

EAST BRIDGFORD & KNEETON

# Village Magazine

ST PETER'S & ST HELEN'S



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### CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

I am writing this article on Boxing Day, whilst reflecting on a most wonderful Christmas festival. In the weeks that led up to Christmas, I took every opportunity of inviting people from our two villages to join in at least one of the Church's services over the Christmas period. In all, at least 985 people were present at St. Peter's and many others at St. Helen's, the Methodist Church or at other churches further afield. I am told that more attended the Carol Service and the Eucharist on Christmas morning than ever before. In addition, there was a tremendous feeling of friendship and an atmosphere of corporate worship, which is not easy to describe. A number of people have commented on this over the past two days. At the Mid-night Mass one sensed that the whole village was represented in an act of worship and adoration, which was dignified and joyful, but at times, perfectly quiet and still.

All this has taken place at the end of a year, which has been encouraging in so many ways. We began with the Covenant Funding Campaign, which exceeded all expectations and opened up opportunities for evangelism and pastoral visiting, which some had doubted possible. We then looked at ourselves in depth in the Focus on Mission groups, and have begun to implement and strengthen several areas of parish life which appeared weak or non-existent. In the Autumn people from the Methodist Church, St. Peter's and the W.I. joined together to promote One World Week and draw attention to the plight of the Third World by means of worship, drama and exhibition. In addition, there has been a marked increase in the numbers attending Sunday School and Evensong; and the daily caring of so many people through prayer, visiting and practical help seems to grow, as well.

I am convinced that God, through the power of his Holy Spirit, is at work in this place and situation. It is for us to build upon the foundations which have been laid and, with optimism, to work even harder in the year which lies ahead to hasten the coming of His Kingdom.

### OUR CHURCH IS GRATEFUL

1. For the cleaning and restoration of the War Memorial made possible by a member of the village.
2. For the garden seat and lighting outside the West Door, donated in memory of Mr. Jack North.
3. For the time and energy and money given by so many people in preparing the church and worship for the Christmas services and in organising the Dinner Dance.
4. For the contributions made in different ways week by week to the life and mission of the Church.

### CHRISTMAS GIVING

The following monies have been sent from the Churches and other organisations in the villages to various missions and charities. In each case the money was raised by means of special collections over Christmas.

The Church of England Children's Society	
from the Christingle envelopes and collection	£93
Salvation Army from the collection at Mid-night	£40
Save the Children Fund " " "	£40
Jimmy Savile's Charities from the sponsored walk	£30
Jimmy Savile's Charities from the Playgroup walkers	£18
The Church of England Children's Society	
from Kneeton Christingle and Carol Singing	£33
The Church of England Children's Society	
from East Bridgford Carol Singing	£22
The National Children's Homes	
from East Bridgford Carol Singing	£22
The National Children's Homes donated by	
St. Peter's School	£15
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Some of these are approximate amounts, as money is still coming in, and the list may well be incomplete.

## Holy Baptism

Charlotte Jane Elizabeth COOK

## Christian Burial and Cremation

26th. November Norman SKINNER

17th. December May Verdun SKINNER

20th. December Margaret Curtis MORTON

4th. January Sarah (Sally) Elizabeth FLETCHER




## MOTHERS UNION by JANET MORRIS

At the Mothers Union meeting on 15th Dec. the Rector and Mrs. Jean Hunt paid warm tribute to the leadership and example given by Mrs. Margaret Bontoft during her six years as Enrolling Member. The Rector spoke of the unstinting and cheerful support Margaret had given him personally and of her Christian commitment to her God, her Church, and her family. Jean, who with the aid of one of the children, presented Margaret with a gift and flowers as a small token of the love and affection felt by members, amused us all with early anecdotes and reminiscences of meetings held in the Methodist's School Room. She spoke of Margaret's ability to offer instant friendship and encouragement to new young members of the congregation bringing many of them into the friendship of the Mothers Union.



Some of the members then enacted scenes of the Nativity from the Chester Miracle Plays before the meeting closed at 4pm. At Evensong on Sunday 2nd. Mrs. Janet Morris was admitted as the Enrolling Member for St. Peter's Branch.

FLOWERS AT ST. PETER'S Many thanks to all who have given flowers and donations throughout 1982 and helped to decorate St. Peter's for special Festivals. The 1983 list will be in St. Peter's Church porch. Help will be gratefull appreciated. For further details please contact Mrs. Macdonald-Smith E.B. 20467.



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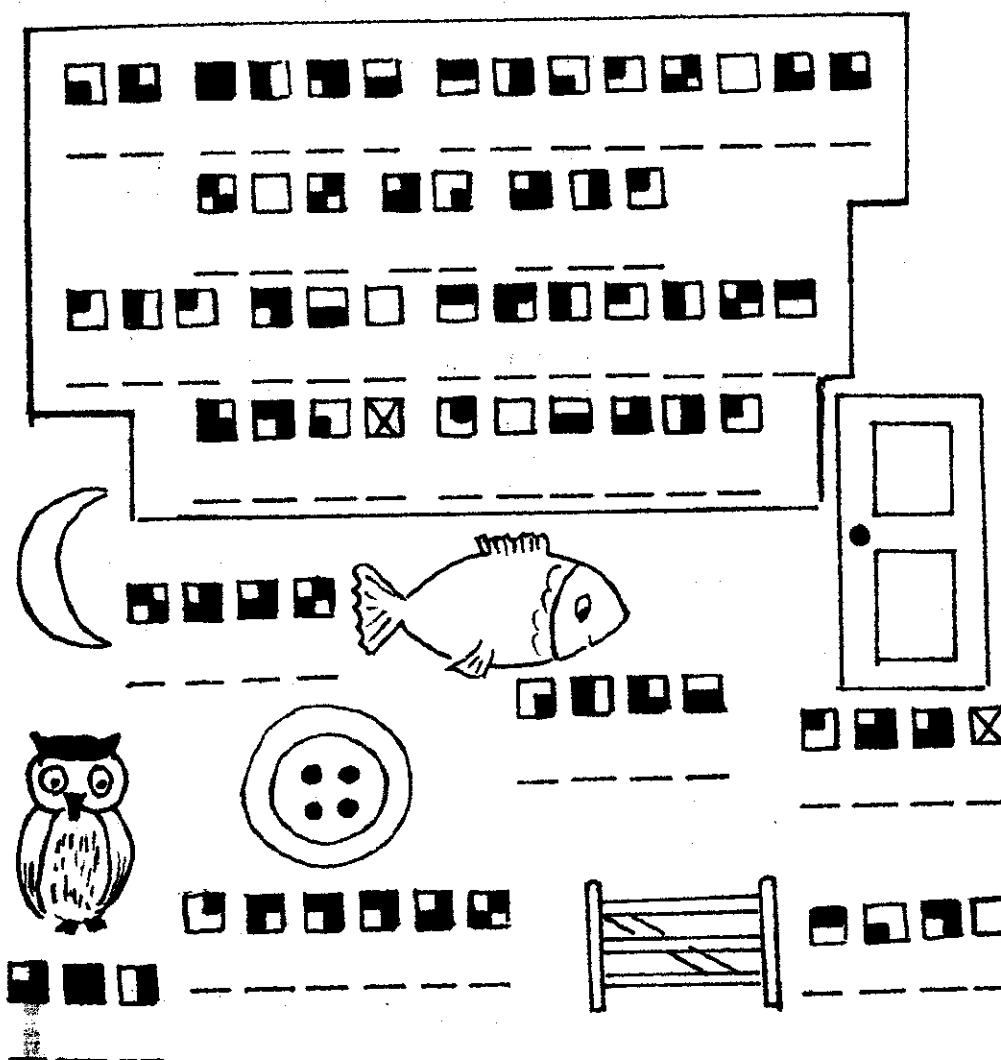
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ST. PETER'S SCHOOL by THE HEADMASTER

Governors

Following the resignation of Mrs. Guy, Fl. Lt. John Crouch from R.A.F. Newton has been appointed to the Governing Body of St. Peter's School. Born in Leicester, John was educated at Leicester Boys' Grammar School, and St. John's College, Durham. After obtaining a Post Graduate Certificate in Education he taught in Durham for 3 years until he joined the R.A.F. as an Education Officer in 1974. At Newton he is O/C Applied Principles of Missile Training.

John is Captain of the R.A.F. Fencing team and a member of the squash team at Newton and a Church Warden. He has a wife Margaret and two sons, Paul aged 5 and Simon aged 3.

The present Governing Body is Chairman, The Revd. Alan Haydock; Vice Chairman Mr. Charles Wilkins and members Mr. Charles Preston, Mr. Sandy Hall, Mrs. Maureen Keall and Fl.Lt. John Crouch.

Staff

In December the School said goodbye to Tim Allan, who had been at St. Peter's for 5½ years. He left to take up a scale 3 appointment at Fernwood Junior School, Wollaton. During his time at St. Peter's Tim took a special interest in Mathematics, Science, and Games. We are very appreciative of the dedication and hard work he showed whilst on the staff. We wish him well in his new post. Filling the gap temporarily next term will be Alwyn Davies. Mr. Davies taught at Colston Bassett for 4 years before spending 2½ years at an Independent School in Rome. We hope he will enjoy his short stay at St. Peter's.

After Easter we will welcome Miss Jane Buckland to the permanent staff. She is at present at the Arkwright Primary School in Nottingham.

The full staff in January will be -

Headmaster - Garth Powell. Deputy Head - Richard Thomas. Judith Hooper, Linda Oliver, Gill Rich, Daphne Smith, Debby Shelton, Richard Stockwell, and Alwyn.

CRICKET CLUB COFFEE MORNING: The members of the East Bridgford Cricket Club wish to thank the people who attended the coffee morning at the home of Marion and Gerald Willis which raised £120 for the Cricket Club Funds.

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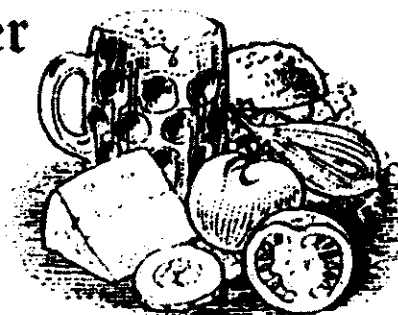
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## THE PIED PIPER AND CINDERELLA

The children of St. Peter's School Infant Department brightened three very cold and murky December afternoons with their presentation of The Pied Piper of Hamelin. On the first of these they entertained a number of residents from Saxondale together with ladies from St. Peter's Mothers' Union.

In this colourful production the diction of the main characters was of a high standard and the singing was both tuneful and enthusiastic. The recorded music had been chosen carefully and was amplified at a volume, which was pleasing to the ear.

The Staff and Children are to be congratulated on a performance which was both simple and spontaneous and which will be remembered for many weeks to come.

Great things are expected of the School's Junior Department and the large audiences at the pantomime 'Cinderella' were not disappointed. Over 100 children took part and for nearly three hours moved at a non-stop pace. The movement, dancing and timing of the slap-stick were of a high standard, and every word could be heard clearly. All this was supported by artistic scenery and lovely costumes. The lighting effects were professional and the amplified music, though at times it drowned the children's natural singing voices, was chosen with care and imagination.

In the words of the Headmaster, it was a wonderful team effort, involving every member of Staff and, I suspect, almost as many parents as children. Someone was heard to say afterwards: "Where do we go from here?"

A.H.

THE GUIDES ARE BACK IN EAST BRIDGFORD!! After three years of meeting in Shelford, due to the cut-backs in use of schools, the Guides will, in 1983, be meeting in the W.I. Hut, East Bridgford, on a WEDNESDAY evening 7.15pm to 8.45pm, starting with a Patrol Leaders, Seconds and Parents Meeting on January 12th. The first Company meeting will be January 19th. Girls between 10 and 15 years interested in joining, are welcome on January 19th, and any parents - perhaps wanting to find out what it's all about - will also be welcome on January 12th at 7.30pm.

CHIROPODY Many older residents are sorry to say farewell to Mr Willis Cheetham, the chiropodist who has been attending the village for the past six years. His six weekly visits have always been looked forward to. His patients send their thanks and good wishes for 1983.

## WALKING OFFA'S DYKE PATH

by

TOM SANDIFORD of BROWNS LANE

Offa was an Anglo-Saxon King of Mercia who caused a dyke - a frontier earthwork - to be made as a boundary for his kingdom. It was completed in 783 A.D. Now it is a 173 mile footpath from Prestatyn on the Irish Sea to Sedbury Cliffs on the Severn estuary near Chepstow.

Most of the footpath walkers travel northwards, starting at a weekend. My preference was to walk southwards and as I started on a Tuesday I had a lonely walk so the most meaningful question to ask me is not "Why did you do it?", but "What did you think about while walking?". I had allowed 12 days to walk the path including a rest day at Knighton, so the average day's walk was about 15 miles. My guide book showed strip maps with distances given in kilometres so during the early days I was constantly converting kilometres to miles and checking distance and time. However this constant checking was remedied on the third day by my watch strap breaking so I had to carry the watch in the rucksack. Then I just walked until I felt tired or hungry, usually around 12.45 when I stopped for lunch.

I would think about 'which is the best way over a stile' and interesting and pertinent subject when carrying a 28 lb rucksack. Eventually I had a strong preference for 'left leg first' and swinging with both arms around the right hand post. It's reasonable to assume that during a walk of this length that you are going to take a wrong turn and walk off the correct route. Have you ever thought how do you get back onto a stripmap with only a width of 100 yards in detail, when you have strayed four or five times that distance from the path? As a precaution I had two other guide books keeping my watch company in the rucksack.

It was five o'clock in the evening of the second day before I met another person, and I was to walk all day on other occasions without meeting another walker. Those I did meet were always walking in the other direction, but I enjoyed these five minute chats and the exchanging of information.

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I always asked "Have you seen anyone walking south today?", as I always thought I must catch up with someone sometime, but usually I got a negative response.

But the day came when I detected fresh footprints going my way. I tracked them for hours, two pairs going south. I longed to see a wet footprint on a wooden stile and wondered how long do they leave their wet impression but contented myself with calculating the time wet mud remains at the top of a footprint, perhaps two hours in a not too windy day. Then the path crossed a field of kale, how many drops are retained on an undisturbed leaf, how many on one recently brushed by a fleeting boot going south. At last I met someone coming the other way "Have you seen two people going south?" I enquired. My illusion and my confidence in my tracking ability was broken by their reply that they hadn't seen any walkers going south that day.

The walk from Knighton to Kingston proved to be enjoyable, it rained in the morning and then changed into a fine crystal clear day. The dyke crosses Rusnock Hill some 1250 feet above sea level, no great height but I was suddenly aware that I could see for miles in all directions, Pen-y-Fan in the Black Mountains stood out like a sentinel and Huy Bluff seemed to tower above the surrounding countryside. This is almost the highest point on the route and the forthcoming climb to 2219 feet had occupied my thoughts for the last few days. Now that it was in view it looked very high and imposing but I contented myself with the thought "It's all downhill after that" and actually it proved to be a relatively easy climb compared with the ups and downs of the Clwydian Range.

I thought that I would feel overjoyed at the finish on Sedbury Cliffs but I actually walked down to the banks of the Severn with the impressive Severn Bridge overhead with a feeling of physical relief rather than the excitement of having completed the walk.

Now I often think "Why did I do it?"



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ST. PETER'S CHURCH QUOTA 1983 by TREASURER P. BLANDY

After much work with their calculators the Treasurers of the Church Councils in the Bingham Deanery agreed at a recent meeting that East Bridgford's share of the Southwell Diocesan Budget for 1983 should be £7,127. This is a substantial increase over both the 1982 quota and the first estimate for 1983. 80% of this Diocesan Budget is used to meet the stipends, housing, pensions, and insurance of the clergy. It is only due to the success of the recent Funding Campaign that we shall be able to meet this call on our resources.

Members of the Church of England have had it so good for a long time. The Church was "always there", clergy came and went with no great financial impact on the lay people. This has now changed as the income from the Church of England's assets, representing money given by generous people in the past and now managed by the Church Commissioners has in no way kept pace with inflation. As recently as the late 70s clergy's stipends and pensions were shockingly low so large increases were essential, although even now a clergyman retiring after 37 years has a pension of but £3060. These increases could but come from the quotas allocated to the Parishes by a very complex formula, which with minor adjustments at Deanery level aims to collect a fair share from each parish.

However at their recent meeting many Church Treasurers expressed grave concern at the steeply rising increases in the Diocesan Budget. They agreed that a resolution should be presented to the Diocesan Synod early in 1983.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION E.B. WINS CUP by FRED HENSON



The Skegby Cup, for darts, dominoes, and cribbage is open to all 55 branches of the Notts. County Area of the R.B.L. Twice previously the East Bridgford and District Branch have reached the semi-finals but last year (1982) they reached the finals to be played against Hucknall at the R.B.L. Club at Arnold.

So, on the night of Tuesday 23rd November a bus load of about 30 players and supporters (which included the President Dr. G.O. Brooks) set off to do battle at Arnold, and much to the delight of all, for the first time the East Bridgford and District Branch of the R.B.L. became the winners. The Skegby Cup is waiting to be engraved up to date, when it is hoped to display it in the village.

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COMMON INTEREST. CHANNEL 4. 6.30 p.m. 18th JANUARY

The first of ten programmes sponsored by the International Broadcasting Trust, an educational charity with sixty overseas voluntary agencies among its founders members will be on Channel 4 at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday 8th January. The programmes aim to help people to become more aware of what is happening in detail on three aspects of world development. I.B.T. is issuing a study pack to be used with the programme.

It is hoped to form an East Bridgford based group to learn and discuss together the subjects shown in the programmes and others of interest. This is an opportunity to become better informed; to lessen the dreadful feeling of helplessness in the face of suffering; to discover if the cry "Well? What can I do about it?" is justifiable or an excuse, and to share our ignorance and concern.

Please will anyone interested come to the first meeting on Thursday 20th January at 8 p.m. at 2 Cherryholt Close, having watched the programme on 18th January if possible, though it is hoped a video recording will be available.

V.B.

BOOKS ---- BOOKS ---- BOOKS: Hardbacks, paper backs, children's, classics, sports, even slightly sexy -- the Village Hall was full of them on 28th November for the Book Sale in aid of Nottinghamshire's Life Boat Appeal. Buyers came throughout the day and £380 was raised. The members of the E.B. Life Boat Guild thank everyone who gave books and all helpers who gave their time and energy to organise the Sale. The books left at the end of the Day have all been given to other charities or hospitals.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE by JENNY FINCH

The December W.I. meeting was a pleasant occasion. The Hut was decorated and with the tables arranged a friendly atmosphere was engendered. Hot punch was served and later coffee and mince pies. Entertainment on a theme of Christmas past was introduced by Mrs. J. Morris helped by Mrs. M. Burnett, Mrs. R. Bardy, Mrs. V. Jones, Mrs. A. Metcalfe and Mrs. D. Willetts. Mrs. A. Powell gave the vote of thanks to all concerned. To round off the evening carols were sung accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. Seel. January will have the regular meeting on the 11th and the party on the 19th.



KNEETON NEWS by TOM ALLAN

Once again the Carol Service on 12th. December, was a very successful and joyful occasion. The church was almost full and the offerings of £27.60 have been sent to the Charnwood House Home for multi-handicapped children.

The Christingle Service, essentially for children, was also well attended. Roy Hargreaves and Kirsty Soar shared the readings. The offerings of £22.49 together with £10.90 collected by the child carol singers organised by Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Moore have been sent to the Church of England Children's Society.

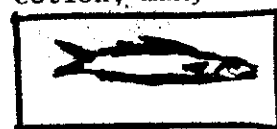
The Church funds have received a most welcome boost of £30.90 from the efforts of Alan Haydock and Tom Sandiford who recently took part in the Jimmy Saville sponsored walk. Our thanks go to them for their efforts.

Our sympathy and condolences go to Derek Skinner and his family following the loss in a few days of both their parents. We are thankful that Jane Duckett did not receive more serious injuries in her unfortunate car accident on her way to Glasgow.

THE FISH by GORDON STOBES

Since a scrum cap was the last piece of personal adornment I could remember buying I was affronted when a jeweller's assistant responded to my request to see necklaces with "Yes sir, for yourself?"

I recovered; after all perhaps she thought me urbane enough to carry one, or, as I glanced at the mirror, more likely, "I'll sell the old chap a copper one for his rheumatics". So I mused, but as I viewed the selection, many with pendant crosses, I fell into more serious contemplation of how the display of a cross no longer necessarily denoted the wearer a Christian. This is why some of us now wear the fish



badge. Probably from association with the fishermen disciples the fish was used by early Christians as a symbol of recognition. The letters of the Greek word ICTHUS, meaning fish, are also used acrostically to spell out Jesus Christ God's Son Saviour. In modern form the fish indicates too a reversion to the early Christian unity in that its wearer is seen to favour ecumenicity

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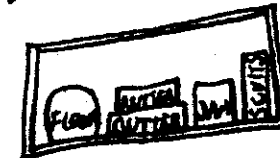
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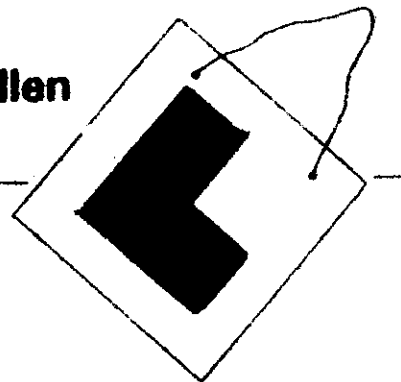
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#### YOUTH CLUB ENTERTAINS EAST BRIDGFORD SENIOR CITIZENS

The Youth Club entertained about 65 of East Bridgford's Senior Citizens at a Christmas Party in the Village Hall on Saturday 18th December under the direction of Andrew James. After a few rounds of bingo an excellent tea was served. During tea music was provided by Manya at the harmonium. After tea the Bridge Singers entertained the party with songs including several carols in which all were able to join. Mrs. James gave a most amusing recital in Yorkshire dialect about a man from 'Uddersfield' going to the Messiah.

After a raffle in which many prizes were won, and a glass of sherry the party dispersed. The senior Citizens had been given a most enjoyable and entertaining party and all felt very indebted to the Youth Club.

#### CHRISTMAS FAIR RAISES OVER £500 by ALLEN BINNEY

In spite of many competing attractions before Christmas the traditional Fair raised record funds for the Village Hall. A large turnout of residents welcomed by a large number of helpers in the Hall were ingredients for success. Thanks must be given to those who generously gave prizes for the raffle and tombola as well as those who worked hard to produce a wide and varied selection of gifts, cakes, and vegetables largely at their own expense. Empty 'shelves' at the end of the day made it very clear that the customers approved the selection as well as the prices.

A large crowd of youngsters too visited Father Christmas's Grotto giving added pleasure and excitement to the occasion. The funds raised will provide a solid base for continuing the Hall's activities during 1983. The Hall's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Committee Room at 8 pm on Wednesday, 26th January. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

CHRISTMAS "WEIGHTS" by DAVID ATKINS: Two very heavy collecting boxes on Wednesday 22nd December revealed £44.25, which has been divided between the National Children's Home and the Church of England Children's Society. Thanks to the young collectors who rang so many door bells, to the cheerful singers on so cold a night and to all those who gave so generously, both of money and of hospitality and made the evening so enjoyable.

## EAST BRIDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Trent Lane The Council have been informed by the Notts. C.C. Tree Officer that the trees have Dutch Elm disease. This unfortunately means that they will have to be felled. A replacement planting programme will be arranged.

Village Quiz The Village has been entered for the 1983 Inter-Village Quiz Competition organised by the Community Council for Notts. The first round will take place early in 1983.

### Planning Applications: Parish Council Recommendations

M Preston, off Brickyard Lane The council objected to the erection of a detached dwelling as the proposed design does not seem appropriate for such an unusual site.

D A C Skinner, 6 Kneeton Road The Council did not object to the erection of a 2 storey extension to form kitchen and bedroom, but suggested that the new gable should have a projecting parapet above the roof level to match that on the existing house, and the windows should match those existing.

E B Sports and Social Club: Bowling Green Field The Council did not object to outline permission for the erection of a Sports Pavilion, but took into account comments from residents and requested that:

- a the appearance of the building must be appropriate to the Conservation Area and the playing field environment in which it will be sited, including a tiled roof.
- b the pavilion shall be vacated by 11 pm.
- c the Parish Council will impose restrictions and controls on the nature of use of this building by an agreement reviewed annually with the Sports and Social Club.
- d all services to be placed underground.

Mrs Mumby and Mrs Kinton, 61 Main Street The Council supported a new doorway to the front of the building giving access to the first floor, but objected to a hanging sign as the road is very narrow and on a dangerous bend, and unloading vehicles pull in very close to the building; the projecting sign would create a hazard and the Council recommend that the oval sign be fixed flat to the building over the doorway.

C G Comerie, Fairview Butt Lane The Council supported a single storey extension to the bungalow.

Mr & Mrs D Winsor, 5 Kneeton Road The Council did not object to a 2 storey side extension.

### Planning Applications: Rushcliffe B C Decisions

D Jackson, 95 Main Street Outline permission granted for the erection of a dwelling and garage.

Next Meeting: Monday 10th January 7.30pm, 95 Main Street.

## THE BOWLS CLUB

The friendliness of East Bridgford's Bowls Players coupled with their good behaviour and dress had been commented on by other clubs in the Leagues in which the E.B. club competed, said Captain Les Crampton in his report to the club's A.G.M. on Thursday 25th November. The club had won 11 matches in the League of Country Bowling Clubs compared with 4 in 1981. President Henry Russell, who had been reappointed at the start of the meeting, congratulated Les for his enthusiasm and leadership.

The only change in club officers was Arthur Curtis taking over the general secretaryship and Don Bly the fixture secretaryship. Subscriptions were increased from £6 to £7. Thanks to the skill and care of Greenkeeper Arthur Thornton the Green was better than ever and had been chosen by the L.C.B.C. for some of their matches.

Les Crampton said the club now needed a club house to match the Green. The management committee were therefore cooperating with other sports clubs to investigate the possibility of a new club house for all sports played on the fields including tennis. A fund-raising committee had already started work and various alternatives were being studied.

Many club members and their friends wre together again on Saturday 27th November, this time for a super supper party in the village hall. President Henry Russell presented the trophies, Captain Les Crampton organised dancing for all tastes, the ladies produced a really excellent supper and everybody had a highly enjoyable evening.

## THE FOOTBALL CLUB.

20th Nov. Vernon(Sat)	0-2 Lost	11th Dec. Santos	0-4 Lost
27th Nov. Clifton Town	4-2 Won	18th Dec. Ponda	5-3 Won
	(League Cup)	26th Dec. (Almost)	
4th Dec. Dover Castle	2-1 Won	Past X1	4-2 Won

## THE FEBRUARY MAGAZINE

Copy to Felicity Jay by noon Monday 17th Jan. The magazine will feature "Down Under '82" by Tom Ashton, "An Inward Look from Outside" about the Sothwell Diocese and "The Women of East Bridgford-in 1881".

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- Sat. 8th Whist Drive. W.I. Hut 7.30pm and every Saturday.  
Methodist Jumble Sale.  
Tues. 11th W.I. Monthly Meeting.  
Wed. 12th Village Hall Committee Meeting 8pm.  
Wed. 19th W.I. New Year Party. Village Hall 7.30pm.  
Sat. 22nd Scout Jumble Sale. Village Hall.  
Wed. 26th Village Hall A.G.M. Committee Room 8pm.  
Fri. 28th Tennis Club A.G.M. Committee Room 7.45pm.  
Sat. 29th Sports and Social Club Jumble Sale V.H. 2.30pm.

FEBRUARY

- Sat. 12th Horticultural Society Cheese & Wine. V.H. 7.30pm.

EAST BRIDGFORD DIRECTORY UPDATE

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Rushcliffe Borough Council. E.B. Councillor, Mrs. E. Tutin  
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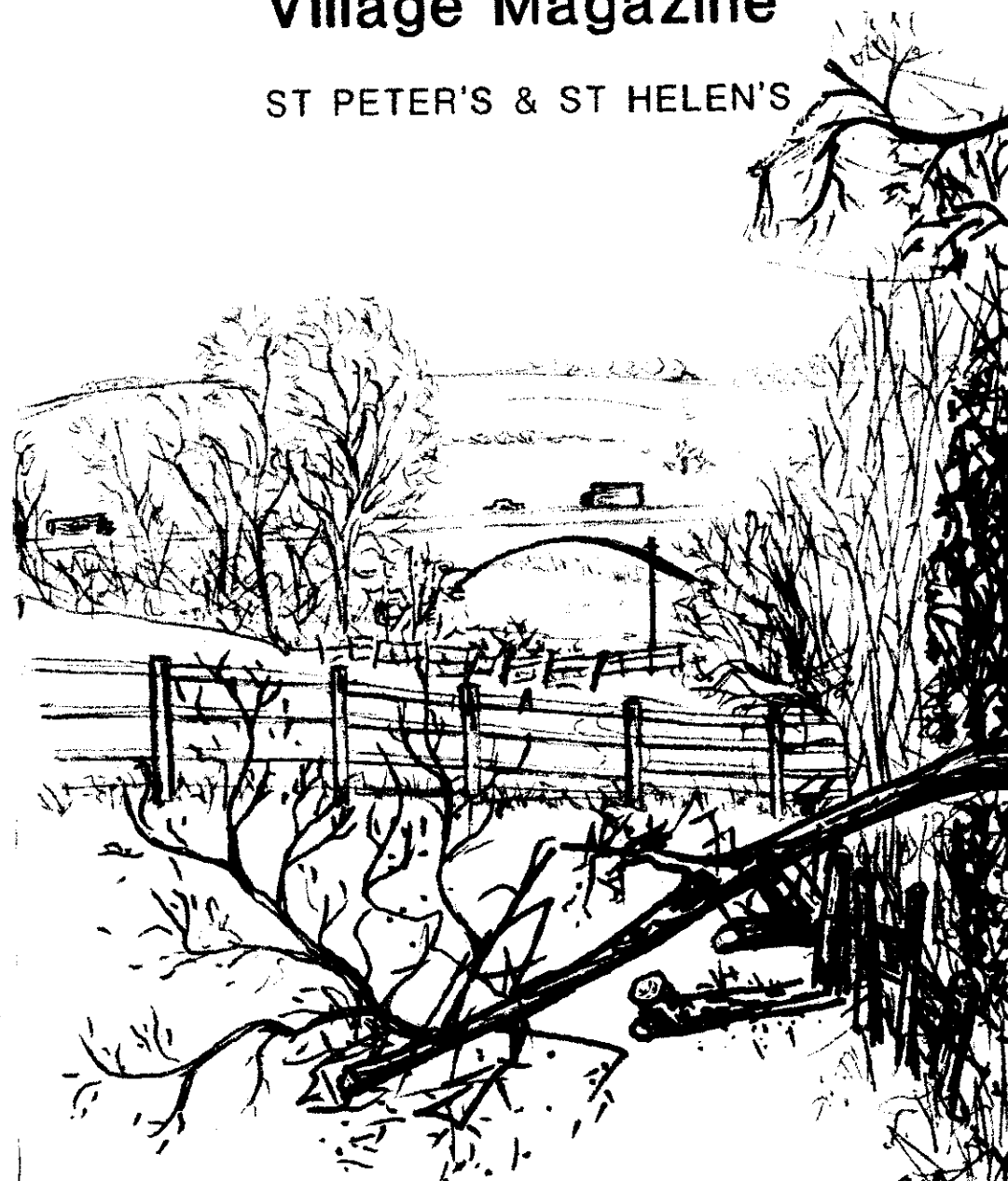
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## The Rectors Pages

### THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Of the claims our Lord Jesus Christ made, one of the more familiar is his saying: 'I am the light of the world.'

This was the thought, which inspired Holman Hunt to paint his well known picture of Jesus in that role, the original of which can be seen by those who visit Keble College, Oxford.

When he gave himself this title, our Lord no doubt had in mind the day when he was presented in the Temple by Joseph and Mary to the aged prophet Simeon. The old man instantly recognised in this child the fulfilment of the prophecy that he would be the 'Light to lighten the Gentiles.'

It is not surprising, then, that in due course a special day should have been set aside in the Church's Calendar, when the candles of our churches remind us of Christ as the LIGHT to guide us, so that we do not walk in darkness, but have the light of life. So it is that we celebrate Candlemas on the fortieth day after Christmas, 2nd. February, or the Sunday following.

The additional outward, visible sign in the new Baptismal Service is the handing of a lighted candle to those who have been baptised (or to their God-parents in the case of infants.) In this way they are reminded that as Christians they should strive to 'shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.'

All of us have that duty and the great responsibility to bear witness to our faith, and so fulfil the command of Christ: 'Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven' - a command aptly taken up in the new Communion service 'we whom the spirit lights, give light to the world.'

Alan Haydock.

### BINGHAM DEANERY LENT COURSE

A course of lectures open to all, and sponsored by the Bingham Deanery Synod, will be held at the Dayncourt Comprehensive School, Radcliffe, on Thursdays during Lent from 7.30pm. - 9.00pm. The programme will be:

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| 24th Feb.  | 'He or It'                     | The Ven. David Leaning   |
| 3rd March  | 'Prevented, Grieved, Quenched' | Canon Frank Worwood      |
| 10th March | 'Producer'                     | The Revd. Wilf Wilkinson |
| 17th March | 'Communicator'                 | The Very Revd. M. Irving |
| 24th March | 'A Strong Driving Wind'        | The Revd. John Finney    |

The inclusive fee £1.50 is payable through the Rector or by means of an application form.

In the past years support from East Bridgford has varied, sometimes twelve or fourteen people, sometimes less than half that number. I hope very much that as many as are able will be able to attend on these evenings. A.H.

### SPECIAL SERVICES AT SAINT PETER'S.

Sun. 6th Feb. 6.30pm. Evensong on the Theme of EDUCATION  
Preacher: The Revd. Ian Lambert, Chaplain at R.A.F. Newton.

Sun. 20th Feb. 3.00pm. THINKING DAY and FOUNDER'S DAY  
service for members of the uniform organisations: Preacher: The Revd. Bob Smith from Radcliffe.

NO EVENSONG AT 6.30 ON THIS SUNDAY

Wed. 16th Feb. ASH WEDNESDAY: 7.30pm. Sung Eucharist

Evensong is said in church every Wednesday at 7.00pm. when you are most welcome to join a small group who meet in prayer and meditation. A.H.

### St. Peter's New Year Party.

One hundred people gathered in the Village Hall on Friday January 7th., for the Parish Dinner Dance. Church members served an excellent meal and the dancing that followed was compered by Mr. Bob Flower.

Comedian Charlie Bartle, accompanied by his dog Sam, set the seal on the evenings enjoyment with his witty banter.

#### PARISH RETREAT

I regret to write that our proposed retreat week-end at Morley Rectory in Derbyshire has had to be cancelled because insufficient people were able to offer a firm commitment to the dates suggested. Just before Christmas it was suggested to me that perhaps the way might have been prepared a little more carefully for those who are not familiar with the pattern of silent retreats. With this in mind, I hope to do two things: Firstly, to preach a series of short sermons in the not too distant future and secondly, to extend an open invitation for all who are interested to join me for a week-end at Whirlow Grange, Derbyshire. The subject will be A FIRST RETREAT and the cost of the week-end £23.00 plus VAT. The week-end will be led by Archdeacon Michael Paton, and will provide an opportunity for those, who have not previously made a silent retreat, or for those who have already found value in silence and reflection. Archdeacon Paton indicates that the week-end is for anyone who wishes to learn about this way of paying attention to God and to each other.

A.H.

