



Great Finborough

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INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

A Happy New Year to all our members.

I would like to thank all the parents and parishioners who helped with the Christmas Party in early December. With over 50 children in the hall, playing games and eating sausage rolls and mince pies, the venture was a great success and we hope to repeat it next year.

The Youth Club will be seeing some changes in the next two months, the first being the resignation of Gerry Squirrell, our Chairman, to whom I would like to say a big "Thank-you" for all his help and guidance in the last year and a half. The new Committee list will be available in the February edition of the Newsletter.

This year we will not be having an A.G.M. However, all new members and any parents with comments or questions are invited to our first meeting on January, 23rd, at the usual time.

Adrian Smith

PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Jumble sale

£53 was raised on 10th November and will go towards the upkeep of the Hall.

Resting

The Tuesday Club and Ladies Keep Fit are resting over the winter. There are many of us who hope they will start up again in the near future!

Booking Secretary

Mrs. Jan Budd, The Chestnut Horse, tel: 612298. Thank you Jan for doing this for us throughout 1984.

PLAYGROUP

The Great Finborough Playgroup will be holding a '10p' sale on Saturday, 26th January between 10 am and 12 noon; everything at 10p so please come along - there'll be some fantastic bargains.

Our Christmas bazaar was a great success with a total of £114 being raised for playgroup funds. We should like to thank helpers and also those who came along and supported us.

Vivian Brice, Hon. Secretary

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Rev. Michael Skliros

Plans are in hand for the appointment of a successor to Rev. Hugh Wake. The Bishop has asked the Rev. Michael Skliros to be Priest-in-Charge and it is hoped a date for the Induction Service will soon be announced. As the vicarage is due to be sold, Rev. Skliros will continue to live in his house at 19 Childer Road, Stowmarket (tel: 672844) where he runs his own computer business and is readily available.

We welcome him and look forward to his Ministry.

Church heating

We are sorry that the Church is cold. In spite of a recent delivery of oil the tank is now empty. We do not know why but there appears to be a leak which will have to be investigated.

Wine & Cheese

This was a most enjoyable evening which raised £230 for Church funds. Raffle: First Prize - Hugh Wake, Second Prize - Tubby Cooper.

Church Services

Sunday, 13th January	11 am Onehouse MP with HC *
Sunday, 20th January	9 am Harleston HC *
	10.30 am Onehouse - Family Service
Sunday, 27th January	9 am St. Finborough HC *
	11 am Harleston
Sunday, 3rd February	9 am Onehouse HC. *

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A message from Michael Skliros:

Conjuring Tricks with Bones

Traditionally, sermons during the Epiphany season (which commemorates the journey of the Three Wise Men) try and tackle some of the 'knotty problems' currently perplexing people's minds. Recently the Bishop of Durham got everyone rather worked up by his remarks about the Resurrection. Does the Resurrection really depend on a vanishing corpse? Why doesn't St. Paul even mention it? Are the bible miracles capable of rational explanation at all? The address at the services shown above marked * will deal with the problem of believing in the Resurrection in a scientific age. All welcome - no long words.

Michael Skliros

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Poppy Appeal 1984

Congratulations to all the Poppy Appeal house-to-house collectors and sincere thanks to all those who donated to the Appeal. The total raised was £109.86, and increase of £11 on the previous year. Together with the donation from the Church collection of £22 and from the home collecting units a total of £149 has been raised, an increase of £27 on last year. It may well be that there are still some home collecting units out awaiting collection - I apologise if this is so and will call if advised. I do not have a list of those issued, so rely on you. I would like to impress on those who supported the collection that unlike most other charities, of every £1 collected only 7p is taken for administration and costs. The rest is used for the benefit of ex-service men and women and their dependants.

Thanking you once again,

F.W.E. Smith,
Poppy Appeal Organiser

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Pettward Hall on Friday, 25th January, 1985 at 7.30 pm.

If you have any problems with malfunctioning of street lights along the High Road or Church Road please contact the Electricity Board on Pury st. Edmunds 63111.

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