



Great Finborough

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PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Tramps and Snobs

Thank you to everyone who supported this event, to the Clodhoppers who provided the music and to Dave Budd for running the bar. We've seen Tramps before but we didn't know we had such Snobs in the village! It was an enjoyable night out and the profit of £64.27 will go towards the upkeep of the Hall.

Refreshment recess

We are indebted to S.A.C.R.O. for making and installing the cupboards. They have also mended much of our broken furniture and have made such a good job that some of it has come back almost unrecognisable. They are also going to repair the outside notice-board and seat which have been vandalised. This organisation gives work to ex-offenders for which they are paid and is run by the Probation Service. The work is carried out at no cost to us except for the materials used. They will undertake similar work for charitable organisations at their work-shop in Ipswich and the number to ring is Ipswich 58290.

The Decorating

Four young men on Community Service under the guidance of a supervisor are back again on Sundays. This time they are decorating the Refreshment Recess, the Pantry and the Kitchen.

What is Community Service?

It is a sentence of the Court usually considered as an alternative to a Custodial Sentence, under which an offender does unpaid work to help the community. In this county it applies to men and women of 17 years and over who have committed an offence punishable by imprisonment. We are fortunate these two agencies have agreed to help. The saving in time and effort and cost to us is considerable.

Clodhoppers in Pantomime

Peter Jordan and his friends have kindly said they will entertain us in the New Year at a date to be fixed. We look forward to that.

CANDLESTICK CLUB

The Bingo session at Finborough proved very successful and was an enjoyable occasion too. Over £42 profit was made for Club funds.

The December meeting is at Buxhall on the 1st at 7 pm and is open to everyone. We plan to have a good old sing-a-long as we did last year, plus the Grand Xmas Draw, so do come along and join us and spend a happy evening.

PLAYGROUP

We have booked a photographer to visit the Playgroup on Thursday 24th November starting at 8.45 am. All are very welcome to come and have their photographs taken. To make the morning more enjoyable we will be serving tea and coffee and holding a toy party in aid of the playgroup funds.

Christmas Fayre

The Fayre will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Saturday, 10th December at 2 pm. We will be holding a variety of stalls and competitions including Father Christmas, Raffle, Handicrafts, Cakes, Tombola, Guess the Weight of the Cake and Name the Doll and many more. We will also be serving teas throughout the afternoon. Please note these dates and come and support our fund raising.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH

Church services

Sunday, 13th November	(Remembrance Sunday)
	10.45 Remembrance Service with St. George's
	18.30 Evening Prayer & Act of Remembrance
Sunday, 20th November	11.00 & 18.30 Holy Communion
Sunday, 27th November	9.00 & 18.30 Holy Communion
Sunday, 4th December	11.00 Morning Prayer; 18.30 Holy Communion
Sunday, 11th December	9.00 Holy Communion
Sunday, 18th December	11.00 Carol Service
Saturday, 24th Dec.	(Christmas Eve) 23.30 Holy Communion
Sunday, 25th December	(Christmas Day)
	8.00 Holy Communion at Onehouse
	10.00 Family Communion at Harleston
	11.15 Family Service at Finborough
	11.45 Holy Communion at Finborough.

Saturday, 19th November

Wine and Cheese Party at Pettiward Hall 8 - 11pm. Tickets £2 from church members.

In Memoriam

The Rev. Arthur Jones, Vicar of this parish for 33 years, died recently aged 77. His funeral was at St. Matthew's Church, Ipswich on 31st October. He was a good and faithful pastor and many will remember him with affection and gratitude for his ministry in this village and, from 1946, in Onehouse and Harleston.

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

A.C.M. (20th October)

Branch Officers were re-elected for another year but we are still looking for a new Secretary who must be an ordinary member, preferably in Finborough, Buxhall or Onehouse; I am definitely handing over at Easter and will be glad to hear of anyone willing to take over so that he /she can be shown how the Branch is run.

The Branch accounts showed a healthy cash balance of about £1,200; they have been audited and were approved. Service Grants distributed during the year totalled £561 with another £140 from Headquarters.

Affiliation Fees have risen this year to a total of £1.50, 25p of which is the Branch fee.

Branch Dinner

Saturday, 3rd December at Pettiward Hall. Licensed Bar is being applied for; catering will be on a self-help basis and we hope for an entertainment. Tickets are £1.50 per head from the Secretary. All members and their guests are welcome.

H.Wake, Branch Secretary

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A last minute hitch with last month's meeting meant we were speechless, well speakerless anyway. Not for long though, local talent, yet again, won the day when Mr.Bannister and Mr.Chapman came to our rescue - who said chivalry was dead!! The brave gents are members of the Stowmarket Camera Club and through the eyes of their cameras and ultimately their slides took us on a trip around our villages. Down leafy lanes we saw thatched colourwashed houses surrounded by gardens lovely enough to make the most ardent gardener reflect on what could be or what might have been. Leaving our lovely stamping ground we accelerated up-country to the Lake District. To those of us who haven't been 'up there' for some time, the slides brought back many memories, with a longing to return, I'm sure. The evening was very enjoyable and for this we thank Mr.Bannister and Mr. Chapman for showing us their slides, and at such short notice too.

Want to be ready for Father Christmas in good time this year? All you have to do is come to our next get-together on the 10th November when Mrs.Polley will demonstrate her skill in making Christmas decorations.

J.Banfield

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting is on Friday, 25th November at 7.30 pm in the Pettiward Hall.

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