need to carry out a survey. Incidentally if, when you read this, you have failed to respond please do send a response – it is never too late. If you have lost your forms – filed away in the waste bin etc – give me a call for a replacement. (471342).

The Council has noticed that household rubbish is being deposited in the trees on the south side of Elder Road opposite the bottom of Manor Farm Road. We have big enough problems with keeping the street clean so we ask that whoever is doing it, to please cease doing it.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 13th May at 6.30pm. The early start is to allow for an Address on the proposed Parish Plan. It is hoped...
The 2004 Open Gardens in Briantspuddle will be held on 6th June 2004 from 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. The Hall Committee are asking for keen gardeners to come forward and allow your garden to be included in the gardens which are opened to the public. The gardens can be large or small, neat or weedy with flowers or vegetables. Please contact Jenny Beedle on 01929471002 for further details.

Help is also needed with the car park and in the village hall to help with the catering. Tea and coffee, light lunches and afternoon tea is served throughout the day. Offers of help to Jenny Beedle please.

Jenny Lightfoot is running a plant stall to swell funds for the hall and would welcome contributions of identified plants and fresh fruit and vegetables from the gardens (whether open or not).

The Open Gardens is the Hall Committee’s main annual fund raising event.

Please support it by either visiting the gardens, having tea or lunch in the hall, buying plants or helping with the event itself. Please tell all your friends and family about this super day out.

As I write this the Hall is reeling from the successful exhibition of memorabilia. Alison and Paul Bennett who organised the event are to be congratulated for arranging the most interesting display of photographs and other items. They had a very good team and people were generous in lending them precious pictures of buildings and parish scenes. It was a privilege to be able to share these treasures. However it made one stop and think of the people that we were looking at around the self same cottages that we see today, did not have taps for water, inside toilets or electricity.

The Hall funds benefited considerably from this event by nearly £750. This is a very welcome addition at a time when we must make improvements to the Hall.

Our village school goes from strength to strength! Following a review of the school by the Local Education Authority it was noted by the visiting Inspector that "the school is improving and developing very well due to the very good leadership of the headteacher and deputy headteacher. This ensures that pupils’ progress is kept under regular review. The school is forward thinking and provides a wide range of excellent opportunities. The developing expertise in ICT is impressive. Pupils with special educational needs made excellent progress throughout the school."

We are pleased that the hard work and dedication of all our staff and pupils has again been recognised. In national tests in 2003 pupils attained standards in reading which were well above average and in writing and mathematics above average. The performance of pupils in reading and writing was amongst the best within the family group of schools deemed similar, i.e. Dorset first schools with similar social backgrounds.

But Bere Regis School is not just about excellence in the basic skills it is about giving all the children experiences that develop interests, positive attitudes and expertise in an interesting and challenging way.

that all organisations in the village will be represented as it is intended to form a Parish Plan Committee from this meeting.

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Our Year 4 children enjoyed a four day residential visit to 3D near Weymouth. They participated in a range of problem solving and outdoor education activities that included archery, abseiling, quad biking and rock climbing. Every child has come back with a sense of achievement and a determination to continue developing their new talents and taking on new challenges.

We have recently completed a Science Week at school. Each day the children’s work was based around a scientific theme and they used all their senses to explore each theme. Literacy, Maths, PE, Design Technology, History, Geography, Art and RE were all covered during the week through the chosen themes. A highlight of the week was a visit to a Science Fair, set up by the Cluster Schools Science Co-ordinators, at Bovington First School. The children were given a range of short investigations to follow including working with magnets, electrical components and balloon rockets!

On Friday 19th March the school helped put another entry into the Guinness Book of Records by taking part in the reading of Wordsworth’s “I wandered lonely as a cloud.....” poem. The record attempt was in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care and we raised £45.50 for this very worthy cause. Well done children and many thanks to all who supported us.

Our school is very concerned about the increase in traffic on Rye Hill, particularly at coming to school and going home time. Local MP Annette Brooke recently visited before school and was concerned by what she experienced. It is hoped that she will be able to use her influence to improve matters.