#### Post Office Changes.

We are lucky here in East Bridgford. When our Post Office changes hands, which it has just done, we neither lose our 'old' postmaster nor do we have to welcome a stranger. Ian Lodder has just taken over as Postmaster from his father Albert, and Ian is no stranger to the older residents of the village. He and his brother Brian came to live here in 1959 when their parents took over the Post Office. We miss seeing Sylvia and Albert behind the "screen" but we are delighted they are going to be living amongst us and that Albert will be carrying on the electrical side of the business. Over the 24 years that they have had the Post Office they have served and helped and advised us in all sorts of ways. We thank them for all their hard work and long hours.

Ian was acting manager of Bingham Sports Club until 1974 and since then he has been Principal Manager Indoor Recreation of the City of Bradford Metropolitan Council. His wife Kathy is a community teacher and will be working in the St. Ann's District, Nottingham. They have a seven year old daughter Amy who is happily settled at school here. We are glad to have them in the village.

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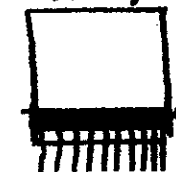

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Each streamer should be at least 3 metres long.

The diagram shows a rectangular streamer with four vertical dotted lines. To the left of the streamer, the word 'Sens' is written with an arrow pointing to the left edge. To the right of the streamer, the text 'Cut along dotted lines' is written. Below the streamer, the text 'Coloured Stickaj tape' is written.

9. Stick the ends of the streamers onto the tile exactly as shown in the picture. Be sure to space them evenly along the edge of the tile. You may find it easier if you get someone to help you with this so that you get the sellotape stuck on straight. Your kite is now ready to fly!



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CAR COLSTON

A memory of Abraham Morris, the East Bridgford bootmaker who, with his family moved across the Fosse about 1890 was preserved in the 1982 August magazine. Abraham and his wife Mary had six children including Reuben and Tom all born at Scarrington between 1871 and 1880 where the family lived in the red bricked Rose Cottage. This was visited and drawn by Christine Lewis of Moss Close last month. The "ring" over the door is an old fire insurance mark issued by the Nottinghamshire and Derby Fire Insurance Co., who were in business from 1835 to 1869



ROSE COTTAGE SCARRINGTON

Abraham was born in Car Colston in 1946 where his father William Morris was a cordwainer. Abraham had two brothers Isaac born in 1848 and David born in 1850 and a sister Emma also born in 1850. This William Morris was born at

Kneeton in 1822 and married Elizabeth from Screveton. William's father, also a William Morris, was born at Lowdham in 1796 and died and was buried at Kneeton in 1868.

East Bridgford's David Morris, who plays the organ at the Methodist Church in Main St., is a son of Tom Morris who came to East Bridgford about 1890 with Abraham. David owns a jug, one of a set of three, with the name "Mrs. W. Morris Car Colston" made in Rockingham style pottery. His sister Mrs. Annie Bates of Car Colston owns one but the third, unfortunately is missing. David's Jug also has been drawn by Christine Lewis.



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## 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Venture Scouts

Betty Cheetham

You will perhaps remember an article written by Stephen Day of Wlanut Grove in the October magazine, telling of his and David Alston's two week expedition through Brittany, walking 125 miles with tent and personal belongings, taking part in 10 projects set for them by Scout H.Q. in London, as part of the Independent Explorer Belt Award ?



Stephen heard from Lodnon H.Q. this week that he and David had reached a high standard in all their activities, and they are to be awarded the Independent Explorer Belt - a special belt with commemorative buckle which they may wear all their Scouting days.

To the best of our knowledge, they are the first lads in the S.E. Notts. District to gain this distinction and every credit goes to them, for their initiative and stick-ability in carrying this out, particularly as they were only 16 and 17 respectively.

Stephen is just returning to College, although he has been very much part of our Unit over the Christmas break, taking part in all activities. David Alston's family left Gunthorpe in November, to return to Lowestoft, and he is now a member of a Venture Scout Unit there. At present he is serving as a Deck Cadet on a North Sea oil rig supply ship - somewhere off the north of Iceland, so he does not yet know the good news. His mother is writing to tell him, apparently mail and supplies are dropped to them by helicopter. He is hoping in the near future to go into the R.A.F.

Our Group is naturally very proud of both of them.

## 1st. East Bridgford Guides.

Betty Cheetham

Congratulations to Sarah Lowe of Peck Lane, Gunthorpe, on gaining her Queen's Guide Badge. Sarah is a pupil at Bingham Toothill, and has been a member of the East Bridgford Guide Company for five years. For her service to others, she has given assistance in many ways to a Multiple Sclerosis sufferer.



"DOWN UNDER - 1982" with TOM ASHTON of CHERRYHOLT LANE.

I had never been to Tahiti before, and much to my surprise, I shall not be unduly worried if I don't go there again. Earlier impressions, no doubt coloured by Hollywood's interpretation of The Mutiny on the Bounty, had been of a tropical island full of beautiful maidens in grass skirts, and very little else. If such maidens exist, they kept very successfully out of my sight. The only ones I saw were on picture postcards. The Tahitians one does see, are almost invariably fat to the point of being gross, with big feet, and a waddle instead of a walk. But the hibiscus flowers that they wear in the hair, both men and women - are beautiful, and they are a very friendly people. It is a delight to have so many fresh tropical fruits - pau-pau, mango, pineapple, grapefruit, and many other unknown to me. It's a delight to see so many lovely flowers growing everywhere - bougainvillea, hibiscus, frangipani, cannas lily, vinca, pointsettia, etc., etc.

We had stopped in Tahiti for a few days, mainly to get rid of jet lag before flying to New Zealand where our youngest daughter and her husband awaited us. New Zealand is a country of 3 million souls and 70 million sheep - assuming of course that sheep don't have souls. Better check with the Rector. A country where outdoor life is paramount, and there is plenty of it available. Apart from the usual organised team games, it seems that all New Zealanders disappear from home at weekends, be it for a gentle family picnic, or to fish, hunt, sail, surf, etc. Huntin', Shootin', and Fishin' are entirely free everywhere. Trout abound in many lakes and rivers, but it is impossible to buy them, since it is illegal to sell. A common pastime is to catch flounder or schnapper or kahawai, and barbeque them on the beach. Oysters are plentiful in parts, although the Maoris have the sole rights to them above the low water mark - part of the original treaty between them and the early white settlers; but there are plenty below that limit. A dozen can be had in many restaurants for about £2 or less.

Fresh foods are much cheaper than in the U.K., especially meat, vegetables and fruit, and it is all beautifully displayed in the shops. Other food, such as processed meats and imported tinned goods, are more expensive. Most other goods, especially motor cars, electrical goods, clothes,

cost far more than here. Houses, which are nearly all wooden are particularly expensive. Putting all this together, the cost of living is probably much higher than in U.K.

They are, however, ahead of us in some aspects of gracious living. Take for example the advertisement for seeds to 'burpless' cucumbers, and local 'phone calls are free. (British Telecom please note) Motor cars, all imported, cost new, perhaps double the prices about which we complain here. Consequently there are few new cars about, but plenty of oldies, and panelbeaters, welders, and paintsprayers do a flourishing trade.

It is difficult to imagine a sharper contrast from New Zealand than Hong Kong, a city of 6 million people all trying to live on a postage stamp. A city of 500,000 cars milling round on 400 miles of roads, which appears to be one car every 2½ yards. You can acquire a university degree there in 3 years, but it takes seven or more to get a driving licence. This is a mystery, because all traffic appears to drive around with a complete disregard of others, particularly pedestrians, who are treated as fair game. The quick and the dead. But it is a city of excitement for the tourist. The streets and shops throb with life at all hours, and at night everywhere becomes a fairyland of light. Nearly all shops are tiny, since every square foot costs a fortune, but there is great competition, and a great eagerness to sell. Coupled with a great temptation to buy at the prices offered (usually negotiable), shopping can become an expensive occupation.

Feeding is exciting, too, if you are a bit adventurous and not solely devoted to fish and chips. Restaurants abound, serving all the world's dishes, and we didn't find a bad one. Chopsticks are usually provided, except in larger hotels, although you can have a spoon and fork if in trouble. There is fabulous wealth, intense poverty, and considerable concern about the future after 1997, when the lease from China runs out. The economy is running down because investors are not prepared to start new projects with uncertainty of the long term future.

One final comment - down under in New Zealand strawberries and cream taste wonderful in December.!

#### YOUNG ENTERPRISE.

Perhaps your children, when the time comes, will consider a career in business? How nice it would be if at the age of 15 or 16 they could get themselves involved with like-minded boys and girls in actually running a scale-model company, which, during the winter months meets one evening a week to act out the parts of production manager, sales manager, accountant, and so on, in a real business.

"Young Enterprise" is a national organisation which promotes this activity. It has been in action in the Nottingham area for the past 16 years, with the assistance of volunteers from the world of industry and commerce. Last year over 200 young people were involved in this Nottingham area.

A local company, called Arrow Enterprises, Managing Director, David Morley, has been functioning for about 6 weeks in the premises of M.G. Rubber, Ltd., on the Bingham Industrial Estate, by kind permission of the Managing Director, Mr. Michael Grimshaw. About 12 young people are taking part, and they are at present making and selling reflective shoulder and waist bands suitable for cyclists and pedestrians at night (for both adults and small children) and also brightly coloured painting-aprons for infants. A stamped address envelope to Arrow Enterprises c/o The Managing Director, David Morley, 10 Long Acre, Bingham (tel. 37294) would reach the sales director, 17 year old Jane Hodson.

For further particulars of the Young Enterprise organisation, contact Mr. G. Curtis, (Regional Director), 19 Wicklow Rd., Intake, Doncaster, DN2 5LA, who would be glad to send a leaflet, and would be especially pleased to hear from firms or individuals prepared to offer help either now, or in September when the new season begins.

#### EAST BRIDGFORD YOUTH CLUB and SPIDER CLUB.

Annual General Meeting: The Youth Club's A.G.M. will take place in the Youth Club Hut (behind Village Hall) at 8pm. on 22nd February. Anyone interested in the youth of East Bridgford will be most welcome. Anyone able to offer help with activities or to join the committee is specially invited to come...or to contact:-

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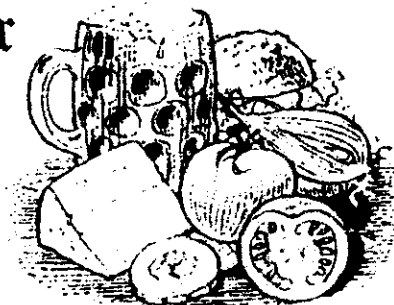
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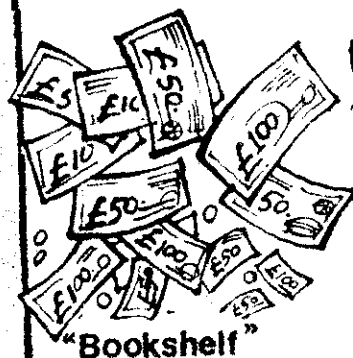


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So says Bishop Anthony Otter, Vicar of Lowdham from 1931 to 1949, writing about his book "FROM ATOMS TO INFINITY". This lively, thought provoking enjoyable book is of particular interest to East Bridgford and Kneeton people as Lowdham and Gunthorpe are just across the Trent and some at least of the people referred to live in East Bridgford. Neither "A" level nor "O" level maths or physics are needed to understand the Bishop's lucid writing. The book is available in paperback and published by Arthur James Ltd., of The Drift, Evesham, Worcs. WR.11 4NW. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

## Kneeton News.

In the first census in 1801 Kneeton (or Kneveton) showed 16 houses with 88 persons. Forty years later there were 21 houses and 109 persons. In 1801 there was, surprisingly, no poor rate levied but in 1837 the levy was £44.7.0 and the perpetual curacy was worth £4.9.4½.

In the Domesday Book of 1086 the settlement was called "CHENIUETON" which became "KENYETON" in a tax record of 1291. It is said that the word meant the homestead of a woman called CENGIFUL.

In the National Gazetteer of 1870 the village KNEVETON (or KNEETON) is said to have postal arrangements whereby London letters were to be delivered at 11 am. and the post closed at 4 pm. (Not much changed today).

We welcome to the village Mrs. Soar and Kirsty and Mr. John Watton.

#### AN INWARD LOOK FROM OUTSIDE.

"It is notoriously difficult to view objectively a situation in which one is involved" says the Revd. Yong Chen Fah the forty years old Rector of All Saints Cathedral at Kota Kinabale, Malaysia, in the introduction to a report on the working of Southwell Diocese. How right he is! He was chairman of a team of 13 who, at the request of the Bishop, recently spent three hectic weeks visiting all parts of the Diocese.

The Team included lay people and priests, from home and overseas including an R.C. priest and a 24 years old Methodist girl. A truly catholic team doing a job which could only be done by informed outsiders. Their report was the climax of a great deal of thought and talk including a study in housegroups throughout the Diocese including East Bridgford, during Lent 1982. The very readable report sets out the views of the team on six aspects of the Diocese with many specific joint recommendations from the 13 in conjunction with 22 so called internal partners from the Diocese. All this was lucidly summarised in the December 1982 Diocesan News.

The report shows that, as has been found in many other large organisations, there is a need to improve communications; between Diocese, Deanery and Parish; between Churches of different denominations, and within each parish and its environment. There is also a need for a greater lay involvement to leave the clergy more time to do those things which only a priest can do. The recommendations are to be considered at the Diocesan Synod on 12th February. It will be most interesting to see what impact this brave and worthwhile exercise will have on the people of Kneeton and East Bridgford in the years ahead.

#### East Bridgford Drama Group.

The next production will be a modern Comedy, "The Happy Apple" by J. Pulman. The action takes place in an advertising agency in London.

Performances are on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 2nd. - 5th. March in the Village Hall at 7.30.

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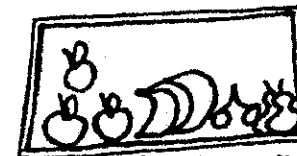
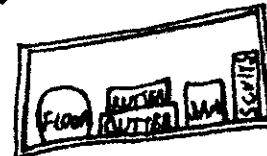
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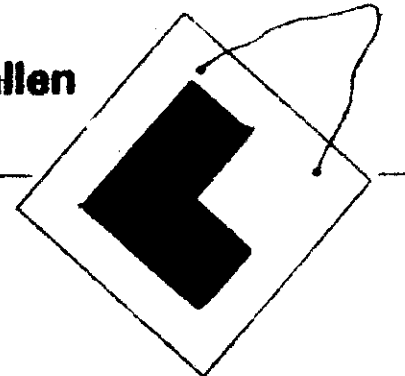
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#### East Bridgford Parish Council.

Village Quiz. In the first round of the Inter-Village Quiz Competition, East Bridgford has been drawn against Farnsfield (the 1982 Champions!). The match will be played on Wednesday 16th February at Farnsfield Village Hall commencing at 7.45pm. Supporters would be welcome.

Emergency Planning. Four residents have so far indicated their willingness to become involved in the preparation of a Village Plan to be available in the event of an emergency. If any other residents are interested will they please contact the Clerk.

Appeal. The Council has agreed to make a contribution £25 to the Mayor of Rushcliffe's charity appeal which this year is The League of Friends of Saxondale Hospital.

Planning Applications, Parish Council Recommendation.  
J. Fisher, rear of 41 Kneeton Road. Erect 2 dwellings (outline). The Council objected to the application but indicated that it would support an outline application for 1 single storey dwelling to be located at the eastern end of the site.

Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decision.  
Mr. & Mrs. D.W. Pearce, 1 Burnham Close.

Permission has been refused for the erection of a first floor extension to form a self-contained flat.

Next Meeting. Monday 7th February, 95 Main Street, 7.30 p.m.

#### Bottle Bank.

There is now a Bottle Bank in Newark in the Car Park off London Road (1st Left after the lights by the Robin Hood Hotel). There three containers, one for plain glass bottles, one for green and one for brown bottles. Please remove corks and lids before depositing the bottles.



#### Womens' Institute

Jenny Finch

The Chairman of the County Organisation Sub-committee Mrs. M. Walter V.C.O. joined us for our meeting. She explained that an exploratory meeting will take place to examine the possible need for forming a new W.I. in this village. There is at present a significant waiting list.

Our speaker for the evening Mr. J. Lees is an acknowledged expert on our local outlaw Robin Hood. He went into many of the facts and fallacies of the legend and explained that not only do several other counties claim the outlaw's birth and death but also he is credited with marrying several different women.

The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. S. Robinson.

At the end of a very full evening Mrs. U. Clarke described her five day Denman College Course on Victoriana. Her visit was a great change from every-day life and the subjects dealt with ranged from Victorian wars to furniture and music of the period.

Next month Dr. D. Byron Evans will speak about ghosts. The competition for that meeting should prove to be intriguing and is "A present for my Valentine."

About 80 members enjoyed a well prepared cold supper at our New Year Party on Wednesday 19th January. Entertainment was provided by a lively group of hand-bell ringers from Upton W.I.

#### Mothers' Union

Janet Morris

A Mothers' Union Publication "Plays for Discussion" provided the basis for the meeting on January 19th.

Two plays were enacted; one on the difficulties faced by a "non-Church going" couple discussing the baptism of their first child, the second dealt with the topical subject of the power of the media to corrupt society and children and what our attitude and responsibilities as Church members should be. The plays were followed by a discussion in which members joined enthusiastically. We were pleased to welcome some new members and extend a warm invitations to any women who feel they have a Christian commitment, to come along to our meeting. These are held monthly in the W.I. Hut 2.30pm every third Wednesday.



#### THE WOMEN OF EAST BRIDGFORD ... IN 1881

On the night the 1881 census was taken there were 441 females in East Bridgford as follows:- 149 married women living with their husbands, 49 children below school age, 83 children at school, 22 unmarried daughters "at home", 22 independent householders, 57 servants living-in, 5 visitors, and sadly, one imbecile. Of the married women 57 were listed as having gainful occupations. This is a significant increase since the 1851 census which showed only 16 out of 179 housewives had gainful occupations.

To pick out some unusual occupations for females there was a blacksmith, a traveller in tea, a butcher, and a field labourer. The traditional female occupations provided 3 teachers, 2 nurses, 7 lace workers, 49 seamstresses, 14 dress makers, 21 needle women, 1 milliner, 4 laundresses and 12 charwomen. Of the 57 servants 6 were housekeepers and 2 were unemployed. In 1851 there were 11 unemployed servants out of 69. Research continues on the end product of the 6 drip makers.

Not counting the 5 visitors 209 of these females were born in East Bridgford, 48 in villages within walking distance and 94 elsewhere in the County. Most of the remaining 85 were born in Lincolnshire or Leicestershire, two in the East Indies and the rest in various counties of England.

The men have also been analysed and will be the subject of a later article.

#### East Bridgford Tennis Club Ron Bullivant

The East Bridgford Tennis Club Jumble Sale raised £140. Not as much as last time, but a very worthy effort, considering the shortness of time for organising and collecting etc. Many thanks therefore to the club members involved and a special thankyou to all the other helpers, without whom this result would not have been possible.

#### The March Magazine

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First Sunday: Family Eucharist Rite A.  
Coffee After  
10.30 a.m. Sunday School except for 1st Sunday  
6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Songs of Praise 2nd. Sunday  
7.30 p.m. Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
after Evensong.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. HELEN'S KNEETON

- 8.00 a.m. First Sunday. Holy Communion. Book of Common Prayer.  
6.00 p.m. Second + Fourth Sundays. Evensong.

METHODIST SERVICES FEBRUARY

- Each Sunday 6.00 p.m.  
Family Service 10.30 a.m. 6th February.  
Communion Service 9.30 a.m. 27th February.

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- Tuesday 1st. W.I. Committee meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday 5th. Methodist Coffee morning 10 - 11.30 a.m.  
Whist Drive 7.30 W.I. Hut and on every Saturday.  
Sunday 6th. Education Sunday. Teachers' Service St. Peter's 6.30 p.m.  
Tuesday 8th. W.I. Monthly Meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday 12th Horticultural Society. Cheese & Wine. Village Hall 7.30 p  
Saturday 12th Guide Coffee Morning W.I. Hut 10.30 a.m.  
Monday 14th Men's Society 8 p.m.  
Wednesday 16th Holy Communion 10.00 a.m. Mothers' Union 2.30 p.m.  
Sung Eucharist 7.30 p.m.  
Monday 21st School Governors Meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Tuesday 22nd. Parochial Church Council Meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Wednesday 23rd. W.E.A. A.G.M. and planning meeting for courses for  
September 1983. School 8.00 p.m.  
Saturday 26th. Disco School 7.30 - 11.30 p.m.

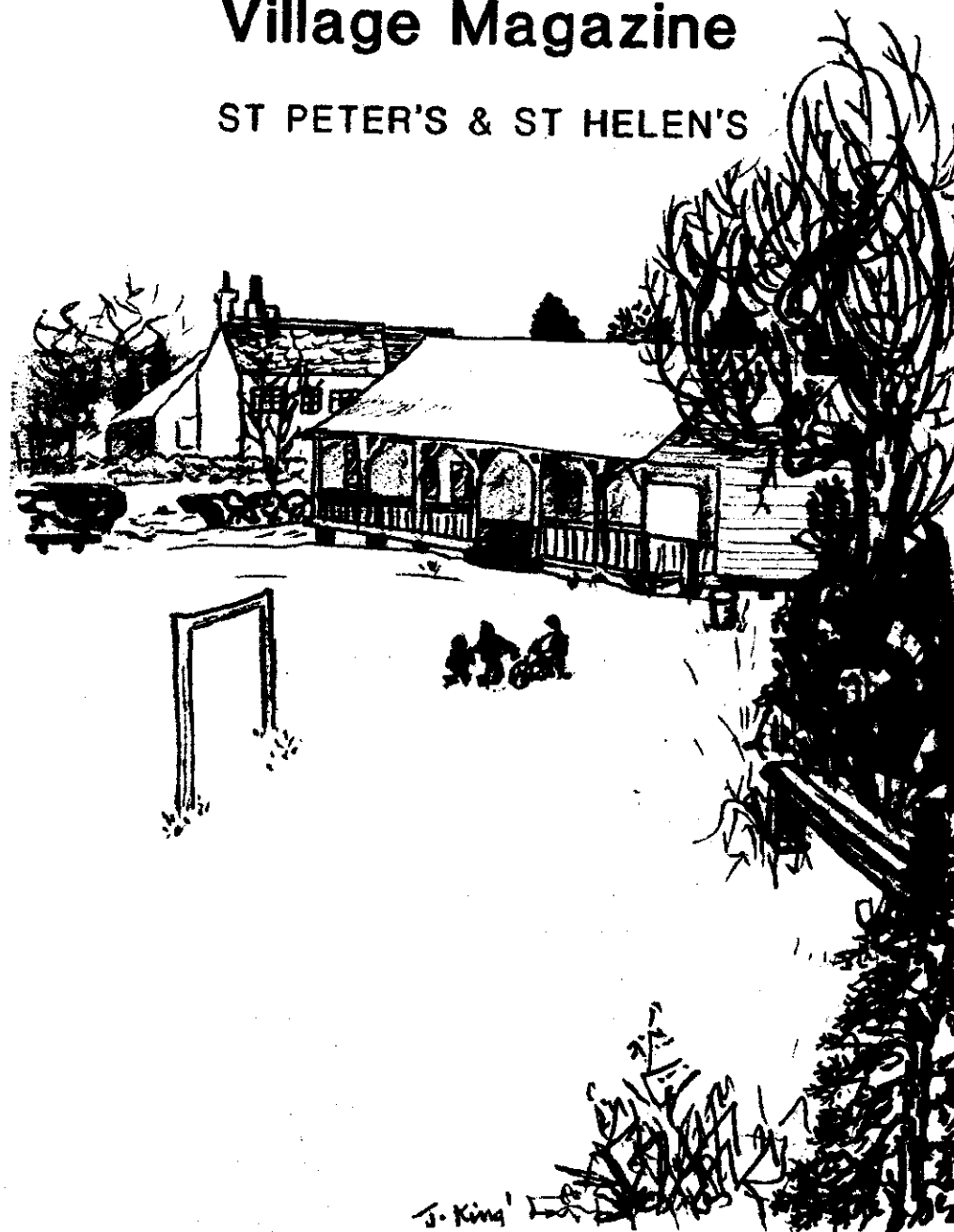
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Wednesday 2nd E.B. Drama Group  
Thursday 3rd "The Happy Apple" A Comedy.  
Friday 4th. ) Village Hall 7.30p.m.  
Saturday 5th.)

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## THE RECTOR'S PAGES

### A MEDITATION FOR EASTER

Read St. JOHN 20: 24-29, part of which says this:

'Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him "We have seen the Lord," But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe."

The first Easter must have been a very strange time for poor Thomas! For a whole week he must have hung on to his doubt despite the fact that his friends had suddenly been filled with the deepest of all joys, for they had seen the Risen Lord. For a week Thomas must have been the odd man out in that little group, but he was determined not to let himself be carried away by all the excitement, until he had concrete proof that satisfied him that Jesus was alive. He demanded proof, and Jesus kept him waiting for eight days.

There are some who find faith in the Living Lord easy; others find faith only by working through their doubt. For some faith will always contain an element of doubt, not the sort that destroys, but the sort that makes us question and search deeper. At times, when it seems there is no answer to our questions, we can remember that Thomas had to wait. It must have seemed an eternity to the one doubter among so many excited, joyful, apostles. We need to remind ourselves that God works in his time, not ours.

We might well say that, although Thomas had to wait, what an answer he got! He saw the risen Christ. Wouldn't we believe wholly, if we too saw him and could feel the wounds in his hands and feet. Maybel But Jesus reminds us 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

Thomas went on to help build the Church and, like the other apostles, he preached and taught, faced opposition and persecution, ridicule as well as success. Many times his faith must have been stretched, even though he had once touched the Risen Lord. But God, who asked so much of Thomas and the others, also gave them faith and courage sufficient for what they had to do; and he will deal with us in that same way.

We shouldn't worry too much, if we sometimes feel doubt, as long as we don't let it destroy us, but use it to bring us still closer to the God we seek. We may find, with Thomas, that doubt like death can lead to an experience of Resurrection and faith in the Living Lord.

Alan Haydock.

### EAST BRIDGFORD MEN'S SOCIETY

Last month Jim Clifton gave a fascinating talk on the history of the Trent Valley, with particular reference to the villages between Leicester and Newark on the Fosse Way. Our next meeting will be at 8.00 p.m. on Tuesday 15th March, when Tom Sandiford has offered to arrange and run a quiz.

The Men's Society is a group without a formal membership or subscription and anyone is welcome to attend. We hope very much that those who have been present will want to extend and invitation to their friends.

#### Future programmes:

April: Visit to a Power Station  
May: Supper at the Water Sports Centre  
June: A trip on the river

A.H.

### OUR CHURCH IS GRATEFUL

For the donation of a second seat, situated in the Garden of Remembrance, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Lander.

For the repair to the stone-work supporting the lych-gate and war memorial.

For the many 'routine' tasks undertaken week by week.



#### THE CROSS OF CHRIST

On Palm Sunday, 27th March at 6.30 p.m. there is to be a special service at St. Peter's. It is entitled 'The Cross of Christ' and is a devotion which enables all who are there to take an active part in readings, prayers, hymns and anthems for Passiontide.

May I draw to your attention, also, the other special services in our three churches in East Bridgford and Kneeton during Holy Week. They are set out in detail on page 7.

A.H.

#### OBERAMMERGAU 1984

1984 is the 350th anniversary of the first presentation of the world famous Oberammergau Passion Play. There will be a special performance of the play to mark the anniversary. Radio Trent is promoting a pilgrimage to the play 15th - 22nd May, 1984. Details of cost and resorts are being negotiated and will be available with a brochure shortly. If you would like further details, please have a word with the Rector or with The Revd. Peter Bailey at Radio Trent.

#### OUT OF THE MOUTHS...

A week or two ago I received the following advice from a child in the village:

1. Speak to people; there's nothing nicer than a cheerful work of greeting.
  2. Smile at people; it takes 72 muscles to frown and only 14 to smile.
  3. Call people by name; the sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of his own name.
- Sound advice, indeed!

A.H.

#### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

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## SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 1983

PALM SUNDAY  
27th March.



- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion. St. Peter's
- 9.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist. St. Peter's
- 6.30 p.m. The Cross of Christ. St. Peter's  
Palm crosses will be distributed  
at all these services.
- 6.00 p.m. Evensong at St. Helen's
- 10.30 a.m. Family Service at Methodist's
- 6.00 p.m. Service at Methodist Church

WEDNESDAY  
30th March

- 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion. St. Peter's

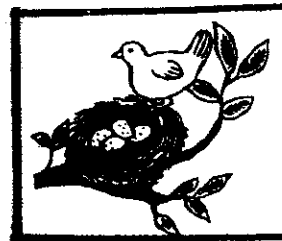
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THURSDAY.  
31st March

- 7.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist. St. Peter's
- 7.30 p.m. Methodist Communion at Bingham

GOOD FRIDAY  
1st April

- 10.30 a.m. Family Service. St. Peter's
- 7.30 p.m. Hour's Devotion at the Foot of  
the Cross. St. Peter's.

EASTER DAY.  
3rd April



- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion. St. Helen's
- 9.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist. St. Peter's
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion. Book of Common  
Prayer. St. Peter's
- 6.30 p.m. Evensong. St. Peter's
- 8.00 a.m. Methodist Service at Bingham  
followed by breakfast.
- 10.45 a.m. Methodist Service at Bingham
- 6.00 p.m. Service in E.B. Methodist Church.  
Preacher. Karl Mann.

MOTHERS' UNION. by JANET MORRIS

The work of a Hospital Chaplain was the theme of an interesting talk given by the Rev. David Stoter on 16th February. The meeting was well attended and members were impressed by the complexities and demands of the work entailed in such a large hospital as the Queens Medical Centre. Fr. Stoter is also Chaplain to the Nottm. General Hospital and Hayward House. Although the work of looking after patients and staff is demanding it has very rewarding results and often provides an introduction for many children and adults to the compassion and comfort of the Christian message.



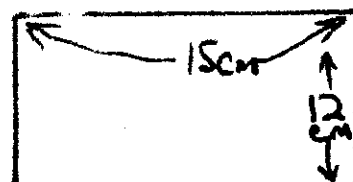
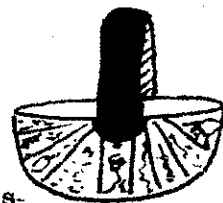


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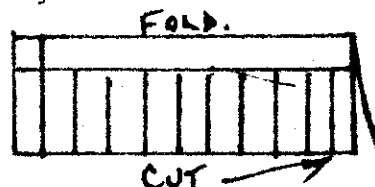
**EASTER EGGS** We all like to give eggs as presents at Easter. They are reminders of the new life Jesus gave us when He rose from the dead on the first Easter Day.

Here is an idea for making a basket which you could fill with a plain bought egg or some small eggs, either bought or made from marzipan.

You will need: pretty wallpaper  
matching thin card



1. Take a piece of wallpaper about 15cm by 12 cm.



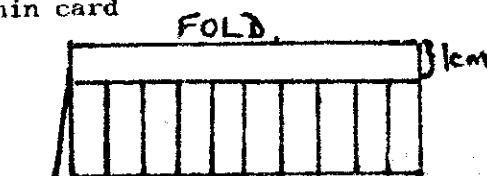
3. Very Carefully cut along the parallel lines to the first line, making sure you cut through both thicknesses.

5. Do the same for the other side.

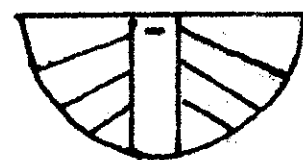
6. Cut out two small semicircles of card and glue or staple them over the joins.

7. Cut out a handle from the card and glue it in place.

Your basket is now ready to fill with eggs.



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## EAST BRIDGFORD DRAMA GROUP.

Don't forget to see 'The Happy Apple' Wednesday 2nd - Saturday 5th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Tickets £1.20 can be bought from any member or from the Post Office. Half price for OAP's on the Wednesday. This production will include a special guest appearance by Alf Clamp, one of East Bridgford's very senior citizens. DO COME.

## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

It was a full house for the Horticultural Society's Cheese and Wine Evening on Saturday 12th February. All seats were occupied and the Tombola Stall did a roaring trade. The Chairman, Mr. Graham Lomax welcomed everyone and introduced Mrs. Felicity Jay this year's President. After a very good meal Mr. Bob Flower showed some excellent slides of last year's Flower Show and also some of previous Shows. These were most entertaining and those showing varying aspects of the very hard working immediate past Chairman, Dr. Stuart Fraser were greatly appreciated. He received all comments with his usual good humour. This was followed by an auction, the main item being a framed picture of a bowl of roses painted and donated by Mr. Adcock.

Then came dancing compered by Bob Flower to end a happy, enjoyable and freindly evening.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION. AN INVITATION

Members of the East Bridgford and District Branch of the Royal British Legion are invited by the Granby, Barnstone and District Branch to a Dinner Dance at the Barnstone Country Club on Thursday 24th March. Tickets costing £5 can be obtained from Joyce Clarke Telephone 50030.

## A HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITY

A joining point in East Bridgford has been arranged by Mr. David Barnsdale of Kneeton Rd., for a 12 day coach tour to Italy, including a Vatican visit, his firm is organising for early October this year.

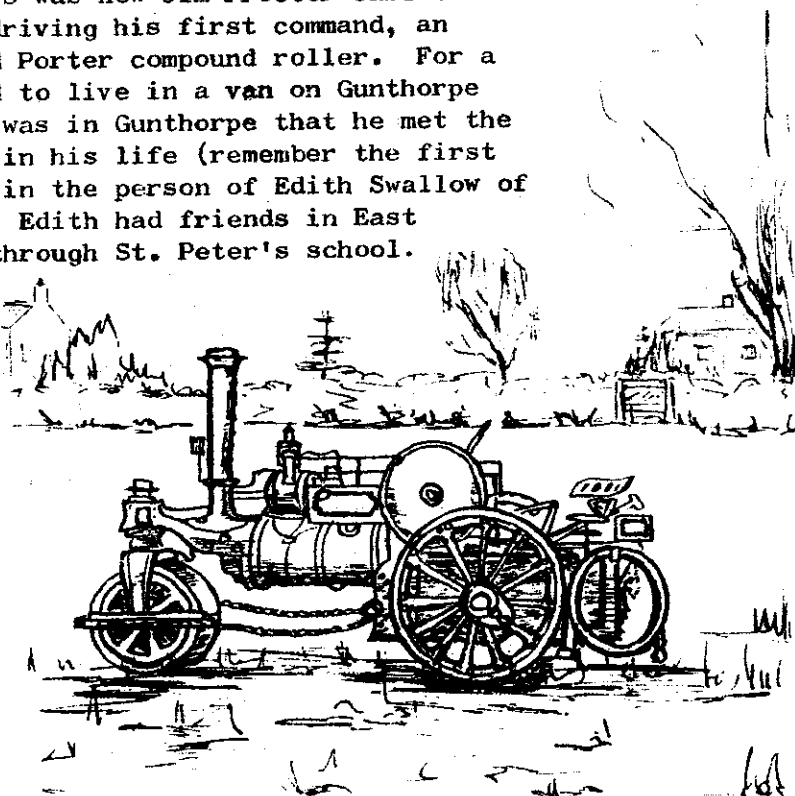
As readers will have noticed on page 4, 1984 is the 350th anniversary of the Oberammergau Passion Play. David Barnsdale's firm will be arranging coach tours with similar East Bridgford pick up facilities. Anyone interested in making use of these facilities should phone him at his home E.B. 20276

### STEAM LIVES ON IN EAST BRIDGFORD.

The opening of Gunthorpe Bridge by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales in December 1927 was a significant event for the people of East Bridgford. Previously to get to Gunthorpe it was necessary to go down Trent Lane and over the toll bridge, paying Mrs. Holloway, the Toll Keeper, one old penny (about 7p at present prices). The building of Gunthorpe bridge also had a significant effect on the life of a Lincolnshire man all because of his early love affair with steam and steam engines. Jim Proctor of College St., was born and brought up in Roxholme, just outside Sleaford at the time when horses were giving over to steam for ploughing but before the arrival of the now universal diesel tractor.

