

February/March Issue

A bi-monthly newsletter produced by the Village
Hall Committee

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Brrrr! Well, we seem to be in the middle of our own Siberian weather again. Looking outside on this snowy afternoon you would think the village was deserted but as always there is plenty happening if you only know where to look!

It is amazing when you look into what happens at the village hall to find so much going on. Since the last Mardle there have been several major events - the charity coffee morning before Christmas raised £90 as well as being an enjoyable way to meet people and talk. The Christmas dance and draw raised £141, though not so well attended. Two jumble sales (the second being held at St. Thomas' church hall, Norwich to dispose of the "leftovers") raised £125 and £105 respectively and the well attended Old Year's Night party a further £80 although this was not held as a fund raising event. We must thank all those who made these occasions possible.

Thanks must also go to all those involved in bringing about the building of the inner lobby and bar at the hall. At one time it seemed quite impossible that any progress would be made then quite suddenly, because of the initiative and generosity of a number of people, it's well on its way. As always your Committee will strive to see that this facility enhances any future event and does not prove a disadvantage to the village.

BUILDING BONDS

There are still 16 bonds available if anyone would like to support the hall in this way - a reminder - they cost £20 each. You have a chance to win £25 at one of the quarterly draws. Contact any committee member.

At the last draw on 1st January the winners were -

GOOD NEWS!

Miss Emily Nudd
Mr. C. Westrup
Miss B. Whiting

GOOD NEWS!

Congratulations!

Winners of the Grand Christmas Draw were -

1st prize	S. Puce	
2nd	W. Wells	
3rd	W. Taylerson	
4th	R. Hall	- Long Stratton
5th	S. Yates	- Mulbarton
6th	C. F. Eves	
7th	K. Hanton	
8th	J. Goodrum	
9th	Pearl (Badminton Club)	-

Congratulations again!

WHIST DRIVES

Our Christmas drive raised the grand sum of £34. Many thanks to all those who so generously donated prizes.

The next drives are on

MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
and
MONDAY 18TH MARCH

beginning at 8.00 p.m., entrance 35p.

KEEP FIT

Come and get ready for the better days ahead.
 Monday mornings 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.
 Wednesday evenings 8.00 - 9.00 p.m.
 Expert tuition and encouragement with Yvonne Bloom.

PATCHWORK

Begins again on Monday 4th February at 8.00 p.m. New members always welcome.

BINGO

No news yet but the matter is still being pursued.

TALKING POINT

COFFEE SHOP

TALKING POINT

Well done the few brave ladies who have met during January on Wednesday mornings despite the snow! Don't forget - 10.30 - 11.30 a.m. every week.

GREAT VALUE

LETTING CHARGES

The new charges for use of the hall took effect from 1st January 1985.

	<u>local</u>	<u>others</u>
Main hall	£3 per hour	£4 per hour
Weddings & parties (with a £5 surcharge for a disco after a wedding reception)	£25	£50
Disco (fund raising)	£50	£50
Council Room	£2 per hour	£2 per hour

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FUTURE EVENTS

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

THURSDAY 14TH FEBRUARY
 COFFEE MORNING
 &
 BRING-AND-BUY

By kind invitation of Mrs. Stephanie Stretton,
 The Old Orchard, Church Road
 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon
 To raise money for back drapes for the stage

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SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
 7.30 p.m.

French DELIGHTS

French wines

An evening with a French flavour for all the family. Competitions (with prizes), Games, Slide Show, Wine Tasting, Refreshments (also with a French flavour)

Entrance at the door £2 adults 50p children

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SATURDAY 2ND MARCH

POP NEWS

DISCO
 (dancing to Vegas Sound)

BAR

8.00 - 12 midnight

ENTRANCE £1

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SATURDAY 9TH MARCH

At Laburnums, Church Road, Wreningham
(home of Mike and Pat Butcher)

A BLACK AND WHITE EVENING
8.00 P.M.

A fork supper (hot)

Tickets (limited to 40 guests) £4
- including 2 glasses wine - available
from P. Butcher, Tel. Fundenhall 347

Please will all guests come
dressed in black and/or white
or you may find yourself
paying a forfeit!