The Summer Term promises to be an exciting one with lots of events planned. The whole school will be going on a visit to Kingston Lacey. It is hoped that the pre-school children, who will be starting in September, will be able to join us.

June 28th- July 9th is Fitness Fortnight. It will be two weeks of health and fitness activities that include a visit from the Life Education Centre (30th June), Sports Day (7th July) and our Summer Fair (3rd July). Most activities during the week will be out of doors.

Ted and Pat Steele, wish to express their heartfelt thanks to all of those who sent cards and congratulatory messages to the occasion of our Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Also to the immediate family who organised a party for family and friends. This was held at the Royal British Legion club, where food was in abundance and a blind raffle was held and the proceeds evenly split between the club and the Meningitis Trust. Once again, many thanks to all concerned.
The Annual General Meeting of the Briantspuddle Hall Committee will be held on Thursday 20th May 2004 in Briantspuddle Village Hall. All residents within the Parish are welcome. Reports will be given on the progress with the repairs and renovations and the financial situation. The Committee for 2004/05 will be elected at this meeting.

Note to all the organisations represented on the Committee please make sure that your organisation is represented on the management committee.

Philippa Thorniley

Briantspuddle Hall Committee News

100 Club
I was very fortunate and managed to sell all 100 numbers by the end of March. Thank you to everyone who bought the numbers and good luck. £400 has already been squirreled away in the National Savings Investment account together with the profit from the Artsreach events and the Valentine’s Supper.

Shakespeare’s Other Anne
64 tickets were sold. Richard Derrington gave a moving and masterly performance of the old Shakespeare reminiscing about his past loves and life on the day when Queen Elizabeth I died. The play was entertaining, moving and very well acted. after all the expenses were paid £58 was raised for hall funds.

Please note that the Village Hall will be used as a Polling Station for the European Elections on Thursday 10th June 2004. Regular bookers have been notified. Use as a polling station takes priority over all other bookings.

Monday 3rd May 2004
Open Day
to celebrate our third anniversary. Please join us for tea and cake between 10 am and 5 pm and see our wide selection of perennials, patio plants and shrubs.

Children very welcome, free bouncy castle and rabbits to feed.

Robin and Penny Pitcher
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01929 471661
Open Tuesday to Sunday
10.00 am to 5.00 pm
Electronic Government

For the third year in succession we have successfully bid for a Government grant designed to improve our Computer systems. This year we have been granted £350K which will be used (amongst many other things) to replace our Accounts System which is now not capable of producing the statistics and outputs required of the Government. Also we are investing in a Planning system which will allow the public to view all Planning applications (and associated objections) on-line via the Council’s web site. This should become operational by the autumn. All of these developments would not have been possible without the grant which can not be used for any other purposes. I continue to Chair the Group responsible for selecting, steering and monitoring these developments.

Licensing

New legislation will come in to force later on this year (probably October) which will transfer responsibility for alcohol and entertainments licenses from the Magistrates Courts to local Councils. This will involve a huge new workload for the Council and for Councillors – especially in October when we expect most soccer stars can play a bit of football as well when they put their minds to it. The sum total of this smorgasbord of talent certainly showed Broadstone the way with three delicious goals and a dash of football mixed in. Sean Pettitt and Earle Dacre chipped in with one each, whilst Britney decided that he had tired of saving them and, having swapped with Paddles, wandered forward to poach a goal himself.

With one more game left in this mini league of the Cup there is little chance of progressing any further, but this victory has left Bere with something to savour out of the competition.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

For those of you who were wondering what to do with your budding Beckhams, junior Juninhos and growin’ Owens, look no further! Junior football is starting once again from the 1st May on Saturday mornings from 10.30 until 12.00 at Bere Regis Recreation Ground. For the ever so cheap price of £1 a session we can offer qualified coaches, insurance and fun for all. The sessions cater for children ranging from school reception year to Year 5 and this year we have the added bonus that we are looking to start a mini soccer team next season, if there is enough interest in a particular age group. We look forward to seeing you there.....

Youth Cricket

Youth Cricket starts again on Thursday 6th May from 6.30 p.m. until 8.00 p.m.

This is for boys and girls from 8 years and upwards.

