



A Bi-monthly newsletter published by the  
village hall committee



As most of you are aware the village hall is now in use. We have had several events and we believe that the programme planned will see a continued expansion of usage. However, we still need to continue with fund raising activities to provide such items as heating (£1,000), curtains, building and fitting out a bar, stage front and steps, kitchen fittings, chairs, tables, stage equipment and curtains and other smaller bits and pieces to get the hall to a suitable standard to cater for most functions. So please continue to support us in our efforts in this direction as well as you have done in the past.

#### PLANNED EVENTS FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

FIRST FRIDAY IN EVERY MONTH - Family Disco. Bring your toddlers, tots and teens to a fun evening. Bar (for the mums and dads), disco lights and super music - 7.30 - 11.30. Entry 75p.

JUMBLE SALE - 4TH SEPTEMBER at St. Thomas' Parish Hall, Earlham Road, Norwich. 2.00 p.m. start. All helpers welcomed - morning, afternoon, or both! This is always a great fund raiser.

I will call back on .....  
for any jumble, etc. you may wish to get rid of.

SATURDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER - Harvest Hoe Down. Food available.

8 till late

Bar  
Tickets only £1.50

Live music & ~~music~~

It is hoped that the live music will be  
in the form of a ceilidh band

SATURDAY 30TH OCTOBER - Fancy dress halloween buffet party

8 till late

Bar

Live music & disco

fun and games

prizes for best dressed lady and gentleman

Reduced entry for all in fancy dress

MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER - Annual General Meeting 8.00 p.m. in the village hall.  
Election of committee members. All welcome. If you would like to be involved in running the village hall and it's many functions please do come along.

FRIDAY 5TH NOVEMBER - Family Disco and Bonfire Night

Soup and hot dogs etc.

Fireworks

Fun for all

7.30 - 11.30

More details of October and November events in next Mardle - in the meantime please book the dates in your diary.

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#### OTHER EVENTS IN VILLAGE HALL

Calling all craftsmen/women

On Tuesday 21st September at 7.00 p.m. members of the Women's Institute and

friends will be staging a "Pastimes for Profit and Pleasure" evening in the village hall. They hope to show the many local crafts and there will be demonstrations given of some of them. Anyone wishing to display their particular handicraft at this event is asked to contact May Collins (Fundenhall 391) as soon as possible. We hope as many people as possible will come along and enjoy the evening with us. Admission will be 20p and refreshments will be available. In addition we will be interested in displaying "collections" of things - i.e. matchbox covers, beer mats, thimbles, etc. - so please let me know if you have anything to display.

M.C.

Norfolk Quilters Patchwork Group - From 6th September we will be meeting in Wreningham Village Hall. Our meetings are from 7.30 - 9.30 each fortnight on Mondays. If you are interested in joining our friendly hardworking group come along to any meeting or contact Liz Brook, Fundenhall 8239.



#### Keep Fit Group

Keep fit sessions will start on Wednesday 15th September from 8.00 until 9.00 p.m. on a weekly basis. Enrol on the first night at the village hall. All ages welcome.

### VILLAGE FESTIVAL 1983

It is hoped to organise a village festival next June over one weekend. The committee would welcome ideas and suggestions for events and functions. Also most welcome would be offers of help.

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#### VILLAGE FETE

The fete was well attended and the committee would like to thank the many helpers who made it a success. A sum of £254 was raised from which a donation towards the purchase of the Rectory Field will be made (see article on page 4 for further details).

