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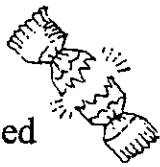


From Your Chairman,

I was sorry that there were not more people at the Annual Meeting to hear what the committee has been doing during the past year and to give their comments on village hall matters. The accounts showed a small surplus, even after repaying £4,000 worth of loan bonds.

The officers were re-elected as follows: Chairman myself, Vice-Chairman Gary Mutton, Secretary Valerie Harvey, Treasurer Daphne Goodrum and Booking Secretary Penny Mutton. After serving for 10 years on the committee, Andree Handford decided not to stand for re-election this year. I would like, on behalf of the Management Committee and the village to thank her for all her time and hard work over the past 10 years. Most of that time she was booking secretary and for the past 9 years she has been responsible for booking and organising Country Club on the second Saturday of each month.

Country Club has been running at Wreningham for 11 years now and during that time has contributed over £16,500 towards hall funds.



However, over the past 18 months numbers have dropped and with bands becoming more expensive, Country has not been as profitable and Andree decided that she would like to give up running this. On Saturday 13th December we shall be holding our last Country Club dance, it will also be Christmas party night and we would like as many people as possible to join us that night when the band will be "Spiral".

In my letter last time I said that we were making enquiries about the purchase of the field opposite the village hall. Many people thought that this would be an asset being so close to the hall, playing field and school, all of which are short of space. Unfortunately, we were not successful in our request to be considered.

During the last month we have had a change of hall cleaner. Mark Collings found a fulltime job, we wish him well and thank him for his work during the past 18 months. The vacancy has been filled by Mrs Lindsey Parfitt, we hope that she will enjoy her association with us.

The village hall will be decorated on Sat. 13th December at 2 p.m. and if anybody would like to lend a hand we would be pleased to see them. If it turns out anything like the building of the bonfire, it certainly will be a sociable working party. Perhaps I can have a volunteer to bring the mince pies, when we built the bonfire it was rock cakes which turned up unexpectedly.

Christine Minns

DIARY OF EVENTS

December

- 5th Ballroom, Sequence and Latin dance to C.D's, everybody welcome. £1.75
- 8th Bingo
- 13th Country Club Christmas Party with "Spiral"
- 15th Whist Drive - this is the Christmas Drive and I am sure you would be made welcome. In the Margaret Preston Room 8 p.m.



- 19th Ballroom, Sequence and Latin dance - Christmas party night including American supper.
- 31st New Years Eve disco - get your tickets !!!

January

- 9th Ballroom, Sequence and Latin
- 12th Bingo
- 17th 60's Dance to "Deluxe"
- 19th Whist Drive 8 p.m. in the M. P. Room



- 20th Parish Council Meeting
- 23rd Ballroom, Sequence and latin
- 26th Bingo





SOCIAL CLUB



The Halloween fancy dress disco was a very enjoyable evening with some people putting in a lot of effort with their costumes - scary!!

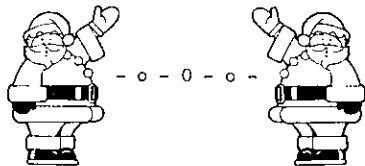
The village bonfire was as usual a very successful event. Our grateful thanks go to Bill Smith for allowing us to use his land, to Nigel Rudd for donating the wine and Bill Wells for the use of his BBQ. My thanks to the committee and bar manager for their hard work before, during and after the event.

The Social Club coach trip to the Norwich Beer Festival was a success (enough said!!),

We have unfortunately had to cancel the line dancing due to lack of numbers. The Social Club never sleeps, however, and coming up will be the usual Grand Christmas draw on Thursday 18th December at 8.30 p.m. and the numbers are now on sale behind the bar at 50p each.

Don't forget the New Years Eve village party, tickets will shortly be on sale from committee members or from the bar. Price £6. - Book Early!!.

The club has recently had the pool table serviced and re-covered.



The latest real ales to titillate the taste buds have been "Nelsons Revenge" and "Captain Christmas". Why not come and celebrate the Christmas season with us and try one of the real ales?

On the subject of Christmas, as this is the last Mardle of the year, may I on behalf of the Social Club committee wish you all a very merry Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year and look forward to your continued support in 1998.

Gary Mutton, Social Club Chairman.

NOTE: Subscriptions will become due on 1st January.

RODDYS RAMBLES - Celebrated its second birthday during November. If you want to have a walk in the Country with a very friendly bunch, then come along to the village hall on the 3rd Sunday of each month. (Normally 9.30 a.m. but it pays to check beforehand - details behind the social club bar) You'll be most welcome!

BINGO - there will be no Pip's Prize Christmas Bingo this year.

There was a thought that there would be no bingo at all next year, but help has been found for setting up so this will continue after all.

Happy New Year



LOAN BONDS- No: 201 to 300 are not due for redemption until January 2000 and are eligible for the quarterly draw. The October winner was:

234 Miss B. Whiting

THE JONATHAN WYATT BIG BAND

This band was at Wreningham on 22nd November when the proceeds of the evening wen to "Macmillan Cancer Relief" fund and it looks as if the evening made about £300 for the charity as well as being a very enjoyable and different evening. The organisers would like to thank all who supported them.

A letter from somebody who attended the village bonfire on 5th November, held on the field opposite the village hall.

"I would just like to say a very big thank you to Mr Smith and all those people who worked so hard to make the Village Bonfire Night one to remember for a very long time. I think nearly all the villagers turned out, young and old. What a happy atmosphere it gave to a very special village. Thank you all once again for a very enjoyable evening.

- A Walker "

(Obviously the atmosphere on the Saturday when the bonfire was build must have carried over to the event on the 5th.)

NEWS ON THE BURIAL GROUND - The parish has purchased a piece of land to the north of the existing churchyard, this has been fenced off and work on cutting the hedges, ditching, draining, levelling and turfing will be carried out during the next year or so.

TREES WITHIN THE PARISH

South Norfolk Council is trying to get each village to appoint a "Tree Warden". This would be somebody who is interested in recording what trees there are in the village and their age, safety and general amenity value. If you are interest in more details contact the chairman of the Parish Council, Mr Stephen Richardson on 489317.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 1997

Many thanks to all parishioners and collectors for their support. The total collected was:

	£
Mrs T. Hanton (Toprow)	78.36
Mrs J. Pegg (Ashwellthorpe Road)	21.42
Mr. B. Howes (Hethel Road)	22.40
Mrs M. Wilkinson (Wymondham Road)	36.74
Miss G. Gooch (Church Road)	34.75
Church Collection	<u>45.05</u>
Total	<u>£238.72</u>

Barney Howes

WRENINGHAM ALL SAINTS

The church Christmas Fayre held on Sat. 15th November was a very happy social event. Thank you to all who helped in so many ways, and to all those who came along. The proceeds of the Fayre together with donations amounted to £401.40 which will go to church funds.

The school children will be coming to the church on Friday 19th December at 2 p.m. for their "Christingle" service of lessons and carols. Mr. Graham Reardon from the Childrens Society will be there to speak. Everybody is welcome, so do come and enjoy this service.

Christmas Carol Service - A service of lessons and carols at the church will be held on Monday 22nd December at 7 p.m. We look forward to seeing you all on that evening.



Christmas Day there will be Holy Communion at 9 a.m.

On behalf of "All Saints Church" may I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Margaret Wilkinson

Over the next few weeks there are a number of events going in the village hall, and the Social Club is open each Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening, so do try to visit the hall at some time over the festive season. Have a good Christmas and I wish you all a happy, healthy 1998.



Christine Minns