Please contact Gordon Tucker for further information on 01929 471882
their mettle against some different faces for once. Twelve good men and true were found at the Rec that morning and, although some had only turned up to watch (serves you right Sweet) they all had a part to play in this thrilling encounter. Despite the lack of Bere’s big guns for the game they still had enough in their armoury to fire off a few shots. They certainly needed a few battle hardened veterans in this game as Broadstone had sharpened their studs especially for the game. The tackles were, like David Beckham, thick and fast and loose and Bere seemed to be the only ones who realised that there was a football there at all. In the end, since Broadstone were kicking everything then the law of averages meant that they would kick the ball at some point and this rare occasion resulted in them taking the lead. Sean Pettitt pegged them back with a classy equaliser but Broadstone edged ahead once again. Texas Tom was on hand to save the day, though, to salvage a point for Bere and keep some kind of cup hopes alive.

**Bere Regis 0: Hamworthy Lions 3 (Cup)**

This season, Bere have seen more of the Lions than a Longleat park keeper. With both sides missing key personnel, though, this was the closest encounter yet and, if the manager had not been let down at the last minute once again, we may have had a close encounter of Steven Spielberg proportions. As it was, Bere had their own UFO (Unidentified Footballing Object) on the pitch, utilising one player whose scuffing days were thought to be long gone. Sometimes, however, the wise head is needed and it certainly helped the youngsters put in a creditable performance that had the Lions rattled. The defeat may mean that Bere are out of this Cup competition, but it is ironic that such a show of pride would be against the Lions.

**Bere Regis 3: Broadstone Cons 2 (Cup)**

A deserved victory against Broadstone may not be enough to progress Bere any further in this Cup competition, but it will certainly give them encouragement for next season. Once again, the stalwarts were there to give their all and this week they got their reward. Youngsters like Nick White, Al Moore, Tom Bennett and Pete Macklin have shown this season that they can compete with the big boys. Old hands like Kev Cox, Dean and Adam Rogerson, Earle Dacre and Wayne Cope have proved that last year was not just a flash in the pan. Old, old big hands like Paddles has shown that there is life in the old dog yet and last but not least, the obligatory US keeper that most teams now seem to favour, Kevin ‘Britney’ Speers, has shown us that Licensees to apply for their new licence at the same time. There will be a much greater degree of freedom for Licensees with the opportunity to apply for considerably greater hours of opening, applying for the whole year - but with the final decision on precisely when they wish to open up to them. As the new legislation envisages much longer opening hours we expect a few minor issues at the outset. I have been asked to Chair the new Licensing Committee which will oversee all applications, except those in my own patch.

**Surgery**

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turbeville 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

**A TREAT FOR CARERS**

As part of Carers Week in June 2004, Help and Care, the voluntary organisation on the side of carers and older people, is arranging a day out for carers who live in Dorset. This will take place on Wednesday 16 June 2004 at the prestigious National Trust House, Kingston Lacy near Wimborne from 1030am until 4pm. Kingston Lacy was built during the 17th Century and has a superb collection of paintings as well as marble and wood carvings. Lovely gardens, including a sunken garden, fernery and woodland walks will be a treat to wander around on a fine summer’s day. There is a picnic area, restaurant and a shop and you can buy plants too! Each carer, upon payment of only £1, will gain FREE entrance to the house and garden, a free written guide to the house, and a food voucher for £3.50 which will help pay for some refreshments on the day. Help with respite care and transport can also be arranged.

To qualify you must live in Dorset (not Bournemouth or Poole) and be a carer that is someone who, without payment, regularly helps a disabled, ill or frail relative, friend or neighbour who is unable to take care of all their own needs.

For more information or to apply for a ticket please contact Help and Care
896 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth BH7 6DL Tel 0102 432288
Email info@helpandcare.org.uk
May 2004

Bere Regis 2: Allendale 3 (Cup)

Gutted! Absolutely completely gutted! More gutted than a haddock at a fishmongers’ convention! More gutted than a Sumo wrestler in a pie eating competition! A season that promised so much has ended in disappointment at the hands of an Allendale team brimming with talent. As that famous old sage John Cleese once remarked ‘It’s not the despair that’s killing me….it’s the hope!’ and, unfortunately, that is precisely what this Bere Regis team keeps giving us. A 2-0 lead at half time gave us hope. Wayne Cope had latched onto a towering goal kick from Dave Ramsey and poached a goal out of nothing. Rob White had been bundled over in the box and Shaun Cope had rifled the penalty into the top corner. Hope was springing all over the place.

