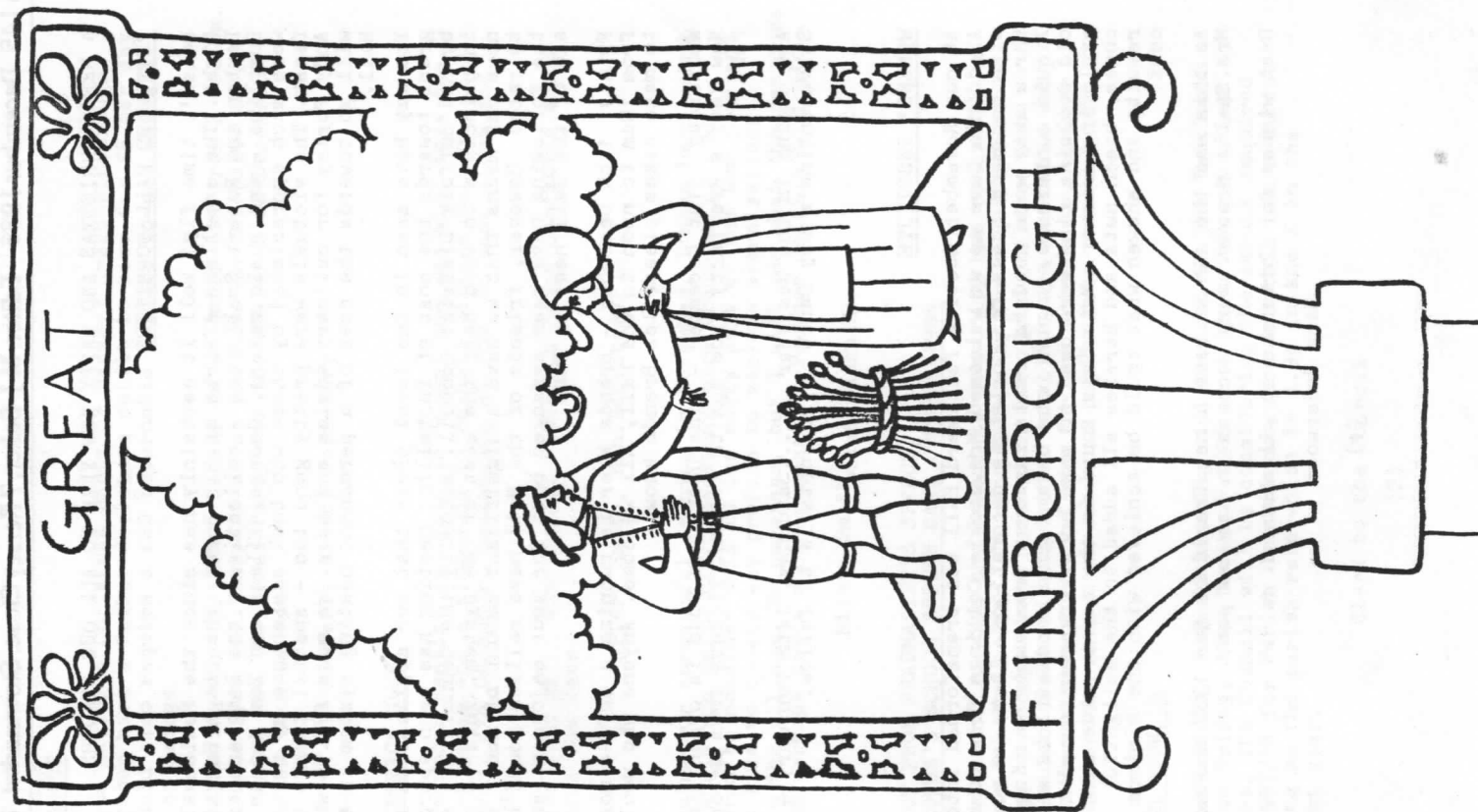


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A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS

PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

Doesn't time fly? Well it certainly has since the Mediaeval Night. The excellent efforts of Sir Porky, the Black Knight and Reuben and Rupert Smallpiece - collectively the Dangers and Dumplings - and music makers, George, Eileen and Tom Monger were much appreciated by those who took sustenance at our great feast. The victuals were pretty good too - special thanks to Andy Porley for culinary advice and help. We made £77.95 which will go towards the cost of a permanent heating system in the Hall.

You may have seen in the local press that our application for a grant towards the cost of installing heating has been approved by Mid Suffolk District Council. Actually the Council has agreed in principle to fund half the cost of the system. This is great news but means that we have a significant amount of money still to raise. However, friends of the Hall have rallied round and the following have been arranged both for your enjoyment and in aid of the Hall heating fund.

Friday, 12th December - Brenda Wyer is running a coffee morning from 10am to noon in the Hall, all welcome. Anyone who would like to make cakes please let Brenda know.

Wednesday, 31st December - Mine Host Dave Budd is organising a New Year's Eve Party from 9pm to 1.30am. Tickets from me or the Pub.

And coming in the New YearSaturday, 14th February - St.Valentine's Day Dancedetails to follow.

Richard Brice

WOMENS' INSTITUTE

At our November meeting Pettiward Hall was transformed into Aladdin's Cave as we welcomed Mrs.Jackie Collings from Combs with her many ideas for Christmas decorations. Items we normally throw away were used to create lanterns from empty washing-up liquid containers, yogurt pots became gold candlesticks and old Ovaltine tins were used to make an arrangement named the exploding cracker. Materials found in the countryside such as cones, beech nuts and berries all added to the delightful results and showed what could be achieved with the minimum of cost.

As this was the AGM we have a new President for 1987 and we wish Mrs.Stella Fraser every success in her new post.

Best wishes for Christmas to all members.