#### OFFICIAL OPENING

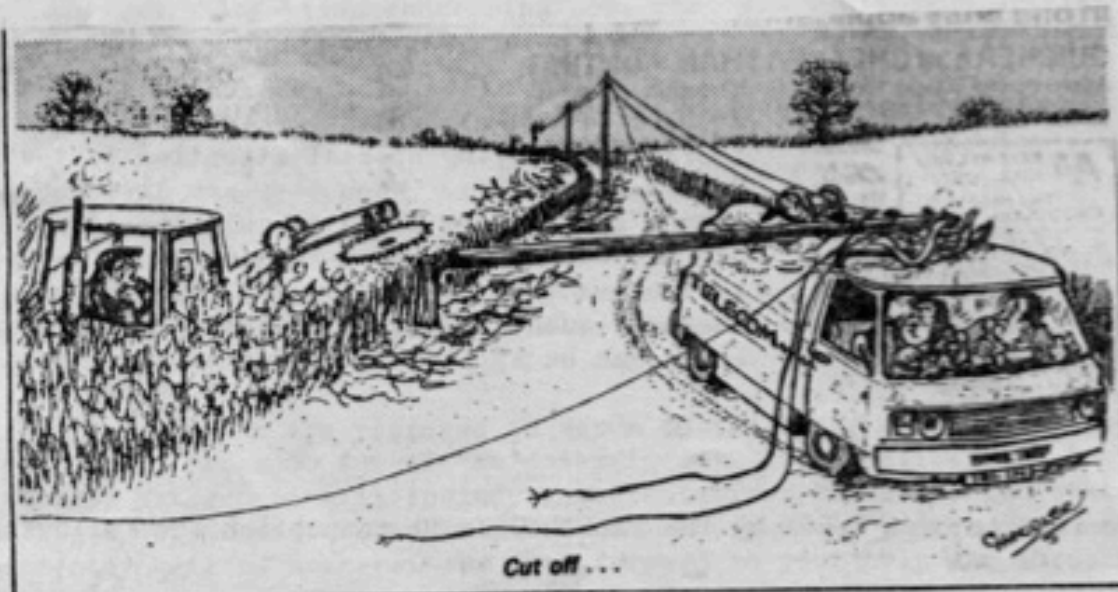
After forwarding letters written by the local schoolchildren we have received an encouraging reply from H.R.H. the Queen Mother. Basically, she is hoping to be at Sandringham over the New Year and we have to write nearer the time to report progress and to see whether she will be able to open our hall.

#### YOGA

If sufficient people are interested it is proposed to organise classes in the village hall. Ring Mrs. Pat Kirkman on Fundenhall 382 and give her your names and comments.



COUNTRY CARTOON



KITCHEN CAPERS

As we are having such a lovely summer I thought it would be a good idea to suggest two rather tasty vegetable dishes which go very well with grills or barbecued food.

Stuffed courgettes

Cut small (3-4 inches long) courgettes into half lengthwise and scrape out middles with a teaspoon. Mix scooped out middles with breadcrumbs, skinned and de-seeded tomatoes, crushed garlic or chopped, fried onion, salt and pepper and pile back into courgette halves. Top with pieces of butter or margarine and bake in medium oven till the tops are browned and the courgettes soft - about 30-40 minutes.

Celery provencale

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| 1 head celery             | 2 oz. margarine                      |
| 1 large onion             | $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. mixed dried herbs |
| 1 clove garlic (optional) | 1 level tsp. tomato puree            |
| 4 large tomatoes          | salt and pepper                      |

Clean and cut celery into 1" lengths. Simmer in salted water for 6-8 minutes till tender. Strain.  
Melt margarine in pan and add thinly sliced onions, crushed garlic, herbs and salt and pepper and cook 2-3 minutes until tender.  
Add skinned chopped tomatoes and puree.  
Bring to boil and cook over low heat for 4-5 minutes.  
Stir in celery and heat through.

P.B.

FROM OUR DO-IT-YOURSELF EXPERT

Painting over old tiles



When old wall tiles start to look faded and really down at heel, it is possible to paint over them. Wash them thoroughly, paying special attention to the grouting between the tiles. When they are dry, rub them with a medium grade emery cloth to dull the glaze. Dust them off and wipe them with a rag soaked in methylated spirits. As soon as this evaporates apply a coat of a good quality lacquer, such as Valspar or Carson's lacquer. Further coats can be applied as needed to get a good gloss.