Then came the second half. Admittedly, Allendale had a force six at their backs but Bere had handled this kind of pressure before with no problems and for the first fifteen minutes the story looked the same. Then a catalogue of errors starting with a mix up between defence and keeper for a corner and ending with a missed clearance from that corner and Allendale had grabbed a goal and a lifeline. Sensing blood, Allendale brought on a couple of substitutes who were obviously used to playing in a higher league and soon they were rampant. The equaliser came soon afterwards as a long free kick fell kindly to an Allendale player whose miss-hit shot somehow squirmed under Dave Ramsey and crawled into the net. By now, Bere’s morale had sunk lower than a snake’s belly button and it was no surprise when Allendale took the lead with a looping header from a wicked curling cross. There was still a little fight left in some of the players as they strived for an equaliser, but apart from a tricky header from Andy that flew high over the bar Bere had few chances. As the saying goes, Bere were left with two hopes, Bob Hope and no hope and Bob has just left town.

Yet another season passes by with no trophies to show, yet this season Bere came within touching distance of a place in the final. Maybe next year……
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Our new Captain for the season 2004 is Mr. Russell (Bobber) White and he has chosen all of this year’s golfing venues. His first venue as captain was Knighton Heath where £130,000 has been spent on renewing all the bunkers and slightly readjusting the course. True to our luck the fine weather came out and 21 R.O.G.S members tee’d off for the G.R.S. Architects trophy.

There was some money left in the kitty from last years 2’s competition which was shared (£49) between Shaun Brady and - wait for it! - Russell French! Yes Russ also won nearest the pin on the 11th. Our captain also had nearest the pin on the 190yd third. Shane Mooney won the longest drive on the 10th.

Martin Debenham came 3rd, in the day’s competition with Gordy Tucker 2nd, and Brian Witten 1st. with 40 points.

Brian joined our society last March and won on his first outing with us at Rushmore Park, the G.R.S. Architects trophy with 40 points! His stamina must be stronger in the spring.

We welcome new members this season Geoff Adams, Bob Gordon, Dean Merritt, John Pitts and John Ruskin. We now have 33 members and if you would like to join then please call Guy Storey on 01929 471041.

Next month we play the Pairs competition for the Jim Corbin Cup at Bulbury Woods on the 30th. April .S,ith thee then.

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and Miller was there to pick up the pieces. In fact, Bere came closest to scoring as that perennial goal hound Shaun Cope forced the keeper into an error and toe poked it past him, only to see the ball rebound off the post.

Bere’s win puts them on target for the semis, with two more wins needed to guarantee a place in the final. Stickland should be the required lambs to the slaughter next week, but with an injury and suspensions list growing faster than Neal Percy’s hair nothing is guaranteed…..

**Slickland Utd 1: Bere Regis 6 (Cup)**

Despite being Moorseless and Percyless, Bere still managed a convincing win against the bottom of the league to take them within touching distance of the final. The game was over as a contest within the first five minutes when Bere soon opened up a 2-0 lead. Stickland’s keeper was shakier than an alzheimers’ convention, spilling two simple pickups for first Andy then Wayne to take advantage. Stickland glimpsed some light with a 25-yard floater that found the top corner, but Bere’s defence soon pulled the shutters down on that hope and Wayne once again found his shooting boots on his favourite ground to pick up his first hat trick of the season. A bit of opportunism near the Teflon keeper gifted him a second, then Rob White tempted yet another defender into a rash challenge (will they never learn!) and Wayne dispatched the penalty for his third.