As Jim's father was already deeply "into steam" it was natural for Jim to follow in his father's footsteps. Steam engines were also used for road making, and the only way they could get to the road on which they were to work was by self propulsion...at three miles in the hour with a water refill every six miles. Twenty miles in the day was good going. This was how Jim Proctor came to Gunthorpe driving his first command, an Aveling and Porter compound roller. For a time he had to live in a van on Gunthorpe Green. It was in Gunthorpe that he met the other love in his life (remember the first was steam) in the person of Edith Swallow of Gunthorpe. Edith had friends in East Bridgford through St. Peter's school.

Brownies and the Guides which were then led by Miss Madge Mason. Jim has been loyal to both loves all his life.



During the 39/45 war he and his steam roller were much involved in making roads for the soldiers at Clumber Park. These are the roads now used by many holiday visitors to Clumber Park, now under National Trust Management.

For his last job he did have to use a diesel roller, but steam remained his primary interest, which since his retirement has involved him in an active roll in the steam preservation movement. He has owned four steam-rollers, all called "Edna" after their daughter. Jim still keeps a shine on the heavy plate with "Edna" in bold relief, which was the name plate on all four.

All four were kept with boilers certified safe and with brass work gleaming. They were to be seen at many steam rallies. The only steam engine at present in East Bridgford belongs to Trevor Alwood. Jim has enjoyed helping Trevor to keep it in A1 condition and to show it at rallies. These days steam engines go to rallies on low loaders: towed by lorries. Jim has won many trophies when showing "Edna" at rallies. One is illustrated here.



Thanks to Jim Proctor, and to people like him, the romance of steam lives on, helped by the National Traction Engine Club founded in 1950 to which both Jim and Trevor belong.

Long May Steam Survive.

The illustrations for this article were specially drawn by Christine Lewis of Moss Close. The engine drawing based on photographs of the engine when it was on display at Butt Close.

KNEETON NEWS by TOM ALLAN

Spring has come ----and gone!

I was intending to write of the joy of the signs of an early spring, crocus and snowdrops in flower, the heather bed a profusion of colour, even a few small anemone adding life to the border. Fruit buds on the apple and pear trees ready to burst open to the sun. The hum of happy bees enjoying an early flight from their hives. The morning and evening song of the thrush and the blackbird as they rejoice at having found a mate or stake out their territory ready for nesting. The solitary lapwing which has appeared early in the paddock for the last 4 or 5 years has arrived. He never has a mate-as far as we can see. Perhaps he nests elsewhere.

Now all gone!! Snow blankets all and deadens all song. The roads are treacherous and we stay by our fires. There is plenty of beauty in the scene - but its not springtime any more.

'MEET METHODISM IN EAST BRIDGFORD'

The Methodist Church in East Bridgford is concerned that its witness shall not only continue, but become stronger and play its rightful part in offering the Christian Gospel to the whole village. The Church Council has arranged a fortnight of special events starting on Monday, 18th April. These will include a family evening with a film, a Flower Festival with Songs of Praise on the Sunday evening, a Women's evening, a video film of "Chariots of Fire" and other events to interest all ages.

In fact two weeks in which we will Focus on Faith, demonstrating our enthusiasm in the activities of the Methodist Church and our hope that many will come to share our joy in the worship of God.

Your prayers, support and encouragement are needed in this venture, but equally it is hoped that many people will come and see for themselves what Methodism is like in East Bridgford. Graham Coleman (Rev) (with and on behalf of the Church Council)

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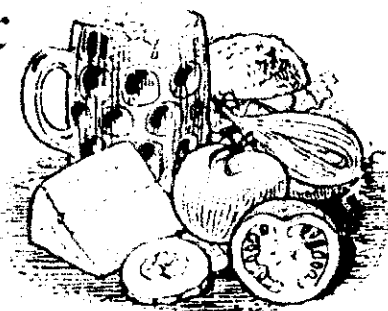
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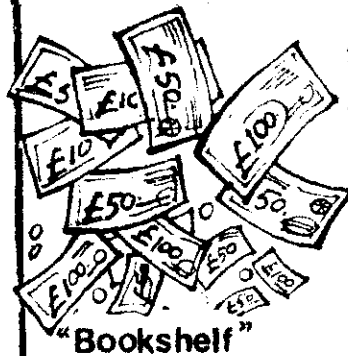
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## FROM 1549 TO 1983 WITH CRANMER

Across the Fosse in Aslockton in 1489 Thomas Cranmer was born. He lived to become Archbishop and Protestant Martyr. In an article in the February Radcliffe-on-Trent Review, James Goldsbury suggests that Cranmer could have received his early schooling at Shelford Priory. It may also be that the seeds of reform were planted for Cranmer by the reforming Stanhopes of Shelford. Cranmer's time coincided with the introduction of the "modern" English of his day, for both Bible and Prayer Book. The first complete Book of Common Prayer was issued in January 1549, revised in 1552, 1559, and 1604, and suppressed by Cromwell from 1645 to 1660. Following a conference in 1661 it was revised again and re-issued in 1662. In spite of many subsequent movements for its revision, and much talk in Convocations and Parliament, it has remained unchanged and in use ever since.

The introduction of the Alternative Service Book of 1980 aroused much controversy in Church Councils and in the correspondence columns of newspapers. The liturgical prose of the 16th Century is still beautiful in the 20th Century, especially to those who became familiar with it in childhood. However many of the more recent generations find the ordinary language of today gives more help in linking the Church with their everyday life. At St. Peter's in East Bridgford both forms of service are used. Fundamentally it ought not to matter which form of words is used for worship and prayer providing they are meaningful to the worshipper. But there are many who feel that the alternative services are sadly lacking in devotional expression.

It is interesting to note Archbishop Cranmer's opinion of those who in his day objected to his "modern" language. This can be found in his preface to Coverdale's translation of the Bible in 1539, known as The Great Bible. "Not only foolish, froward, and obstinate, but also peevish, perverse and indurate" is how he described them.

The Parishes of Aslockton, Hawksworth, Orston, Scarrington, Thoroton and Whatton in the Belvoir Valley are now working together as the Cranmer Group. In March they launch their Magazine, with Rex Barnet, until recently of East Bridgford, very much involved. We wish this new magazine all success. May it bring credit to the memory of Thomas Cranmer.

# VILLAGE HALL A.G.M.

Dr. Brooks, for the 47th time, presided at the Annual General Meeting, held this year on January 26th. In his review he said that the past year had been a successful one with priority being given to maintenance of the amenities. They now had a full complement of new chairs and tables, new fire doors had been fitted and the kitchen redecorated. Although letting income had not been quite sufficient to meet daily running expenses, two successful fund raising events, the Christmas Fair and the Auction had kept the accounts in credit. Dr. Brooks spoke about the Youth Club premises which were now inadequate for the demands put upon them. Later in the meeting Andrew James produced a rough plan showing what might be achieved by adding a storage facility on the side of the present hut and the meeting agreed that this idea should be pursued.

After the Treasurer had given a comprehensive report on the accounts the meeting proceeded to the election of officers. Kenneth Finch was added to the list of Vice Presidents in recognition of his previous service to the Hall both as Chairman and General Secretary. Diana Lewis replaced Jan Sadler who retired from the job of Letting Secretary and the President thanked Jan for her valuable help. Jenny Brown replaced Charles Bignall who retired from the list of independent members.

The Officers for 1983 are as follows:

President	:	Dr. Brooks
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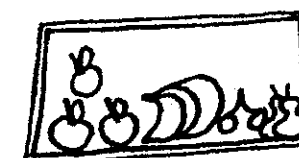
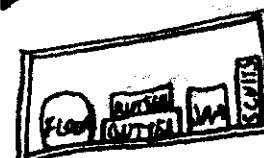
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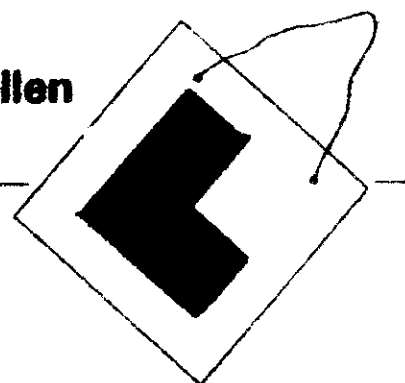
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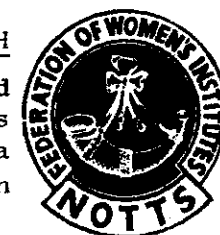
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EAST BRIDGFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE by JENNY FINCH

Pancake Races open to all comers were organised on Shrove Tuesday. There were childrens' races with everyone a winner and a Ladies race over a considerably lengthened course. Mrs. J. Warren won this in convincing style.



Earlier in the month a change of programme brought Mr. T. Kanikula, a member of the Nottingham and Sheffield Hot Air Balloon Club to give an illustrated talk. His enthusiasm was so infectious that it would not be surprising to have ballooning added to the long list of W.I. activities. Certainly many people seemed to harbour secret ambitions in that direction. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. H. Curtis. The competition was won by Mrs. M. Bontoft.

The next meeting, on Tuesday 8th March, will be the Annual General Meeting with Cornish Pasty and Cider as refreshments.

W.I. ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE by MARGARET HOWELL

Beautiful Britain Year 1983 gives particular emphasis to the Campaign for the Best Kept Village Competition which the Environmental Sub-Committee of East Bridgford Women's Institute agreed to support at a well attended meeting in January. It was felt that last year's leaflet was helpful and members agreed to deliver these again to every household.

Mrs. M. Jolley, Mrs. Needham and Mrs. J. Seel were thanked for looking after the flower beds at Lammas Gardens, Cherryholt Lane, Straws Lane and Haycroft Way. Following some damage by vehicles and passers by, however it was decided to seek the co-operation of all W.I. members and residents in keeping an eye open to preserve these areas.

The fouling of footpaths and the recreation field by dogs was deplored. It was clearly seen to be dogs not on a lead but those allowed to roam freely that were responsible. It was suggested that the Code of Practice leaflet should be distributed and displayed in the village.

It was decided that sub-committee members should walk the footpath at Manor Farm with the help of a map and under the guidance of Mrs. F. Jay. This was satisfactorily carried out on 22nd January. Further such walks will be taken to preserve village footpaths where routes have become obliterated.

EAST BRIDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

1983/4 Precept. The Council unanimously agreed a budget which will hold the precept for the coming financial year at the present level of a 2.5p rate.

Elections. The 4 year term of office of the present Council is completed at the end of April. All 11 seats come up for election. Any parishioner (at least 21 years of age) who is interested in being nominated as a Councillor can get a leaflet on "How to Stand for Election" from the Clerk, Joyce Haydock, at the Rectory. A Nomination form must be obtained signed by a proposer and seconder (both of whom must be on the Register of Electors) and the completed form sent to the Returning Officer. The latest date for receipt of nominations is noon on 9th April Polling Day is 5th May.

Village Quiz. The E.B. team gave the defending champions (Farnsfield) a very good contest before losing by 75 points to 61. The team members were John Finch, Audrey Metcalfe, Sophie Nichols and Peter Ward. Thanks to them for representing the village and to the five other villagers who travelled to Farnsfield to support the team.

Encroachment. The long standing dispute over encroachment onto Springdale Lane has been satisfactorily resolved with the assistance of Notts. C.C. The Parish Council's legal costs were £160.

Footpath Lighting. The Council has asked Notts. C.C. to provide additional lighting on 3 footpaths - Kneeton Rd. to W.I. Hut, Main St., to W.I. Hut and Post Office to Playing field.

Tree Planting. A number of trees have been planted on Brunts Lane, Cuttle Hill, Springdale Lane and Toll Bar, many of them to replace trees which had died or been damaged.

Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations. G.O.Oglesby, 47 Kneeton Rd. Side extension to form sun-lounge, car port and garage. The Council objected as it considered the three elements to be un-related to each other and to the existing property, and they would present an unsightly appearance in this very visible and important position on the road.

B.V.Haslam "This L Do" Main St. Single story side extension The Council did not object but observed that the extension brings the property up to the boundary, which is unsatisfactory.

I.E. Oglesby, 47 Kneeton Rd. Display wooden sign. The Council did not object but asked that the width be the same as the existing sign.

L.Crampton, 3 Magdalen Drive. Car port and extension to garage. The Council did not object.

Russell Hunt Marina. Renew temporary permission for the use of caravan as staff room and office. The Council supported the application.

Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions. Mrs Mumby and Mrs Kinton, 61 Main St. Permission granted for new doorway to front of shop, and for hanging sign.

D.A.C. Skinner, 6 Kneeton Rd. Permission granted for 2 storey extension to form kitchen and bedroom.

C.G.Comerie "Fairview" Butt Lane. Permission granted for single storey extension to bungalow.

G. Oglesby, 47 Kneeton Rd. Permission granted (with conditions) for use of part of builders yard for car repairs.

Next meeting. Monday 7th March 7.30 p.m., 95 Main Street.

EAST BRIDGFORD TENNIS CLUB: An increase in membership of the tennis club in the coming season was hoped for by Mr. R. Bullivant in his report as Chairman to the A.G.M. on 28th January. The stalwarts of the club had worked hard to raise the money to buy the new boundary fence It was disappointing that after this effort there was a fall off in membership. Mr. M. Hampson resigned as treasurer after many years of loyal and effective service. The members present thanked Mr. Hampson and presented him with a bottle of sherry. Mr.M. Nichols was elected treasurer.

New members should contact the Club Captain Greg Ella (20459) Treasurer Mike Nichols (20471) or Secretary Susan McKay (20971)

EAST BRIDGFORD FOOTBALL CLUB:

8th Jan. Woolston 1-2 Lost 29th Jan. Aspley Spts. 5-4 Won  
22nd Jan. C.Marcus 1-5 Lost 5th Feb. Nottm Olympic 5-6 Lost  
(League Cup)

THE APRIL MAGAZINE:

A taste of France will be offered to readers by Peter Aldenton of Moss Close in the April Magazine.

Mrs. Barbara Solway of Edwalton has lent the editors some of her grandfather Charles Clough's papers. He ran the school in Walnut Tree Lane. This will enable a number of articles about East Bridgford at the turn of the century to be published.



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Coffee After  
10.30 am Sunday School except for 1st Sunday  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon. Songs of Praise 2nd Sunday  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
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METHODIST SERVICES - MARCH

Family Service. 10.30 am. 6th March  
Communion 9.30 am. 27th March.

VILLAGE DIARY FOR MARCH

- Tues. 1st. W.I. Committee Meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Wed. 2nd)  
Thur. 3rd} E.B. Drama Group Tickets £1.20p  
Fri. 4th} "The Happy Apple" from  
Sat. 5th} Village Hall 7.30 p.m. Post Office.  
Sat. 5th. Methodist Coffee Morning 10-11.30 a.m.  
Sat. 5th. Whist Drive. W.I. Hut 7.30 p.m. and every Saturday  
Mon. 7th. Bingo. King Edward Club 8 pm and every Monday  
Tues. 8th. W.I. A.M. 7.30 p.m.  
Wed. 9th. Education Evening. Drama and Music. School 7.45pm  
Sat. 12th. Bingham Fosse Guides and Brownies Jumble V.H.  
Sun. 13th. Mothering Sunday 3 p.m. Family Service  
Mon. 14th. R.B.L. Meeting. V.H. Committee Room 8 p.m.  
Wed. 16th. 10.00 Holy Communion. 2.30 p.m. Mothers' Union  
Mon. 31st. Sung Eucharist. St. Peter's 7.30 p.m.

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## SNIPPETS

## SNIPPETS FROM THE RECTOR

### A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME

I am frequently asked, 'What is the difference between a Vicar and a Rector?' The answer, to use Paul Daniel's favourite catchword, is "not a lot!"

Before the Reformation in the 16th Century many parishes in England belonged to monasteries. The monastery received the revenues of the parish and paid a priest to look after the spiritual needs on its behalf. Such a priest was called a Vicar. (The Latin word Vicarius means 'in place of'). A Rector received his living solely through tithes levied on parishioners.

Today the clergy are paid from a central source, so the difference between a Rector and a Vicar has lost its significance, though both titles are equally well at home in the Church of England.

### FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS ?

Another question which I have been asked over the past few weeks is 'How many days in Lent - Forty? Forty-six? or somewhere in between?' ANSWER: Nobody's quite sure!

The custom of observing the Lenten Fast originated in the prescribed fast for candidates for baptism and the number forty was evidently suggested by the forty days fasts of Moses and Elijah and our Lord himself. From the 3rd Century the period was reckoned differently in different parts of the Christian world. In the Eastern Churches the Lenten Fast was observed during seven weeks, but as Saturdays and Sundays were not observed, there were only thirty-six actual fast days.

The Western Churches, on the other hand, fasted for six weeks, but also counted thirty-six days, as they omitted the Sundays. Only in Jerusalem were the actual forty days observed as early as the 4th Century, by fasting on five days for eight weeks.

The number FORTY was not made up in the Latin Church until the 7th C., when the four days from Ash Wednesday to the first Sunday in Lent were added, spreading from Rome, throughout the West, and still omitting Sundays.

ALAN HAYDOCK

PEACE AND QUIET: From time to time I am reminded that, as a parish, we should be drawn more towards the idea of silent retreats, meditation and contemplative prayer. With this in mind I am pleased to recommend two special days at Southwell: 'Introduction to Retreats' - Saturday 30th April, when Canon Leslie Morley will be leading discussions and answering questions.

'Introduction to Stillness, Meditation and Prayer' - Saturday 28th May when Canon Norman Todd will be suggesting ways in which we can adopt a stillness of body, mind and spirit in our prayers.

In addition, Canon Todd will be running a series of six weekly courses on Thursday evenings in May and June. These are mainly for people from East Bridgford and Woodborough.

I have further details of all this for anyone interested.

A.H.

### SUNDAY 24th APRIL, 6.00 p.m.

A SPECIAL SERVICE OF SONGS AND PRAISE WILL BE HELD AT EAST BRIDGFORD METHODIST CHURCH, MAIN STREET. There will be no service at St. Peter's Church on this evening, though Even-song will be sung at Saint Helen's, Kneeton, at 6.00 p.m. as usual, and will be followed by the Annual Parochial Meeting.

BOOK REVIEW: 'Family Services' by Kenneth Stevenson, published by Alcuin, price £1.95.

Kenneth Stevenson considers the aims, ingredients and presentation of such services and provides sample outlines for use over the year. A useful book for those who have an interest in family worship and/or are critical of our efforts at St. Peter's.

A.H.

### FROM THE REGISTERS:

Holy Baptism. 20th March. Matthew Robert MAYER

Solemnizing and/or Blessing of Marriage

5th March Peter Higgs and Jane Pinder

Colin Smalley and Caroline Starbuck

12th March Gregory Dawson and Vanessa Jones.

Burial or Cremation.

3rd March Claude Frank MALLETT

16th March Michael Graham LOMAX

### CONCERT IN ST. PETER'S CHURCH

The Calverton Symphony Orchestra will be presenting a concert in St. Peter's at 8.00 p.m. on Saturday 7th May. Tickets £1.00 may be obtained from the Rector.

## THE MEN OF EAST BRIDGFORD

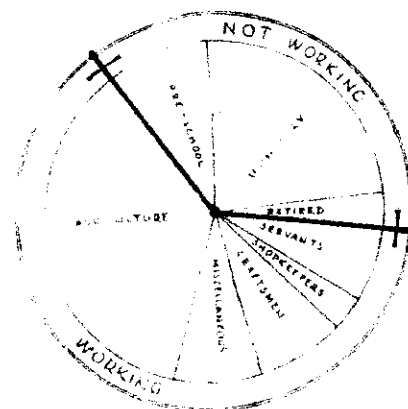
Why was there a decrease of a quarter of the population of East Bridgford between 1851 and 1881? Where did the workers go and what other work did they find? In 1851 there were 1167 people in the village and in 1881 there were 876. The February magazine dealt with the women, now an analysis of the men has been made. On the night the census was taken in 1881 there were 445 males including children, in the village, of these 149 were of school age or under, that is, under 14. There were 45 men over 65 but only 16 are entered as retired. Agriculture provided the most employment. There were 16 farmers and altogether 151 men worked on the land. There were three farmer's boys, one aged 11 and the other two 13. There were 37 craftsmen, including 6 blacksmiths, 2 brickmakers and 1 carpenter. There were grooms, coachmen, many gardeners, one footman and one butler.

The material needs of the people were looked after by 4 grocers, 4 butchers and 4 innkeepers, and the spiritual needs by the Rector and a Curate. There were 2 doctors, 1 medical student and a druggist. Also on that night there were 3 crew members of a barge which had come up the Trent from Gainsborough and 10 land drainers from Lincolnshire who were lodging here. There are of course many familiar village names on the lists. How will the census taken in April 1981 compare? Alas, we shall never know. The information will not be released to the public until 2081.

**QUOTATION IN THE TIMES** - from Bishop Frank West, formerly Archdeacon of Newark.

"Why is it that so many clergy don't believe in visiting, giving as their excuse that they have more important work to do administering the Church from their offices? They claim that in the present situation they must be catalysts. But it is impossible to be an effective catalyst, if one is out of touch with the people one is supposed to catalyse!"

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### SEEN FROM THE SOFA

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The meeting started exactly on time and no councillor arrived late. There was never the least suspicion of politics. A resident with a planning application was invited to present his case and given a sympathetic hearing. Councillors detailed knowledge of the village helped an informed, at times forceful, discussion on each planning application before a recommendation was sent to Rushcliffe Borough Council who are the planning authority.

Many other matters were discussed ranging from safety for village children to care for the aged, from foot-paths to allotments. The "public gallery" is an ample sofa conveniently placed near the door. The mirrors and pictures on the walls create a homely atmosphere. Anyone wanting to see grass root village democracy in action and the way East Bridgford's elected councillors do really care for the village ought to go quietly through the Old Surgery door one first Monday at 7.30 p.m. (not on a Bank Holiday Monday)

### GUIDES AND SCOUTS



Local Cubs, Scouts, Venture Scouts, Guides, and Brownies took part in the Thinking Day/Founders Day Service on Sunday 20th February in East Bridgford Church. The service was



conducted by Alan Haydock with Bob Smith as Preacher. Promises were renewed and lessons read. The collection was divided between the Church and the Save the Children Fund. The 1st East Bridgford Guide Co. are looking for a Unit Helper, preferably someone living in East Bridgford. This does not involve wearing uniform or taking a warrant, but simply helping with Guides on Wednesday evenings (7.15-8.45pm in W.I. Hut) and in being the contact for the village. Anyone interested in helping with girls in the 10-15 year age group is asked to contact Mrs. B. Cheetham R. on T. 3894 or Mrs C. Whitehead E.B. 20653.

#### MOTHERS' UNION REPORT FROM JANET MORRIS

The Detention Centre at Whatton provided the theme for the Revd. Sid Rising, Vicar of Orston and Chaplain to the Centre. His talk to the Mothers Union's March meeting began by describing the lay-out, the daily routine and the type of intake they receive. He then centred on the work and aims of the clergy, who with the help of the Church Army try to establish some sort of rapport with the men and boys in the short time available.

Readers of the magazine are invited to join an outing to the Chester Workshop on Wednesday 18th May. A coach has been booked and will leave the village at 9.30 am returning at about 8.30 pm (The fare is £2.45). Set in beautiful countryside the Workshops are famous for the lovely hand carved candles, and there are many other things to see and buy, and an excellent High Tea is available in the Hayloft Restaurant. Names please on the notice board in the Church Porch or to Mrs. J. Hunt (E.B.20531) or Mrs. D. Turner (E.B.20353)

The Annual General Meeting will be in April. Members should be prepared to pay their subs of £1.50 for the coming year.

#### ANNUAL PARISH MEETINGS

The Easter Vestry Meeting for the Election of Churchwardens followed by the Annual Parochial Meeting, will take place at St. Peter's Church at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 24th April, though the Rector will be giving his report in the context of the Sung Eucharist, which starts, as usual, at 9.00 a.m. Any parishioner may attend the Easter Vestry Meeting, but only members of the Church Electoral Roll may take part in the Annual Parochial Meeting.

Parishioners aged 16 or over who wish their names to be entered on the Electoral Roll should obtain a form from church and return it to Mr. Jack Sainsbury at 4 Haycroft Way or the Rector before Sunday 10th April.

#### CHILDRENS PAGE

MANY THANKS TO SUSAN GUY WHO HAS SO SUCCESSFULLY EDITED THE CHILDREN'S PAGE FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS. IT IS HOPED TO FIND ANOTHER CHILDREN'S EDITOR SOON.

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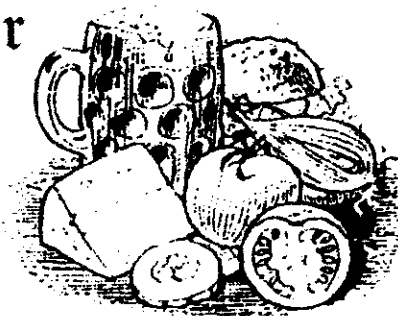
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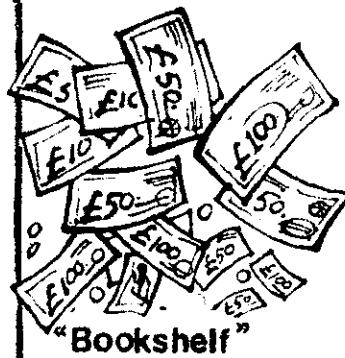
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## THE CHESTERFIELD INFLUENCE

There are close links and traditional rivalry between East Bridgford and Shelford. East Bridgford Scouts and Guides until this year use the Shelford Village Hall. The churches are in the same rural deanery. In recent competitions, be it tug-of-war, quiz contest, or best kept village hall, Shelford has always won. Could this be because Shelford has heeded the published advice which "their" Lord Chesterfield gave his son and his god-son 200 years ago? The Stanhope family, the Chesterfields' family name, had a long connection with Nottinghamshire in general since the 14th century and with Shelford in particular since the 16th century, hence the Chesterfield Arms in Bingham and the Earl of Chesterfield at Shelford.

Many of the Stanhopes are buried at St. Peter's and St. Paul's at Shelford. The Earldom became extinct in 1952. Of the 400 letters from the 4th Earl to his son and the 300 to his god-son ten rules for living have been selected for the magazine and are set out below with the query "Are they just as relevant today as in the 18th century?"

1. Talk often but never long.
2. Adapt your conversation to the people with whom you are conversing.
3. Tell stories seldom, and only where they are very apt and very short.
4. Never hold anyone by button or hand in order to be heard out.
5. Avoid argumentative conversation in mixed company.
6. Avoid speaking of yourself.
7. Always look people in the face when talking to them.
8. Mimicry - Neither practice nor applaud.
9. Swearing is as silly as it is wicked.
10. Have a frank, open exterior with a prudent and reserved interior.



MUSICAL

Music lovers will be glad to hear that Reg Howell has researched the history of the church organs at St. Helen's, the Methodists, and St. Peter's. The resulting series of articles will also give details of the improvements to be made to St. Peter's organ.

IN FRANCE WITH PETER ALDENTON  
FROM EAST BRIDGFORD AND SARDAN IN FRANCE

April in Paris, Summer in Paris, Christmas in Paris - it doesn't really matter, it's invigorating. The Metro has a different atmosphere from the Under-ground in London although the nightmare of traffic is much the same, the capital doesn't SEEM to have been flooded with foreigners, the same as most capital cities, there IS something interesting round each corner, but here it is more exciting. It is so easy to step back into history, so simple to lose the present. Walk with Maigret down the Boulevard Richard Lenoir, but step into the maze between there and Boulevard Voltaire it is not only a different age, it is a different world, or, walk the other way into the Place des Vosges and SEE the long dresses, parasols and dogs on leads as you sit on the seat in the gardens.

What is tiresome-and-hazardous-is the drive through or rather round Paris, since you go on the periphery - the Peripherique - it should take 25 minutes but it can take two hours and the French are not the most patient of people in a traffic jam. It is at the junction of your entry with the suburbs that you have to decide which route to take, to get from north to south or vice versa - although it always seems better south to north - whereas if you go into Paris you need a navigator to read the map while you drive.

I remember coming into Paris at the Porte de la Villette and driving alongside the Canal St. Martin as dusk fell and the lights of the shops and streets came up not only to illuminate the way but to wink on the waters of the canal. It is in fact, the pleasure of driving through Northern France to arrive in Paris in the late afternoon which enhances the joy of entering the Capital. Those miles of minor roads - even covered with snow - make the traveller realise that no matter where he is he is not far from a hostelry! It is fun too, to be able to telephone ahead from the boat to book either room or table (or both) it makes for a much happier journey after landing in France than just taking off and hoping, or even worse just taking off and driving.

The one factor not to be forgotten is the use of the red Guide Michelin (or Gault et Millan) they do prevent you making mistakes and are even a help with all the towns you will pass



through in the journey to the Ile de France like Arras Senlis.

The French give us problems over the agripolicy in the EEC; they may sell Exocet to our enemies, but by Dionysus they know how to live; the wine and food - extraordinaire; the motor ways - par excellence.

He, who would valiant be - let him pull off the M1 between service stations but the French in charging £10 to travel 700 miles on the Autoroutes, make frequent provision between service stations for "amenities"! No motorway is a good place to have to find somewhere to eat, but the Guide Michelin really does help in the decision of where to leave the AR and find a good resturant.

When we left the "alpine lemmings" - they seem to evacuate Northern France (mind you when you attend the Midnight service at Notre Dame in Paris at Christmas it seems the reverse - they ALL seem to be THERE) to make for the Southern Alps (far more than to the Pyrenees) for their "ski" holiday so the road jams up and skis pass you at an alarming rate, not only of knots but also in quantity.

Whatever the hassle of traffic on the road - even if the weather is foul - to emerge from the hills (going south) and see the Plain of vines that is Beaune stretching before you is a glorious sight, is an exciting thing - it is comparable to the long drawn out view of the vines on the re-entrants and spurs of the hills of the Champagne district, condensed into that explosion to view that is not only so exciting, so evocative of wine in general but is the indication that here one has passed from the North to the Midi and the future that it holds.

This future is an immediate one for within a few kilometres off the AR involving a visit to one or more of the negociants or even direct to the vineyards is a worth-while experience. Here to taste, there to taste, to find the differences from one commune to the next - Moulin a Vent is so different to Chénas, Brouilly so different to Morgon - that enables you to say, even at the end of the day, this is what all the fuss is about and now I understand it. It is worthwhile to taste the wine not only in the "Aire de Production" but "Dans nos caves". This is but the beginning because the further south one goes, Beaune to Beaujolais, Cote Roties to Cotes du Rhone the wines become more plentiful.

Bonne Route.

The Eiffel Tower by Artist Marjorie Arnfield.

#### EAST BRIDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Parish Meeting. This will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 26th April. Reports from the village clubs and societies will be received. Everyone welcomed.

Elections. The closing date for the receipt of nominations for the Parish Council is noon on 9th April.

Summer Playscheme. The Council have told Rushcliffe B.C. that the village wishes to participate in the arrangements at Bingham Sports Centre during the summer holidays.

Donation. The Council have donated £15 to the Winged Fellowship Trust.

Best Kept Village. The Council have again entered the village in this competition, which will be judged during the summer.

Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations.

Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Pearce. 1 Burnham Close. First floor extension to form self-contained flat (re-submission). The Council on a vote did not object.

Chas. Danby and Son. The Hollies, Kirk Hill. Demolition of stable block and erection of new bungalow and garage. The Council did not object but requested that the building should be of red brick with grey slate roof and that the design of windows should be in keeping with surrounding property. J. Covill, Old Hill Farm, Kneeton Rd. First floor side extension. The Council supported the application.

Planning Application. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions.

Permission granted for the following:-

Russell Hunt Marine Centre. Continued use of caravan for staff room and offices.

J. Fisher, rear of 41 Kneeton Rd. Erect 2 dwellings (outline)

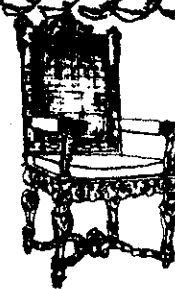
Mr. and Mrs. D. Winsor, 5 Kneeton Rd. 2 storey side extension.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Preston, 1 Springdale Lane. Erect detached dwelling.

Next meeting. Monday 11th April, 95 Main Street, 7.30 p.m.

#### EAST BRIDGFORD MEN'S SOCIETY.

The last talk in the Society's first year's programme will take place in the Village Hall at 8.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 19th April, when Douglas Cornford, from R.A.F. Newton will be assessing his personal experiences during the Falklands Campaign twelve months ago. I hope that there will be a really good turn out at this meeting.



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## WOMENS' INSTITUTE NEWS FROM JENNY FINCH

Six new members were welcomed to the committee at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday 8th March, when Audrey Metcalfe was re-elected President, Janet Richardson Secretary and Eileen Meylan Treasurer. In her first annual report Audrey Metcalfe stressed how much the Institute gained from the age range of its members. The experience of the mature members, the fresh approach of the younger members and the time and energy of all helped to maintain a continually high level of ideas and activities.

The guest speaker, Mrs. C. Drury V.C.O. talked about the W.I. in the rest of England. Her talk was enlivened by very interesting facts, e.g. the smallest W.I. has only five members, so the whole Institute can have an outing with but one car. She was thanked by Janet Morris.

Other matters included Angela Pickersgill's report on her course on childrens' dress making at Denman College. A resolution was passed abolishing the bye-law which has, until now, limited the number of members.

At the end of a busy evening members enjoyed cider and pasties.

## KNEETON NEWS FROM TOM ALLAN

The contribution promised by two of the younger generation has not materialised so all I can do is to remind readers that a St. Helen's the Easter Day Service will be, as usual, a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 am. We hope to welcome both old and new friends on this occasion.

After Evening Service on Sunday April 24th the annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in Church and Everyone interested will be most welcome.

## Thanks

Mrs Covill would like to thank all friends who so kindly helped with transport to and from the Queens Medical Centre while Mr. Covill was a patient there.

## MICHAEL LOMAX

Shirley, Graham and family wish to thank most sincerely the very many friends who have shown such overwhelming sympathy and kindness on the loss of dear Michael. Special thanks to the Rector for his help and comfort during recent weeks.

# MEET METHODISM

## 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL to 1<sup>st</sup> MAY

### EVENTS FOR THE FAMILY TO SHARE

Festival of Praise - Film Night - Hymns  
 What does Methodism Do? - Cartoon  
 Can We Shape Tomorrow - Ladies Night  
 A Celebration of the Way to Peace with God  
 SEE THE POSTERS FOR ALL THE DETAILS

#### NEWS FROM ST. PETER'S SCHOOL.

The School Garden. Any reader dividing their herbaceous plants with a resulting surplus of plants is asked to give them to Mr. Stockwell to help him to add more colour to the school garden.

Caretaker. The new caretaker will be Mr. Mike Preston, replacing Mr. Bill Johns. Mr. and Mrs. Preston will be moving to a house to be built in Springdale Lane.

Photocopying for East Bridgford. From the start of next term the school will possess a photo copier, which will be available for public use during school hours for 5p a copy.

Help for parties. The P.T.A. have bought some wine glasses to use at social functions. These can be loaned to anyone wishing to borrow them - a donation to school funds would be appreciated.