Raffle

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Small Matters

TOT'S DISCOS

We are holding tots to 10's discos on SATURDAYS 16TH FEBRUARY and 23RD MARCH
FROM 3.00 - 5.00 P.M. ENTRANCE 30P
There will be squash and crisps on sale. If your children have any favourite
records please bring them along.

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SATURDAY 30TH MARCH

8.00 - 1.00 a.m.

Another party by popular request! You are all invited to a GRAND EASTER
BONNET PARTY - Prizes for the best male's and female's bonnets.
Tickets at £5.50 include music, pie supper and drinks and can be obtained
from Linda Knight, Tel. Fundenhall 642 or Dawn Dyker, Tel. Fundenhall 8281.
Bring your friends for a pre-Easter celebration.

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EASTER MONDAY

Early warning - we will be holding a sponsored walk again this year. Please
make this part of your holiday plans - it is most enjoyable and not too
strenuous.

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Another early warning - we are planning to hold a Jumble Sale in the Village
Hall on Saturday 27th April - please remember this when you start Spring Cleaning!

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SALE:

FOR SALE

Large oval Indian carpet approx. 12' long 9' wide. Offers around £10 to
P. Butcher, Fundenhall 347.

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SCHOOL NEWS

You are invited to a tea party at Wreningham school on Friday 22nd March from
2.30 p.m. which is being held to raise money for the children's summer outing.

Entrance 20p

Bring-and-Buy

Cake Stall

Raffle

LATE NEWS At its recent meeting the Parish Council agreed by a majority vote to
enter the Best Kept Village competition this year. Judging begins in May. More
details in the next issue of the Mardle.



GOOD NEIGHBOURS

CRIME WATCH



The police have been in touch by 'phone to ask if local residents will report anything unusual or suspicious, in this area, which may help them in preventing and solving crime. An appeal is being made in other areas through local circulations to this end. It obviously makes good sense to look out for each other, in this village we are lucky that this is almost automatically done. Recently a late night prowler was spotted in a garden in Wreningham. The police have not found a culprit but ask everyone to be aware of this incident.

WANTED (No connection with above!)

Does anyone have an old cup and saucer which they would be prepared to donate to Wreningham Church? It would be nice if we could offer coffee after the family service as all the other churches in the group do. This collection of crockery would be the first step towards that. Thelma Hanton would be pleased to hear from you.

Used birthday cards wanted. Will collect. 'Phone 649.

IN THE KITCHEN

KITCHEN CAPERS

-BON APPETIT-

If this doesn't warm you, nothing will!

Chilli con Carne

1 lbsp. cooking oil
1 oz. butter
2 lge. onions
2 cloves garlic
4 oz. bacon trimmings
1 lb. minced beef

3 oz. tomato puree
1 - 2 tsp. chilli powder
2 12oz. cans kidney beans or
12 oz. dried beans (soaked overnight)
1 tsp. cummin seeds (optional) crushed
salt and pepper



Melt oil and butter together and fry onions and garlic. Take out of pan and fry together bacon trimmings and minced beef for a few minutes. Put onions and garlic back into pan, add tomato puree and seasonings. If using soaked dried kidney beans add now and cook for about an hour either on top of the oven (in which case stir frequently) or in a moderate oven. If using canned beans add for about the last 15 minutes of cooking time. Serve with plain boiled rice - I prefer the brown variety which is available at most health food stores and has a much nicer texture though it takes a bit longer to cook.

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CHECKLIST

YOUR DIARY AT A GLANCE
(cut out and keep)

Thursday 14th February
Saturday 16th February
Monday 18th February
Saturday 23rd February
Thursday 28th February
Saturday 2nd March
Saturday 9th March
Monday 18th March
Friday 22nd March
Saturday 23rd March
Thursday 28th March
Saturday 30th March

Coffee morning, 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon
Tots to 10's disco 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Whist drive 8.00 p.m.
French evening for the family 7.30 p.m.
Country dancing 8.00 - 9.30 p.m.
Disco with Bar 8.00 - 12 midnight
Black and white supper 8.00 p.m.
Whist Drive 8.00 p.m.
Tea party at the school 2.30 p.m.
Tots to 10's disco 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Country Dancing 8.00 - 9.30 p.m.
Easter bonnet party 8.00 p.m. - 1.00 a.m.

Contributions for the next edition of the Mardle to the Editor,
Janet Vessey, by mid-March please.

