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WRENINGHAM MARDLE



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From Your Chairman,

Well, this edition crosses that great divide into the unknown future - year 2000 is only a month away now. Some things change whilst others remain as before. For instance following the Annual Meeting I have again been elected to the chair, whilst after 12 years as Treasurer - Daphne Goodrum has decided to stand down from the committee. At the AGM a vote of thanks was given to Daphne for the care with which she has looked after the finances over that time. The new treasurer will be Geoff Townshend.

Mrs Lindsay Parfitt finished working as hall cleaner at the end of October, we wish to thank her for her work over the past 2 years and wish her well. We welcome Mrs Daphne Hurn as our new cleaner and hope that she enjoys the job.

The Jumble Sale held in October raised £149.00 - our thanks to all who contributed and all who helped.

Christine Minns

WRENINGHAM OPEN GARDENS

SUNDAY 25TH JUNE 2000

The Village Hall Management Committee are organising this fund raising event for next year. Our thanks to the villagers who have already offered to open their gardens on the day, but we are still looking for a few more, especially in Ashwellthorpe Road, Church Road, and Top Row. We would be pleased to hear from anybody willing to help however grand or modest their garden is. We are also looking for ideas for the 'extra attractions' in some of the gardens such as teas, plant sales, children's quiz, etc. Your offers would be appreciated - please contact either Ian Withey (Tel: 488429) or Geoff. Townshend (Tel: 488468)

News from Wreningham School

The pupils would like to extend a warm welcome to you to see a performance of their Christmas play which is being held at the Village Hall on Tues. 14th Dec. at 6.30 p.m. and Wed. 15th Dec. at 10.00 a.m.

On Fri. 17th Dec. at 2.00 p.m. a Christingle Service is being held at Wreningham church and we hope as many of you as possible will come and join in this service.

Over 30 shoeboxes were collected for the Operation Christmas Child and these will be distributed to children in Kosovo.





Social Club Report

Following on from the last issue's Club report, we did indeed have another successful Casino night. We also had a great night at the family Halloween disco despite the Chairman getting drenched during proceedings.

The bonfire went up on 5th Nov., the rain having stopped 20 minutes before decision time! I would like to thank Nigel and Sue Rudd for donating, preparing and serving the mulled wine, Bill and Mary Wells for providing and serving the BBQ., Roddy Goldsmith for his "umbrella" and David Minns for his invaluable help in setting up.

This year's Christmas draw will take place on Thursday 23rd December at 8.30 p.m. Squares are 50p each and there are lots of prizes to be won. - be in to win.

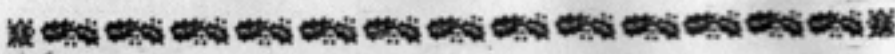
Tickets are selling well for the New Year's Eve village party so if you haven't got yours yet they are available from the bar or myself. Adults £10.00 U12 £5.00

As this is the last Mardle of the year, on behalf of the Social Club committee I would like to wish you all a great Christmas and new Millenium. I hope to see you on New Year's Eve and thanks for your support during 1999.

Gary Mutton,

Social Club Chairman (Tel: 01508 489323)





Thank You and Farewell to Frank & Jean Hart



Frank and Jean have been very loyal supporters of this village ever since the Social Club was opened in 1985. Before the Margaret Preston Room was built we had to try to organise activities for the membership within the main hall and during a number of winters Frank and Jean taught Ballroom dancing. They also gave a trophy which was used for different activities each year, e.g. darts, pool, etc. Since March 1993 they have been providing the music for fortnightly Ballroom, Latin and Sequence dances which until recently provided a small but steady income for both the Management Committee and the Social Club. Unfortunately, few younger dancers have joined us and many of the original supporters are either no longer able to drive or have lost their dancing partner.

