Great Finborough Newsletter

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BROWNIE GUIDES

On 15th September the 1st Great Finborough and Buxhall Brownie Guide Pack will hold its inaugural meeting in the Pettiward Hall from 6 - 7.15pm. For a long time we have hoped to start Brownies in the village and we now feel the time is right.

Until now Finborough and Buxhall girls have gone to the 1st Onehouse and Harleston Pack but that Pack is now full and has a waiting list. We have therefore decided to split and bring half to Great Finborough. We have 13 Brownies who will start from the Onehouse Pack and we shall be pleased to hear from any other girls between 7 - 10 years old who would like to join us. For further details please contact Mary Williams of Town Farm, Great Finborough, telephone 612822.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held on Sunday 21st September at 2.45pm and 6.30pm. The service at 2.45 will be taken by Rev. J. Pugh of Stowmarket and at 6.30 by Rev. L. Haywood of Stowmarket. Harvest services will be continued on Tuesday, 23rd September at 7.30pm when we hope to have the Battisford Junior Band. There will be a sale of produce.

A welcome to all at these services.

CANDLESTICK CLUB

The annual outing to Felixstowe is on Thursday, 4th September, the coach leaving the Chestnuts Estate at 1pm. Non-members are very welcome to join us.

Hilary Smith, Hon. Secretary

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

With several members away on holiday this month the August meeting was an informal one with a display of beautiful embroidery by two of our members, Mrs.Ruffle and Brenda Grimaldi, who have been working on a City and Guilds Course on Embroidery and Design for the past three years. This was the culmination of a lot of hard work and some frustration along the way but both passed the final examination.

Please keep Monday, 22nd September free when we are playing host to the County Quiz and as we are also entering a team, help is needed in both directions - brain and brawn!

Mary Underwood, Press Correspondent

PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Hurry, hurry, hurry tickets are now on sale at £4 each for the medieval party on Saturday, 13th September. Price incredibly includes entertainment, dancing and food. What a bargain! There will also be a licensed bar.

Costume is optional, but on with the tights, chaps - we need an autumnnal laugh (cod pieces compulsory).

Proceeds of the frolic - will there be any at such a keen price? - will go towards Hall improvements, probably the provision of a decent heating system which is being 'hotly' pursued at present by the Management Committee.

Your Hall was entered in this year's Village Halll of the Year Competition run by the Community Council for Suffolk. It was awarded the accolade of highly commended attaining 90.6% across categories covering the condition of the interior and exterior of the building, safety, management and community effort, and came fifth in its class. A copy of the judges' letter is on the Hall noticeboard.

See you on 13th September....

Richard Brice, Hon. Secretary

LADIES KEEP FIT

The Ladies Keep Fit class will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Tuesday from 8 - 9pm. Autumn term starts on 2nd September - all welcome. £1 per session. If you think you would like to join our class but are not sure, why not come along on a Tuesday evening and see what keep-fit is all about. More details from Ann Phoenix on Stowmarket 674396.

TUESDAY CLUB

The Mother and Toddler Group meets from 10.30 to 12 noon and Autumn term commences on 2nd September. If you have a preschool child and would like company on Tuesday mornings come and join us - all welcome. 50p per session.

There will be a Merry-Go-Round Party on Tuesday, 23rd September at 10.30am. This is a sale of good quality children's and babies' clothes - do come and join us for a coffee and a chat, you may find some good bargains.

More details please contact either Ann Phoenix (Stow. 674396) or Viv.Brice (Stow. 676249).

ST.ANDREW'S CHURCH

August

Sunday 3rd Stephanie Mary Jane Flack - christened.
Sat. 16th Susan Rolfe & Jim Al Qadhi - married.
Sat. 23rd Teresa Levett & Cyril Beaumont - married.

Calendar for September

Sat. 6th
Sunday 7th
Sunday 14th
Sunday 21st
Sunday 28th

The Harvest Supper is on Friday, 3rd October at 8pm in the Pettiward Hall. Make a date now. Tickets from church members.