The second half was more of a procession than a contest as Bere piled on the pressure and a couple more goals to improve their goal difference, should it be needed. A highly dubious goal from Shaun Cope certainly caused some fun and games early on. Despite the linesman’s flag being raised again the referee, quite rightly, adjudged Shaun onside and whilst all players stopped (including Shaun) a quick bellow of encouragement from Rob White urged Shaun to play on and hammer the ball in between the keeper and his near post. Bedlam ensued from the Stickland players, yet the referee stood firm and Bere were 5-1 ahead, Bere were now in cruise control, allowing the likes of Spivey and Rogerson to try their luck at a couple of corners only to slink back with a couple of headers that troubled some cows in a nearby field more than the keeper. Shaun Cope had the final word as he won a sprint with the keeper and looped the final goal of the game perfectly into the goal from fully 25 yards out.

Two wins out of two and Bere have only to beat Allendale next week for a place in the final. Unfortunately, Allendale have already inflicted Bere’s worst defeat of the season and have all the potential to do it again. Those of a nervous disposition look away now.......
Aaah...the magic of the cup. In competitions like this form means nothing and so it was proved by Bere scraping a victory despite having knocked ten goals past this team already this season. The conditions may have had something to do with this as well, on a day more blustery than John Prescott getting a parking ticket; both teams struggled to master the gale force wind. Bere played with the wind at their backs in the first half, hoping to pile on the goals and have a trouble free second half. Handley had not read the script, though, and were soon coming up with their own, a horror film with plenty of gore...rating XXXX! First Coxxy was knocked out of the game with a thigh high tackle that turned both Kev's leg, and subsequently the air, blue. Worse was to come from a Handley player who had obviously forgotten his medication that morning given his behaviour for most of the half. As Stu Moorse just nicked the ball he was almost sliced in half by the kind of challenge that took us back to the days of Paul Moss, a player who lived by the maxim 'If it moves kick it, if it don't move kick it till it does'. Thankfully, after a quick John Thaw (Inspect 'a' Moorse...do keep up!) no bones were broken but Stu could not continue and Bere were forced into a substitution. Even more thankfully, Bere had already taken the lead by that point. A long throw by the paperboy wonder Al Moorse (all those Sunday supplements certainly make the muscles grow) caused all sorts of problems in the area and the ball fell to the one man who never misses, except when it's his round, Rob White. He duly obliged with a precision header and Bere had that precious goal. Once again chances came and went for Bere. Andy could only find the keeper when clean through and Spivey showed us why he is such a class defender by spooning the ball over the bar from mere yards out, but Bere had the lead at half time and, with the best defence in the league, surely that would be enough.

The answer in the second half was yes, but only just! Naturally the game was pinned in Bere's half by a ferocious wind, but Handley could not breach the ramparts of a defence safer than Gordon Brown's wallet. Despite a reshuffle at half time due to Kev's injury, the back four of Spivey, Rogerson, Moorse and Miller limited Handley to two chances in the half, just to keep Dave Ramsey interested in goal. One chance in particular he had to become very interested in when the Handley forward was clean through, but Dave neatly whipped the ball off his toes.
Bere Regis Fire and Rescue Service are holding an Open Evening on Tuesday 4th May 2004 at 7.00pm.

This is a follow on from our recruitment campaign that was held recently in the village.

We look forward to seeing you all, most of all, any possible new recruits.

Kev Pickering, Temporary Station Commander

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CANCER RESEARCH UK

Barbecue and Promises Auction
Saturday 3rd July 2004
at
Honeycombe Cottage,
because they are feeding their minds and emotions on moral junk food. Ask yourself where your values and standards come from. Are they influenced by a daily dose of TV soaps, or the Jerry Springer Show or the latest sexy revelations in the press about Posh and Becks? If they are, God lovingly says to you and me – “GET A LIFE!”

If you are feeding your mind on the lowest moral common denominator through films, DVDs etc., then you will certainly aggravate spiritual heart disease – a condition that will separate you from the One who has the answer to your spiritual needs. In His beatitudes discourse, Jesus said, “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they will be filled.” Being righteous simply means being in a right relationship with God. The psalmist wrote, “as the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs for You.”