#### Magazine News

Copy for the May Magazine required by Monday 18th April. The main feature will be about Clough's Ladies School that was in Burnham House at the end of the 19th Century, as seen through the eyes of one of the pupils. This month's cover was by Bill Skellern of College St. - 18 -



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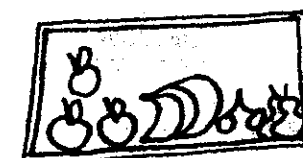
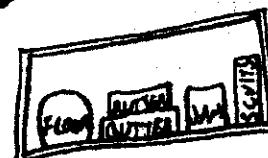
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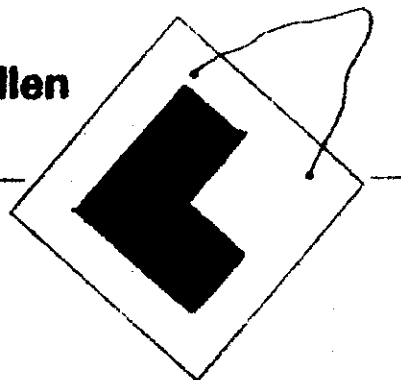
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#### COMPUTERS CAN'T BITE.

Computers, like wireless sets and motor car engines have got smaller, more powerful, and easier to operate over recent years; resulting in the proliferation of micro-computers in business, schools and some East Bridgford homes. Many parents and grandparents feel inadequate when faced with their children's increasing competence with computers. To help meet this need the East Bridgford Branch of the W.E.A. is arranging a Thursday evening course next autumn called "Making Friends with Computers".

At the A.G.M. on Wednesday 23rd February it was also arranged for John Samuel to continue a Wednesday morning course in the autumn dealing with local history and for Marjorie Arnfield to continue "The Artist's Vision on Tuesday evenings. On Wednesday evenings there will be a Furniture Design course. Arthur Curtis was re-elected Chairman of the Branch. Mary Garnett of 5 Croft Rise (E.B.20975) agreed to serve as Secretary in place of Helen Pollard who was thanked for her work for the Branch, and remains on the committee. Connie Hampson agreed to continue as Treasurer. Maurice Haughton and Jenny Brown joined the committee.

#### JUST STEWARDS.

In spite of the article by Arthur Curtis in the November 1982 magazine some people still seem not to know what the Church Commissioners are and do. Another chance to find out is provided by an exhibition in Southwell Minster open "for free" until 10th April.



The choir at St. Peter's is at present hard at work preparing for Holy Week and Easter under the direction of Vince Collins. We are grateful for the way in which the members continue to lead our worship twice each Sunday and are always willing to come along on other occasions.

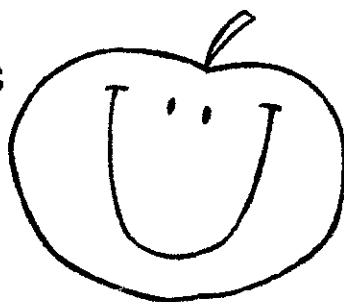
Mr. Collins has mentioned that there are still vacancies for boy and girl choristers, who receive a small remuneration for their attendance, and for an adult tenor, and soprano.

A.H.

## The Happy Apple



Now a "median" girl secretary, Nancy Grey, turns the tables on five very non-median males is the theme of Jack Pulman's comedy "The Happy Apple" presented by the East Bridgford Drama



Group in the Village Hall before four packed houses during the first week in March. The all star cast exploited to the full Pulman's witty lines with sustained skilful timing. Vanessa Jones as Nancy and Alan Haydock as Charles Murray, a very uncultured advertising executive, gave outstanding performances and were almost continuously on stage without a single weak moment.

The whole performance was a credit to Geof Peabody's fast running production. The build-up to climax at the end of Act 1 gave an ideal lead-in to Dick Wood's masterly set for the remaining two acts.

Overheard on the way out on Friday night. "They are now too good to be called amateurs...I would call them unpaid professionals."

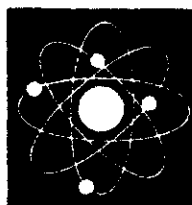
### EAST BRIDGFORD DIRECTORY

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Insert Mrs. M. Garnett, 5 Croft Rise. 20975

Page 22 Guides. Delete Shelford Village Hall.  
Insert. W.I. Hut, East Bridgford.

### FROM ATOMS TO INFINITY.



The lively book "FROM ATOMS TO INFINITY" that Anthony Otter wrote for "The 85% Unbookish Majority" which tells of Gunthorpe, Lowdham, The Royal Navy in the 14/18 war and much about the early days of wireless is now on sale at Fox's shop at 50 Main St. and in St. Peter's Church at a special price of £1.50. A racy readable book with a message for everyone.

## **Sport**

BOWLS NEWS FROM THE CAPTAIN LES CRAMPTON

It is hoped to open the bowling green for play in early May when practice and coaching sessions will be held, to which any new players will be made welcome.

Two new trophies have been given to the club for competitions this season:-

The Thornton Trophy, kindly donated by Ethel and Arthur Thornton will be competed for by the senior citizens in their afternoon competition.

The Naomi Ward Trophy kindly donated by Peter and Naomi Ward will be played for by all club members in a handicap triples competition.

League matches have been arranged for Saturdays in the Notts. Federation Bowling League and mid-week matches in the League of Country Bowls Clubs League.

### TRAINING SESSIONS FOR SPORTS MEN AND WOMEN.

All sports people are invited to join the cricketers, footballers and maybe bowls players in organised weekly training sessions starting on Tuesday 19th April. These are organised by East Bridgford Sports and Social Club whose A.G.M. is at 8 pm. on Tuesday 26th April in the Sports Pavilion. The Club has arranged a Disco Dance in the Village Hall 8pm. to 11.30 pm on Sat. 30th April £1.50.

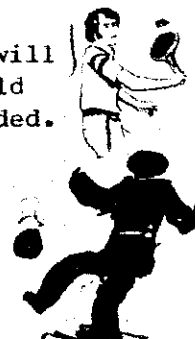
### TENNIS NEWS

The Open Day of the East Bridgford Tennis Club will take place on Saturday 30th April at 1.30 pm. Old and new members are welcome. Tea will be provided.



### EAST BRIDGFORD FOOTBALL CLUB

19th Feb Gas Sports 9 - 4 won  
26th Feb Boots Ath. 1 - 1 draw  
5th March Sherwood 4-1 Won  
12th March Santos 0 - 1 Lost



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- 8.00 am Second and Fourth Sunday. Holy Communion  
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9.00 am Parish Eucharist with hymns and address. Rite A  
First Sunday: Family Eucharist Rite A  
Coffee After.  
10.30 am Sunday School except for 1st Sunday  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon. Songs of Praise 2nd Sunday  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
Prayer) after Evensong.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. HELEN'S, KNEETON

- 8.00 am First Sunday. Holy Communion Book of Common  
Prayer  
6.00 pm Second + Fourth Sundays. Evensong.

EAST BRIDGFORD EVENTS FOR APRIL

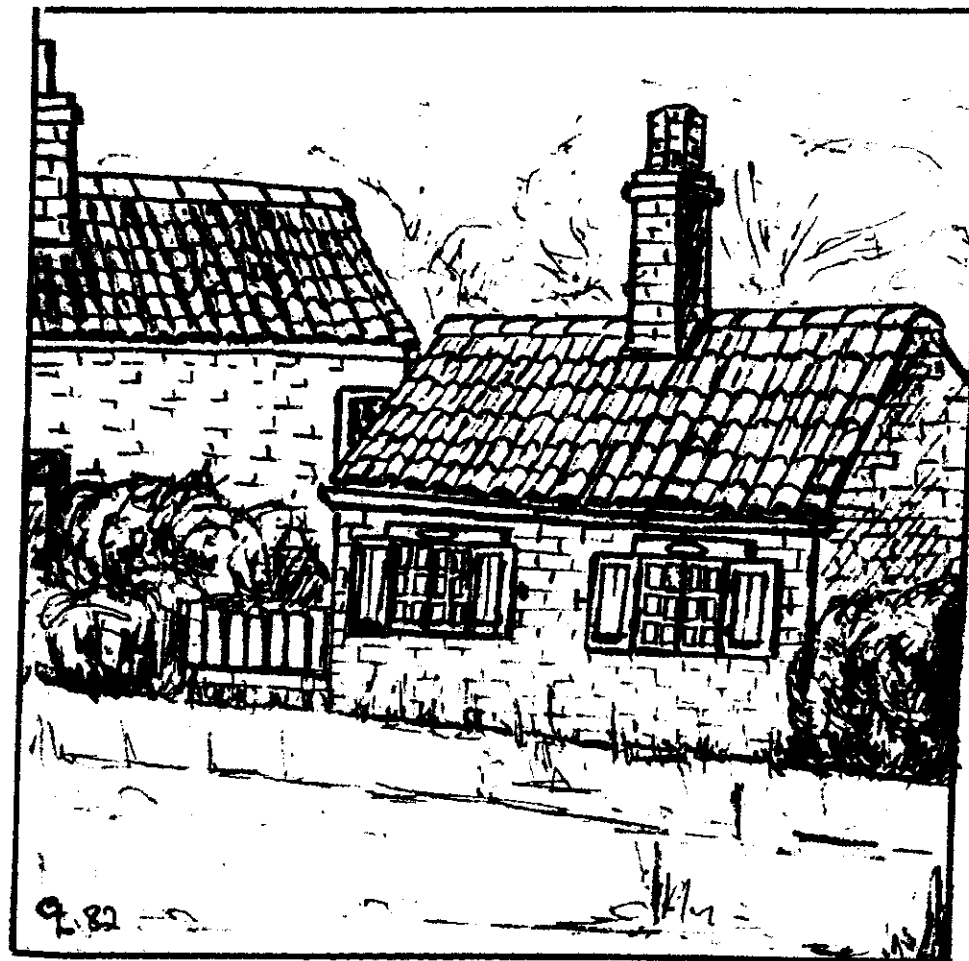
- Fri. 1st GOOD FRIDAY - Family Service St. Peter's 10am.  
Hour's Devotion 7.30 pm.  
Sat. 2nd Youth and Spider Club Jumble Sale V.H. 2.30 pm.  
Whist Drive W.I. Hut 7.30 pm and every Sat.  
Sun. 3rd EASTER DAY. 8.00 am. H.C. Kneeton  
9.00 am. Sung Eucharist St. Peter's  
11.00 am. Holy Communion B.C.P. "  
6.30 pm. Evensong. St. Peter's  
Tue. 5th W.I. Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.  
Mon. 11th Bingo. King Edward Club. 8 pm and every Monday  
Tue. 12th W.I. Meeting 7.30 pm.  
Sat. 16th Friendship Club coffee morning 10-12 noon.  
Mon. 18th Festival of Praise. Methodist Church 7.30 pm.  
Tue. 19th Mens' Society 8 pm.  
Wed. 20th Holy Communion 10 am. Mothers' Union 2.30pm.  
Thr. 21st Family Film in Methodist Church  
Sat. 23rd Methodist Coffee Break 10-11.30 am.  
Sat. 23rd Flower Festival Methodist Church  
Sun. 24th Flower Festival Methodist Church  
Sun. 24th Songs of Praise Methodist Church 6 p.m.  
Mon. 25th Meeting for Men at Methodists 7.30 pm.  
Tue. 26th Sports and Social Club AGM. Pavilion 8 pm.  
Wed. 27th Film "Chariots of Fire" Methodist Church 7.30 pm.  
Fri. 29th Ladies Meeting. Methodist Church 7.30 pm.  
Sat. 30th Sport and Social Discó V.H. 8 pm. £1.50  
Sat. 30th Tennis Club Open Day with Tea. 1.30 pm.

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## From the Rector

### WORDS - IDLE WORDS

Very recently severe and sudden tragedy came to a good friend of ours. Oh! I know the like has happened many times to scores and scores of people, but in this case I sat down to try and write a letter of sympathy to our friend. I discovered again something I already knew so well. That is, how cheap words are. When I put pen to paper and tried to write something of what was in my mind and heart, it all read so trite and paltry and meaningless to someone whose heart was breaking.

The longer I live, the more I am discovering this to be true. It's one of the biggest problems facing the individual Christian and the Church as a whole. We are all so good with words - endless talks, meetings, committees, discussion groups, training sessions - mountains of words! I know they are often pious words, Biblical words, theological words, but they are still only words!



I've heard a lot of words about Ireland for a long time now. Groups have discussed it at length, sermons have been preached, prayers have been said Sunday by Sunday. A young Christian girl from West Nottingham, not given to polished words, has

recently gone to live and work in Belfast, witnessing to Christ by her presence there.

I've heard, too, a lot of words about Zimbabwe. Groups and discussions have deliberated at great length. I have another Christian friend, not renowned for his speaking ability, who is quietly working and witnessing for his Lord in that country.

At Whitsuntide we are reminded that Christ re-kindles his Spirit within each of us and asks of us 'What are you saying with your life?'

You can't hear what some folk say, because of what they are. It's so easy to say the words, but it is quite another thing to go beyond that and live it out. It's so easy to be ever criticizing and finding fault, whilst not being willing to be creative or constructive in action.

God was not satisfied just to speak words through the prophets and poets of Israel, but He - THE WORD - became man, was born, as we are born, and grew up into manhood, speaking the truth with his life. He died and rose again and at the first Whitsun, the Day of Pentecost, endowed his friends and disciples with his Spirit for action in his name.

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH: Help us not only to speak of your love, but so to live that in our lives men may see that same love in all that we are prepared to do; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### SERVICES FOR WHITSUNDAY 22nd MAY 1983

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion B.C.P. at St. Helen's  
9.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist Rite A at St. Peter's  
10.30 a.m. Sunday School at St. Peter's  
6.30 p.m. Evensong at St. Peter's  
7.30 p.m. Holy Communion B.C.P. at St. Peter's  
(instead of 3rd Sunday in May)



I regret that, because of the present shortage of clergy in the deanery, it is not possible to provide a morning service of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer in St. Peter's this Whitsun. A.H.

### FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism: 26th March. Rebecca Jane PORTER  
Helen Elizabeth KIRK  
Christian 19th April Margot Elizabeth WILKINSON  
Burial: 21st April Sam MARRIOT

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TO REFLECT the true priority these issues of justice peace and development should have in Church Life: at the centre of our worship, witness and mission.

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A.H.



# BIRDS



A MONTHLY GUIDE FROM DAVID JACKSON

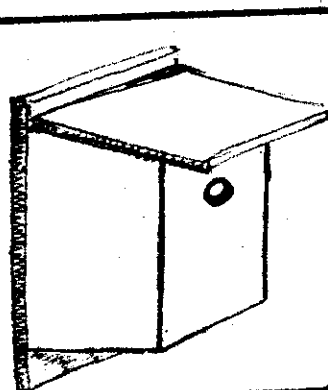
"One swallow doesn't make a summer" but by the time this is read let us hope that spring and the first swallows are here. If there is a cold spell with a north wind the long distance migrants will be held back until the end of April but when the warm southerly winds blow the first arrivals will be seen feeding low over fields and gardens along the Trent. Some will be going further North to reach their last year's nesting sites, others will stay with us until September or October.

If you had swallows nesting in your garage or garden shed last year there is a good chance that they will do so again and it is more than likely that at least one of this pair will be returning to the same nest. Last year's young will also be coming back to the same area and looking for likely nesting places. House Martins usually trail the swallows by a few days but by early May they too will be back at their 1982 nest and will be seen clinging to the brickwork just under the eaves of their chosen house, calling to each other and fighting off intruders.

Some people consider the House Martin a nuisance and if you don't want them to nest on your house the easiest way to stop them is to stretch some string along the eaves and tie a few more pieces of string to it so that they flutter in the breeze. This sometimes works but if House Martins have taken a liking to your house they can be persistent, so perhaps it's better to put up with a bit of mess and enjoy their cheerful chattering during the summer.

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## VILLAGE HALL CENTENARY

A Centenary Tea Party will be held in the Village Hall on Feast Sunday - 26th June - from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. combined with a small display of photographs of old Bridgford and work of the East Bridgford Art Class.

A special welcome for all East Bridgford families home for the Feast. Anyone willing to help either at the Tea Party or with cooking or with gifts of eggs and sugar please telephone Sonia Blandy at East Bridgford 20376. There will be further details of this important event in the June magazine.

### BRIDGE SINGERS.

A varied hour-long concert, including part-songs, anthems spirituals and popular songs will be given by the "Bridge Singers" in Southwell Minster on Sunday 15th May at 8pm This is part of the monthly series 'Music and the Crossing'.

### MEN'S MINUTELESS MEETINGS

The East Bridgford Men's Society concluded a happy successful winter season with a well delivered exciting account by Douglas Cornford of the R.A.F. of his journey to the Falklands during last year's campaign. For the men who have not yet met the Society, there are no formalities, no minutes, no subscription. Attenders pay 30p towards the hire of the Village Hall Committee Room.

On Tuesday 17th May there is a visit to Staythorpe Power Station.

## KNEETON NEWS from Tom Allan

The recent collection for Family Week realised £17.76 from the village and farms etc., on Kneeton Road. Sincere thanks to all who helped this worthy cause.

We bid farewell to Derek Skinner our gamekeeper. I shall miss his snippets of country lore, but we welcome David Clark and family who fill the vacancy.

Details of the 1881 census are now available and show Kneeton then had 22 inhabited houses compared with the present 24 but the population, 34 men, 43 women, 22 girls and 16 boys was greater then than now. I have borrowed a copy of the census for a time and will show it to anyone interested.



### A Surfeit of Spaghetti & Culture with Gordon Stobbs

Notwithstanding its route might eventually lead to Rome, the fosseway was spurned after a short run from Newark where five ladies of East Bridgford and four emancipated spouses joined a party of the Nottinghamshire W.I. for a whirlwind tour of three Italian Cities.

Low cloud over Luton cleared as we passed over Geneva to give a breathtaking view of the Alps stretching to the horizons like a plate of forked meringue. The Apennines pointed our further way as we traced roads and viaducts we would traverse later that week on the journey from Florence to Venice. A momentary change of tempo at Rome, it being siesta, gave way to a tour of the city by night heralding the cultural feast which a week later was to leave us gasping for digestive time.

Monday the Vatican and St. Peter's in the morning; the Forum, Colosseum and Catacombs in the afternoon, with a free evening to edit the spaghetti in our minds and on our plates. For me, despite the grandeur of St. Peter's and the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, my mind dwelt on the exquisitely sculptured Pieta by Michelangelo and the evocative history of a fish scratched upon the catacomb walls.

Tuesday for some, Pompeii, Vesuvius and the Bay of Naples, but again a more captivating association evoked by a view of Monte Casino through the coach window than by the fossilized remains of some unfortunate lava encrusted laggard.

Wednesday, to Florence and oh what immediate pleasure of a sunlit panorama threaded by the Arno and dominated by Brunelleschi's Cathedral dome. Here is the heart of renaissance art with an architectural masterpiece around every corner, and rooms full of Botticelli, Raphael, and Michaelangelo. It was almost a relief on the rain-swept Thursday to contemplate a range of colourful umbrellas and decide upon a purchase. Whilst some visited Pisa, Connie and I viewed Brunelleschi's lovely Pazzi chapel, yet all the time musing upon a remark by David Atkins that the right hand of his namesake by Michaelangelo appeared too old and too big. It does! Maybe it was all that sling practice. Palm Sunday in Venice; with the sunlight dancing on the Grand Canal and the cupolas of St. Mark's; a spray of palm leaves from a nondescript church yet housing two masterpieces by Titian, and his tomb: an evening flight to reveal in a myriad lights the footpaths and water-ways we had traversed, and then time to contemplate that had it not been for Christ there would have been but little to contemplate.

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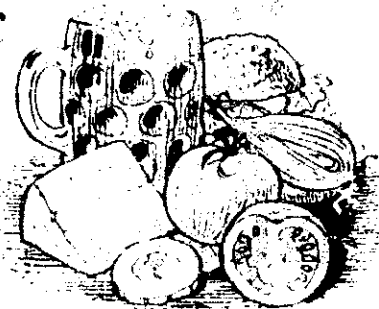
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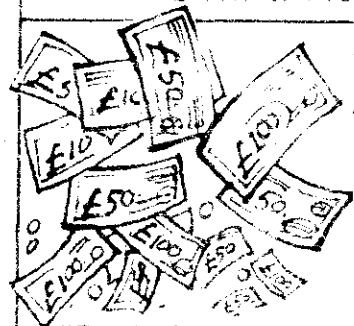
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## W.I. JENNY FINCH

The April speaker was Mr.A. Hunter of Burton Joyce, for 18 years secretary of the N. and N. Drama Association. He played tape recordings of a wide choice of music which was greatly appreciated by an attentive audience. Mrs. M. Bontoft thanked him.

The summer will be busy with outings which are now being arranged, including visits to the Harrogate Flower Show, the Brevitt shoe factory at Northampton and the Wedgewood Crystal factory at Kings Lynn. In the village there will be a Jumble Sale on 14th May and later on a knitwear fashion show and a coffee morning with the sale of materials. Next month's meeting will consider the Resolutions for the National A.G.M. in London. Later Mrs.A.Powell will play a tape of some memories of the village in the past.

### C. of E.'s CHILDRENS SOCIETY

Margaret and Reg Howell wish to thank all the collectors and those who gave in the recent Family Week House-to-House collection. The total raised was £205

## M.U. JANET MORRIS<sup>11</sup>

At the Commissioning Service of our new Central President the Archbishop of Canterbury praised the Mothers' Union's work in the 3rd World and elsewhere. Special praise for the "Message Home Scheme" to help teenagers away from home to re-establish contact with parents and the "Away from it all Scheme" which provides holidays for mothers under stress.

At our A.G.M. on 20th April Margaret Bontoft talked about the work of the Social Concern Committee, on which she serves, which runs these schemes, and many others.

Janet Morris reported on the year's activities and successes. Membership is growing and of the 36 members 12 have children under 16. Financially we are dependant on a social event each year. This year we hope to open some of our members gardens to the public and provide good things to eat and buy. WATCH THIS SPACE.

Readers are invited to join us in the outing to the Chester Workshops of Wed. 18th May. Names please to Mrs. Hunt. E.B.

### CONCERT IN SAINT PETER'S CHURCH

A concert will be presented in St. Peter's Church by the CALVERTON ORCHESTRA, conductor, John Pett, at 8.00 p.m. on SATURDAY, 7th MAY. Tickets are available from the Rector. Adults £1.00 Children: No charge. After expenses the proceeds will be donated to the work of our Sunday School. A.H.

The original "Manor Place" of East Bridgford was probably at the corner of Main Street (then Butt Lane) with College Street (then Farmers Street). By the early 16th Century the manor house was delapidated so a new house, named Burnham House, was built alongside which was partly rebuilt in the 18th Century. It was part of the property of 'The President and Scholars of the College of St. Mary Magdalen', Oxford who sold it to the then tenant in 1924 who later renamed the house 'The Old Manor House', its present name.

William Lockwood was farming 280 acres and employing six men in 1871 according to the census of that year. He was a Methodist lay preacher and had, in 1836, built the chapel in College St. In 1935 this building was sold to the Boys Brigade, and now looks very sad. William Lockwood died at his home, Burnham House, in 1874 but his name lives on and there are still people in East Bridgford who refer to the junction of College Street with Main Street as "Lockwood's Corner".

Edward Clough came to East Bridgford in the late 1820's from Nottingham via Granby to found "East Bridgford Academy" a boarding school for boys. The school was at the large white building behind the junction of Walnut Tree Lane with Main Street. Charles his son, carried on the boys school and his wife Emma started a "Ladies College" renting Burnham House for the purpose. The page opposite is an extract from the diary of a pupil Gertrude Hardstaff of Bingham (Gertrude Godley on marriage).

The drawing below of Burnham House, (The Old Manor House) is by Christine Lewis of Moss Close from the booklet "Bridgford's Historic Houses"



It was one of those grey still days which we sometimes get between Christmas Day and Twelfth Night, when step-mother and I set out to walk to East Bridgford to see the school to which I was to go in the Easter Term. It was 1895 and I was nearly 12 years old. It was a three mile walk from Bingham to Bridgford but in those days to us just a pleasant stroll.

Burnham House, a sprawling farm house belonging to Magdalen College, Oxford, was not needed by the tenant farmer, who had another farm with a house and it had been taken by Mrs. Clough with a spirit of enterprise and adventure to run as a girls school in conjunction with East Bridgford College for Boys which had been conducted by her husband and by his father before him. High on the walls of Burnham House was a board bearing in large gold letters the words LADIES COLLEGE. I was much impressed.

Turning down a pleasant side lane we came to the Boys College. Here we were shown into a pleasant small sitting room, with a brightly burning fire, and a round table laid for tea. I had imagined Mrs. Clough to be tall, thin, and commanding, quite unlike the little lady who greeted us. Mrs Clough was very small, slim and sparkling and so neat. She wore a grey silk dress, her silvery hair was coiled on top of her head. For tea we had very thin bread and butter and Huntley and Palmers Best Mixed Biscuits. These were small, of fascinating shapes and iced, and at home were provided as a treat.

After tea Mrs Clough sent for her daughter Alice and we walked back to Burnham House "Alice dear, fetch the school room key from Miss Oldfield" and Alice trotted across to the housekeeper. The school room had been built in a pleasant spot between the garden and orchard. We then went into the house. It must have been a few days before the start of term, for bright fires were burning in all the bedrooms and the mattresses and blankets spread out to air, I thought this was lovely! There were three bedrooms for pupils, one for the headmistress, one for the housekeeper and one for the maid.

I don't remember any conversation except that Mrs Clough explained I must have a little shawl to cross from house to school room, table napkin and a ring and a knife, spoon and fork. Then we set off for our quiet walk home.

14. EAST BRIDGFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB. Judy Spendlow

You could say we have had a quiet time at the club since Christmas, that is until we decided to hold a coffee morning, of that, more later. Having survived the Christmas party and pantomime visit it was nice to be back at the Village Hall for a few quiet games of whist and bingo, although even some of these games are not so quiet, Mrs. Wass sometimes does a dance on one of the whist tables, whilst Mrs. Holland on the bingo table has to be restrained from time to time. The game of cribbage goes on regardless, I think Les Hand must be in charge here, or perhaps Mr. Birks, he's a bit of a dark horse.

Is it a coincidence J.B. has not become a member yet ?, perhaps he thinks its all a little too much for him and he wouldn't be able to stand the pace, we may find out one of these Tuesdays. Now back to the coffee morning on 16th April. Margaret Hobbs kindly opened her doors, I think to the entire village, it seemed like that at the time anyway. If we had realised so many people would be supporting us then we would have had St. John's on duty too. Firstly everyone had to get past Doris Hand on the door, then it was Mrs. Mawby and Margaret on the raffle - in relative safety under the stairs - Mrs Mawby is now suffering from writer's cramp.

Mrs Wass was one of the many who contributed, she trundled up the drive with her wheelbarrow loaded. Gifts had been arriving all week, until at last the stalls were set up and ready to go. By 12 noon we began to see daylight and to rest our weary feet and to realize how kind and helpful everyone had been. We collected £320 for which we thank helpers, contributors and buyers.

If the villages seem rather quiet one of these weeks and short of Senior Citizens too...don't panic. Margaret and I may just have packed them off to Spain or somewhere, they are a handful to manage at times.

## POETS CHANCE.

Tots to octogenarians are invited to write a short poem reflecting the whole panorama of life NOW. This is part of Southwell Diocese's Centenary Celebration. The selected poems will be published.

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## PIPE ORGANS of E.B. and KNEETON.-Reg Howell.

An organ is similar to a piano in that it uses a similar keyboard; but the piano is a percussion instrument whose sound dies quickly, whereas the sound of an organ, made by air blowing through pipes of varying length, is sustained and more powerful. It is like an orchestra with its many different tone colours. This article is about organs in general; the next three will relate some of the history of the organs and their organists at the Methodist Church, St. Peter's and St. Helen's. The people of both villages should be grateful to their forefathers for providing all three with pipe organs, which give magnificent support to choir and congregation, both at regular services and at weddings. The alternative reed and electronic organs, which are probably all that could be afforded today would be less readily acceptable.

An organ has one or more key boards called manuals, played with the hands and a pedal board played with the feet. Names are given to the manuals like GREAT, SWELL, CHOIR, SOLO, ECHO, etc. The Swell is so named because its pipes are enclosed in the Swell Box, which can be opened and shut like a Venetian blind operated by a foot pedal, hence the swell sound. The versatility of the instrument is decided by the number and type of "stops" which can be seen above or beside the keyboard, labelled to show their sound effect. For instance one stop might be labelled Flute which would give a flute-like quality. If there are 56 keys on the manual there would be a "rank" of 56 pipes controlled by the flute stop.

Thus the right-hand could play the melody accompanied by the left hand playing a quiet "string" tone on another manual. Meanwhile the feet would be playing the bass notes. The label on each stop also shows the comparative pipe lengths, 8ft corresponds to the pitch of a piano, 4ft is an octave higher, 2ft two octaves higher and 16ft an octave lower than the 8ft stop.

Fifty years ago most organs were "hand-blown". Many choirboys of those days pressed into service as "stand-in" blowers enjoyed the power of being able to let the wind pressure slip below the minimum! Water power can be, but rarely is used to pump the air but electric power is now almost universal. A feature of great importance to the organ builder is the type of "action" to be used to operate pipes and stops. There is a mechanical method called "tracker" now returning to favour or the available air pressure can be used, this is called pneumatic or the control can be electro-magnetic.

This introduction to my series is intended to arouse interest in organ music and in our local church organs.

## A HARROWING FIRE

"It doesn't matter how the fire was started because the temperature was over 110 F. and with winds gusting at about 50 m.p.h. over tinder dry country, nothing was going to stop it" writes George Wingad's daughter from Australia. When a fire gathers momentum like that, it burns up the oxygen around itself and so creates a vacuum that becomes its own wind. I saw a car picked up off the street and sucked into the fire. I saw cars and houses explode long before the fire got to them because of the vacuum and the heat. One hundred year old gum trees exploded because the gum inside gets so hot the tree explodes from the inside. The heat was so immense that the sand was turned into glass. Most of the wild animals that died, died not because of the flames or the smoke, they died because the inside of their lungs was seared by the heat. For 26 hours Geelong (a town 40 miles from Melbourne) was covered in the thick pea soup like a fog that was really ash suspended in the air."

She continued "Then came the rains and because there were no trees left to take it the rain caused land slides of ash and rubbish. The ground was so dry and rock hard and because the rains came so fast, the water just ran off and did not penetrate. And now the low reservoirs are polluted with debris. We don't have a garden anymore, just a cracked brown patch of dust. But at least we are alive and well and who can ask for more?"

The Editors thanks to George Wingad, well known in Royal British Legion Circles, for sharing with us his daughter's lucid but horrifying account of the recent bush fires in Australia.

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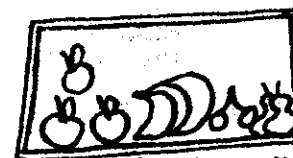
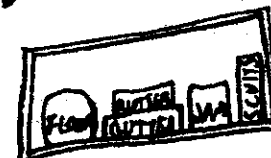
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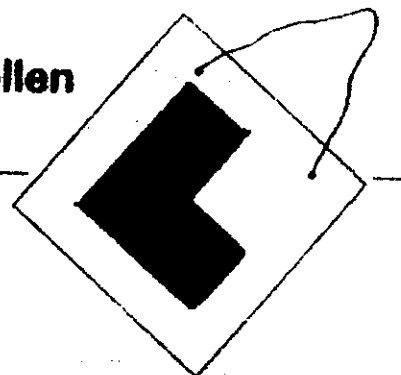
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## PARISH COUNCIL

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The present Council met for the last time on 11th April. A new Council will meet on 9th May and because only eleven parishioners have been nominated there will not be Parish Council Elections. There will however have to be an election for Borough Councillor on 5th May because our serving member Edna Tutin has been challenged by Brian J. Howes of Bingham. The composition of the new Parish Council will be:-

Messrs J. Allwood; D.D. Atkins; A. Lodder; G. Lomax;  
Mrs. B. Saxton; Messrs. P. Slack; W. Surgey; Mrs. E. Tutin;  
Mrs. W. Wines; Messrs. W. Wines; and P. Woodhead.

### Emergency Planning.

Subsequent upon the copy of the February Magazine Mrs Janet Morris; Mrs Alwin Pearce; and Mrs Ken Willetts very kindly attended a series of meetings at Radcliffe-on-Trent on behalf of the village.

Mrs. Pearce gave a most interesting report to the Council on the organisation recommended for dealing with man-made and natural disasters which could occur. It was decided that the new Council will look further into this important issue.

### Planning Applications and Parish Council Recommendations.

J. Allwood and Son. Erect a general purpose farm building the Council did not object but made the observation that the cladding should be brown coloured.

Mrs. E. Tutin, Browns Lane. Fell Hawthorne Tree. Council had no observations in the absence of a report on the tree's condition.

### R.B.C. Planning decisions.

B.V. Haslam "This-L-Do" Main St. Permission granted for a side extension.

I.E. Oglesby 47 Kneeton Rd. Consent granted for wooden sign.

L. Crampton, 3 Magdalen Drive. Permission granted to erect front Porch and extension to garage.

E.B. Sports and Social Club. Permission refused to erect a new Sports Pavilion.

### ST. PETER'S SCHOOL GARAGE SALE.

Following last year's successful Garage Sale the school hopes to repeat this event on Saturday 11th June from 10.00 am. to 12 noon. The school asks for a contribution of £3.00 from all stall holders, anything you make above that you keep. Sell what you like, new, or second hand, large or small, expensive or cheap. Please contact Mr. Powell at school (E.B.20226) for a stall.



## SAVAGE'S SHOP 1926—1935

The little building on the south side of College Street housed from 1926 to 1935, a very popular little sweet shop which also sold excellent home made ice cream. So good was this ice cream that even today, nearly fifty years after the shop closed, many East Bridford families can easily recall its' special flavour and goodness.

It was in 1926 that Mr Don Savage's father, Mr Walter Savage decided to turn a garden store into a shop. He also decided to open at certain times only, as he was a market gardener and had little spare time. So sweets were sold daily from 6 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. and from 12 - 6 p.m. on Saturdays, holidays and during Feast Week. Saturdays were busy days summer and winter with cricket and football being played in Butts Field just across the road.

To return to that special ice cream. It was made by Mr. Walter Savage and his mother at their house in Straws Lane, by the good and reliable handle turning method with the sides of the tub packed with ice and salt and the container full of "proper" milk from Mr. Charlie Allwood's farm (none of this pasteurised stuff). When it was ready the whole thing was loaded on to a motorcycle and sidecar and driven to the shop. This same motorcycle and sidecar also did good trade taking the ice cream to Kneeton, Car Colston and Screveton. Only in summer of course. Back in the twenties ice cream was not available, or even expected, in the winter.

Mrs David Morris used to help to serve in the little shop on occasional Saturdays and remembers its' hustle and bustle particularly during the Feast Week. In those days the Feast Flower Show was held on the Tuesday of Feast Week in the field adjoining the shop and Butts Field was turned into one huge Fairground. In 1935 the little shop closed its doors to the public and was bought by Charlie Allwood and returned to being a garden store. Today it is just a rather sad little building serving no particular purpose but at least it is thought of with affection by the favoured few who still remember that special home-made ice cream. It is the subject of this month's cover, drawn specially by Christine Lewis of Moss Close.

## EAST BRIDGFORD CRICKET CLUB'S PRESENTATION DANCE.

Eighty people were at the Annual Presentation Dance in the Village Hall on Saturday, 9th April when the President Dr. Geoffrey Brooks, thanked all who had supported the Club in 1982. He expressed the Club's special gratitude to the Ladies who had provided the teas week by week and to Marian and Gerald Willis, who worked so hard and raised £140 at the coffee morning in their home. Trophies were

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Congratulation to the 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Cub Football Team for winning the S.E.Notts. District Tournament, winning all four opening matches without conceding a goal, to reach East Leake Pack in the final winning 3-2 in extra time. Stuart Whaley, who scored twice in the final, finished as top goalscorer with 6 goals.

Congrats. also to Neil Kirby for winning the .S.E. Notts. Intermediate Section Chess Competition.

