



# Great Finborough Newsletter

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## THE FRIENDS OF GREAT FINBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Friends of the School Association has recently been formed with the objectives of advancing the education of the pupils and fostering wider relationships between staff, parents and others associated with the school.

A Steering Committee has been appointed to lay down the foundations for the Association, and it will do this by September when it will stand down and hand over to a committee elected at an AGM. Of course, parents of children at the School are automatically regarded as 'Friends', but membership of the Association will also be open to anyone with the best interests of the School at heart.

The Steering Committee comprises:

Peter Twitchett (Association President)	Paul Tarsey (Chairman)
Richard Brice (Secretary)	Sandra Jones (Treasurer)
Trudy Gray	Sue Kent
Ruth Hart	Georgia Mossesson
Sue Hill	Ash Self

Ideas on future social/fund raising events will be welcomed by Committee members, but in the meantime, the first - The Friends' Fabulous Fork Feast - has been arranged for Friday, 3rd April at 8 pm in the School - tickets at £1.50 each are available from the above or the School. All welcome.

Richard Brice, Secretary

## PLAYGROUP

We would like to thank everyone who supported the jumble sale. There was approximately £81 raised after deducting expenses. We would also like to thank Trevor Taylor for his help on this occasion and in the past for advertising in the Shop and for putting notes in the newspapers.

Don't forget the Easter Bazaar on Saturday, 11th April at 2pm in the Pettiward Hall. There will be all the usual attractions - if you have been before you will know what a good event it is.

Kim Allen (Hon. Secretary)

## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 1987

Election publicity leaflets are included with this edition. Please note the date for nominations (noon on Monday, 6th April). The necessary forms for candidates and any assistance required to complete them can be obtained from the Clerk to the Council (Stowmarket 676457) or from the Mid Suffolk District Council offices at Needham Market.

## PETTIWARD HALL COMMITTEE

As seen on TV .....an extravagant claim you may say and you may be right, but some of the items on sale at the Third Great Great Finborough 50/50 Auction at 2pm on Saturday, 9th May could have been featured on the small screen. Not Crimewatch we trust, but conceivably Steptoe & Son, Lovejoy or, who knows, even Antiques Roadshow!

Yes, once again we've reached the time we all know and love, time to refurbish the nest after the ravages of winter - Spring Cleaning. As usual don't throw anything out, save it for the 50/50 Auction and make a pile (particularly easy on carpets). This really is a golden opportunity to get rid of those unwanted Christmas presents and all those odds and ends filling up the garage, shed, attic, cellar, under the stairs, in the spare bedroom - need I go on? We will sell the goods for you by auction and give you half the cash back - we keep the other half for Hall funds.

Collectors will call in the week prior to the sale but if you have something to sell which you can't store until then please let me know (Stow. 676249) and I'll arrange earlier collection.

Let's make a mint 50/50.

Richard Brice (Secretary)

## PARKING IN THE VILLAGE

Easter Monday sees the return of Egg Throwing/Race of the Bogmen activities. At last year's event there was unhappiness arising from some motorists receiving parking tickets issued by the local police. Please consider carefully where you park this year so as not to create any hazard to other road users.

## WOMENS' INSTITUTE

At our March meeting we welcomed Mr. Evans from the Ipswich Victim Support Group. This is a committee of professional men who with the support of the police were able to send trained volunteers to visit people in their own homes who had suffered as a result of crimes such as burglary, rape etc. Often all that was required was someone to listen but if further help was required they would be pointed in the right direction.

On May 21st we are having an evening visit to Watsons' Pottery at Wattisfield and anyone in the village who would care to join us will be most welcome. It's very cheap. Please contact me for details.

Mary Underwood, Press Correspondent

### PRIZE BINGO

The first monthly Prize Bingo session was held in the Pettiward Hall on 18th March. It was very successful and was an enjoyable evening attended by over 50 adults and children. A sum of £54 was raised for the funds of the recently-formed Great Finborough Brownies Pack. Their very grateful thanks go to Hilary Smith for organising the whole evening.

If you were unable to go, the next prize bingo session will be held on Wednesday 15th April commencing at 7pm in the Pettiward Hall. Proceeds from this event will go to help the Playgroup funds. Do come along and show your support and join in this ever popular game.

### PARISH DIARY FOR APRIL 1987

Friday 3rd	Friends of Great Finborough Primary School - 'Fabulous Fork Feast' 8pm at Primary School
Sunday 5th	St.Andrews: Sung Eucharist with choir 11am (also end of tax year)
Monday 6th	(noon) deadline for nominations of candidates for Parish Council elections
Friday 10th	End of Spring Term
Saturday 11th	Playgroup: Easter Bazaar 2pm Pettiward Hall
Wednesday 15th	Prize Bingo, 7pm Pettiward Hall
Friday 17th	(Good Friday) St.Andrews: 10am A one-hour service of readings and hymns (final day of Lent)
Saturday 18th	(Easter Day) St.Andrews: 11am Morning Prayer
Sunday 19th	followed by shortened Holy Communion
Monday 20th	Easter Monday Bank Holiday - Egg Throwing, Race of Bogmen
Thursday 23rd	(St.George's Day)
Sunday 26th	St.Andrews: 9.45am Holy Communion
Tuesday 28th	Start of Summer Term

**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.**