Deep down inside I think most of us have an inbuilt desire to know our Maker and Creator. But few act upon that desire. May I suggest three ways you can take that step further? First, get in the right supply of spiritual food – start reading God’s Word, the Bible. Secondly, try to engage in a little spiritual exercise – prayer – on a regular daily basis. And thirdly – why not enlist in a spiritual fitness club (sometimes known as chapels and churches!) for some regular sessions. It could change you life!

May you know God’s health in your hearts

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You are what you eat!

As we welcome the month of May many of us in the village will no doubt be boldly venturing out into the fresh air in an attempt to get our exercise regime back on track. Now I’m sure there are some hale and hearty types reading this who have been venturing out in all weathers. But I belong to those lesser mortals who have led a relatively sedentary life during the winter months. My leg muscles reminded me of this when I returned from the Good Friday Walk of Witness up Black Hill.

There are two main areas that can affect our level of fitness - diet and exercise. Recent media reports have highlighted that our children in the UK are heading the same way as their peers in America. Obesity is a time bomb waiting to explode in later years. Certainly diabetes and heart disease are an increasing price we are apparently prepared to pay for eating so-called ‘convenience’ food – junk food to you and me. There is nothing wrong with possessing a healthy appetite – indeed it is often a good indicator of our general health. But that appetite needs to be trained to eat food that will do our bodies good. The saying “you are what you eat” has an element of truth in it.

But God’s Word, the Bible, takes a “whole-istic” approach to the subject of appetite. How easy it is to become so obsessed with our bodies that we forget God has given us an eternal soul that needs nurturing with the right kind of diet. Many today are suffering from what has been described as ‘truth decay’.
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BERE REGIS YOUTH ‘LENNY’S’

The Carpet Bowls Competition held on the 23rd March resulted in a close contest. After the doubles matches the scores were level with two wins a piece, so the points score in each match were added up to arrive at the winning team. This resulted in a win for the team captained by Sam Cotton with Scott McCowen, Kelly Cummins, Terri Eaton, Samuel Unsworth, Tom Hewitt and Scott Mass on a total of 28 points. The team captained by Daniel Spivey with Craig Cummins, Jessica Shaw, Matt Elford, Glen Hewitt, Aaron Gale and Daniel McCowen finishing second on a creditable 20 points.

On the 30th the members tried their hand at ‘Test Your Senses’, with each member in turn trying to guess what an item felt, smelt or tasted like. Some careful use of food colourings certainly played havoc with the old taste buds. Even the sense of smell seemed to desert the majority as well, but there was moderate success in the area of touch. The competition winner was Jessica Shaw, with James Adams and Kelly Cumming in joint second place, out of the thirteen who took part in the competition.

With the warmer weather and lighter evenings, the young members enjoyed playing football throughout the evening on the 13th April. There were several matches taking place, all at the same time it seemed, with team members swapping sides whenever the opposition scored. However, everyone kept on the move and that can only have benefited their health, apart from the odd knock or two.

The remainder of April involves a ‘Darts Challenge’ between members on the 20th followed by a ‘Treasure Hunt’ on the 27th when there will be some prizes up for grabs.

In May, the programme includes ‘Outdoor Games’ with Rounders and Football on the 11th, ‘Tee-Shirt Painting’ once again on the 18th. Then on the 25th there will be an opportunity for members to try their hand at ‘Circus Skills’, this is usually good for a laugh or two.

A ‘Connect Challenge’ takes place on 8th June; you know the giant version of connect 4, with a ‘Disco’ planned for the 15th and a ‘Bin Bag Challenge’ on the 22nd. The first half of the club year rounds off with the very popular ‘Wet Games

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Pat House
RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Courtesy of Pat House

Banana and Watercress Salad
This may sound odd but it is very nice with cold pork or chicken.

- 4 bananas
- Juice of half a lemon
- 1 bunch of watercress roughly chopped
- 2 tablespoons soured cream
- 1 tablespoon mayonnaise
- 2 teaspoons single cream
- Salt, cayenne pepper and grated nutmeg

Peel and slice the bananas and put into a bowl, add the lemon juice and toss for a moment.
Then add the chopped watercress. In a small bowl mix the soured cream with the mayonnaise and single cream, season well with salt, cayenne pepper and grated nutmeg to taste. Mix the dressing into the bananas and watercress and sprinkle a little cayenne on top.
The singers have entertained the Sunshine Club at Wareham with their Cockney programme.