### EAST BRIDGFORD FOOTBALL CLUB,

26th March	Aspley Sport	1-2 Lost	League Record
9th April	Woolston	0-2 Lost	Played 20. W.8. D.3 L.9
		Points 19	Goals for 45. Against 44

THE JUNE MAGAZINE. This will highlight "Feast Week End" and the Horticultural Show. It will also contain the first of a series of articles on "The Beaumonts of East Bridgford" and the 2nd of Reg Howell's articles on organs. Copy required by 20th May please.





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- Sat. 20th Scout Square Dance Village Hall
- Sun. 22nd Whit Sunday. Services on Page 3
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## THE RECTOR'S PAGES

### BRIDGFORD FEAST

I am looking forward to my third East Bridgford Feast as Rector. Elsewhere in this magazine mention is made of the Flower Show, Barn Dance, Village Hall Centenary Tea, and President's Cricket Match. It is my pleasure to invite every member of our village to worship with us at St. Peter's on Sunday, 26th June. At 9.00 am. the newly confirmed members of our congregation will be making their communion for the first time and at 6.30 p.m. there will be a service of dedication and thanksgiving.

We are thankful to God for the life of St. Peter, our patron saint. On Feast Sunday we give thanks, also, for the tens of thousands of men, some from this village, who served king and country and helped materially to save the free world.

At this time of the year it is not inappropriate that we should think of our Lord Jesus' three-fold commission to Peter after the Resurrection. Simon Peter must have been totally wretched ever since the cock crew and he realised that he had denied his Lord and Master. Jesus had died alone and his last memory may well have been of Peter's betrayal.

But after the resurrection Christ takes Peter aside and, without grudges, simply asks for his love and service. So Peter finds forgiveness and the chance to redeem himself, for which he had longed.

As we read this story in St. John's Gospel, ch. 21:15-19 with its triumphant message of forgiveness and reconciliation, we are reminded that Christ's work today includes bringing others to know and love him and then to go out and serve him.

Reconciliation never comes on its own; with it comes a commission from Jesus himself, "Feed my lambs," build up the kingdom, renew the Church. Our patronal festival is an ideal time to make a start.

### St Peter's Church is Grateful

1. To those who have assisted with work in the churchyard and the cutting of the hawthorn hedge during the past few weeks.
2. To David Jackson who cleans the church windows frequently on a voluntary basis.
3. For the donation of a two manual electronic organ.
4. For the generous sum donated through the legacy of Mrs. Sally Fletcher.
5. To the members of the Calverton Orchestra who raised £87.00 net by means of a concert in church. £67 of this has been put towards the work of our Sunday School.
6. To Ken Smith for his skill in constructing the stone bases for the seats in the Garden of Remembrance, and to those who made this work possible.
7. To those responsible for the work of restoring the pipe organ and building the wooden casing.
8. To Tony Beresford for his restoration work on the lych gate.
9. TO THE COUNTLESS PEOPLE WHOSE VOLUNTARY WORK AND TIME IS GIVEN WEEK BY WEEK AND WHICH SO OFTEN GOES UNRECOGNISED AND WITHOUT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

#### THANKS TO LES JOHNSON

After more than thirty years as Sexton, Les Johnson has recently retired from the post, following a spell in hospital. Countless people have been grateful to him over the years for his work in the churchyard and for the information and advice he has been able to impart from his long experience. We are most grateful to him. A.H.

#### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism:	Charlotte Emily GILES	1st May
	Matthew Franklin WINNER	22nd May
Holy Matrimony:	David Roy ROSE and	
	Cheryll Martine WATERFALL	14th May

There will be a BATTLE OF BRITAIN Service and Parade at R.A.F. Newton at 1130 hours on Sunday 18th Sept., followed by a barbeque.



# BIRDS



A MONTHLY GUIDE FROM DAVID JACKSON

After last month's article several people commented about the birds that can be seen in and around the village, but a few said "All I see are sparrows, blackbirds and starlings". To cast some light on their darkness I made a note of the number of species that nest within the village. It comes to 23 without the common species that overfly us most days and without those that breed just outside the village but visit it to feed.

To do village bird-watching I recommend a visit to the Churchyard, after all what better place for a little quiet recreation than the centre for Re-creation? There are many quiet corners and convenient seats and within seconds the Sparrow, Blackbird, and Starling will put in an appearance, along with the Song and Mistle Thrush and Robin. At this time of the year all the birds are so pre-occupied with finding food for their young that they abandon their normal caution and as long as you KEEP STILL they will come within a few feet.

Constantly overhead are the Swifts, Sallows and House Martins and in the Yew and Pine trees are Blue and Great Tits. Look closely and you will also see Coal Tits and Marsh Tits not as brightly coloured as the Blue Tit but of a similar size and habit. In the trees above Trent Lane are two birds that look alike but sound so different! The Chiff-Chaff calling its name again and again, and the Willow Warbler which has a similar but more melodious song. Greenfinches calling "Suzeeee" sing from almost every tree and the tiny Wren sends out its powerful song from deep inside the hedges.

The resident Wood Pigeons Collared Doves have been joined by the Turtle Doves. Look for the Dunnock creeping about the ground under the hedge - hence its other name of Hedge Sparrow. Finally, if you stay until its dark you will hear, and maybe see in the light from the street lamps, the Tawny Owls; but don't go on Monday evenings. Church Bells are fine, but not at such close range.

Next Month. Birds outside the Village.

The main pool at the Bingham Leisure Centre will be closed for repairs for the months of June and July.

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## CONFIRMATION

### CONFIRMATION SERVICE

On Sunday, 19th June at 6.30 p.m. eleven young people and four adults from St. Peter's, together with others from St. John's Newton, are to be confirmed by the Lord Bishop of Southwell. I do hope that every member of our Church will be present at this service to support the candidates on this very important occasion in their lives and to welcome them as full members of the Body of Christ. The service will not be in the context of the Eucharist on this occasion.

A.H.



St. PETER'S CHOIR is still looking for four young trebles and someone willing to sing tenor, or bass. The Choir practises on Friday evenings and sings at both services on Sundays.

### CHURCH of ENGLAND CHILDRENS SOCIETY

Bring your collecting boxes to be emptied and have a great "count up" at 47 Main St. between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on Friday 17th June when Mr and Mrs. Bontoft are having an "At Home" day.

Anyone who would like a collecting box, or would like to help at a coffee morning on Saturday 8th October should call at No.47 on 17th June and enjoy a cup of coffee.

### Thanks

The family of the late Margot Wilkinson would like to thank most sincerely all relatives, friends, and neighbours for the beautiful floral tributes and many letters received in their sad bereavement. They also thank the family doctor and the Revd. Alan Haydock.

On behalf of the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, Hilary Curtis thanks all those who so generously contributed to the house to house collection of £154 during April and the following dedicated band of helpers M/S Bullivant, Burnett, Crampton, Finch, Hallam, Hayman, Jolly, MacDonald-Smith, Powell, Seel, Shephard, Stobbs, Suggett, and Wilkins.

## 32 THINGS TO DO

There is no excuse to be bored or unoccupied in East Bridgford thanks to the many clubs and societies offering diverse activities. Thirty two of them were mentioned at the Annual Parish Meeting in the Village Hall on Tuesday 26th April under the chairmanship of Graham Lomax, Chairman of the Parish Council. The Friendship Club now has 50 members compared with 29 just three years ago, 50 men have, at various times, enjoyed the pleasantly informal Men's Society lectures, 21 families belong to the Tennis Club in spite of last season's atrocious tennis weather? The Village Hall has tentative plans to provide more space for the expanding Youth Club to mention but a few.

In his opening remarks the Chairman referred to the team work of the Council. He hoped that this year, with the whole village's help, East Bridgford would win the "Best Kept Village" competition. There was a prospect of arranging a "within village" quiz competition leading to even better results in the "inter village" competition. Some problems, like dogs fouling pavements and playing fields and noisy motorbikes disrupting places where they had no right to be, remained to be solved.

A plea for all secretaries to use the diary in the Post Office, thus enabling each organisation to support events organised by the others, was made by Les Crampton. Helen Pollard, having highlighted some dangers to young children in the play area on Butts Field agreed, with friends, to help the Council to make improvements. It was disappointing that out of about 1300 adult residents only 25 came, whereas the corresponding meeting at Shelford two days later attracted 50 people out of a possible 500. However the East Bridgford meeting was a happy occasion reporting on a very active village.

### MEN AFLOAT

The Men's Society is going afloat on Tuesday 21st June. The trip, in a Narrow Boat, is by invitation of Jason Beeson. It will start at 7.00 p.m. and finish at 9.30 p.m. at Russell Hunt's Boat Yard. There will only be room for 15, so places will be allocated to the first 15 men who tell the Rector (20218) that they wish to go.

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## PIPE ORGANS of E.B. and KNEETON. Reg Howell.

### KNEETON

There was a harmonium at St. Helen's Kneeton from about 1879 which was replaced by a pipe organ with pneumatic action when the church was restored in 1906. It was hand blown until 1959 when an electric blower was installed. The organ was housed on the north side just west of the choir stalls. One organist who was playing around 1920 was Mr. John Shardlow of East Bridgford, but about that time there was a resident priest (the Revd. Rowley) whose wife used to play. For about 15/16 years until the present organ was built, the organist was Mrs. Lorna Sowden.

For some time prior to 1979 the organ was giving trouble and it was generally felt that it should be replaced. Mr. Geoffrey Neale's daughter was planning her wedding and wanted the organ to feature in the service. Enquiries were made and at St. Mary's Nottingham Mr. David Butterworth, the organist, had a small organ which he offered to instal in St. Helen's. Accordingly he set about the task, working day and night through the wintery February weather, including getting trapped in snow-drifts, and having to call for help in the middle of the night. He completed the work in 2/3 weeks and in time for Eve Neale's wedding.

Although unable to state exactly the origin of the organ, Mr. Butterworth thought it to date from about 1900 and to have been built by J.H. Taylor of Leicester for a Methodist church in Leicester. The cost of the organ was £900 and it has single manual, pedal board, tracker action and no swell box. Increase or decrease of tone can therefore only come from employing more or fewer stops.

It is electrically blown, and its stops are: Bourden 16ft on pedals; Clarabelle Flute, Dulciana and Open Diapason 8ft; Lieblich Flute and Principal 4ft. It is situated at the west end of the church, and has quite a powerful and pleasing tone. When Mrs. Lorna Sowden gave up the organist place it was taken over by Mrs. Joyce Haydock, wife of the Rector.

My grateful thanks to Mr. Geoffrey Neale for helping so readily with local information.

# Bridgford's 1983

## From Medieval Days to NOW

The Lord of the Manor's right to hold a three day fair in East Bridgford starting on St. Barnabas' Feast Day (11th June) was confirmed by Edward III in 1327, the year before Chaucer was born. Such a medieval fair would have been a gathering of pedlars and customers and general jollification. In 1752 when 11 days were dropped from the year to correct the calendar, the people of Bridgford, it seems in order to keep their Feast near the days they were used to switched to St. Peter's Feast (on 29th June). After the railway came to Bingham in 1857 more Bridgford children left home to work in the towns so the Feast holiday became, and still is, a time of reunion in the homes and Inns of the village, but also at the Horticultural Society's Show, which started in 1864 as part of the Feast. In Charles Clough's diary for 1893 he mentions taking 9 prizes and for 1895 he refers to a heat wave at the Feast week-end.



Since 1967 the Show has been on the Reindeer Field and for 18 years prior to that, after its post war revival, it was held in the Old Hall Grounds. In a note on the 1967 programme Dr. Stuart Fraser, then the Chairman, referred to the need for a larger site to enable a wider range of entertainments to be provided to cover increasing costs. That year the Flower Show Dance started.

Before the war the show had many different sites. From 1915 to 1924 it was on Mr. Turner's field to the South of Kneeton Rd., in 1925 it was on Mr. Pickford's field off Main St., from 1926 to 1930 it was on Mr. Allwood's field to the north of Kneeton Rd., where the Police House now stands and from 1931, till the war closed the show in 1939 it was on Mr. Buller's field opposite the Barn in College St. In 1925 and 6 there was also a Poultry Show. The Feast fair, of swings and roundabouts, was on different

fields. For many years there has been, and still is, a cricket match on the Monday between the Cricket Club and their President's invitation side. Since 1920 the Royal British Legion, Scouts, Guides, Brownies and Cubs have attended Evensong at St. Peter's on Feast Sunday prior to a parade at the War Memorial.

# Feast. June 25, 26, 27.

## Horticultural SHOW

SATURDAY 25th 2.15 Carnival Procession leaves Brickyard Lane.



2.30 Time for Show on Reindeer Field. Watch for this year's six team tug of war and cheer one of the three Bridgford Teams.



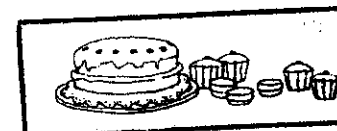
8.30pm Square Dance in Marquee. £2 includes buffet.

## Village Hall Centenary TEA-PARTY and ART SHOW. Old Bridgford on view

SUNDAY 26th Tea will be served in the Village Hall between 3.30 and 5.00 p.m. Bring the whole family.



Tea, Birthday cake, Biscuit and Buttered scones only 30p. Additional home-made cake and soft drinks will be on sale.



## Royal British Legion

The Branch will meet outside St. Peter's Church at 6.20 p.m.

(All members will have received their New Year Circular. Please complete the brief questionnaire and place it in the box provided in the P.O.)



## Cricket Club

MONDAY 27th

The President's Cricket Match will start at 2.30 p.m. on Monday 27th. on the Sports field. Plenty of room for spectators ... it will be a match worth watching.





## M.U. JANET MORRIS

If you want to know how candles and glass are sculpted then ask members of the M.U., their families and friends who enjoyed an outing to the Cheshire Workshops on 18th May.

The weather stayed fine (the sun actually shone) and we had a good look round before seeing a demonstration of the work done in these unusual workshops.

The candles for sale come in many beautiful colours and designs, many with toning silk flowers and holders—these are the chief attraction but there were other tempting things in glass, wood and basketry. After a delicious tea we left for home via Chester where we had a glimpse of the two-storied shops and black and white buildings.

The success of the outing was mainly due to the excellent arrangements made by Jean Hunt and Doris Turner. The next excitement is on 15th June when we leave at 1.15pm for Oakham (fare £1.50 where Linda Cooper (Mr & Mrs. Covill's daughter) and members of Braunston M.U. will host us.

After a short service in Church we go to Oakham Museum for tea followed by a walk round the Castle. There may be a few vacancies so let us know if you are able to join us.

## W.I. JENNY FINCH

The caring attitude of the W.I. to the community as a whole was demonstrated by the Resolutions to be presented at the A.G.M. in London. There was lively discussion at the May meeting on:-

1. Legal status of artificially produced embryos.
2. Need for planning permission for all agricultural buildings.
3. Right for women to make provision for husbands in occupational pensions schemes.
4. Provision and support for Hospice care.

East Bridgford's delegate will be Mrs. A. Metcalfe.

After refreshments there was a much more light hearted conversation about life in the village many years ago when it was self sufficient in shops, trades and employment.

Members were reminded that in those days villagers walked across the fields to Bingham. Margaret Howell reports that on Wednesday morning 11th May she and five others set out to mark the two routes used. Since some hedgerows have gone and stiles are concealed they had to take sights, but they accomplished their task before the rains came down once more.

There will be another foot-path walk on Wed. 15th June at 6.45pm. this time from Cross Lane.

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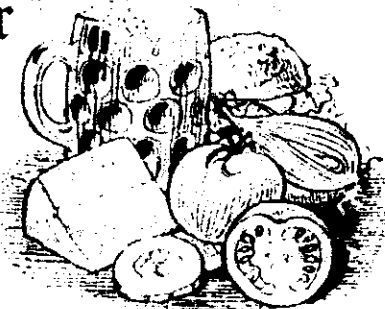
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## KNEETON NEWS from Tom Allen

The main item of discussion at the Annual Church Meeting on Sunday 24th April was the Diocesan Quota which for 1983 is £961, a figure representing almost 72% of 1972/s total income. The figure for 1984 will be even greater and unless the income from the average congregation of ten-or-elsewhere - is increased it is clear that the slender resources built up over many years will soon be exhausted.

It is interesting to see that in 1960 the quota was £4, about 4% of that year's income which included a coffee morning realising £43.

Best wishes go to Neil Ducker and Dawn Barker who were married on 14th May...a day of rare sunshine.

## SOUTHWELL 100

The pace of the preparations for the Southwell Diocesan Centenary in 1984 quickens. There are two hymn writing competitions for the celebration, one for words and one for music. The word competition closes on 31st July this year. Next comes the competing to set the winning words to music. Details from Radio Trent, Radio Nottingham or the Rector. Any items for the Ecclesiastical Craft exhibition next spring at Rufford Craft Centre? Please phone Mr. Shashi Chopra at Mansfield 822044 if you have.

Thanks from Councillor Mrs. Edna Tutin.

May I through the Village Magazine express my thanks to all who supported me in the Rushcliffe Borough Election. It was a very gratifying turn-out and in return I promise to help all I can anyone with problems irrespective of their political leanings. Please phone 20285. Edna Tutin.

## WORLD JAMBOREE

The 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Scouts will be represented at the 15th World Jamboree to be held in Alberta Canada this June because their Martin Barnett has been selected to be one of the 1360 scouts from U.K. who will

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There is new enthusiasm on the old faces, we enjoyed sharing our activities with so many friends from the village and the surrounding circuit and feeling part of the community; showing that we care.

Methodism has always cared for people. We are not always very good at it but the Preaching and the teaching, the talking and the singing, the films and the food all showed, in different ways, that there is a place for everyone in the Methodist Church.

Not everyone is there yet, of course, but we hope and pray that you will come again - and you who didn't will come and meet us next time. There is a Music and Buffet evening by the Longslade Singers on Friday, 12th August and a film planned for October. We are changing our times of service from 6th June to 10.30 a.m. Family Worship each Sunday morning (See back page for details of all services.)

"Thank You" all those who helped us, the ladies of the Flower Arranging Class; Rediffusion who lent the video projector; the Choir and Organist from the Parish Church.

### DONT FORGET



A cricketing comedy... "The Outside Edge"... by Richard Harris will be presented by the Drama Group in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. from Wed. 1st June to Sat. 4th June. O.A.P.'s half-price on Wednesday.

Tickets, inclusive of coffee and programme, are £1.20. On sale at the Post Office and from Group Members.

This very amusing play centres on the Village Cricket Pavilion before and during a game.

### Stop Press

Congratulations to the Drama Group on being placed first out of 8 competitors by adjudicator Allen Tipton in the Rushcliffe Arts and Drama Festival for Geoffrey Peabody's production of "The Happy Apple". Don't miss "The Outside Edge" probably another winner.

### ABOUT THE MAGAZINE

The Editors' thanks to Jessie and Jack Kemp for their great help on the article about The Feast. The Beaumonts of East Bridgford series will now start in the July Magazine. Copy is needed by 17th June... or earlier when possible.

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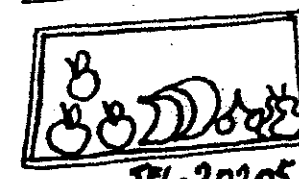
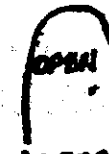
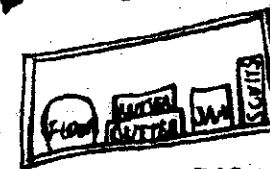


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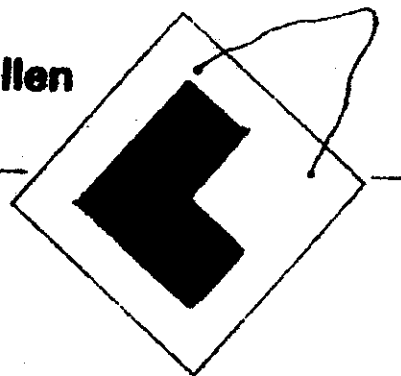
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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the first meeting of the new council Graham Lomax and Albert Lodder were re-elected as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively.

Parish Meeting. 25 residents attended the Annual Meeting at which reports from village organisations were given.

Best Kept Village. Each household should have received a letter about this year's competition and also a leaflet about dog fouling. Thanks are due to W.I. members for arranging circulation. It is hoped that residents will support the Council's efforts to keep the village neat and tidy during the summer.

Mirrors. Notts. C.C. are not able to recommend the siting of mirrors at the Church Cross Roads nor at the Main St. College St. junction but they have offered to inspect both places to check the dangers which the Council had reported.

Play Equipment. The roundabout has been damaged by vandals, and for safety reasons it has been secured pending repairs by the manufacturers. One of the swings is also temporarily out of use. The Council is to undertake a review of the play equipment and facilities on the field.

Planning Applications, Parish Council Recommendations.  
G.A.Wise Highways Dept, Kirk Hill. The Council did not object to the use of the premises for service of garden equipment and machinery but requested that hours of use be restricted to 8 am. to 6 pm. on weekdays.

R.J Cookson, land adjacent to 27 Straws Lane. The Council did not object to an outline application for the erection of a bungalow and garage but made observations on the plan submitted.

Mr. & Mrs Baldwin, 3 Orchard Close. The Council did not object to a two storey side extension to the house but made observations about the windows to preserve the privacy of neighbours.

Planning Applications, Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions..  
Permission has been granted for the following:- Mrs E. Tutin, Browns Lane fell hawthorn tree. J.Covill, Old Hill Farm. First floor extension. Chas. Danby, The Hollies. demolish stable block and erect new bungalow and garage. Mr.&Mrs.D.W.Pearce, 1 Burnham Close. first floor extension to form self-contained flat. G.Oglesby 47 Kneeton Rd. side extension to form sun lounge, car port and garage.  
Next Meeting Monday 6th June, 7.30 pm. 95 Main Street.

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## An Encouraging Year

Appreciation of all the time and energy Churchwardens Fred Hunt and Gordon Stobbs and their wives give to East Bridgford in general and St. Peter's Church in particular was shown in church on Sunday morning 24th April by the obvious pleasure with which the congregation asked them to continue in office for another year. Subsequently Mrs. Shirley Lomax, Mrs Marian Wheeler and Michael Clarke were elected to the P.C.C. in the places of Tom Ashton, Ron Bullivant and Jack Sainsbury who retired in rotation and were not eligible for re-election. Charles Wilkins became vice-chairman in the place of Tom Ashton.

The Rector thanked those who worked so hard quietly behind the scenes, and highlighted some of the many encouraging things that had happened in St. Peter's during the year. These included an increase in attendances at Sunday School and Evensong and an in-depth self examination in the Focus-on-Mission Groups. Reports were received from the Bell Ringers, Choir, and Mothers Union.

The Rector's final charge to the congregation was that each member should endeavour to bring one more member into St. Peter's during the coming year.

### YOUTH CLUB

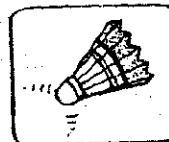
The Youth Club committee is pleased to welcome Mr. Phil Badder as the new leader. Following his appointment the clubs have shown encouraging signs of improvement, and support from members has been excellent. The club hopes soon to be able to obtain more space as it is rapidly outgrowing its rather cramped facilities behind the Village Hall.

The Spider Club (for 9 to 13 year olds) meets on Mondays 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.

The Youth Club (for 12 year olds +) meets on Wednesdays 7.30 - 10.00 p.m.

They thank all who helped to make their Jumble Sale on 2nd April a £240 success. To those who gave, who sorted and sold, and to those who bought - thank you. The next sale is on 27th August, the Bank Holiday weekend, when they hope to top £250.

New members and visitors (of any age) are always welcome. Further information can easily be obtained by phoning Mrs. Golightly at 20528 or Mr. A. James at 20512.



### BADMINTON CHAIRMAN REPORTS ON 1982/3

It is about 12 months since I last wrote for the magazine and so I thought it was about time that East Bridgford residents were brought up to date on the Village's Badminton Club. The membership has been almost at full strength this year and so we have been able to join the Newark League as well as the Nottingham League in which we are already active. The mixed Newark team has been particularly successful, winning their section. They attended a buffet last Friday to receive their award.

fewer friendly matches were played during the year but of those played we won 7 and lost 4. We have attempted to encourage junior badminton by running hour long training sessions on Thursday evenings. These have been well attended and, although they have got a little boisterous at times, the children appear to enjoy them.

We continue of course, to play on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the Village Hall and, as I said last year, anyone interested is welcome to come along.

Keith Maywhort - Chairman.

### EAST BRIDGFORD F.C. v MAESYCOED VICS. 23rd APRIL

After a night of violent thunder storms the pitch was surprisingly in perfect condition for the visit of Maesycod Vics from Pontypridd. The game started with Bridgford attacking strongly but Maesycod withstood the onslaught and came close to scoring but after 20 mins Peter Foster scored to give Bridgford the lead.



Urged by their vociferous supporters Maesycod played open attacking football and only resolute defending and good goal-keeping ensured Bridgford's half time lead.

The second half commenced with the visitors attacking but Bridgford came back into the game and it was no surprise when Graham Coulson volleyed home a spectacular shot from outside the penalty area to make it 2.0.

Maesycod would not be denied and attacked strongly if only spasmodically. It was in one of these attacks that Phil Shillito was injured and carried off after making a flying save at the feet of a Welsh forward. Shortly after this Maesycod's fate was sealed when Graham Coulson scored from a Paul Beldham corner kick to give Bridgford a 3.0 lead.

Despite their tiredness and disappointment the Maesycod players were still full of bounce and after a meal in the sports club took on Bridgford players & supporters at skittles and darts .. but the results were lost in the mists of time and a convivial evening at the local hosteleries.

RECTOR

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Coffee After  
10.30 am Sunday School except for 1st Sunday  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon. Songs of Praise 2nd Sunday  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
Prayer) after Evensong.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. HELEN'S, KNEETON

- 8.00 am First Sunday. Holy Communion. Book of Common  
Prayer  
6.00 pm Second + Fourth Sundays. Evensong

METHODIST'S JUNE SERVICES

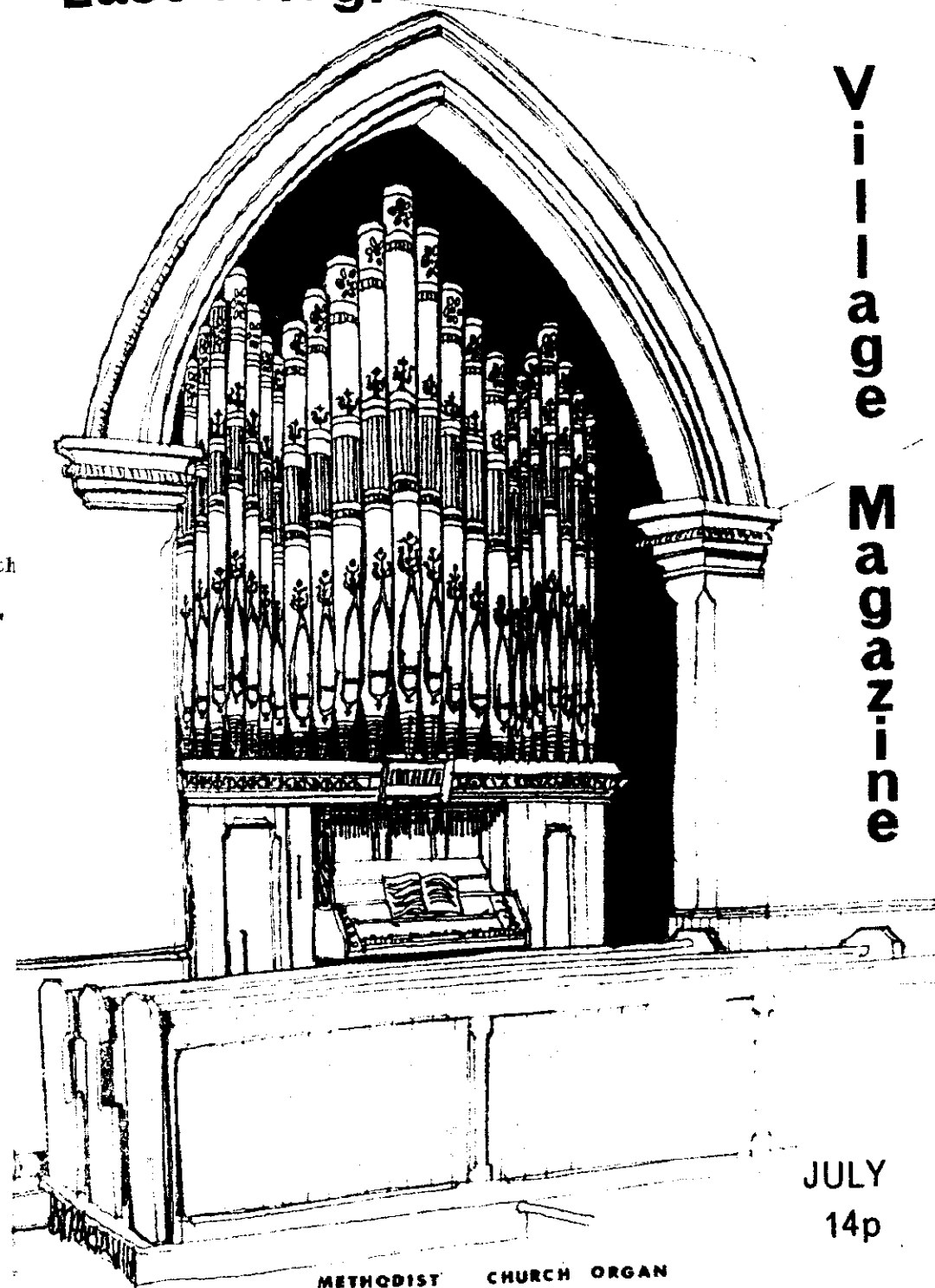
Family Service: 10.30 am 6th, 13th and 20th  
Evening Service: 6.00 pm 13th, 6.30 pm at Parish Church 27th  
Communion: 9.30 am, 27th.

**JUNE'S EVENTS**

- 1 - 4 Drama Group in Village Hall, 7.30 pm. See Page 18  
Sat. 4 Methodist Coffee Morning  
Tue. 7 W.I. Committee  
Thu. 9 General Election  
Sat. 11 Garage Sale School 10.30-12 noon.  
Mon. 13 Royal British Legion V.H. Committee Room 8.00 pm.  
Tue. 14 School Governors 7.30pm  
W.I. 7.30 pm.  
Wed. 15 10.00 am. Communion. 2.30 pm. Mothers' Union  
6.45 pm. W.I. Footpath Walk. Cross Lane  
Sat. 18 Scout Mini-Market. W.I. Hut  
Sun. 19 Confirmation 6.30 pm. See page 7  
Sun. 19 Old Rectory Garden Open 2pm.-4pm. - see page 17  
Tue. 21 Mens Society on Trent. See page 8  
Wed. 22 Village Hall Management Committee 8 pm.  
Thu. 23 Barbecue. School 6 - 8.30pm.  
Sat. 25 Flower Show - see page 13  
Sun. 26 Centenary Tea. Village Hall 3 - 5.30 pm. - see p.13  
Mon. 27 Knitwear Fashion Show. W.I. Hut.

# East Bridgford & Kneeton

## Village Magazine



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METHODIST CHURCH ORGAN

## 2. *From the Rector*

### SAINTS and SAUSAGE ROLLS

Saints are not just figures in stained-glass windows, too good to be true, or too unrealistic to be imitated. St. Paul tells us we are all called to be saints.

We can carry out that vocation in the streets of Bingham, Brinsley or Bridgford. It is simply a question of trying to work out our devotion to Christ in the daily round of work, family, neighbourhood and social contacts.

It is important that as drivers, dentists or dustmen we aim to show the love, the forgiveness, the compassion and the care of Christ to the men and women we meet in the course of each day. The streets of Netherfield, Newark or Nottingham need people who pray as they walk along them and, in so doing, help to lift the cares and hopes, the needs and injustices of life in these places to God.

Praise and intercession, thanks and confession, need to be part and parcel of the life of those who follow Christ in Radcliffe, Radford or Rainworth. The nurses, the secretaries, the mechanics and the farm-workers of these Broad Acres who are Christians need to be able to share their joy, their faith, their hope and their praise with those with whom they also share their coffee break pint or sausage roll.

"The man who really wants to share his faith finds a way and the man who doesn't finds an excuse."

QUOTE FROM BERNARD SHAW

#### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

HOLY BAPTISM: 5th June: Christopher Ian LAWS  
12th June: Oliver Thomas WRIGHT  
HOLY MATRIMONY: 4th June: Ian David LANE and  
Julia Lilian MARSHALL  
11th June: Colin SMART and  
Carol Ann GILCHRIST

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## FIRST COMMUNION

### CONFIRMATION

On Sunday, 19th June, at a memorable service conducted by the Lord Bishop of Southwell, the following adults and young people from St. Peter's were confirmed.

Jennifer Finch; Eileen North; Timothy and Gwen Rogers.

Katharine Barclay; Simon Castleden; Matthew Finch;  
Andrew Foss; Sally Ann Hawkings; Stephen Hayward; Kevin Hindson; John Moore; Rachel Moore; Emma Smith.

I hope very much that they will continue to receive the support and encouragement of every member of our congregation, especially on Feast Sunday, at the Sung Eucharist, when they will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time. A.H.

### SPECIAL SERVICES AND PREACHERS

Sun. 26th June - Feast Sunday  
9.00 Sung Eucharist and first communion for the newly confirmed  
6.30 Festal Evensong and Parade

Sun. 3rd July Shelford Feast  
6.30 Evensong at St. Peter's Shelford



The members of the Royal British Legion are asked to meet outside the Old Vicarage at 6.20 p.m.

The United choirs of Shelford, East Bridgford and St. John's Newton will be singing at this service. There will NOT be a service at St. Peter's, East Bridgford on this evening.

Sun. 10th July 9.00 Preacher: Canon Frank Worwood  
6.30 Preacher: The Revd. Ian Lambert

THERE WILL BE NO 8.00 a.m. COMMUNION NOR EVENSONG AT KNEETON ON THIS DAY.

# BIRDS

BRIDGFORD TO KNEETON  
WITH DAVID JACKSON

To the casual observer the road to Kneeton appears to be sparsely populated with birds but there are over 30 different species breeding in the hedges, fields and buildings.

Some of them are easy to see as they are both common, and stay close to the road and include the ubiquitous Blackbird, Song Thrush, Starling, Hedge Sparrow (Durnock) and House Sparrow and of these the Blackbirds seems to be the most abundant. Crows, Rooks, Magpies, Swallows, Swifts and Martins are all in the air to be seen and the hovering Kestrel makes itself plain but keeps its distance.

Woodpigeon, Collared Dove and Cuckoo can be heard if not seen and the Cock Pheasant's croaking call is also very plain. Garden birds that we all enjoy and recognise easily are the Robin, Wren and Blue Tit and although not often seen on the road to Kneeton they are definitely there.

The Green-finch which doesn't always look green mostly a drab olive and the Yellowhammer with its bright yellow head keep close to the hedges. The first singing its nasal "suzee" and the second its rattling "Little bits of bread and no cheese" call although you need to have a good imagination to fit the words to the sound!

The Skylark is easily heard and difficult to see as it pours out its song a hundred feet and more above you. If you can't see the Skylark it maybe in fact that you are listening to a Meadow Pipit, and this bird sings from the hedge top, so cast your eyes down to see it. Even then it looks rather like the Skylark but is smaller and more slightly built. Keep a close eye on all the electricity wire that criss cross the area and you will see Corn Buntings. Last year I counted only three, this year there are at least six and there song has been likened to the rattling of a bunch of keys, once heard never forgotten. Look also at the insulating pots that carry the wires where what looks like a spare pot on closer inspection might turn out to be a little owl. It really is little, no bigger but fatter than a Blackbird. If you hear heavy breathing on the road don't worry, Kneeton Rd. is fast becoming Joggers Alley!!!

Next month. The Swift and others.