Friday 10th December is the Christmas dance and will be the last dance. I would ask anybody who has in the past attended Frank and Jean's classes and anybody who can dance ballroom, latin or sequence - however limited, to join us that evening so that their last dance is a happy occasion. Please come, admission is £1.75 and please bring a plate of food to add to the pooled buffet. Take your partners at 8 p.m. - last waltz 11 p.m.

MILLENIUM PROJECT

By the time you read this, we may well have a clock fitted to the tower of the church. The money has come in well, and with the amount of help we have been given without charge we are not far from our target budget. If you still wish to make a donation we would be pleased to receive it. A list of donors (no sums of money to be listed) is to be placed on permanent display within the church. If you wish to have your name recorded please let Ivan Howlett, Tamarisk, Wymondham Road, Wreningham, (01508 489388) have your donation. Cheques should be made out to: Wreningham Millenium Project Fund.

Commemorative Yew Tree - Wreningham has one. Where should we plant it? If you have any suggestions please let Dennis Long know on 01508 489224.

This year the Christmas and New Year holiday period is exceptionally long. The authorities are concerned that in the case of any breakdown in services or illness people may have difficulty in getting help. In the church magazine are emergency phone numbers for just about every eventuality. If you find yourself unable to get help and do not have a church magazine, please, do not hesitate to contact somebody in the village that you think might have the list of numbers. May you all remember that this is the season of Goodwill!

Remember that there are no refuse collections during week beginning 27th Dec. and the next week collections will be a day later than normal.



All Saints, Wreningham

- The Christmas Fayre on Sat. 27th Nov. was an enjoyable and successful afternoon raising £429.64 towards church funds. Thank you to all who came and supported and those who manned the various stalls. So many gifts were given it isn't possible to thank everyone personally, so a very big "Thank You" to you all. Father Christmas was in his Grotto and he asked me to say he thoroughly enjoyed his visit!

December 17th - See the news from the school for an invitation to join them at their Christingle Service.

- Tuesday 21st December - A Service of Lessons and Carols at the church at 7 p.m. - We extend a warm welcome to everybody.

On behalf of Wreningham Church Council - we wish you a very happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Margaret Wilkinson & Dennis Long (Churchwardens)



1999 British Legion Poppy Appeal for Wreningham

Many thanks for the continued support of the Parishioners and Collectors. Miss Gladys Gooch who normally collects on Church Road failed a late fitness test for this year. However, her efforts over the years are very much appreciated. A special mention to Mrs Thelma Hanton, who has collected on Top Row for nearly 25 years, this is a marvellous record and Thelma shows no signs of retiring as present.

Harry & Maureen King	Church Road	31.48
Margaret Wilkinson	Wymondham Road	49.46
Laura Howes	Ashwellthorpe Road	13.40
Thelma Hanton	Top Row	78.54
Barney Howes	Hethel Road	32.49
	Social Club	1.45
	Bird in Hand	10.97

	Total	£217.79

Local organiser
Barney Howes.

WANTED - by the Red Cross at their Wymondham shop, for staff use, a tabletop or slimline fridge - limited budget available - if you think you can help contact Peggy New on 01508 488217

"What's On" Diary



Ballroom - Dec. 10th - 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. - last dance with Frank & Jean see details elsewhere.

Le Roc - Last Sunday dance before Christmas is on 6th Dec. 7.30 p.m. £3.00 per person/per lesson. Sunday lessons will resume again on 9th Jan. There is also a class on Monday evenings 6th, 13th, 20th Dec. and then resuming on 3rd January.



Whist Drive - There will be a special Christmas Whist Drive on Monday 20th December in the Margaret Preston Room at 8.0 p.m. and the first whist drive of the new year will be on Mon. 17th Jan - same venue and time.

60's Dances to live music - proceeds in aid of Village Hall Funds.

Sat. 11th December - The Sabres

Sat. 22nd January - Deluxe



Adm. £4.00 8 p.m. to mid-night.

New Years Eve party - Guess when??? - Don't forget to buy your ticket before they all go!

On behalf of myself and the Village Hall Management Committee I would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas, and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Christine Minns, Editor.

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