WOODBURY HILL SINGERS

AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 50’S CLUB

Instead of the April meeting members went on a coach trip to Christchurch and tour of the New Forest and were lucky enough to pick a beautiful spring day.

The May meeting will be on Wednesday 12th May in the Drax Hall at 2.30 when there will be a talk on the Air Ambulance. The competition will be for a vase (approximately 8” high) of Spring flowers.

Members wish Charlie Jeeves all the best for a full recovery from his knee operation and expect to see him running up the Drax Hall stairs very soon!

A STEP BACK IN TIME

I would like to thank Alison and Paul Bennett for a superb exhibition of old Bere Regis photographs etc and history of our village on Easter Monday.

It was beautifully presented and a very happy day for us all, many of us meeting friends over the past years — in fact a real reunion.

My thanks to Mr Pitfield, Michael Eastment, Mark Bennett and all who displayed their societies and clubs histories and photos, and all who helped with refreshments, raffles, door and who gave memorabilia.

A wonderful boost towards our Hall’s new toilets and kitchen.

Thanks again to you all.

Kath, Chairman, Drax Hall

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Dates for your Diary
8th June Tuesday Village Quiz at 7.30pm
18th July Sunday Open Gardens 10.00am to 4.00pm

holding a series of workshops between now and the Performer of the Year Competition on 11th September.

6th May Dance Crazy – Sylvia Spurdle
20th May To be announced
27th May Splendid Singing – Tim Colquhoun
3rd June Splendid Singing – Tim Colquhoun
17th June Performance Enhanced – Duncan House
24th June Performance Enhanced – Duncan House
1st July Performance Pieces
15th July Performance Pieces
22nd July Competition Entries and Party
2nd September Rehearsal – Performer of the Year
Pop In Place - Village Quiz

On Tuesday 8th June at 7.30pm the Pop In Place are holding the annual Village Quiz. Anyone can enter a team, consisting of four people, and the entry fee is only £1.00 per person. Come along and join in this fun evening.

The Pop In Place – Open Gardens Event

We have now received sufficient offers of gardens for this event which will take place on Sunday 18th July. Many thanks for your kind offers.

Transport to and from the Pop In Place

We are able to offer regular transport to and from the Pop In Place. If you require this service please contact Alison on 472023.

Appeal for additional Volunteer Drivers

We require some additional volunteer drivers, to cover the more isolated areas, who could collect and return clients. If you are able to help for a couple of hours per week, to enhance people’s quality of life by allowing them to attend our project, this could be your way of helping the community. For more information contact Alison on 472023 or Dr. Tim Harley.

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.

The Pip Squeaks – Musical Youth Group

We meet on a Thursday 6pm to 7.45pm at the Drax hall, apart from the second Thursday as it’s Parish Council. New members are always welcome. We will be

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Thank you to everyone who took part in this special evening, we were delighted at the quality and diversity of the acts, and to all the volunteers who helped to make this possible. With all the generous support from the community and local businesses we have raised over £ 855 for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance in memory of Nick White. Part of this amount, £ 130 was raised by auctioning a bicycle at the Barn Yard on the Townsend Business Park.

Pop In Place – A.G.M.

On Monday 5th April the Pop In Place held their Annual General Meeting. At this meeting a review of the Project’s performance over the past twelve months was presented as an Annual Report. The following volunteers were duly elected to stand for the next twelve months:

- Team Leader: Alison Bennett
- Deputy Team Leader: Julie Lye
- Poppets Team Leader: Amanda Kennard
- Secretary: Angela Jones
- Treasurer: Ray Jones

Pop In Place - Easter Egg Raffle and Bonnet Parade

This event will took place on Good Friday in the Drax Hall from 10.00am to 12noon. The event was enjoyed by everyone and was well supported. Hot Cross buns were served with the refreshments and there was a large Easter Egg raffle followed by the Easter Bonnet Parade. We were very pleased to see a lot more bonnets this year. A total of £ 153-56 was raised.