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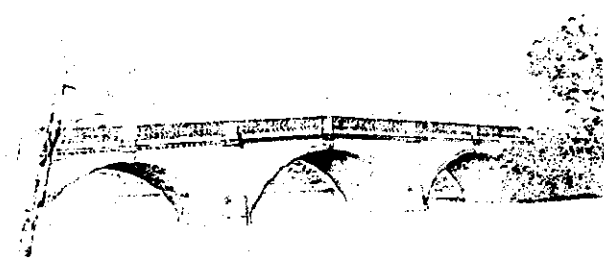
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## SUMMER VISIT TO CLUMBER PARK ?



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A visit to the National Trust's 4000 odd acres of Clumber Park is well worth the easy 26 mile journey from East Bridgford. The entrance to use is west from the A614 about five miles north of the Ollerton cross roads with the A616 and A6075. The entrance is just before the Normanton Inn. There is a charge for car parking (not for N.T. members) and many spots for car based picnics, but we have heard some recent cases of cars left unattended after a picnic being broken into, so it is advisable to use a main car park before starting a walk.



The catering is excellent. The purchase of the single sheet map and guide at the N.T. shop makes it easier to enjoy the visit. Clumber has a beautiful

landscape, created over two hundred years ago for the Newcastle family. A man-made lake of about 85 acres and the River Poulter flow serenely through the estate. As well as miles of easy level walking, with or without a dog, bicycle hire is available. The whole estate has that cherished and cared for look that one associates with N.T. properties. Great trouble has been taken to provide facilities for the disabled, and that doesn't just mean lavatories.

The house is no more, but the chapel continues to serve the Clumber Park community as a living church. It is open to the public. Hardwick village, below the lake, has changed but little. The largest element of its population is those who work, or have worked, on the estate. It is an easy stroll from the main car park. The more energetic will walk or cycle, right round the lake to enjoy all the spectacular views. Anyone who has not visited Clumber for some years will notice the many improvements now it is cared for by the National Trust. If you do visit this summer do help the wardens by bringing all your littler home with you.



## 8. **8%** Dividend for Young Enterprise.

The work of the Young Enterprise organisation which encourages groups of young people to form themselves into model companies, operating on commercial lines was described in the February magazine. Our local company called itself "Arrow Enterprises". It was run by 11 sixth formers of Toothill School and sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bingham and hosted by the M.G. Rubber Co. Ltd.

Its main products were reflective safety devices for road users, and waterproof aprons for infants. Like other Young Enterprise Companies it wound up mid-May having made a profit, less 'tax' of over £500 in 6 months trading. Share holders received a dividend of 8%.

This note is to thank readers for their support in what was evidently a most interesting and rewarding activity. It may be possible to operate another company in the Autumn - certainly the organisers and sponsors were impressed by the participants enthusiasm. The products would have to be decided by the young people who take part. It will, however, be necessary to find a firm prepared to lease a room at a nominal rent as Company H.Q. one night each week through the winter. Any offers of help please, to Ted Archer at E.B. 20298.

### July Jumble

The Friendship Club are holding a Jumble Sale in the Village Hall on Saturday 9th July at 2.30 p.m. If anyone has any jumble the Club would be very grateful for it. Collection can be arranged by contacting Mrs. M. Hobbs at 3 Cross Lane (20270) or Mrs. Spendlow at Croft Farm College St. (20272). Admission 10p.

### **Thanks**

May I express my thanks to the two editors of the magazine, the amount of time and work involved, given so freely, must be enormous in producing such an excellent magazine. Our thanks are also due to the contributors of the very informative articles each month, not forgetting the kind people who deliver the good tidings to our doors.

Long may you all continue the good work.

"A very satisfied reader."

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## KNEETON NEWS from Tom Allen

11.

There will be no evening service at St. Helen's on 26th June, the East Bridgford Feast Sunday but it is hoped that our congregation will support the service at East Bridgford on that evening and so reciprocate the many gestures of good will we receive from our friends there. The same applies to 10th July, when there will again be no service as our Rector and his family will be enjoying (we hope) a well earned holiday.

Congratulations and best wishes to David Orney and Karen Woolgar who have taken up residence in the village after their marriage at Whatton on 5th June. They ask me to say a very warm "thank you" to the Rector for taking the service.

### LUNCHEON CLUB ON WHEELS

JANET MORRIS

The sun shone from a cloudless blue sky for the Luncheon Clubs Annual Outing on Wednesday 8th June. The destination--Norfolk--and after an enjoyable drive through beautiful countryside we ate our picnic lunches beside the sea at Sheringham (it was so hot a few intrepid souls even paddled!) We then wound through leafy lanes to Blicking Hall, a most beautiful C17th house now owned by the National Trust but once the home of the 2nd Earl of Buckingham and more lately Lord Lothian.

The house which boasted a moat and a fine clock-tower was linked to two wings with Dutch type gables which formed a large courtyard. Inside there were treasures galore, fine paintings and tapestries, lovely inlaid Dutch furniture, Jacobean ceilings, a long gallery and an imposing State Bedroom with fluted Ionic columns framing the massive double-poster bed.

We stopped for a very good supper at King's Lynn and all agreed it had been one of the best outings ever! Grateful thanks to Cecily Atkins who worked so hard to get it 'on the road' from all those Luncheon Club members, their friends and helpers who enjoyed a super day.

### IN THE SWIM.

Readers who are missing their regular swim at Bingham whilst the pool is closed, may like to know about the pool at Radcliffe-on-Trent. This is opened to the public at the following times:-

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## THE BEAUMONTS of East Bridgford

### 1. The Revd Thomas Beaumont. How 'THE HILL' was built.

Probably the Beaumont who had the most influence on East Bridgford was the first one who settled there, Thomas Beaumont who was born in 1754. He was the eldest son of the Revd. George Beaumont, Curate of Gedling and later Rector of St. Nicholas Nottingham who came to Notts. from Yorkshire as a small boy. Thomas graduated at Jesus College Cambridge in 1776, was ordained at Cambridge in 1786 and became the domestic Chaplain to the Earl of Portmore. His aunt, George's sister Susannah, had married the Revd. John Walter, the Rector of Bingham and no doubt it was through him that Thomas became known to the Revd. Peter Broughton who in 1792 was appointed Rector of East Bridgford. This man obviously never intended to reside in East Bridgford because he immediately appointed Thomas as his curate and departed. Thomas continued as Curate until the death of the absentee Rector in 1827.

The Revd. A. du Boulay-Hill (no friend of the later Beaumonts by whom he was much disliked!) in his History of the Village says that "Thomas had a kindly manner and dignified deportment and was diligent in the Parish". The kindness and dignity seems also to shine from his portrait which shows a round faced cheerful looking man. His wife Charlotte, whom he married in 1776, was certainly no beauty.



The Hill.

Tradition in the village says that Thomas Beaumont "found the Rectory too small and let it". This seems unlikely as he only had one child, a daughter, who died in infancy before he became curate. And as the Rectory belonged to the Rector he alone could legally have let it. At any rate Thomas acquired part of the Rectory

gardens and the land west of Trent Lane down to the wharf,

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and along Kirk Hill as far as the cottages which stood round the corner and footpath, making a Park of some 43 acres. In 1793 he built Bridgford Hill to his own splendid design. He was his own architect, and house and layout of the grounds show him to have been a man of taste. It is probable that the cost of the house was met from property at Chapelthorpe in Yorkshire.

The drawing of the Hill is from "Bridgford's Historic Houses". It was drawn by Christine Lewis of Moss Close. This Article is the first of a series that Richard Beaumont who lives in Southwell has written for the magazine.

### PIPE ORGANS of E.B. and KNEETON.~Reg Howell.

#### THE METHODIST'S ORGAN

The organ in the Methodist Church in Main Street was built for the church by Foster and Andrews of Hull in about 1879. Before this there was a harmonium or reed organ. The cost was £160 the equivalent to about £6,000 today. This was for a single manual and pedal board. Its stops are: OPEN DIAPASON, STOPPED DIAPASON, DULCIANA, and OBOE, all 8ft; Principal and Flute 4ft; Fifteenth 2ft; Bourdon 16ft on the pedals. It has three useful composition pedals which give pre-set combinations of stops.

The pipes on view are decorations only. The speaking pipes are nearly all enclosed in a swell box. The action is tracker, (or mechanical,) and the organ was hand blown until about 1960 when an electric blower was installed. The slot for the old blowing handle can be seen to the left of the instrument.

At present (1983) the organists are Mrs. C. Atkins and Mr. D. Morris, and I am told that previous organists were Mrs. Sylvia Fisher, Mrs. Miriam Patrick (nee Ellis) and 60 years ago Mrs. J. Wilkinson. The organ makes a pleasant quite powerful sound, the oboe being the only indifferent stop. The church is to be complimented for maintaining the instrument over such a long period; it certainly repays the care that has been bestowed on it.

I wish to record my grateful thanks to Mr. David Morris for helping me so readily in the preparation of this article.

This month's cover, drawn by David Atkins, shows the Methodist's Church Organ.

# 14. W.I. A Message from County Chairman CECILY ATKINS W.I.

**WHAT IS ALL THIS ABOUT A NEW IMAGE FOR THE W.I.?**  
 Reports on the W.I.'s new image have appeared in national papers, varying from serious to ludicrous with all shades of opinion in between. The W.I. has never had so much publicity in all its 68 years of life! As is often the case in newspapers odd remarks were taken out of context and given undue importance so that non-members, and even some members, are left with a very confused impression of the direction we plan to take. Our ideals will NOT change, nor will the high standards in craft and cooking for which we are universally known and respected.

Other subjects in which we have always been interested will receive more attention than before, notably those relating to our involvement in the community with the accent on health, public life and adult education. Discussion and action on these topics has occupied a lot of W.I. time throughout our history and will continue to do so but we shall not endanger our non-party political constitution by joining C.N.D. or marching in protest.

So let no one fear that jam will be off the W.I. menu in future; we are certainly not abandoning our practical skill in this promotional campaign. Throughout its history the W.I. has been the backbone of rural life, now we are flexing our muscles a little more noticeably. You cannot beat us, so why not join us?

## Bridgford's W.I. June Report

Wide publicity has recently been given to the position of the W.I. in Tomorrow's World. Reporting on the Albert Hall A.G.M. Our president Mrs Audrey Metcalfe gave members a foretaste of Promotion Year 1984.

Mr. N.D. Collier described the life cycle of the butterfly, illustrating his talk with some fine slides of common and rare species to be found in Britain. Then Mrs. Janet Morris gave an account of an extraordinary meeting of 19 W.I. members who met aboard a Rhine Cruise Ship. Eleven members took part in an extended footpath preservation walk on Wednesday evening 15th June. Skirting fields of waist high corn and going by hedgerows in full flower, they agreed it was a pleasant way to spend a useful evening.

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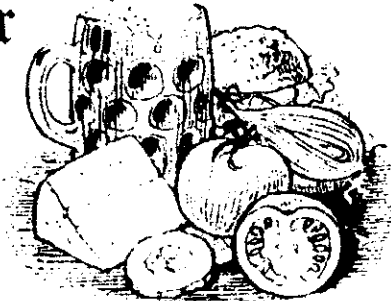
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## The STORIES BEHIND BRIDGFORD'S LANES

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### STRAWS LANE

by Jack Kemp

Straws Lane, running from the junction of Browns Lane with College Street to Closes Side Lane has existed for a long time. It was on the map in 1612 as a lane but did not get its name until the Straws family came to live in East Bridgford early in the 19th century. The only house still left of the old buildings is "Crossways" the home of Mrs Chamberlain which was built about 1900 by a Mr. Wood so the Straws Lane/College St. corner became known as Wood's corner. All the other houses in Straws Lane, which were two rooms up and two rooms down labourer's cottages were bulldozed down in 1965.

Large families were brought up in these cottages and as the men were only earning 16/- (80p) a week the wives sorted peas in their homes for a bit of extra income. This was done for Mr.A.Mason's pea factory which used to be on Main Street where Jennings Glass works now stands. Mr. Fred Hunt's father, a coal merchant in the village took the bags of peas to their homes by horse and dray.

But back to the name of the lane. A Thomas Straw, born in 1810 came from Heanor, with his wife Ann born in 1814 at Long Eaton, to live in the lane. Thomas started as a blacksmith in a building at the bottom of the lane rented from Magdalen College Oxford. It was demolished in 1970 to make room for new houses. The Straw's had a family of 7, most of the boys were over 6 ft. tall and very strong. Ted once, for a wager picked up the anvil and threw it through the shop window.

After Thomas' death in 1882 his two sons Tom, born at 6 am on 11th March 1839 and John born on 3rd June 1848 (I am unable to give the time, their grandfather clock must have been out of order) carried on as blacksmiths for a time before going their separate ways, John to farm in Occupation Lane and Tom as a smallholder. We have no Straws in the village now, only one great great-grandson named Kemp, but the name of Straw lives on in the name of Straws Lane.

Next month Alan Roffey relates the story of Moss Close.

**M.U. JANET MORRIS**

On 1st June the Mothers Union were the guests of the M.U. at Braunston near Oakham as a result of an invitation from Mr. & Mrs. Covil's daughter Linda. Seven cars arrived simultaneously at the little village church for a joint service conducted by Canon Horsley of Oakham and our Rector.

The twenty nine Bridgford members and their friends were then escorted to Oakham to the Rutland County Museum set in a large C18th riding school and containing a wealth of Domestic, Agricultural and Industrial Treasures of the last and early part of this century. Many memories of childhood kitchens and harvesting were stirred. Tea was enjoyed jointly with our Braunston friends at the Museum before driving home through the beautiful Belvoir countryside.

The gardens of 3 of our members will be open to the public from 3 pm. to 5 pm. on Sunday 3rd July. Mrs. Stocker and Mrs. Wheeler in Walnut-tree Lane and Mrs. Morris in Brickyard Lane (the garden in the dell).

Tea will be provided and stalls will sell cakes, produce and handicrafts. There will be competitions for all plus games for children. Everyone welcome!

Owing to the cancellation of the visit of Bilborough M.U. in July the meeting will be on the usual Wednesday 13th July, in the W.I. Hut. Speaker to be announced.

**ROBIN HOOD & the R.N.L.I.**

The proceeds of this year's Robin Hood Marathon, which takes place in October is to be divided between the RNLI Nottinghamshire Appeal and CARE.

Several runners, both men and women, from East Bridgford are taking part. This means a great effort on their part to train and keep fit for this long run. If anyone would like to encourage them by sponsorship, they know that they will also be contributing to two very worthwhile charities. Would-be sponsors please get in touch with Mrs Felicity Jay. E.B.20338 for further details.

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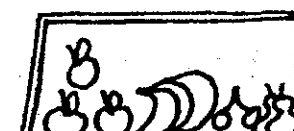
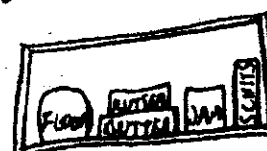


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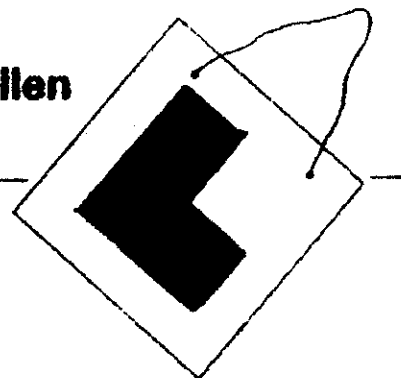
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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Allotments. The Council has 4 allotments available. Each of these plots is about 280 sq. yards in area. The rental is £3 a year. Any resident who is interested in obtaining an allotment should contact the Clerk at the Rectory.

Best Kept Village. There are about 15 other villages entered in our section of the competition (700-2000 population) so we will need to be especially tidy for the next two months if we are to have any chance of winning the trophy.

Summer Playscheme. Rushcliffe B.C. have not yet finalised the arrangements but we have requested facilities for one full day at Bingham Sports Centre (either Tuesday or Thursday) during the month of August.

Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations.

A. Humphrey, 71 Main St. Erect brick double garage, The Council supported the application.

Hills & Little, Mill Heyes. Erect 7 bungalows. The Council did not object, but made the following observations

- (1) All existing trees and boundary hedges to be retained.
- (2) All services to be underground.
- (3) Generous landscaping to be carried out.
- (4) Materials to be consistent with existing bungalows.

R.G.Lodder, rear of 41 Kneeton Rd. Erect 1 dwelling house (outline) The council objected for the following reasons.

- (1) When seen in conjunction with the outline planning approval recently granted for 2 dwellings on an adjacent plot, this application represents an over-intensive development of this high amenity area of the village.
- (2) This application would prevent the creation of a vehicular access to 41 Kneeton Rd.

Planning Application. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions. Permission has been granted for the following :-

J. Allwood and Son, 14 College St. Erect general purpose farm building.

Mr & Mrs. Baldwin, 3 Orchard Close. Erect 2 storey side extension to house.

Next Meeting.

Monday 4th July, 7.30 pm. 95 Main Street.





## 'OUTSIDE EDGE'

by

east bridgford drama group

What could be more appropriate at this season than a comedy about a village cricket match. Even the advent of rain which in the play brought proceedings to a close!

For cricketing buffs or even those who simply tolerate our national game, the robust dialogue and risible situations were extremely funny and the enthusiastic audiences as usual showed their appreciation. The experienced cast with many successes now behind them handled the script adroitly and it would be invidious to pick out anyone in particular. Suffice to say that with some well known village personages playing leading roles a degree of piquancy was added to the humour. The appearance of characters wending their way to and from the back of the hall heading for and returning from the imaginary field of play, gave a novel twist to the production.

The producers Jean Preston and Janet Morris, the cast of eight and all those involved backstage deserve congratulations on yet another first class show.

**SKYLARKS** by LES WILSON

'SKYLARKS' is a purpose built holiday centre at Holme Pierrepont providing holidays for severely disabled people. The holidays are generally for two weeks and each guest has an individual helper. There is a specially equipped swimming pool and entertainment and outings are included in the cost, which is paid in part by the guest and in part by the Winged Fellowship Trust. Anyone knowing of an individual or a family who might benefit from a holiday of this sort can get details from the Rector (E.B.20218) or from Skylarks; 9-820962.

The East Bridgford Drama Group, together with a number of individuals from East Bridgford have links with the centre. Offers of help-financial, personal assistance, in the laundry or making beds - would be appreciated greatly and should be made direct to Skylarks or through the Rector.

**SPORTS PAGE**East Bridgford Cricket Club.

The Club has experienced a mixed season. Whilst the second team have recorded four wins in six games in the South Notts Village League defeat in the second round of the Cope Cup competition by Orston has taken some edge off the season.

The wet weather delayed the Newark Alliance teams start until 29th May and they started with a win at Empingham and Bracebridge.

30th April	South Muskham	(Village League)	Lost
7th May	Ravenshead	(Village League)	Won
14th May	Papplewick	(Village League)	Won
29th May	Empingham	(Newark Alliance)	Won
4th June	Bingham	(Village League)	Won
5th June	Brucebridge	(Newark Alliance)	Won
11th June	Gedling	(Village League)	Won
12th June	Fiskerton	(Newark Alliance)	Lost
18th June	Caythorpe	(Village League)	Lost
18th June	Orston	(Newark Alliance)	Lost

East Bridgford Football Club.

The new season is just round the corner and training starts early July on Tuesday evenings. New and existing players welcome. Full details on training will be displayed on the Notice Board at the Post Office.

Royal British Legion.

Last November East Bridgford and District R.B.L. won the Skegby Cup for darts, dominoes and cribbage. The Cup will be on display in the Post Office this summer.

East Bridgford Tennis Club.

After a very wet start to the season the club can at last play on both grass courts. This season there will be three "club" days each week when members can come down to the courts for a game without having first to arrange a partner. Club days are :- Tuesdays at 1.00pm., Wednesdays at 6.30pm. Sunday at 2.00pm. Players and prospective players of all standards & ages are always welcome. The Tennis Club dance will be held in the Village Hall on 24th Sept. - don't forget to obtain a ticket.

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Coffee After  
10.30 am Sunday School except for 1st Sunday  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon. Songs of Praise 2nd Sunday  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
Prayer) after Evensong.

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- Family Service 10.30 am. 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th.  
Evening Service. 6.00 pm. 10th & 24th  
Communion Service 9.30 am. 31st  
Chapel Anniversary Service 7.30 pm. Thursday 7th July

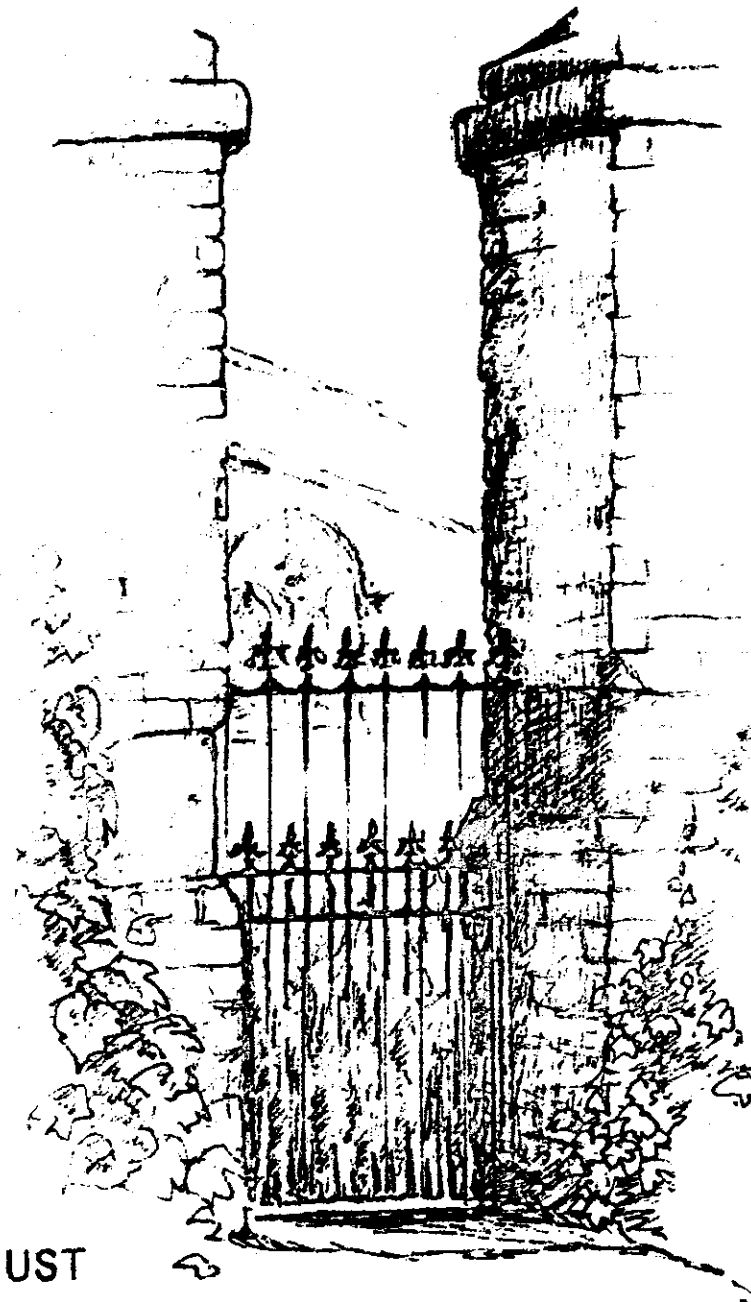
**JULY'S EVENTS**

- Sat. 2nd. Methodist Coffee 10-11.30 a.m.  
Whist Drive W.I. Hut 7.30 p.m. and every Sat.  
Sun. 3rd Mothers Union Gardens Open. see page 18  
Mon. 4th Bingo King Edward Club and every Monday  
Tue. 5th W.I. Committee 7.30 p.m.  
Wed. 6th Open Evening School 5.30 - 8 p.m.  
Sat. 9th Friendship Club Jumble 2.30 p.m. Village Hall  
Sun. 10th Conservative Drinks Morning. Mr. & Mrs. Blandy 12-2  
Tue. 12th W.I. Monthly Meeting 7.30 p.m.  
Fri. 15th Wine, Cheese & Poetry V.H. Drama Group  
Sat. 16th Sale of Wools etc. W.I. Hut 10.30-12.30  
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# East Bridgford & Kneeton

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ST PETER'S from THE OLD RECTORY

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### DON'T PANIC IN THE DARK

Have you ever found yourself alone in a really dark, strange room and, because of the strangeness you couldn't find the light switch? It's very easy to feel afraid in that situation. There are so many unknown things which we can't see. If we panic, it can seem a long time before we find the light switch and we've probably bumped into a few obstacles on the way. The whole experience can be pretty terrifying.

But it doesn't have to be like that. We all know instinctively that we shouldn't panic. If we wait for a moment accepting the darkness and getting the feel of it, we'll soon adjust enough to see the layout of the room; where the obstacles are and how to pick up clues as to where to find the light switch.

Life often throws up periods of darkness, when we can see no way through. We mustn't panic - we should get the feel of the hopelessness; accept it; allow ourselves to feel helpless. Soon we shall be able to adjust and to find new ways.

It's a strange thing that the realisation of God often comes at the moment when our aloneness and helplessness seem most acute. But to reach the light at the end of the tunnel, we have to accept the journey through it.

Christ's death must have terrified his apostles, but after his resurrection he made his presence known to them, when their situation seemed most hopeless. The promises he made then and the power that was given to those believers at Pentecost, still hold good for us today. But we have to take the initiative of accepting the responsibility of it, with everything it entails.

There are no promises that our journey with Christ will be easy; only that it is well worthwhile.

A.H.

## **SPECIAL NOTICE! HELP**

### NEEDED IN THE CHURCHYARD

Over the years a valiant effort has been made to keep our Churchyard tidy and presentable. We have been grateful for this to many people, who at different times have given their time and energy week by week. The fact remains that the area West of the path, behind the Church leaves much to be desired!

We are appealing for MEN, WOMEN, AND YOUNG PEOPLE to form working parties on the first three Saturdays in August. We are asking if YOU would spare one or two hours between 8.30 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. on SATURDAY 6th AUGUST, SATURDAY 13th AUGUST and SATURDAY 20th AUGUST.

It would be helpful, if you were able to bring a variety of your own garden tools for your use.

Please consider this appeal and, if possible, give a hand. A.H.

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Christian Burial 29th June. HARRY ELLIS.

### M.U. JANET MORRIS

The sun was shining on Bridgford on Sunday 3rd July when the Mothers Union had their "Garden Day". They thank all those who gave so generously of their time, money and effort resulting in a profit for the day of £183.

They were glad to see many of their friends enjoying "their day" and thank them for their support. These notes are written before the July meeting when Margaret Bontoft, who is on the M.U. Committee for Education will talk about its work and on the work of the Committee for Social Concern.

### THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN AUGUST

On 21st September Mrs. MacDonald Smith will give a talk about flower arranging with an emphasis on Church flowers.

# BIRDS

DAVID JACKSON



The first of these articles featured Swifts, Swallows and House Martins and I am returning to them to try to help with identification of these apparently similar birds.

We are fortunate that we have all three species nesting in the village. The reason for this is that there is a plentiful supply of their specialised nest sites. It is the nests which will help with identification.

First the House Martin. It builds a cup shaped nest hard up against the eaves of buildings, always at a height of more than 15 feet and always on the outside of the building. Watch them squeezing in and out of the small "mousehole" that they leave at the top of the mud cup and you will notice that they have a white chest, stomach and rump, and that the tail is forked but not very long.

Now the Swallow. It builds inside buildings or under archways, etc., always on a ledge and always just below the ceiling. The nest is not enclosed like the Martin's. The Swallow is the one with the long tail streamers (the male longer than the female) and is creamy white underneath. They spend much time preening themselves while sitting on overhead wires.

Lastly the Swift. They nest inside buildings but the nest is well hidden beneath the pantiles, etc. They cannot perch and therefore have to fly straight into the nest at full tilt! These birds are truly aerial, spending all their lives on the wing, even sleeping by taking "catnaps" as they cruise down from great heights. These are the small black birds with curved wings that fly up and down Main Street, gathering in the evening into groups of twenty or more when they rush around the roof tops screaming like little children. If you want to see them you will have to hurry as they will be gone by mid-August and then you will have to wait until next May to compare all three of these high speed flyers at the same time.

**NOTE** There's no need to feed the birds yet, but they do appreciate a shallow dish of water. If it's big enough they will bathe in it.

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They promise too to catch some fish  
By way of making a top dish;  
But say they do not care a button  
So they can have a joint of Mutton,  
A saddle now is in the larder  
And of cold lamb a nice fore quarter,  
But we have neither Beef nor Veal,  
So hope of these you'll make a meal.  
What, shall I say? This muse turns pale  
When 'eer she thinks of Bingham Ale.  
Oh, no comparisons we'll make!  
But what we have we hope you'll take  
And make allowance for the Muse,  
Who promises, when next she brews,  
She will produce some glorious liquor  
Fit e'en for Rector or for Vicar.  
In short, for want of better cheer,  
Deficiencies of Beef or Beer,  
You'll have a hearty welcome here.

Thomas Beaumont.

### 2. An Invitation to Dine at The Hill

As Richard Beaumont explained in the July magazine the Revd Thomas Beaumont, while the curate at East Bridgford, built the house called The Hill at the time his uncle the Revd John Walter was Rector of Bingham. Thomas obviously did not think much of the beer brewed at Bingham, as seen from this still preserved dinner invitation.

Thomas was made a County magistrate and as such was involved in re-organising the House of Correction at Southwell. He died in 1835. His memorial can be seen on the North Wall of St. Peter's chancel. His property in Bridgford was, after life interests in favour of his brothers Walter and Abel mainly inherited by his nephew George, born in 1796, the eldest son of Thomas' younger brother Richard. There were however a large number of bequests to servants and in some cases he took great care to show concern for those who had served him.

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## 8 BRIDGFORD FEAST SATURDAY SHOW

Sunny afternoon - Lots of people - splendid fancy dress parade - great admiration for all the little people dressed in hot difficult clothes who walked twice round the arena.

Good displays of flowers, fruit and vegetables despite pessimism over lack of entries - interesting and increased entries in the children's section - Good food.

Last but not least, the Girl's Tug of War Team. Did they win? They did? Anyway everyone enjoyed it.

So the afternoon ended but the evening continued with an excellent and energetic Square Dance in the marquee.

Congratulations to all concerned.

## SUNDAY CHURCH

The Parade Service at 6.30 pm. was as usual very well attended. Members of the Royal British Legion, the Womens Section, Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs were there and presented their Colours at the Altar.

The two buglers from the Robin Hoods who call the Last Post and Reveille are a very special part of the Legion's Service of Rededication at the War Memorial, and this year is extra special as it is the 25th Anniversary of their attendance here. Both Peter Roebuck and Owen Wheeldon are members of the East Bridgford Branch and after the service a group photograph of them with Legion members was taken. A framed copy of this photo will be presented by them at this year's Annual Dinner on 21st October as a memento of the occasion. The members of the Branch are very grateful to them for coming to the Feast Sunday Service over all these years.

## MONDAY CRICKET

The President, Dr Geoffrey Brooks, had a strong side to play the Village on Feast Monday and won comfortably. Winning the toss the President's side batted first on a good fast wicket and declared at 176 for 4 wickets after a fine opening partnership of 48. John Wootton made 52. Apart from a brave stand by Bruce Willis (capt.) 40 and D. Bartlett 15 East Bridgford had no answer to some accurate bowling by Albert Bocking and John Hargreaves who each took 3 wickets. E.B. were all out for 94.

The weather was fine.

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## KNEETON NEWS

JACKIE WEEBOP

"Come home to a living fire" say the N.C.B. They forget to say what can happen in the chimney when the fire isn't living in it.

Arriving home rather late one evening recently feeling at peace with the world, grateful for a delicious meal and happy the grape had been discovered we walked into our cottage home. As with all well designed homes the light switch is on the wrong wall, so my husband groped his way across the darkened room. "What on earth am I treading in?" or words to that effect said he. "Oh dear" I thought one of the cats has been left in, but no, as the light flooded the room we discovered that what he had trodden in was half an inch of soot covering the hearth and surrounding carpet, which had been pale green. "It must be a bird" we cried but no bird could be seen.

Then on looking up in the corner above the fireplace we discovered flat to the wall clinging to nothing more than anaglypta wallpaper a very bedraggled damp squirrel bush tail, hanging wet and sooty. Someone asked afterwards what colour it was. "What colour would you be if you'd just fallen 20 feet down a sooty chimney" I said.

The poor thing was terrified but not hurt, so, after putting on thick gardening gloves my husband carefully picked it off the wall. It bit, fought, and screamed ferociously, rather ungrateful I thought. After being set down on the lawn it scampered up the nearest tree, where I suppose it proceeded to clean itself up probably laughing as it heard the Hoover being switched on etc. as we tried to clean damp soot off carpets and wall at 1 am. in the morning.

### BETTER SPORTS NEWS

The Magazine's Editorial Team has been strengthened by the addition of Ian Lodder as Sports Editor. Secretaries of all the many sports clubs are asked to feed him with news of their activities. He is to be found in the Post Office. Phone 20231.

### SWIMMING NEWS

We are reliably informed that "they" hope and expect to reopen the swimming pool at Bingham on Monday 1st August.

## PIPE ORGANS of E.B. and KNEETON.~Reg Howell.

### St PETER'S

According to Du Boulay Hill an organ was built at St. Peter's circa 1875 by Wordsworth and Maskell of Leeds, which had two manuals and eleven stops. It was rebuilt in 1906 by Conacher of Huddersfield.

The present organ was built in 1938 by Roger Yates of Nottingham, a good organ by a reputable builder. It has an electro-pneumatic action and an electric blower. The following, I am told, is the list of organists this century: Mr Goldstone (headmaster) 1885-1923; Miss Maria Sharpe from 1923; Mr Burdett and Mr Shipman from 1936; Mr J Shardlow from 1940; Mr Caunt from 1955; Mrs J Goddard from 1964; Mr C Wilkins (part-time) from 1972 and Mr V Collins from 1982. Mr Thomas Hand, father of Miss Doris and Mr Leslie Hand, was the organ blower for about twenty years from 1914.

The specification is pedal board, two manuals, great Swell - the latter enclosed in the swell box operated by a balance swell pedal. The pedal board has: Flute 8ft, Octave Flute 4ft, Sub Bourdon 16ft, Resultant Bass 32ft. Great Organ has Open Diapason 8ft and Principal 4ft. Swell Organ has Bourdon and Salicional 8ft, Flute Harmonique 4ft (these three are also duplexed on the Great), Octavin 2ft Mixture with two ranks (12th and 17th), Trompette 8ft, Vox Angelique, Tremolo, Sub-Octave 16ft.

If you play simultaneously on two pipes that differ only slightly in pitch you create beats (this phenomenon we used to hear from two engined aircraft during the war when the engine notes were not quite synchronised). The effect is that of a wavering tone made use of in Vox Harmonique, usually called Voix Celeste. Likewise if you combine two pedalspipes of the correct pitch and played with the correct loudness you create "a difference tone" - a third note called a resultant Bass 32ft. It is not a sound produced in a 32ft pipe but an imitation of such, and not entirely satisfactory. In cathedrals or large buildings a true rank of 32ft pipes would be included, but it is not easy to find room for these in a small building.

At St. Peter's we are about to extend the organ, the work is being done by Alan Douglas, a local organ builder. It is planned to add four ranks of pipes to the great organ. There is at present a strong contrast in volume between the two powerful stops on the Great and the quiet stops on the Swell, so it is not possible to obtain a smooth build up of tone. This also makes it difficult to achieve a satisfactory balance between solo and accompaniment. The new ranks will be: Small Open Diapason 8ft (the existing one on the Great is very strong), an 8ft Flute, a Fifteenth 2ft and a Genshorn 4ft. The additional pipes will fill the gap and the result should be a very well balanced instrument of good quality and potentiality.