"I do like Evensong best of all - pity they don't have it these days". Well we do sometimes, like twice this month. Harvest Thanksgiving speaks for itself, but try and come to the Deanery Evensong as well. This is a quarterly occasion when regular churchgoers in the deanery (some 15 churches) meet together, and this time it is our turn to host the service. It is followed by refreshments in the Pettiward Hall.

Bells. Yes, the sound of wedding bells has been well received in the village. Anna Wright wants to learn and get a team together. Contact her on Stow. 675268 if you too would like to 'learn the ropes'. (More about the bells below).

Our thanks to John and Betty Wright for donating a pair of spotlights that now provide a splash of light at weddings. Also to John Grimaldi and Brian Smith for completely rewiring the church and fixing some smart new halogen lights, at complete disregard to personal safety. You will be able to see them at the Deanery Evensong of course...

We're working on a heating plan for the winter, and it must be said that our prospects are now very hopeful, thanks to the very generous gifts and bequests that have suddenly started coming in this past year. Nothing sensational - £100 here and there, but it has made all the difference, and it has cheered the troops up no end.

Tickets will soon be on sale for No Ordinary Draw - the prize for which is a magnificent pair of 18 carat gold earrings, valued at £120 and most generously donated by John Grimaldi.

Michael Skliros

Deanery Cycle Ride

This annual event will take place on Saturday 6th September starting at 10am. It is a very pleasant day and you can start when and where you wish. Sponsorship/entry forms can be obtained from Mrs.Grimaldi at Westlegate or Mrs.Smith at The Old Forge. Do please join us.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH (CONTINUED)

The Wedding Day of the Duke and Duchess of York was marked by a quarter peal of 1260 changes of Plain Bob Minor. The ringers were:

Treble Deborah Garrod (Stowmarket)

2 Edwin Cracknell (Buxhall)

Marie Carson (Stowmarket)

Thomas Lockwood (Mendlesham) Christopher Nunn (Barrow)

Maurice Rose (Rougham) Conductor Tenor

It is encouraging to find enthusiasm for ringing our bells and we hope to hear them more regularly. The bell frame needs painting and the ropes are seriously deteriorated. Three ropes have been replaced by second-hand ropes on loan, thanks to the bellringers but replacements are needed. If anyone has a reasonable head for heights and would like to help with the painting, please contact me. It is not a big job.

B.A.Smith

AND FINALLY.....

Elderly people in Oak Close and the Chestnuts are still being troubled by unruly behaviour of youngsters using the open spaces in the vicinity. Windows have been broken, gardens damaged and motorcycles ridden in a noisy manner. The police do what they can to bring a stop to these activities but much depends on the local community to help neighbours by the prevention of such occurrances.

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PARISH DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 2nd	Tuesday Club 10.30am Pettiward Hall (1st meeting of Autumn Term)
	Ladies Keep Fit 8pm Pettiward Hall (1st meeting of Autumn Term)
Thursday 4th	Candlestick Club: Outing to Felixstowe 1pm.
Saturday 6th	Deanery Cycle Ride 10am
that day our	St. Andrews: Wedding 12noon
Sunday 7th	St. Andrews: Sung Eucharist 11am
Tuesday 9th	New School Term commences
Saturday 13th	Medieval Party: Pettiward Hall
Sunday 14th	St. Andrews: Deanery Evensong 6.30pm
Monday 15th	Inaugural Meeting Brownies Pack: Pettiward Hall 6.15pm (NEWSLETTER DEADLINE)
Sunday 21st	St. Andrews: Morning Prayer 11am
Sunday 2186	URC: Harvest Thanksgiving 2.45 & 6.30pm
Monday 22nd	WI: County Quiz
Tuesday 23rd	Tuesday Club: Merry Go Round Party 10.30am URC: Harvest Service 7.30pm
Sunday 28th	St. Andrews: Family Service 9.45am & Harvest Thanksgiving 6.30pm.