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NOTICE OF PARISH MEETING

A Parish Meeting will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Friday, 16th November, 1979 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Business: To consider whether major improvement work (described below) be carried out at the Pettiward Hall.

The major improvement work consists of the following:

- (a) new toilets and improvements to kitchen, estimated to cost £5,600 to £5,800, and,
- (b) a quarter-acre car park in Valley Lane, estimated to cost up to £6,000.

The maximum cost could therefore be up to £12,000.

The Pettiward Hall Committee has, at present, in the region of £2,000 for this work. Therefore, the greater part of the cost would be borne by the parish rates. A forty-year loan for £6,000 would cost the equivalent of a 2p rate.

The Pettiward Hall Committee and Parish Council are seeking your active support for this Meeting in order to show a conclusive YES or NO as to whether their plans should proceed. If you have strong views that your money should be spent in this or other ways, or, not at all please come along.

VACANCY ON PARISH COUNCIL

The timetable for the by-election for the vacancy is as follows:

Publication of notice of election	- not later than 10 October
Delivery of nomination papers	- not later than 17 October
Publication of statement of persons nominated	- noon 19 October
Delivery of notice of withdrawal of candidature	- by noon 20 October
Notice of Poll	- by 1 November
Polling Day (if contested)	- 8 November

Nomination papers will be available from Rev. Wake at the Vicarage during the week 10th to 17th October.

The cost of each by-election falls on the parish and costs £15 for an uncontested election and between £150 and £200 if contested.

GT.FINBOROUGH PLAYGROUP

A meeting of the Playgroup committee will be held on 24th October at 8.00 pm at 1, High Road, Gt. Finborough. Anyone interested (other than the committee) can attend.

We will have a HALLOWE'EN DISCO for TOTS TO TEENS, on Friday 2nd November. Admission is by ticket only, 30p. Buy now and don't disappoint the children. Tickets available from Committee members. Fancy Dress prizes and Lucky Tickets, Hot Dogs, Crisps and soft driks on sale.

We hope to have an Xmas Bazaar with several stalls in the latter part of November or early December. Please, we would like more support from our village folk at these events!

Ann Squirrelrell

PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

The stall at the Mammoth Market made £41 and I am grateful to all those who donated produce and cakes. It was a good amount but I am afraid but a drop in the ocean to what is needed for the Hall improvements. The builders' estimates vary between £5,600 and £5,800 and that is a lot of money.

Our next fund-raising event is on Saturday, 3rd November in the Pettward Hall when we are holding a Guy Fawkes Get Together for all the family. An evening of fun for all. Please come in fancy dress - a prize for the Best Guy. Please come and support us in our efforts, watch for the posters at the Post Office.

Brenda Grimaldi

ST.ANDREWS CHURCH

Sunday 21st Oct	9 am HC
	6.30 pm Harvest Festival Evensong (Preacher - Rev. Peter Moore)
" 28th Oct	10 am Family Service
" 4th Nov	3 pm Holy Baptism
	6.30 pm Confirmation & HC with the Diocesan Bishop (Rt. Rev. John Waine)
" 11th Nov	10.45 am Parade Service for Remembrance
	Sunday (Preacher - Rev. M. Skliros)
" 18th Nov	11 am MP

Bible Study We are starting a Bible Study Group; the first meeting was on 8th October. Future meetings will be on Mondays 29th October, 12th and 26th November and 10th December. They are open to all; we shall meet in groups of 6 to 8 in each others houses and we are starting with a study of Galatians. Anyone interested, see the Vicar.

Rev. Hugh Wake

GT.FINBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

From Christine Roberts, aged 8 years:

On Sunday I went to swimming lessons. The swimming pool is in Ipswich. We have transport there and back and including the lesson is 50p.

After swimming lessons on Sunday Mum picked me up because after swimming we were going to Shotley with a friend. We went to Shotley where the men, Daddy and Uncle George, were fishing. The boys took their fishing rods and Dad picked up the boys from the car and went fishing; they all had life-jackets on. After putting some things in the Flower Festival and feeding Shandy, Auntie Maria's dog, we went to Christine's grandma. Christine's Uncle Mark had a dog called Pup. Pup acts like a puppy. We went down the road, taking Pup to the beach. Pup kept smelling rabbits and pheasants and kept pulling. When we got there we had lunch. We gave Pup bits of ham. Pup ate it. We gave her some more; she put it down and covered it with sand using her nose. We caught some baby fish, but let them go again; they were very fast.

On the way back we were meeting some people. We had to go across the marsh; it was great fun. Mum got covered up to her knees. While the rest were waiting for Mum to get out I carried on. Soon we came to some reeds. Pup wanted to go a different way altogether. Pup was the one doing the work; she pulled me through. I was ding very well until Pup went and pulled me right in the middle of a sloshy patch. Quite soon we saw an old canoe; it was full of water; inside was a live jelly fish; you could see how it swam; it was beautiful. soon we came to the end. We were relived.

We saw about twelve female pheasants. When we got back we were in a state. We took Pup off the lead. Pup was excited. Uncle Mark laughed when he saw us. We had a good day. When I got home I had a bath because I smelt horrible, looked horrible, felt horrible.

I can tell you something - the water I had washed in looked horrible too!

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

I am very pleased to report that we had a very good attendance for our September meeting when we welcomed one new member and two guests. Mrs Hulford gave us an excellent demonstration of cheese dishes and these were raffled at the end of the meeting; we also had a very good entry for the competition.

Marigold Wake

BACKGAMMON

If you are interested in playing Backgammon and would like to play regularly please contact the Editor.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (28 Sept.1979)

A further by-election will be held to fill the vacancy on the Council. Details are elsewhere in this issue. Council was notified of a prospective candidate.

The District Council will be recommending to the Boundary Commission that there be no alteration to the parish boundary.

The village sign should be complete by the end of November.

A quote of £4,200 for the construction of a quarter-acre car park was received. In addition, there would be charges in respect of the land and the construction of the entrance bringing the total cost to about £6,000.

The go-ahead for the Council to construct a children's play area next to the School playing field has been given by the District Council. An application has been made to the Prince's Trust in order to obtain funds for the purchase of materials for making play equipment. It is anticipated that the construction of the equipment will be undertaken by young parish volunteers.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Flower Show on September, 29th was even more of a success than last year and showed a net profit of £27; about 100 people of all ages came to look at the wide range of exhibits. The tankard for the best exhibit went to Mr.J.Kerry of Stowmarket; Mrs.Bland gained the most points. Our thanks to George Powley for all of the hard work of organising it; to the judges, Mr.Chinery, Mr.Pilgrim and Mrs.Fisher; to Hubert Mitson for running the auction which made the profit; and to all who exhibited and supported us in any way.

The Annual General Meeting is on Thursday, 18th October at 8 pm in Pettward Hall. This is an important meeting to which all members are urged to come because we shall, in addition to the formal business, be discussing the future of the Branch; at present too much work is being done by too few members; we must think about what the Legion is for and how best to achieve it.

Remembrance Sunday is on 11th November. The Parade and Service is at Finborough this year: 10.30 am Parade at the School and march to the Church behind the Salvation Army Band with the salute being taken by the President (Mr.John Haydon) on the Green; the Service will start at 10.55 (congregation to be seated by 10.45 please) and the preacher will be the Rev. Michael Skliros R.A.F.

Subscriptions for 1979/80 are due - 85p per member (OAP's will be borne by the Branch).

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