In conclusion, I wish to record my grateful thanks to Mr Fred Hunt for helping me so readily with local information.

### A CENTENARY CELEBRATION

Congratulations to the Village Hall Management Committee for the Centenary Tea Party celebrating the Hall's 100th birthday. The spirit of the volunteers who built the Hall in 1883 lived on in the volunteers who made the cakes, waited at table and arranged the display of photographs of Bridgford long ago, and of paintings by Bridgford's present artists.

Over 200 people sat down for tea which included a slice of the special birthday cake baked by Joan Jones. The raffle raised £50 for Hall funds. The 100 year history of the Hall is lucidly described by the Hall's President, Dr Geoffrey Brooks, in his book "East Bridgford Village Hall 100 years on". Anybody who has not yet read a copy should buy it for 50p on their next visit to Fox the Newsagent.

### STREET NAMES ?

Bridgford's street names have been squeezed out of this month's magazine. Moss Close will now be told in October. Next month Jack Kemp will deal with Occupation Lane. Where is it?

At the Centenary tea party photograph display there was obviously great interest in the "Gawp Shop" so the editors have persuaded Jack Kemp to write about that important piece of Bridgford history for a future magazine.

## RINGING CHANGES

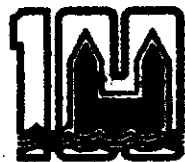


"All hold-Look to-Treble's going, She's gone" How often have we stood to our bells in the ringing chamber at St. Peter's, and with varying degrees of confidence and apprehension pulled off our bells. But however we felt, we looked to John Guy, our Captain of bells, ringing the tenor, and radiating reassurance and encouragement. And then, looking round the chamber (though one or two of us found this difficult) we could see the competent figures of John's wife Susan and daughter Sarah willing some of us to do the right thing at the right moment, though not always with success. The Guy family will be sadly missed by the ringers. John has been a splendid instructor, patient and firm and giving beginners confidence and strength. How has he kept his patience, particularly with late beginners who take years to learn the language and never discover "rope sight" that elusive but necessary accompaniment to handling a bell?

Ringling is an exhilarating and exacting pleasure and we have all enjoyed ringing for Evensong and at our practising evenings, but perhaps a great deal of enjoyment has come from John's instruction and encouragement. Over the twenty years he has been Captain - not only has he taught young ringers only to see them disappear to University, College or jobs but he has also maintained the ropes and bells. He has also acted as secretary and as host to visiting ringers.

Just to say thank you sounds inadequate but we say it with deep sincerity and affection and gratitude to John and Susan and Sarah. We shall miss them but we wish them good ringing and happiness in their new home at Stonesby.

## ANOTHER CENTENARY CELEBRATION



It is hoped that the new Archbishop of York, John Habgood who takes over from Archbishop Stuart Blanch at the end of August, will launch the Southwell Diocesan Centenary Celebrations at a service in Southwell Minster on Thursday 2nd February 1984 (that's just six months away)

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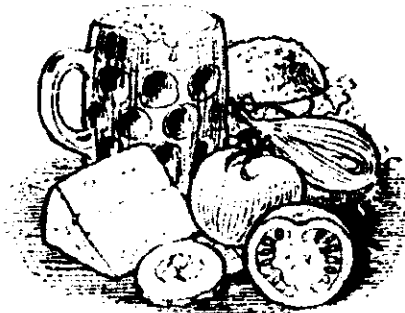
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## W.I. JENNY FINCH

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Cool green soups and desserts were a feature of a demonstration of summer cooking by Mrs. Audrey Gunn, president of Orston W.I. at the July meeting. Mrs Gunn is a farmer's wife and the cold main course, Monday Beef Salad, contained her own home grown brisket. Mrs Rachael Barclay thanked her for so many ideas of how to prepare meals without a lot of cooking, so appropriate in the current heatwave!

Earlier Mrs Audrey Metcalfe, president, had welcomed some more new members.

## HOLIDAYS NEAR HOME

The Leisure Services staff of the County Council are arranging many activities to help people to enjoy some home based days during the present holiday season. Their well presented brochures cover "happenings" at Rufford, Creswell Crags and Sherwood Forest, and guided walks in many parts of the county. For August we have highlighted two walks not far from the village and five events at Rufford. Next month we shall try to tempt readers to visit Holme Pierrepont. A request to "Leisure Services"

Notts. County Council FREEPOST, NOTTINGHAM NG2.LBR will bring the brochures through your letter box.

Saturday 6 August 2.30pm 'Rufford Lake and its Wildlife'. Discover the problems in managing a lake for both wildlife and public enjoyment.

Thursday 11 August 7.00pm 'Your Butterfly Heritage'. Find out about the decline of butterflies, and how we can help preserve these most attractive insects. (This talk last about 1 hour).

Monday 15 August 2.30pm 'Rufford during the Freeze'. It might still be summer, but wildlife and the Rangers are both preparing for the winter months.

Thursday 18 August 6.45pm 'A Canal and Riverside Walk', Radcliffe-on-Trent. An evening ramble led by Chris Thompson of the Nottinghamshire Wayfarers Rambling Club, following public paths along the Grantham Canal and River Trent from Radcliffe to Bassingfield and Holme Pierrepont. Distance - 4 miles. Meet at the Chestnuts Hotel, junction of Main Road/Wharf Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent.

This programme gives you the chance to join in with a variety of activities around the Park, some traditional and some unusual. You don't need any special knowledge, skill or equipment to take part, just a willingness to join in and have fun. Meet in the 'Craft Centre Seminar Room'.

Saturday 13 August 2.30pm 'Pitfalls and Pooters'. Collect and identify some of the insects and other small animals to be found in the woodland ground layer.

Saturday 20 August 2.30pm 'Make a Kite' Children are welcome to make their own kite, bird or snake. (Materials are provided).

Wednesday 24 August 6.30pm 'Oxton to Robin Hood Hill'. An easy ridge walk with Mr. J. Gardiner of the Nottinghamshire Footpaths Preservation Society with fine views to Ramdale Hill and the ancient encampment topping Robin Hood Hill. Distance - 3 miles. Meet at Green Dragon, Oxton, 1/2 mile north of the Church. (Grid ref:SK630517).

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	German Conversation	Mrs.H.R. Metcalfe	7-9 pm.
	Different Ideas for Christmas Cakes etc.	Mrs.M.I. Foss	7-9 pm.
	(6 weeks starting 31st Oct.)		P.M.
Tue.	Swing into Shape	Mrs.B. Gilbert	7.30-9.30
Wed.	Bridge	Mr. S. Franklin	7-9 pm.
Thur.	Soft Furnishing(22/9)	Mrs.M.J. Ashby	7-9 pm.
	Yoga	Mrs. C. Jackson	7.30-9.30.
	Flower Arranging(12 wks)	Mrs.I. Chew	7-9 pm.
	Spring Flower arranging	Mrs.I. Chew	7-9 pm.
	(6 weeks start 1st March)		

Thur. Painting by Mrs. Arnfield. (V.H.) 10.15-12.15.

All the classes are at St.Peter's School EXCEPT Mrs. Foss' class, which is at the W.I. Hut and Mrs. Arnfield's which is in the Village Hall.

Classes in Motor Maintenance, Motor Cycle Maintenance, Woodwork, Look After Yourself, and a wide range of other subjects are available at Radcliffe-on-Trent.

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### FOOD & POETRY

The History of England, (from earliest times, through 1066, to wars yet to be fought (hopefully never) was dealt with in about an hour of recitations by the Drama Group at their annual summer poetry reading on Friday 15th July. There was a series of poetical sketches, monologues and duologues. After an excellent supper of delicious cheeses, crisp celery and the usual etceteras the group read an extract from an amusing play about a local authority exercising its atomic attack precautions.

As a result of the evening the Group will be making a contribution to the Royal National Life Boat Nottinghamshire Appeal.

### FOOD & MUSIC

A MUSICAL SUPPER will be given by the LONGSLADE SINGERS on Friday 12th Aug. at 7.30pm. in the Methodist Chapel. Price £1. 50p. There will be early English music played on authentic instruments, recorders, crumhorns, Garklein and drum. Do come & hear this fine band of musicians & enjoy a buffet supper. Programmes available from David Atkins, 23 College St. 20390.

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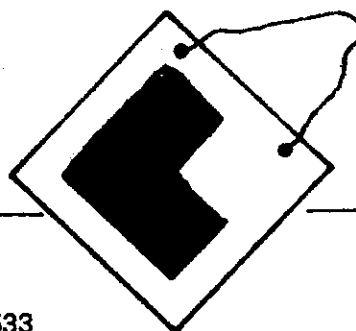
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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Best Kept Village** We have been successful in the preliminary round of the competition. The other three finalists in our section are Cropwell Bishop, Farndon and North Leverton. Thanks to everyone for helping to keep the village tidy. Hopefully we can keep up the good work and WIN the competition.

**Summer Playscheme** The Village has been granted facilities at Bingham Leisure Centre for the first three Tuesdays in August, starting on 2nd August. The charge will be 50p a day plus 10p for the bus and an extra 30p for swimming. The bus will pick up from the Village Hall at 9.45am and return at about 4.30pm. 30 places have been reserved.

**Wharf** The Council has approved the expenditure of about £1200 to improve the area adjacent to the wharf by providing a gate and a metalled foot-path beyond the entrance to the boat yard, and by levelling the surface which has been affected by the parking of cars. The work will be carried out under the Community Programme Agency Scheme. It is hoped it can be done before the winter.

Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations.

Village Hall, Main Street. Extension to form storage. The Council supported the application.

Mrs. M. Smith, rear of 2 College Street. New access way with 7 4-bed houses and one 3-bed bungalow, with garages. The Council did not object, but made the following observations.

1. It is essential that there should be a footpath on one side of the access road.
2. There should be a minimum of 3 street lights, 2 in the access road and 1 in the development site itself.
3. It is highly desirable that pedestrian access be provided to Main Street.
4. The existing overhead electrical supply on the south side to be placed underground.
5. All new telephone and electricity services to be underground.
6. Appropriate landscaping to be concurrent with the development.

Hills and Little, Mill Hayes Cutting back of the branches. The Council objected as this represents far too severe treatment of the trees on this site. The hawthorn hedge should be retained and reinforced with new planting where necessary.

R. Frost, Greenacre Lodge, Kneeton Road. Single story rear extension to form dining room, utility room and play room. The Council did not object but requested that materials used should match those of the existing house.

Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions  
Permission has been granted for:-

R.J. Cookson, rear of 27 Straws Lane Erect detached bungalow with garage plus detached garage.

G.A. Wise, Highways Depot, Kirk Hill Use of premises for service of garden equipment and machinery.

Next Meeting Monday 8th August 7.30pm, 93 Main Street.

## W.E.A.



The inaugural lecture will be held on Wednesday 21st September at 7.30 p.m. in St. Peter's School.

"ARE YOU SITTING COMFORTABLY?" by Mike Ring, A.T.D., A brief look at the development of the English chair designs from the Mediaeval period to the present day.



Courses commencing:-

Tuesday 27.9.83, 7.30pm St. Peter's School. "Artists Vision", Marjorie Arnfield A.T.D. 20 meetings.

Wednesday 28.9.83, 7.30pm St. Peter's School "English Furniture Design" Mike Ring A.T.D. 10 meetings.

Thursday 29.9.83, 7.30pm St. Peter's School. "Computer Awareness" Susan Byrne B.Sc., 10 meetings.

Wednesday 5.10.83, 10.00am Methodist Chapel, "Village History" John Samuels B.A., 20 meetings.

### Thanks 5 Times

Five sincere thanks from Bridgford's residents to their fellow residents:-

- \* Thanks to the many dog owners who never let their dogs roam the village frightening children and fouling footpaths and twitchels.
- \* Thanks to the many who never burn rubbish without making sure no neighbour has washing on the line, nor when neighbours are enjoying their gardens.
- \* Thanks to the many who restrain their children from making "noise pollution" with hi-fi when doors and windows are open.
- \* Thanks to the many who never drop cigarette packets and whose children are trained not to drop sweet papers in village lanes and twitchels.
- \* Finally thanks to the many who keep gardens to be seen from the footpaths with neat grass and beautiful flowers for all to enjoy, and to Tony White for the magnificent "flowering baskets" at The Reindeer, which give a "lift" to Kneeton Road.

## SPORTS PAGE

**BOWLS CLUB:** After a slow start to the season the Bowls Club has had the rub of the green in the last few weeks. They still reside in the lower half of the league but the recent story of success has helped to lift their position. In the League of Country Bowlers pairs both the ladies and gentlemen pairs have progressed to the semi finals. Ethel Thornton and Rose Bly and Ken Smith and Les Crampton are the respective pairs.

Results. East Bridgford v Calverton won 5-2  
East Bridgford v Saxondale won 7-0  
East Bridgford v Lowdham won 6-1  
East Bridgford v won 7-0



### CRICKET CLUB

The early signals from the beginning of the season are still being received. The first eleven has had a difficult season finding winning to be an elusive result. The second eleven has continued to progress well and over the last five weeks has experienced the joy of three successes, a tie, and one loss.

#### Results. First Eleven

v. Orston Lost by 9 wickets. E.B. 81. Orston 82-1  
v. Presidents Lost Presidents 176/4 E.B. 91  
v. Empingham Lost Empingham 182/9 E.B. 88  
v. North Wheatley Lost N.W. 201 E.B. 89

In the Empingham game G. Davies got 4 wickets for 58 and B. Willis 41.

#### Second Eleven

v. Caythorpe Lost Caythorpe 140 E.B. 78/8  
v. Woodborough Won Woodborough 52 E.B. 54/7  
v. Gunthorpe Tie E.B. 172/7 Gunthorpe 172/7  
(R. Randall 44; S. Cox 68; R. Randall 3/19)  
v. Papplewick Won Papplewick 123 E.B. 125/8  
(P. Roberts 33)  
v Hickling Won Hickling 32 EB 34/2  
(P. Roberts 5/17)

East Bridgford Boys v Southwell Boys.  
E.B. 54 Southwell 55/0



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7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
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6.00 p.m. Revd. G. Coleman  
21st 10.30 a.m. Mr. L. Simpson  
28th 9.30 a.m. Revd. J. Cobb  
6.00 p.m. Mr. H.G. Smith

AUGUST'S EVENTS

- Sat. 6th Methodist Coffee Morning 10-11.30am  
Fri. 12th Methodist Music and Supper 7.30pm  
Sat. 3rd September. Methodist Coffee 10-11.30am  
THIS MONTH'S COVER

The cover for this month's magazine is a view of St.  
Peter's Church which must have been very familiar to  
earlier Rectors ... it is a view of the church from  
the "Old Rectory" drawn by Jill Dodsworth, whose home  
it is.

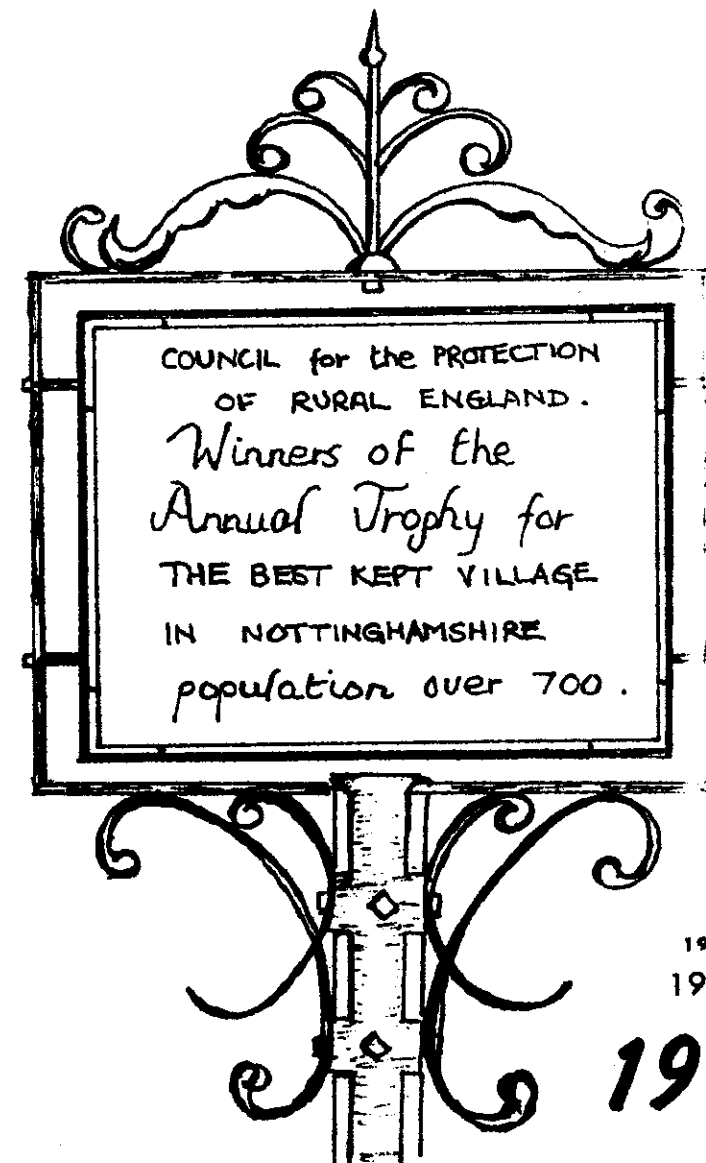
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# BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY - 1130 18 SEPTEMBER 1983

There are a number of people who are of the opinion that the time for remembrance of the occasions and people involved in recent wars is now past, and that we do more harm than good in looking back and recreating if only for a moment the glories and the sacrifices involved in our history. Obviously, I do not agree with this point of view. But the very fact that there are people who think in this way should act as a spur, encouraging us to ask ourselves what it is that we do on Battle of Britain Sunday.

Some things are obvious. This is a service of thanksgiving, for we recognise that the victory won in the air in September 1940 saved our nation, and ultimately the world, from a fate that would have consolidated the evils of the Nazi regime and possibly have imposed upon the greater part of humanity a slavery such as we have witnessed in many parts of the world. We cannot doubt but that eventually the free spirit of man would have prevailed. But for the Battle of Britain it would have been a far longer and more costly process. As it was, the skill of the planners, the courage of the airmen, the devotion and self-sacrifice of those who serviced the aircraft, all came together in a focal point to destroy the intentions of those who planned to invade this island, and to establish and fortify the spirit of our nation and of the free world. When the time came for a reversal of fortune, it was largely because of what had happened in our skies in September 1940 that all men who loved righteousness and hated iniquity still possessed the fibre to continue in the face of adversity and fight back along the road to victory.

The events of our thanksgiving took place forty-three years ago. For many of us they seem like yesterday. For a greater number they are now part of history and take their place alongside Trafalgar and Waterloo. Yet it needs little imagination to picture what would have been our condition today were it not for the victory of the Battle of Britain. The young, as well as the elderly, have good cause to give thanks, for many of the things of our way of life which we all value and enjoy today, and which we take for granted, were established on those fateful days.

IAN LAMBERT Chaplain RAF Newton

## *From the Rector*

### A BIG THANK YOU

During the first three weeks of August nearly forty people have spent time and energy clearing and tidying the churchyard. The results are amazing and, I think have exceeded everyone's expectation. I am most grateful, personally, and I know my gratitude is shared by many people from the village and further afield.

I am now making a second appeal for more assistance on SATURDAYS 17th. & 24th. SEPTEMBER, in an attempt to put the final touches to what has been achieved already. The work will not be as strenuous as before and, again, we would welcome ladies and youngsters to work alongside the men for an hour or two on these or other days. A.H.

### DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER

The 'Southwell Diocesan News' will be published for the last time in December. From January 1984 the Diocese is to have a newspaper, published monthly. This will not simply be a change of format; it will enable communication in the Diocese to be made more effectively in all ways and at all levels. The prospects are quite exciting.

About 170 copies, free of charge, will be available in East Bridgford and Kneeton, and I should be grateful if those who would like to receive a copy would inform me or their magazine distributor. A.H.

### THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism:	31 July	Thomas Stephen LUMBLEY
	7 August	Faye Nicola JACKSON
	14 August	Edward John CUMBERLAND
Holy Matrimony	20 August	Jeremy Paul CARTWRIGHT & Jane Elizabeth SALT
Funerals:	24 July	Thomas ASHTON
	18 August	Florence Kate MORRIS

## SOONER OR LATER

"THE OLD LADY", the Bank of England's staff magazine published its 250th number this summer. The Editor, David Nye, his wife and his three daughters were all killed in the recent Scillys helicopter disaster, cruelly pointing to the truth of his signed editorial in this special issue. We have obtained the permission of the Bank to reproduce it. Reflecting on changes at the Bank Nye wrote:

"The death of a relation, one dearly loved, focuses the thoughts on the inescapable movement forward of life. Such a sorrow forces home the realisation that our existence allows no escape from change, from the unexpected, from the whole range of life's possibilities, from comedy to deepest tragedy. Experience dispels what one might call the Blandings Castle illusion, that perpetual Shropshire summer is humanly attainable. For even as the mallet swings and the croquet ball glides through the hoop into a patch of evening sunlight, in the midst of such domestic peace, time opens the crevasse at our feet.

We none of us know, however secure behind the love of those around us, or bolstered by power and possessions, what even the next moment may mean to us. To imagine otherwise is to be at the very least, unprepared."

This Editorial was read out at the Memorial Service at Newick in Sussex.

## Sunday-Club NEWS



Over the past 12 months Sunday-Club has continued to expand with new members joining all the time. The number of leaders has also increased. At present they are Beryl Cottrill, Kathryn Lodder, Shirley Lomax, Ann Moore, Michael Clarke and the Rector. There are now 5 groups:- 4 year olds; infants; lower and upper juniors; and 11 plus to early teens. There is an interesting programme with emphasis on lively worship with the children participating as much as possible, and teaching through activities, games stories, drama and discussion.

Perhaps your children would like to come and help us to expand even further next term, which begins with 9 a.m. Family Service on 4th. Sept. and the regular Sunday-Club sessions start on 11th. Sept. at 10.30 a.m. in St. Peter's Church.

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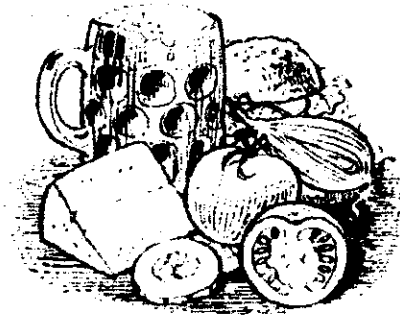
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## BIRDS

A MONTHLY GUIDE FROM DAVID JACKSON

The birds of East Bridgford are of the type usually classed as Field and Garden Birds. To add some variety to these we only have to travel down Trent Lane and over Gunthorpe Bridge (see page 11). Instead of turning right for food and drink turn left and sample a few water birds.

The "Pond" that lies close to the road but hidden by the hedge is pleasant enough to spend an hour or two on its banks. At any time of the year you'll see a pair of Swans, Coot, Moorhen, Mallard, Great Crested Grebe and Kingfisher. This last bird is always exciting to see with its brilliant blue back and wings and orange front, flashing backwards and forwards over the water and you may be lucky enough to see it fishing from a perch over the shallows.

The Great Crested Grebe is worth watching, especially in the early spring when it performs its comical courtship routine, which consists of various head-shaking movements, passing bits of weed to each other, and finally appearing to stand face to face on the water.

The Heron which flies sedately over the village (some-times raiding the gold-fish ponds) also feeds by this pond, but as this huge bird dislikes disturbance you will have to remain very quiet to see it well.

At this time of the year look out for the small flock of brightly coloured Goldfinches, aptly called a "Charm of Goldfinches" that frequent many patches of Hawthorne. Linnet are also quite common and their bright pink chests show up clearly in the sunshine.

Lastly look out for groups of Long-Tailed Tits following each other from branch to branch. If you see a group of them perched on a wire they look like lollipops with their little round bodies and long thin tails.



### Diary Alteration

CHANGE OF DATE for the End of Season Tennis Supper Dance. This will now take place in the Village Hall on SATURDAY 14th OCTOBER. 7.30pm to MN. Supper 8pm. Tickets £2.85 from:- Jenny Finch 20246; Chris Lewis 20612; Susan McKay 20971 or Mike Nichols 20471.



<sup>8</sup> SHERWOOD INTERNATIONAL '83 Samantha Hudson



Seven Guides from East Bridgford joined over five thousand Guides, Scouts, Rangers and Venture Scouts at an International camp held on the Walesby Forest camp site in the heart of Sherwood Forest. Scouts came from many countries including U.S.A. Holland, Italy, Canada and Belgium.



After the official opening by the Chief Scout on Sunday 31st July, everyone was able to join in the many activities, including an army assault course gliding, canoeing, parascending and visiting local places of interest during a week of glorious sunshine. Thanks must be given to Mrs Cheetham and her Guides for organising the Maid Marion sub-camp, which was a very enjoyable camp and one we shall always remember.

WORLD JAMBOREE '83 Martin Barnett

From all corners of the earth 16,000 Scouts gathered in Alberta, Canada in July for the 15th World Jamboree. There are 16 million Scouts in the world so it is a much sought after honour to be one of the 16,000 attending. I was lucky enough to be selected to represent the S.E. Notts district and especially my own group, the 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Group.

Before leaving for Canada the other 9 Scouts from Nottingham joined with scouts from South Yorkshire to form a troop. Following six months of preparation we left Manchester airport for Canada on 29th June and arrived in a scorching hot Toronto 10 hours later to be greeted by Canadian hosts for the next five days. We saw Niagara Falls, the C.N. Tower (the highest public observation deck in the world) before flying on to Calgary and then on a further 90kms to the Jamboree.

The Jamboree lasted 10 days starting on the 6th July. There were many organised activities such as rafting and shooting which combined with the unorganised activities like badge swapping formed the basis for many international friendships. The atmosphere was different. Nowhere else in the world were people so friendly, so helpful. There were no barriers. The South African contingent was multiracial. We were in Calgary for the star pede. It was marvellous.

After the Jamboree our troop travelled for 18 hours through the Rocky Mountains by Greyhound to Vancouver and again stayed with Canadian families for four days of sight seeing including, a Vancouver Whitecaps football match. The flight home was long, boring and sleepless. We saw the sun rise and set within an hour.

My lasting impressions of Canada are that it is a very large and clean country and the people are so friendly and there is no vandalism. The Jamboree itself is quite an experience, nowhere else is there anything like it...to put it in the words of the Americans- "Gee Guys it sure was great!"

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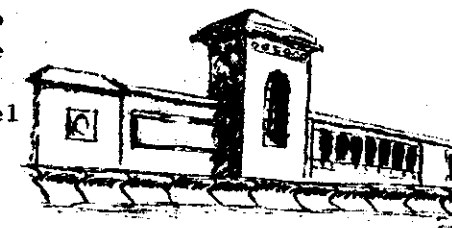
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## Bill Skellern explains repairs to GUNTHORPE BRIDGE



Readers may have been wondering what the County Council is doing to Gunthorpe Bridge. The footpaths are obviously being re-constructed but the main feature is the large and unusually shaped kerb. This is a "safety kerb" and its purpose is to stop vehicles leaving the carriageway and colliding with the parapet which is purely decorative with little strength and which might not prevent a vehicle going into the river. It is also expensive to replace. The "safety kerb" was chosen in preference to steel crash barriers which would have spoiled the appearance of the bridge.



The original engineers built an attractive and sound bridge in 1927 which has lasted well but they could not have foreseen that it would be carrying 10,000 vehicles a day in 1983. All that survives of the pre 1927 Toll Bridge, which was an iron structure, is the Toll House and abutments, which were made from stone from a bridge over the Trent at West Bridgford, but that is another story, to be told by Richard Beaumont in his series on the 'Beaumonts of East Bridgford'.

### Thanks from Drama Group

A hundred pounds was raised for the R.N.L.I's 'Nottinghamshire Appeal' by the Drama Group as a result of their Wine, Cheese, and Poetry Evening on 15th. July. The Group thank all those who supported them and made the £100 donation possible. The Group's next production will be a Play 9th - 12th. November.

## "THE ARTIST'S VISION" — of PARIS

by MARJORIE ARNFIELD

A well-known East Bridgford figure has been sporting a French beret since Nov. 1981 having, with several Bridgfordites, enjoyed the delights of a 5 day Art Study Tour in Paris. The Artist's Vision is



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who?

a W.E.A. course, run by Marjorie Arnfield at St. Peter's School and the ethos of the Paris trips were that students not only visited Paris Art Galleries to look and absorb but also to record their impressions by painting, drawing, or writing.



Sketching began even as the train left Nottingham early on a cold foggy November morning, continued on the Hovercraft channel crossing and intensified thereafter. Paris!.. Rush hour traffic jams, the smells (continental tobacco?), eating "Chez Maurice", the hotel's rickety staircase. Days were full and eventful, the evenings too! The Musee du Jeu de Paume with its hundreds of Impressionist paintings showing the development of Painting in France during the late 19th. and early 20th. century. Then the Louvre via the Jardins de Tuilleries, seen by one poetic student as all

"Sunshine and Autumn Colour

A burst of golden trees

Assaults the eye"

The Louvre was, as always, magnificent. Truly one of the major galleries of the world worth the walking and walking involved.



birds eye view of  
Pompidou Piazza

The Pompidou Centre, which houses the National Museum of Modern Art is an enormous complex; modern; and is to some, an exciting building, to others a monstrosity. But the paintings are exciting, shocking, challenging, intoxicating with the riot of colour, shapes and patterns. The building was swarming with French families "en promenade" or idly viewing the busker type entertainment on the Piazza outside.

Day 3 was out of Paris by coach to Fontainebleau. The living glory of autumnal colours contrasting with the faded glory of the furnishings of the Chateau at Fontainebleau.

"At Fontainebleau I try  
To assimilate the decor  
With dedication and fail.  
All is frustration!"

The quiet dignity of the simple cottage in Barbazon village where the painter Millet lived and worked was absorbed, so little changed since the 19th century. The field where the peasants worked and Millet painted the 'Angelus' no doubt still grows the same crops. The church bell still rings.



Other visits left impressions of Notre Dame, the smell of lavender on sale outside, inside, the starry constellations of myriads of candles lighting up the gloom, of French coffee, hot chestnuts lamp posts, the Eiffel Tower, the river and everywhere artists painting and sketching.

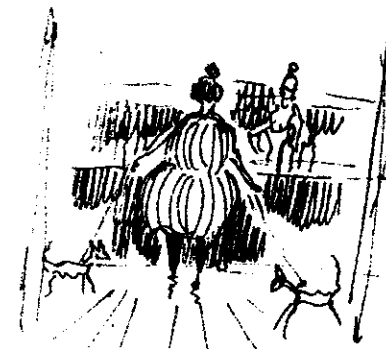
The last evening in the hotel saw an exhibition and discussion of students' work as a prelude to a larger exhibition at the Adult Education Centre in Shakespeare Street, Nottm. Then dispersal for a last look at Paris by night. The well known beret, not unaccompanied, to dinner "Chez Maurice".

A final student quote-:

"I am now left with happy memories of a lovely city - a city of wide boulevards and tree-lined avenues, of buildings decorated with tiers of wrought iron.

Bravo Baron Haussmann.!

I am already planning my next trip".



Seen through a Parisian cafe door!

## VILLAGE HALL AUCTION



The fifth annual Village Hall Auction will be held on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11th commencing at 2 p.m. Viewing will take place from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on the same day.

This occasion provides entertainment for the village as well as profit for the Village Hall and Drama Group who organise the event between them. It is a splendid opportunity to clear out your attic or get rid of old freezers, cookers, garden mowers and implements or in fact anything small or large in whatever condition, except clothing. Likewise it offers a chance to pick up many a handy bargain.

Collectors will be around calling hopefully at every household. The Village Hall will be open for reception of items as follows:-

Sunday 4th September 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mon. - Fri. 5-9th Sept. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday 10th September 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If, however, you want to get rid of something quickly or need something collected phone Allen Binney on E.B. 20248.

In any case come along and enjoy an afternoon's entertainment

## MENS SOCIETY

The East Bridgford Men's Society has been in existence for over a year. It is an open group, with no formal membership or subscription, whose purpose is to enable the men of the village to meet socially and to promote discussion and fellowship in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere.

The theme for the four Autumn meetings is to be 'Less Usual Aspects of Amateur and Professional Sport'. At 8.00pm on TUESDAY 27th. SEPTEMBER, our Sports' Editor, IAN LODDER, will be talking about the running of Sports and Leisure Centres in the Midlands and Yorkshire. The meeting will be in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, when we look forward to a good turn out.

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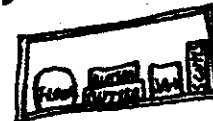


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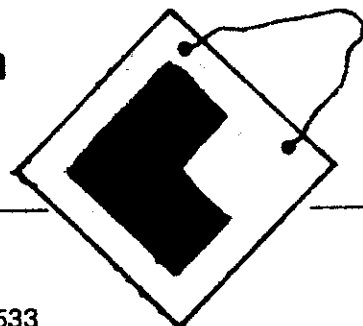
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## KNEETON NEWS

### Triple Plea

Kneeton is a very small pleasant village and very quiet, maybe a touch too quiet for the younger members of the community. There are no facilities for children of any age, as everybody knows. Most children in other villages look forward to their holidays but the story of the children of Kneeton is quite different. There is not one swing in the whole village.

For Kneeton's teenagers there is absolutely nothing to do and facilities for teenagers are quite a distance away, it is even a distance to get to the bus stop to take us to these facilities. We hope some people will take note of this as we have quite a few more holidays to get through.

Kirsty Soar. Diana Buckberry. Helen Buckberry.

### Double Welcome

The only happenings of note over the past month are the first christening in the church for six years of a Kneeton born baby when, on 31st July William, the son of David and Caroline Clark was baptised in the brightly decorated church in the company of many friends and well-wishers, and the birth of a baby boy to Dawn and Neil Ducker on 5th Aug. Best wishes for the continued progress of both infants.

### BRIDGFORD INVADED BY TROUBADORS

When did you last dance a salterello to garklein and drum? or an 'Air der bouffons' accompanied by crum-horns? The mysteries of early music were explained and performed by an enterprising group, The Lonslade Singers and Madrigal Group, who, having disembarked at Gunthorpe from their narrow boats, stumped up Trent Lane bearing all manner of recorders, crumhorns, viols, virginal & drums. A packed Methodist Chapel was entertained to a varied programme of early dance music, carols, anthems and madrigals, the evening being rounded off with supper provided by ladies of the chapel. There's no excuse now for mistaking a Trotto for a Pavane!

### Stop Press

There will be a Soft Furnishing and Upholstery Class lead by Mrs. J. Wilford in the W.I. Hut on Tuesdays from 2pm - 4pm starting on Tuesday 13th September.

## TOM ASHTON

One would have to delve deeply into Tom's life to ensure a comprehensive valedictory account, and while to do so might well be a rewarding exercise, it would have earned Tom's disapproval and would deny his intrinsic characteristics of modesty and humility.

His long association with the Portland Training Centre earned him the M.B.E., but how many of us knew it until we read the obituary notice?

That he was successful in his profession is self evident, and the Church has cause to be grateful for the financial advice and audit control exercised in collaboration with Patrick, our Treasurer, but his unassuming demeanour was all pervading and seemed to give greater emphasis to the quiet authority he imparted to Church business. He served as Chairman of the P.C.C. through three interregna, guided its deliberations with gentle rein and counselled it well.

His wonderfully descriptive contributions to this magazine of journeys 'down under' (February 1983) showed his rich appreciation of life and his effervescent good humour.

Tom was a gentle man whose friendship, knowing no bounds of rank or wordly standing, was highly valued. He now knows the tomorrow which named his house "Manyana" and we may be sure it is as rich as the happy memories he leaves with us.

G.T.S.

