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CAR SHARING

The Community Council for Suffolk, as part of its effort to improve rural life in the county, has requested the Parish Council to promote the idea of car-sharing. There is already some measure of good neighbourly lift-giving in the parish but there are probably benefits to be gained from the further development of car-sharing. Not only can those without transport be helped. but also car drivers can accept money for giving lifts.

The village has been without a daily bus service for many years and there has been an increasing reliance on the private car. In this context, the Parish Council asks the following questions:

(1) are there parishioners with unmet travel needs? (2) are there car owners who are willing to help?

Replies to these questions would give the Council some idea of the transport problems in the village and the assistance available within the community. Please send your comments to the Clerk to the Council.

PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Drama production

Thank you very much to all those who offered to take part or help. We are sorry you have not been contacted but our producer was ill last month. Now we are sorry to say that we shall have to shelve this production as Graham and family will shortly be leaving Gt. Finborough. We shall miss him on the Committee but wish him much happiness and success in his new post in Peterborough.

Does anyone know another good producer?

Easter Monday

The Danglers and Dumplings are arranging another afternoon of fun on the Green starting at 2.30 pm and teas will be served in the Hall. Tell your friends about the Egg Competitions and the Race of the Boggmen.

Whist Drives

Is anyone willing to run a whist-drive? Mr. L. Barber of Stowmarket would help them get started, and members of the Committee would be responsible for refreshments.

Clodhoppers

Keep back some of your old clothes to wear to a Tramps Ball in the Hall in the autumn when the Clodhoppers will be back by popular request.

Pat Smith, Chairman

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH

Services

Sunday 15th February 10 am Family Communion. 11 am MP Harleston 9 am HC. 10 am Family Service, Onehouse " 22nd " 1st March 11 am MP. 11 am HC Harleston Weds 4th March 6.30 pm EP and HC (Ash Wednesday) Sunday 8th March 10 am Family Service. 11 am MP Onehouse " 15th March 11 am HC. 11 am MP Harleston

Every Sunday: 6.30 pm HC with St. George's School.

Baptism/Confirmation Instruction

Every Tuesday at 6 pm at the Vicarage from 17th February to 31st March inclusive. Anyone is welcome.

Church Quiz (much easier than the Parish Council one)

- 1. Who represents you, the parishioners, on the Church Council?
- 2. How and when do you elect them?
- 3. Who has the right to be (a) buried in the churchyard? (b) married in the parish church?
- 4. What is the Vicar's salary and who pays him?
- 5. What perks does he receive?
- 6. How high is the church spire? What is inside it?
- 7. What does the painting opposite the church door represent?

(Answers in a future edition) H. Wake, Vicar

PARISH COUNCIL

Foints from the Council Meeting

A footpath has now been cleared along both Cagmans Lane and City Lane.

The Chairman reported a conversation with Mr. Slade of St. George's School concerning the future of the Nature Reserve in Finborough Park. The School intend to completely close off one piece of the existing Reserve for a wildlife sanctuary and to create a nature trail for use by St. George's and other schools.

A donation was made to the Suffolk Accident Rescue Service.

A complaint will be made to the motor-cycle club which organises the trials using land near to the river opposite Home Farm. The Council is concerned about the mud brought onto the road and of the hazard to traffic caused by the parking of cars near to the bridge.

Answers to January Quiz 1. 1975 2. 1961 3. 1973 4. £15 5. 1974 6. The planning application for a new Animal By-Products Factory. 7. Mr. Pell, Mr. Hart, Miss Bull (during Mr. Hart's absence), Mr. Underwood, Rev. Wake.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Branch Meeting: Thursday 19th February, Buxhall Crown
Thursday 19th March, Finborough Chestnut Horse

Veterans' Party Monday 27th April, Buxhall Crown for 1914-18 men.

Pensioners' Outing to Felixstowe, Wednesday, 19th August

H. Wake, Hon Sec.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Creat Blue Peter Bring and Buy

On Friday in school we had our Great Blue Peter Bring and Buy. The money went to the disabled. I got a mirror and a tin opener because Mummy is having a birthday in February. I bought two books for Martine and for myself I got a racing car, a ship and a battery-operated jeep; when I got home it did not work so on Saturday Mummy took it to pieces and then it worked.

Robert Pamment, aged 8 years

On Friday at 3 o'clock we had a Great Blue Peter Bring and Buy Sale here at Great Finborough Primary School. Wayne Sheldrake was the person who sent the letter to Blue Peter. Here are the names of the people in Blue Peter - Simon Groom, Sarah Greene and Peter Duncan. On Friday Mrs. Sheldrake came with the stickers, so we put the big poster upon the door outside. Lots of people came and lots of people came to help too. Thank you Mrs. Betterton and Mrs. Sottrel for all the work you did to get the jumble sale ready. Mrs. Betterton gave the stickers to everyone who was there. I really did like it very much.

Lucie Squirrell, aged 8 years

On the 16th January we had a bring and buy sale in school. I bought two puzzles, a bath cube, a porsche, a steam roller, a bulldozer, two Mr.Men books, a big Christmas decoration and a Batman and Robin teeshirt. I liked the Bring and Buy Sale because it makes a change. We raised £63.15.

Wayne Sheldrake, aged 8 years

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