

Great Finborough Newsletter

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VACANCIES

1. School Crossing Patrol

There is a vacancy for a school crossing attendant for Great Finborough VCP School. The Governors are very keen to fill this very important post as soon as possible. Hours of work are 8.20 - 9am and 3.10 - 3.30pm each school day. Pay is £2.71 per hour making a total of £13.55 for a full 5-day week. Applicants should apply to the Road Safety Officer, Suffolk County Council, 6 Churchyard, Bury St. Edmunds in writing or telephone BSE 763141 ext. 2447 during working hours.

2. Great Finborough Playgroup are looking for a Supervisor.

Qualifications and experience are not essential but enthusiasm and dedication are! Hours of work will be approximately:

Wednesday 8.30am to 12 noon and 1pm to 3pm

Thursday 8.30am to 12 noon

Friday 8.30am to 12 noon.

Playgroup is held during Great Finborough VCP School term time. Salary is negotiable. In first instance please contact: Kate Stewart, 'Eaglewood', 14 Shakespeare Road, Stowmarket, IP14 1TJ, tel: 0449 - 676211.

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP (TUESDAY CLUB)

Why not come along to the 'Balloons' Children's Clothes Party at Gt. Finborough Parent & Toddlers Group on Tuesday 9th May 1989 between 10.30am and 12 noon. Cake and Bring and Buy stalls. Refreshments available. Toys for the children to play with whilst you browse. All welcome - proceeds to Toddler Group Toy fund.

Angela Skinner

PETTIWARD HALL

I am pleased to report that the 50/50 Auction on 15th April was once again a successful event. Over £550 changed hands in three hours leaving a fine profit after 50% returns of £304.61 for Hall funds.

Organisation of the auction really is a team effort and particular thanks are due to Hubert Mitson, our superb auctioneer, Trevor Taylor for the use of his van and for help with publicity, Mrs. Rose for teas, Bob Pearson and Steve Johnson for their enthusiastic assistance and 'she who must be obeyed' for teas and clearing drains! Also the following members of the Management Committee: Trevor Waspe, Brenda Wyer, Hermon Sparkes, Trudy Gray, Mrs. Proctor, Linda Graves and Jane Johnson. Many thanks to all those who gave items for sale and those who came to support the event.

Richard Brice

ST.ANDREWS MINI LOTTERY

Prize winners are as follows:

21st March	(125) Dean Armes, The Bungalows	£4.55
	(053) Mrs.A.Phoenix, High Road	£3.00
28th March	(203) Mrs.D.Podmore, Middlefield Drive	£4.55
	(156) Mrs.Preston, St.James, nr.Halesworth	£3.00
4th April	(092) Mr.R.Scoggins, Clayhill lane, Wattisham	£4.55
	(115) Mr.P.Vonberg, Spring Rd. Ipswich	£3.00
11th April	(206) Mrs.D.Podmore, Middlefield Drive	£4.60
	(065) Mrs.J.Jackson, Northfield Rd, Onehouse	£3.05

The sums of £7.55, £7.55, £7.55 and £7.65 respectively have been added to church funds.

Hilary Smith

CANDLESTICK CLUB

Although it was a very wet evening for our April meeting, the atmosphere inside the Hall was warm and friendly when we were entertained with some delightful singing by the Kerry Singers. This was greatly enjoyed by all those who came.

On 1st June we are having a Mystery Tour leaving the village at 6pm. I can promise you a lovely ride through the Suffolk Countryside with a break of about one hour to stretch your legs weather permitting. The cost will be £1 for members and if anyone else would come to join us the cost will be £2. Anyone interested please call Richard Green on Rattlesden 7885 or Hermon Sparkes on Stowmarket 677269.

Mary Underwood

PRIZE BINGO

Wednesday May 17th is the date for the next Prize Bingo session commencing at 7pm in the Pettiward Hall. This event will be for Church funds and we hope to see a good crowd there. Make a note of the date and do come along.