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The Mardle has been asked by the Parish Council to publish the following item -

"The Rectory Field

Following the enquiry kindly organised by members of the village hall committee, resulting in a substantial return and an indication that in excess of 85% were in favour of the Rectory Field being purchased and thereby available for outdoor sports and activities as in the past, for all time, the Parish Council have decided to undertake the purchase providing that:- (a) the necessary finance is forthcoming and (b) a Management Committee operating independently under a Trust Deed can be formed.

The purchase price is £5,000 plus Legal Fees, estimated at £250. This figure has been qualified by the District Valuer as fair and reasonable - he further stated informally that in his opinion, in view of the nearness of the new village hall, this was an unique opportunity which should not be passed by and would make a very important contribution in the future in providing permanent facilities of a nature unlikely again to be available.

The 'Financial' situation to date is as follows:-

Immediate sum needed	£5,250
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The South Norfolk District Council have offered a grant of one-third - £1,750 which leaves a balance of £3,500 to be funded locally.

The following sums have already been promised -

one of	£1,000
one of	500
two of £100	200
two of £50	100
	£1,800

Would others please look to see if they are able to promise a contribution and to inform one of the undersigned as soon as possible - details as follows -

1. The amount (which can be funded by the end of September 1982) and any personal preferences, for example
2. Whether your name may be publicised (absolute confidence and privacy can be undertaken in consultation with one of the undersigned)

- 3. Any items concerning use, etc. you would like written into the Trust Deed
- 4. Any other items you would like considered.

Offers to run and/or assist in money raising activities have also already been made and other will gratefully be made use of by the Management Committee in due time. It is envisaged that the project will be run side by side with the village hall and the two will be complementary to each other. The project has the support of the Norfolk Playing Fields Association who are being very helpful and encouraging.

Would individuals who are prepared to serve on the Management Committee please also give their names to one of the undersigned. It is anticipated that the Committee of Management will include representatives of the Parish Council, the Village Hall Committee, and all interested organised bodies, together with independently elected members. We look forward to your help and support and THANK YOU .....

Don. Ireland 'Homelea', Church Road	Tel. Fundenhall 485
Chris. Brighton 'Ashwood House', Top Row	" " 507
Ken. Hanton 'Walnut-tree Cottage', Top Row	" " 284 "

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#### HOW TO HIRE THE VILLAGE HALL

Birthday Party? Wedding? Anniversary? Need a lot of space to do your own thing?

Why not hire the hall for an hour or for a whole day?

Ring Pat Butcher on Fundenhall 347 for a quote and to check availability.



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#### VILLAGE HALL BUILDING BONDS

There are still a few 2nd issue bonds available. Price £20. Please contact committee members for details.



### THE SUE RYDER FOUNDATION

As many of you know Mrs. Stammers has collected for the Foundation in the past. The Mardle asks you all to help this worthwhile organisation by being generous when she calls again in the near future.

Lack of space prevents us from publishing in full a report of the Foundation's work for the sick and disabled of all ages. However we are pleased to reproduce the back cover of a recent report.



**T**HE SUE RYDER FOUNDATION is a Living Memorial to all those millions who gave their lives during two World Wars in defence of human values, and to the countless others who are suffering and dying today as a result of persecution.

**W**hatever you do and wherever you pray, think about their supreme sacrifice.

**T**his is an International Foundation which is devoted to the relief of suffering on the widest scale. It seeks to render personal service to those in need and to give affection to those who are unloved, regardless of age, race or creed, as part of the Family of man.

**T**he work is a summons to seek out and face the reality of human suffering and to do something about it. It is a call to deny ourselves, and to give ourselves to those who have need of us, wherever they may be.

**I**t is a challenge to us all:

*"For the cause that lacks assistance,  
For the wrong that needs resistance,  
For the future in the distance,  
And the good that I can do."*  
George Linnaeus Banks.



The next Mardle will be published in the first week of October. Any items for publication to Mike McGregor, The Old Homestead, Top Row by 26th September.