Mary Underwood

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PLAYGROUP

Are you having a Christmas party or bazaar? Great Finborough Playgroup have a Father Christmas outfit to hire for £5 per day. We would also require a £20 returnable deposit to set against loss or damage.

We are having our Christmas Bazaar on December 6th from 2 to 4pm. It is hoped you will support us as you have in the past. We are also having the Christmas Party for the children on December 18th from 10am to 1pm.

Kimberly Allen, Secretary

CANDLESTICK CLUB

The December meeting is again an 'open' one and will take the form of games and a sing-song in Buxhall Village Hall on Thursday, 4th December, commencing at 7pm. Do come along and join us.

Members join me in wishing all readers a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Hilary Smith, Hon.Secretary

Following our successful evening in November, I have been asked if I would run prize bingo sessions more frequently. I am prepared to consider this in the early part of the New Year and would like to donate any profits to various organisations within the village. No promises, but I will see what the response is and perhaps try a monthly session. Further details to follow.

Hilary Smith.

EXTRACT FROM HEADMASTER'S SPEECH, ST.GEORGE'S SCHOOL SPEECH DAY, OCTOBER 1986

Our relationship with the immediate community has continued to develop for the better. It cannot be easy for a quiet Suffolk village to accept three hundred or more loud children into their midst. I am delighted that relations are improving and thank the members of the village for the friendship, concern and forbearance they have shown to pupils from this school.

PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Friday, 12th December 1986 at 7.30pm. Amongst other matters, the Council will be considering the amount required for 1987/88 for Parish Council purposes and this has a direct bearing on the parish rate which is 4.9p in the £ in the current year.

Clerk to the Council

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Brenda Wyer,

Mediaeval Evening

I should like to take this opportunity to thank the Hall Committee for a good evening's entertainment and very good food. It was enjoyed by all who went but it is a great pity that these people took all the trouble to organise the event when it was poorly supported by parishioners.

Brenda Wyer,
The Green,
Gt. Finborough.
26th October, 1986

From Pat and Brian Smith,

Mediaeval Evening

May we, through the Newsletter, convey our thanks to the Pettward Hall Committee for a most enjoyable evening at the Mediaeval Banquet on 25th October. The food, the service and the entertainment were excellent. Where else could one have such an evening for £4!

Well done to all concerned.

Pat and Brian Smith,
The Old Forge,
Gt. Finborough.
5th November, 1986.

From Chris. Barnett,

Appreciation

The residents of Pilgrims Way would like to take this opportunity to thank all who supported the pre-Christmas sale, not only by their presence but with anonymous giving. Such supportive friends bring encouraging hope that the final phase of this huge undertaking - 'The Care and Attention Wing' - may not be long in coming to fruition.

Chris. Barnett,
Warden,
Care & Attention Home, Pilgrims Way,
Gt. Finborough.
7th November, 1986.

NEWSLETTER

It is nice to see your views being expressed in the Newsletter which is now in its 13th (hopefully lucky!) year.

The Editor

GREAT FINBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

The children have been writing about fireworks and if you look carefully you will notice that the first letter of each line spells 'fireworks'.

Fireworks are dangerous
I like fireworks
Roman candles go 'ahhh'
Every day I wish we could have fireworks every night
Water puts out the fire
One big bang
Roman candles are good
Keep pets indoors
Sally said "Did you like or love the fireworks?"

Sally Gant, aged 8 years

Fire is dangerous
I like fireworks
Rockets can be very dangerous
Everyone likes fireworks
Water puts fire out
One rocket goes bang
Read the instructions
Keep away from fireworks once lit
Stand well back.

Tamara Jordan, aged 8 years

Fireworks can be dangerous
If you have fireworks be careful
Red, yeoow, green fireworks
Every colour you can think of
Whizz, bang, pop.
Orange flames, what a delight
Run, there's a flame coming
Keep back, here's another one
Stay away from the bonfire, its getting fierce.

Alexandra Ravenscroft, aged 8 years

Fireworks are fun
I love them
Run if one comes towards you
Everyone loves fireworks
Watch out with fireworks
Or disaster
Ride on a rocket, I shout
Keep sparklers away from me
Sizzle, sizzle they go.

Lucy deGraft Johnson, aged 8 years

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PRIMARY SCHOOL (CONTINUED)

Fireworks are fun
I like fireworks that make a big noise
Read the fireworks code
Everyone in my house likes fireworks
We have hot-dogs on bonfire night
On bonfire night we dress up warmly
Read the labels - they could save your life
Keep well back once lit
Sparklers are fireworks.

Lynette Snell, aged 8 years

Fire
I go to the Bury ones
Rain must not come
Every bang echoes
We watch the museum fire from our garden
Our cat gets in the shed
Rain please stop
Kats must be shut up
Stars are usually out.

David Page, aged 8 years.

ST.ANDREWS

Details for December are shown on a separate sheet produced by Rev.M.Skliros.

PARISH DIARY FOR DECEMBER 1986

Thursday 4th	Candlestick Club, Buxhall Village Hall 7pm
Saturday 6th	Playschool Bazaar, Pettiward Hall 2 - 4pm
Friday 12th	Coffee morning, Pettiward Hall 10am - noon Gt.Finborough Parish Council, Pett.Hall 7.30pm
Tuesday 16th	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE (for January material)
Thursday 18th	Playschool Christmas Party 10am - 1pm Carol Service -Pettiward Hall 7pm (all invited by Pilgrims Way)
Friday 19th	end of school term
Thursday 25th	Christmas Day
Friday 26th	Boxing Day
Wednesday 31st	New Year's Eve Party, Chestnut Horse 9pm - 1.30am

If you have anything for future Parish Diaries, please let the Editor know by the deadline date. Events mentioned in material for publication will automatically be included.

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