Hilary Smith

PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Pettiward Hall on Wednesday 24th May 1989 at 7.30pm

Clerk to the Council

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

P.C.Burrell came to our April meeting to explain the work of the police dog handler, bringing his two dogs, 'Blue' - a black labrador trained to detect drugs, and 'Blackie' an alsation dog trained for general duties. They are two of 11 dogs in the Bury Police section. P.C.Burrell and 'Blackie' had only recently completed the thirteen week Basic Training course. 'Blackie', like many police dogs, had been given to the police. He spent his first nine months in a north London flat with his owner, three children and two other dogs. 'Blackie' met police requirements, being strong and healthy, free from hip dyplasia, a good temperament and courageous. On completeing his basic training he now knows how to sit, walk to heel, retrieve and send away, jump only on command, track and search and to catch a running man. Both dogs are obviouslt devoted to their proud handler and we wish them well in their work. A most informative and enjoyable evening for members and visitors.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 11th May at 7.30 pm in the Pettiward Hall when members of the committee will lead discussions on the Resolutions to be put before the WI AGM at the Albert Hall in June. We will also have a display of craft and other hobbies of members.

The Resolutions are:

Disposal of toxic waste

This meeting calls upon H.M.Government to take action to ensure that the strictest possible control is carried out on the importation, treatment and disposal of toxic waste material to prevent any kind of pollution of the environment.

Osteoporosis

This meeting wishes to increase the awareness of osteoporosis and improve the education of women of all ages concerning the disease, and urges H.M.Government to improve the advice and treatment of those most at risk.

Deforestation

This meeting views with deep concern the deforestation of the surface of the earth and its disastrous consequences. It urges individuals and organisations to do all in their power to impress on all governments the need to halt the extensive damage being done to the ecological balance of our planet.

D.N.A. testing

The N.F.W.I. calls upon the Government to introduce legislation for compulsory DNA testing in those areas where violent crime has been committed.

Your views would be appreciated on these matters. Do come along.

Judy Rolfe, Press Correspondent

PARISH DIARY FOR MAY 1989

Monday 1st (Bank Holiday)
Thursday 4th (Ascension Day)
Tuesday 9th Parents & Toddlers - 10.30 - 12 noon 'Balloons'
Party - Pettiward Hall
Wednesday 10th Meeting of trustees - United Charity 8pm
Thursday 11th W.I. - Pettiward Hall 7.30pm

Tuesday 16th (Deadline for June Newsletter material)

Wednesday 17th Prize Bingo - 7pm Pettiward Hall
Wednesday 24th Gt. Finborough Parish Council 7.30pm - Pett. Hall
Friday 26th (School half term commences)
Monday 29th (Bank Holiday)

Thursday 1st June: Candlestick Club Mystery Tour 6pm

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ST ANDREWS CHURCH

From the Registers

Apr 1 Michael Harking and Trudie Whiting - married.

Rogation Sunday

This might be just in time to repeat the arrangements for this coming Rogation Sunday, when we shall be 'beating the bounds' from Harleston to Finborough. We start at Harleston at 9.30 (or at Onehouse if wet) for the first part of the Communion Service, on to Onehouse for coffee and the middle part, then walk to Finborough for Communion (11.30 approx) and picnic lunch. If the weather is at all reasonable, it should be a very pleasant way to spend a Sunday morning close to nature.

Ascension Day (4 May)

There will be a two part service in church, starting at 9.30am. The first half will comprise a slightly extended morning assembly, as all the primary school will be present. There will be songs 'and other things', I am assured! Parents, if you can spare the time, do support your children. Then the children depart for school and we will carry on with the last half of the Communion Service. I expect the whole service will take 40 minutes.

Annual Meeting

At the AGM on Monday evening, Mr Bob Proctor was re-elected, and Mrs Hilary Smith elected, Churchwardens of the Parish Church. The various reports reflected no complacency but a fair amount of satisfaction that a larger cross section of the village was now coming to church. The state of the finances was also much healthier, thanks to continuing generous donations. One cannot help thinking that the two are connected. A report written by Colin Flack many months ago on the state of the churchyard, from a conservation point of view, was at last read by the PCC. St Georges have undertaken to care for the churchyard vegetation (not the mowing) in order to provide sanctuary for all the many creatures great and small that regard churchyards as their natural habitat. We are very indebted to him for setting us off in the right direction.

Calendar for May

7 May at 11: Sung Eucharist. 13 May: Choir Outing (provisional).
20 May at 12.15: Peter Cobbold & Susan Smith - Blessing of Civil Marriage
at 3.00: Andrew Tredray & Teena Proctor - Wedding
21 May at 11: Morning Prayer. 28 May at 9.45: Holy Communion (ASB)
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