## Invitation to R.B.L. Members &amp; Wives

The R.A.F. at Newton have invited the E.B. Branch of the R. B.L. to attend their Battle of Britain Sunday Parade at 11.30am on Sunday 18th September. Our standard will be on parade and medals will be worn. Ian Lambert, the Chaplain at R.A.F. Newton has written about Battle of Britain Sunday on page 2 of this magazine. The Bishop of Southwell will be preaching. A Barbeque will be held after the parade to which all members, and their wives, are invited. - 18 -



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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Best Kept Village.** As everyone will know from the "Trophy" now erected in the car park, East Bridgford is the winner of the 700-2000 population section of the competition. This win represents an excellent combined effort by the village community with special thanks to the Council's part-time helper Eileen Cantrell for the hard work and keenness which she puts into her task. The final judging was very close and Bridgford was only one point ahead of the runners-up-North Leverton. Everyone will have to be more tidy if Bridgford is going to retain the Trophy in 1984! A formal presentation will be made later, and a commemorative tree will be planted.

### Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations

**R.J. Cookson, rear of 27 Straws Lane.** Retention of land of inert waste. The Council did not object but made the following observations:

1. Permission be granted for a period not exceeding 12 months.
2. The land to be suitably top soiled and landscaped on completion.

**J. Hil, Spinney Corner, Cherryholt Lane.** Erect 3 bed bungalow and double garage. The Council, on a vote, objected to the application as this is a low density area of the village and the provision of an additional bungalow on this site would be detrimental to the amenity of the area.

**J. Higgs, former Highways sub-depot, Kirk Hill.** Renewal of temporary permission for use as builders and plumbers yard. The Council did not object but made the following observations:

1. The premises to be used for the storage of builders and plumbers materials only.
2. Vehicle turning facilities to be provided within the curtilage of the site.
3. The height of materials to be stored not to exceed the height of the wall on the Kirk Hill boundary.
4. No advertisements shall be displayed on land or buildings without permission.
5. The bridlepath on the A6097 side of the site to be safeguarded.

**R. Howarth, 18 Cross Lane.** Two storey side extension to house. The Council objected to this application for the following reasons:

1. This extension brings the building into immediate proximity with the neighbouring property and would prevent servicing.
2. The extension would prevent access to the rear of the building except through the office/study.
3. The appearance is not in keeping with the original building.

### Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions.

Permission has been granted for the following:

**R. Frost, Greenacre Lodge, Kneeton Road.** Single storey rear extension to form dining, utility and play rooms.

**Hills and Little, Mill Heyes.** Erect seven bungalows.

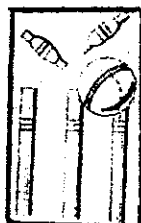
**A. Humphrey, 71, Main Street.** Erect brick double garage

**Next Meeting.** Monday 5th Sept. 7.30pm. 95 Main Street.

## SPORTS NEWS by IAN LODDER

### CRICKET

The Single Wicket Competition for the Buller's Trophy was held on 3rd July. Over 20 players entered. The winner was Paul Roberts, skipper of the Saturday 2nd XI. The junior competition was won by Will Lomax.



The season for the Club continues to run an interesting course. The 2nd XI had a game rained off against Bingham but with two wins, against Gedling and Woodborough and a defeat to Caythorpe they continue to stand well for promotion.

The 1st XI have picked up their performance greatly and the win against Orston on 14th August typified the upsurge in the team's activity.

Detailed results next month.

Captained by John Widdison, the East Bridgford Cricket Club spent 6 days touring East Kent in July. Based in Canterbury, they succeeded in beating Ashford British Rail and Whitstable. They had 2 exciting draws with Selsted and Ashford Stacians, whilst losing to Folkestone. Graham Davies and Bruce Willis were the outstanding batsmen, with all 5 bowlers making a significant contribution. Norman Hall umpired over 400 overs on five very hot days.

E. B. 199 for 8 dec. Selsted 192 for 9

Ashford Stac. 172 for 5 dec. E. B. 168 for 8

E. B. 145 Folkest. 146 for 7

Ashford B.R. 186 for 6 dec. E. B. 188 for 2

E. B. 214 for 5 dec. Whitstable 165.

**TENNIS** The tennis players continue to enjoy the warm season. Details of the tournament will be contained in a future magazine.

**FOOTBALL** Training continues on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. All players and prospective players are welcome.

**BOWLS** The Bowling Club members are making the most of the good weather. The rink is very fast.

## MOTHER'S UNION DATE

A date for your diaries:- On Saturday 17th September there will be an Overseas Sale at the Minster School in Southwell to be opened by Archbishop Hard at 2.30 p.m. The work of the Mother's Union Overseas is continually growing resulting in a constant need for money and equipment.

### Thanks

Joan Ashton and family thank all those who expressed their sympathy in various ways since Tom's death. Their kindness and support has been much appreciated.

### METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Methodist Sunday School will re-open on Sunday 11th September. The leader is Mrs. Alison Mayer. It will start at 10.30 a.m. with Worshippers in the Chapel, and then move upstairs. It is intended to end the Activities at the same time as the Morning Service and parents with young children are particularly invited to stay for Worship.

### HORTICULTURAL MEETING

The Horticultural Society General Meeting will take place in the W.I. Hut at 7.45 p.m. on Friday 16th September.

### Two Local Walks

Sunday 4 September 3.00pm  
Lowdham-Epperstone-Thurgarton-Circular  
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Officer that follows footpaths through mixed  
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Sunday 11 September 2.00pm  
The Significance of Trees in the Landscape,  
Southwell  
David Measures of the Southwell Civic  
Society leads this walk over pasture meadows  
to the west of Southwell. The walk will show  
the importance of hedgerows and hedgerow  
trees in today's landscape. Distance - 4 miles.

### About the Magazine

To mark the "Best Kept Village" triumph Chris Lewis has designed this month's cover. The cover drawing intended for this month, Jack Kemp's "Occupation Lane", "The Beaumonts" have all been squeezed out till the October magazine. Copy for October required by noon on Sunday 18th September, to 21 Main Street.

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& Sale.

## SEPTEMBER'S EVENTS

- Sat. 3rd Methodist Coffee Morning 10-11.30 am.  
Sun. 4th Conservative Social Morning 12-2 pm. The Old  
Vicarage, Kneeton.  
Tue. 6th W.I. Committee Meeting.  
Thu. 8th Playgroup A.G.M.  
Sun. 11th St Peter's Sunday Club restarts.  
Mon. 12th Royal British Legion Committee. V.H.C. Room.  
Tue. 13th W.I. Meeting 7.30 pm.  
Fri. 16th Horticultural Society G.M. W.I. Hut 7.45 pm.  
Sat. 17th W.I. Coffee "Cherry Close" Cherryholt Lane,  
Working Party. St. Peter's Churchyard 8.30-4 pm.  
Sun. 18th Battle of Britain Service. RAF Newton 11.30  
Nottingham Male Voice Choir. St Peter's 6.30 pm.  
Tue. 20th St Peter's Church Council 7.30 pm.  
Wed. 21st Communion 10 am. St Peter's Mothers Union 2.30pm.  
Sat. 24th Working Party. St Peter's Churchyard 8.30-4 pm.  
Tue. 27th Men's Society. V.H. Committee Room 8 pm.  
and on Sat. 1st October. Horticultural Supper. 7.30 pm.

# East Bridgford & Kneeton

## Village Magazine



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## The Rectors Pages

### WHAT HAPPENS IN CHURCH

Most people assume that people go to Church to say prayers, sing hymns and listen to sermons. But why do they do it and what does it mean? I'm frequently asked, 'Is there any point in worshipping God in this way?' and am assured 'I can be just as good a Christian without going to Church!'

Christians, Jews and Muslims all share a reverence for God as our Creator; the source of life we depend on. Most of us recognise that there is more to life than the everyday material things that surround us. It's something to do with beauty, goodness, faithfulness and hope. It's the longing for something of eternal value. Perhaps we feel it when we listen to great music or look at a wonderful landscape, or set eyes upon a newly born baby. It's something greater than ourselves, which puts all our values into perspective, because it also enables us to recognise what is evil, corrupt and worthless.

When we go to Church to worship, we give an expression to all these feelings. Christian worship has a focus on Jesus. He taught us to call God our Father. We worship Jesus as the Son of God. He was a Jew and much of Christian worship is based on the Jewish worship that Jesus was used to. But at the centre of Christian worship is the service which Jesus Himself instituted. It's called the Holy Communion, the Eucharist, the Lord's Supper or the Mass.

This central service has been celebrated every day for nearly two thousand years in parish churches, in great Cathedrals, in prison camps, in ocean liners and wherever Christians have gathered. It is the perpetual commemoration of what happened on the night before Jesus was put to death on the Cross. During a simple supper with his disciples he gave them bread to eat and wine to drink, saying, 'Do this in remembrance of me.'

Though the details of the service might vary from church to church, the basic elements are always the same. It begins with teaching about the Christian faith, which includes Bible readings and perhaps a sermon. The

congregation share in prayers of intercession and confession, and, then, the events of the Last Supper by sharing Bread and Wine - the Body and Blood of Christ.

Most church services include prayers for others, together with hymns, so that everyone can join in singing what they feel or believe, and psalms, the poems of the ancient Jews, which still have a great deal to say about man's relationship with God.

Everyone is welcome to any service. At St. Peter's and St. Helen's there is a considerable variety. Some services appeal to some; some to others. But you may be sure of a genuine welcome from those who worship week by week. There is a job to be done. With your presence and support we can tackle it more effectively.

ALAN HAYDOCK

### ASSISTANCE WITH THE COMMUNION

The Lord Bishop of Southwell has recently given permission for Gordon Stobbs and John Finch to assist with the distribution of the Bread and Wine at the service of Holy Communion. Our three Lay Readers have been licensed to do this for a number of years. A.H.

### SPECIAL SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Sun. 2nd. Oct. HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES AT SAINT PETER'S



Sun. 9th. Oct. 6.00 p.m. HARVEST THANKSGIVING AT SAINT HELEN'S. Preacher: CANON DAVID KEENE. (No Evensong at St. Peter's.)

Sun. 16th. Oct. 6.30 p.m. VISIT OF THE NOTTINGHAM MALE VOICE CHOIR

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#### THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism: 4th. Sept. Sadie Alexandra PICKUP  
4th. Sept. Joanna Mary ROBINSON  
11th. Sept. Daniel Keith WHITLEY

#### Holy Matrimony:

3rd. Sept. Richard George OGDEN and  
Elizabeth Jane SLACK

#### Burials and Cremations:

2nd. Sept. Edith ELLIS  
2nd. Sept. Peter HOBBS  
8th. Sept. Muriel PRESTON  
16th. Sept. Guy OGLESBY

#### EAST BRIDGFORD MEN'S SOCIETY

Following Ian Lodder's talk to the Society at the end of September, we have invited BOB WHITE to speak about his career as a County Cricketer and, more recently, as a first class umpire, at 8.00 p.m. on TUESDAY, 18th. OCTOBER. Then, on 15th. November, Peter Hutchinson will be talking about his work as a P.E. Teacher and running a Sports Shop, and his hobby - Running Marathons. All men are invited and welcome to attend these meetings.

A.H.

#### CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A Coffee morning will be held at the W.I. Hut on Saturday, 8th. October. 10 a.m. - 12 noon. There will be cake, fancy goods, tombola and Christmas card stalls. If you could contribute to these please tell Mrs. Bontoft, 27, Main Street.

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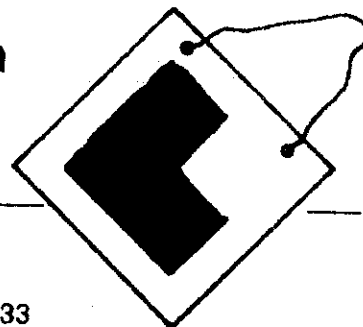
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## THE BEAUMONTS of East Bridgford

George Beaumont, who succeeded to his Uncle Thomas's Bridgford property, was born in 1796. I have not found out much about his education except for a very formal stilted letter of 1804 in perfect copperplate writing to his "Honoured Father" from Castle Bromwich. In 1811 he was apprenticed to Richard Court a Land Surveyor at Blackstone near Bewdley. George's father paid £190 and agreed to supply wearing apparel and other necessities suitable for a clerk and provide for his washing. Mr. Court undertook to teach him surveying and provide him with sufficient meat, drink and lodging and a horse, as well as travel chriages while working.

Soon George was working on the Enclosures which were taking place at that time. In 1815 George, then aged 19 was on his own during five winter months working in Staffordshire accompanied only by his devoted spaniel, "Pickle". He kept a careful detailed account of every item of expense which included travel, hire of labourers, purchase of paper for drawing details of the Awards etc. The total came to £37.18.6d. There is a note at the back of his draft bill that he eventually received £43.

After his early training, and experience in Staffordshire he moved to Winthorpe, having in 1823 married Anne Alcock of Redmile. He practised his Land Surveying in Nottinghamshire and was involved in further Enclosures. He was an artist of ability and a few scraps of his note books show beautiful little practice drawings of maps in colour. I have good framed watercolours done by him of Conway Castle and the Bridge at Monmouth. Like his uncle, George also enjoyed writing humorous bits of verse as well as Acrostics, then much in vogue.

In 1841 George moved to Bridgford Hill and converted an outbuilding into an office from where he conducted his surveying business which now tended to become like that of a modern Land Agent. As such he acted for the Hildyards and the Manvers and Carnavon Estates. He also farmed some land which he had presumably inherited from his Uncle John Walters, at Screveton and elsewhere. In old age he retired to Bournemouth. An early photograph shows a square headed broad faced clean shaven man with very short hair like a crew cut but in old age he grew a beard. He died in 1882. The second of his five sons, George II inherited the Bridgford property and Land Agency practice. Of him much more next month, in the building of Gunthorpe Toll Bridge".

### BIRDS OF A VERY SPECIAL FEATHER

Just off Main Street is an orchard - not just an ordinary orchard but an orchard full of champions and prize winners and their many companions, for Mr. Frank Cooper's land is a real treasure ground for prize winning Old English Game-birds. These beautiful birds are of two varieties, the small or bantam, and the large leggy type, not looking like an ordinary cock or hen but lion-legged and wiry. Their ancestors were the fighting cocks of earlier times, although the present day cocks still have long spurs and similar plumage and also the aggression of their forefathers. The breed may present up to thirty seven different colourings and Frank has twenty or twenty-five varying colours among his flock.

The best of these birds are shown at all the leading Poultry Shows throughout the year, with Frank sometimes going to three or even four shows in a week. This year they have never come home empty-handed but always with cups, rosettes or plaques. Frank has literally sacks full of vividly coloured rosettes, enough to cover the walls of his sitting room in rainbow hues.



*Show champion: F Cooper's black-red Old English Game bantam male.*

At this year's Royal Show at Stoneleigh the award for the Supreme Champion Old English Game bird was won by one of Frank's birds (see illustration). He also won at the Royal Cornwall, the Norfolk and many other Championship Shows. Frank has been showing for about fifty years and reckons that 1969 was his best year when he won the Gold Cup Supreme Champion at Olympia. This year he raised about 260 bantam chicks. The eggs are not incubated but are placed in clutches of about 15-16 under a broody hen, usually a Silky Cross. The bantams themselves are not good mothers. The chicks are raised intensively with their foster Mothers for about 6-7 weeks and are then put out in grass pens. Also in the orchard are geese and a whole army of Indian Runner ducks. These ducks march along in single file, always looking as though at any moment they are going to fall forward like a row of ninepins. They are drilled morning and evening by Jill & Glen, Frank's two dogs, who parade the ducks and geese in order to practise their sheep-shepherding instincts. Frank also judges and is much in demand at many Shows. His



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days are full and his birds take up a lot of his time, but his orchard with its prize-winners and his house with its cups and rosettes show how consistently successful he had been over his years of exhibiting.

## Will Robin Hood launch a Lifeboat?

### Robin Hood Marathon

Half the proceeds from this year's marathon on 2nd. October are to go towards the R.N.L.I. Notts. Appeal. The other half to CARE (the hospitals Charity). There are several entrants from the village, both for the whole (26 miles) and half (12 miles). Please will you sponsor a runner? Enquiries to Mrs. Jay 20338 or Mrs. Binney 20248.

### Coin-op

Andrew Foss's idea of covering a lifeboat with coins for the Nottinghamshire Lifeboat Appeal raised £44. He and Adrian Hall spent all day with their boat, which by the afternoon was completely coin covered. Many thanks to all who gave so generously.

### SUPERJUMBLE

The generosity of the village in giving time and goods to the Youth Club's Jumble Sale, a fine day and a good crowd all contributed to a magnificent £300 result on the Saturday of August Bank Holiday week-end. Our grateful thanks go to all who helped, who gave and who bought.

## OCCUPATION LANE

JACK KEMP

Ask 90% of the people in Bridgford about "Occupation Lane" and they will say "Never heard of it". Well, its whereabouts is now to be revealed. It is the half mile long lane leading to the Fosse before you get to the Six Sail Windmill (now without its six sails) on the Kneeton Road. It can also be reached by footpath from the allotments on Lammis Lane, this path crosses Occupation Lane and continues to the Red Lodge on the Fosse Road. I imagine this was used when drink dried up in the village.

Don't ask me how it got its name. I have gone back to 1612 trying and failing to find the origin of the name, although the lane itself probably originated in 1796 at the time of the enclosures. It was marked as "Occupation Lane" on the 1901 ordnance survey. Regrettably there is no name plaque at the lane ends. You sometimes hear it called Cape's Lane after a field called Cape's which was once farmed by 2 or 3 market gardeners in the village. The house which has recently been improved by Mr. Hills, and where Mr. & Mrs. Fred Widdison used to live is called Cape Farm.

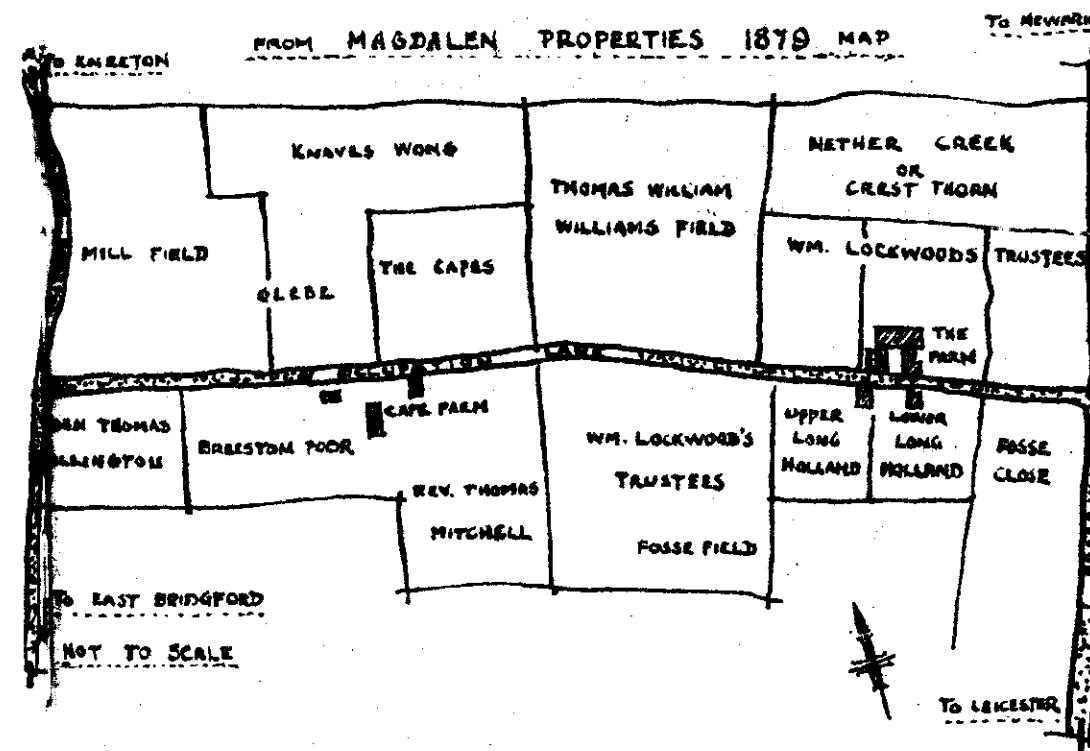
The rough road was maintained by proceeds from lane letting for grazing. This was the subject of the Parish Council's Candle Auction. An elderly couple of spinsters named Let and Nell used to pick stones from the fields for a few pence to help maintain the lane. The farmers also left some corn on the headlands to glean, I well remember when working at Mr. A. Mason's pea factory, them bringing in some peas. When paid with an old 10/- note they refused it saying "they did not want a bit of paper but some real money".

The arable land is now farmed by Mr. Croft, Mr. G. Hall, and Mr. Joe Allwood who once had a shed and crew yard there for cattle. Mr. D. Chamberlain has the farm at the Fosse end of the lane, with the empty farm house. John Straw (see July 83 magazine) came to this farm after finishing as a blacksmith in Straws Lane. Two grass fields one at the top of the lane and the other at the bottom kept the two families in mushrooms, with a few over for market. Cowslips grew in abundance under one of the hedgerows.

Having been born and lived in the lane I hope readers will forgive me for reminiscing. I well remember people coming from Car Colston on Good Friday to gather primroses from the Trent Hills, and, alas the roots as well, for now there are very few left. I also remember the crowds gathering at the top of the lane and on Kneeton Road to witness the first air race from London to Manchester about 1906.

Occupation Lane is noted for its bleak winds and in bad winters is often cut off from the village by snow. As a school boy I used to like such times as it meant us staying away from school.

Now, as real natives of East Bridgford, readers can truthfully say "I know Occupation Lane well".



## MOTHERS UNION

JANET MORRIS

I write these notes with the highly successful Overseas Sale at Southwell behind us and our monthly meeting still ahead.

The Bingham Deanery Grocery Stall at the Sale, to which our members contributed most generously, raised £59, and the large numbers present ensured a good financial return for the work of the Mothers' Union overseas.

Archbishop David Hand from Papua, New Guinea (about as far away from East Bridgford as you could go!) opened the sale in great style. He wore a most striking necklace presented to Him as a huge compliment by a Great Chief and to which the Chief himself had affixed the Archbishop's own crucifix. The most striking feature of it was the plumage of the Bird of Paradise cascading down at the back. Later the Archbishop gave a very interesting talk on Papua, New Guinea, its traditions, social problems and the position of women in the society. It was in attitudes to the family and to the status of women that the Mothers' Union had most influence, members totalling between three and four thousand. An interesting exhibition of native crafts, pictures and books helped our understanding of this little known country.

Our meetings are held every third Wednesday of each month in the W.I. Hut at 2.30 p.m. and we extend a warm invitation to any (of whatever age) who would like to join us.



### MORE RINGING CHANGES

For the second time in three months St. Peter's bell ringers have to say farewell to one of their band. Liza Gisborne and her family have recently left East Bridgford to live near Harrogate. We are sad to lose Liza who led the ringers after John Guy moved away earlier this year. She proved a very competent leader and instructor and we shall miss her very much. Good Ringing Liza and good luck to you and Dick in your new home.

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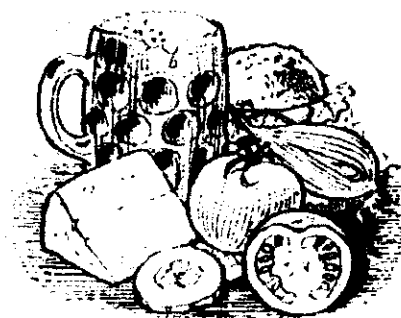
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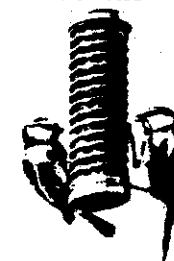


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## BIRDS

DAVID JACKSON

Blue Tits are everybody's favourite bird, and they are now re-appearing in our gardens after spending most of the recent months in nearby woods and hedgerows. All members of the Tit family are naturally woodland birds but are easily enticed into the gardens during Autumn, Winter and Spring with food put out for them. Because they are similar in size and colouring it is easy to confuse the Great; Blue; Marsh; Willow and Coal Tit so I will try to sort them out.



First the Great Tit, so called because it is the largest in the family - 5½" (14cm) compared with 4½" (11.5cm) for the others. It has a Black head with white cheeks and the chest is yellow with a black stripe down the middle. This black stripe varies from bird to bird and can help you to recognise individuals! It is the only Tit with white outer tail feathers.

The Blue Tit (or Tom Tit is the common name in some areas) is of course mainly blue on head and wings, white cheeks and forehead with a black eye-stripe. There is a small dark streak on the belly and this also varies.

The Coal Tit is Big Headed!, that is the head is large in proportion to the tiny body and short tail. Once again a black head with white cheeks, but this time with a white patch on the nape, and this is the easiest difference to see. The body is a dull buff/grey.

Those three are common in our gardens. Far less common are the Marsh and Willow Tit. If you see what you think is a Coal Tit but without the white nape patch, you've got a Marsh or Willow Tit. Why a Marsh or Willow Tit? Well, the two are so similar that even experts have difficulty in sorting them out, the two were first distinguished in 1900. They do have different songs, which is just as well or the birds might get confused! Other Tits are the Long tailed, Bearded, and Crested, the last two you won't see around the Village, and the long tailed tends to stay in the wooded areas.

Now back to the food. They all like peanuts, coconut (NOT dessicated) and fat scraps. Hang these items from a hook or a post and they will soon find it. Once you start feeding them you must continue, as they will come to rely on it. Please do not hang peanuts etc. on cotton or nylon thread as they get their feet tangled up in it and will die if not quickly freed. Make sure that dear little nussy cannot hide nearby to catch the feeding birds.

Next month. Bird Boxes.



by Jenny Finch

A typical day in the life of a museum curator may include anything from helping to move an old timber-framed cottage with original mud walls across the county to explaining to school children that wash-houses at the turn of the century did not have electric fully plumbed washing machines. These and other situations were vividly described by Mr. Rodney Cousins Assistant Curator at the Museums of Lincolnshire Life when he spoke at the September meeting. He was thanked by Mrs. F. Jay.

On a more serious note earlier in the meeting Mrs. A. Metcalfe suggested that in the view of the considerable inconvenience experienced this year due to extensive stubble burning a letter should be drafted and sent to the local M.P. There was considerable support for this.

Next month's meeting will have a talk on the work of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council.  
Coffee Morning: The Coffee Morning held at the house of the President, Mrs. Audrey Metcalfe, on 17th. September was most successful in spite of changed plans due to the doubtful weather. By popular request gateaux were again available with the coffee. £206 was the grand total. The County Chairman, Mrs. Cecily Atkins was the lucky winner of a chicken dinner. (good eating Atkins family). Many thanks to all the helpers and also to all who supported the morning.

### The Royal British Legion



This year's Annual Dinner is on Friday 21st. October at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

The Chief Speaker will be Group Captain S. Holding R.A.F. and Poppy Appeal Service Awards will be presented. Tickets £2.50 which are limited to 100. It would be greatly appreciated by the "caterers" if those wishing to attend would get their tickets as early as possible.

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Wharf: Work on providing a gate and metalled footpath beyond the entrance to the boatyard is underway and should be complete before the end of October.

Emergency Planning: The Parish residents who have kindly offered to represent the village on the second part of the Notts. C.C. Training programme are Mrs. Pearce, Mr. Willetts and the Clerk.

Tree Planting: The Council is to undertake further tree planting during the autumn, some to replace trees which have died or been damaged.

Play Equipment: Minor repairs are to be carried out and the equipment re-painted before winter.

### Planning Applications - Parish Council Recommendations

J. Lawson, Old G.P.O. Sub-station, Butts Lane. Change of use to joiners shop and store. The Council, on a vote, did not object but made the following observations:

1. Work to be restricted to between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday. No week-end working.
2. No delivery of materials to site by merchants.
3. No parking of vehicles on the public highway.
4. No storage of materials outside the building.
5. No parking of vehicles on the site other than normal working hours.
6. Permission restricted to an initial period of 2 years.

W.F. Whysall, 25 Brickyard Lane: Erect double garage and loggia. The Council objected as the distance from the garage to the road was less than the minimum recommended distance.

### Planning Applications - Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions -

Permission has been granted for the following: -

J. Higgs former Highways Sub Depot Kirk Hill. Renewal of temporary permission for use of property as a builders yard.

East Bridgford Village Hall: Extension to form storage.

Next meeting: Monday 3rd. October, 7.30 p.m.  
95, Main Street.



## SPORTS PAGE



**TENNIS:** Five of the Junior members of the East Bridgford Lawn Tennis Club took part in the Notts. County Junior Championships in August. The competition is divided into three age groups: under 10, under 12 & under 14. Although no-one reached a final the boys enjoyed the competition and the experience.

The finals of the East Bridgford Tournament will be played between Jon Nichols and Richard Watkins. Details of this will be in next month's issue.

**CRICKET:** The final week-end of the league season reminded all players of the way in which the season had begun. Heavy rain and strong winds were the order of the day.

For the second team the penultimate game played against South Muskham and Little Carlton had been the watershed. The team had gone into the game at the top of the league needing to win. Bowling first they had seen the opposition quickly reach 30 without loss, arrive at 100 with only four wickets down but shot out for 106. The loss of an early wicket did not disrupt East Bridgford as they progressed comfortably to 60 for 2 with Mick Blagg and Bruce Willis keeping just in front of the clock. At 82 for 4 we needed 25 runs off 9 overs with 6 wickets in hand. We began the last over needing 108 to win. Somehow they could not be scored.

The season ended as it began with us losing to South Muskham and Little Carlton. Not only did we lose the game but with it the Championship and promotion to Division I. Full results, and league positions to appear next month.

**FOOTBALL:** The season has just begun and anyone who has been to Butt's Field will be asking which team is East Bridgford. Go up there and see for yourself and wait for a full explanation in next month's issue.

**BOWLS:** There is a rumour circulating that many E. Bridgford bowlers were spotted at Skegness at the beginning of this month. Were they successful in their competitions? We should like to know.



## ANNUAL VILLAGE AUCTION

Another record result was achieved with a net profit in excess of £1200, some 10% up on last year. Amongst the more interesting articles going under the hammer were cameras, an ancient typewriter, accordion, sewing machine, oak filing cabinet, assorted pictures and a variety of objets d'art as well as household and gardening items, all generously donated by local people. The near 400 lots provided a herculean task for the auctioneer who kept the bidding going at a brisk pace and thereby helped provide an entertaining and in many cases profitable afternoon for those who packed the Hall. If the organising committee have a problem it is one of accommodating the increasing number of people wanting to attend this popular event, without restricting display of worthwhile items for sale.

As on all these occasions appreciation is due to the many workers whose efforts in different ways and different degrees helped produce such a worthwhile profit which will be shared equally between the Village Hall and the Drama Club.

### The Magazine

**Cover:** This well which is behind the Methodist Chapel is said to have been the village well. A footpath led to it from Buttsfield (now the playing field). It is thought to be about 40ft. deep and had excellent drinking water, though very hard from being so near the Gypsum Line.

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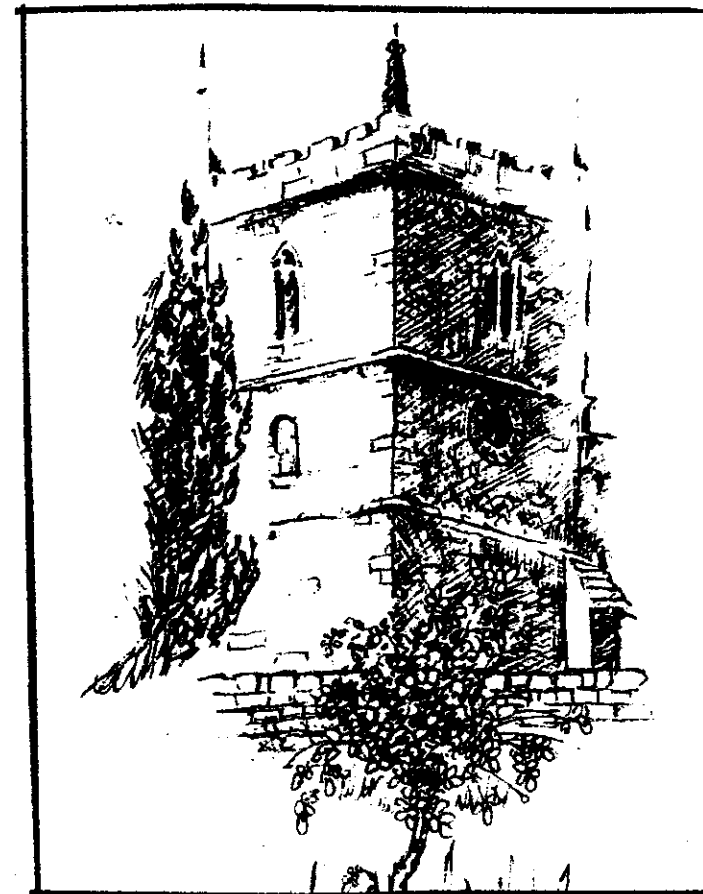
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 Sat 8th Church of Englands Children's Society. Coffee  
 Morning. W.I. Hut 10 - 12 noon.  
 Sun 9th Kneeton Harvest Thanksgiving 6 pm  
 Mon 10th Film - School 'Charlotte's Web' 5 pm  
 Tues 11th W.I. Monthly meeting 7.30 pm  
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 Methodist Chapel 7.15 pm  
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 Fri 21st R.B.L. Annual Dinner. Village Hall 7.30 pm  
 Sat 29th Cricket Club Coffee Morning, 53 Main Street 10 am.

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## Village Magazine

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### THE CHURCH IN ACTION

Ask most people to describe the Church in East Bridgford and they will start talking about the building on Kirk Hill with a tower and windows that don't open and stained-glass windows. And in a way they would be right. But in a much more important way they would be about as wrong as you can get.

The Church is a community of people (perhaps 'team' would be a better word); a group of people who have discovered God and found that the discovery has made a difference in their lives. It has given them a sense of purpose; a new perspective. In learning about God, particularly as he showed himself to us in Jesus Christ, they have found that they understand the world better, and they have a different sort of strength to cope with life.

Loving God which is what Church people try to do (though most of them would readily admit that they are not very good at it) is all about loving other people. And in Jesus, Christians have the supreme example of what love should be like.

Loving God is a difficult idea. But what it really means is trying to get to know God better, so that we can understand better what he wants us to be like. When you admire another person tremendously, you try to find out all you can about him, and you spend all the time you can in his or her presence. That is what worship is. Christians go to Church to get to know God better. They particularly learn about God through Jesus Christ; reading about his life and teaching; exploring the meaning of his death and resurrection; and praying, which is talking and listening to God.

One of the things about being a Christian is that you have a much clearer view of goodness and evil. You not only recognise how much sin and wrong-doing there is in the world, you also become very aware of the tremendous amount of goodness, beauty and splendour that is all around. In so much of this there can be seen the power and majesty of God, the loving self-sacrifice of Jesus, and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. For all this Christians find that they want to give thanks and celebrate. And that, too, is worship.

Caring for people, both in the Church and outside, is a

central part of the Christian life. As God showed his love in Jesus Christ, so Christians are to show that love to others by their eagerness to share their knowledge of God, of his love and of his readiness to forgive.

So it is that the Church is not first and foremost a 13th Century building, but, rather, it consists of groups of men and women and children, who are tackling, in a huge variety of ways, the enormous job of converting the world to believe in love, justice and peace. Often they know that they aren't very good at it. But they keep trying because they know it is the most certain way to save the world from itself and to make all lives worth living.

ALAN HAYDOCK.

### St Peter's Church is Grateful

1. To those who have so willingly offered their time and energy in the church-yard over the past months.
2. To the Members of the Mother's Union who have made possible the purchase of two Acolyte Torches for use at the Eucharist.
3. To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Little, who have donated the central memorial stone in the Garden of Remembrance and to Ken Smith who prepared the base.
4. For the gift of two replica Centenary Candlesticks by a member of the Parochial Church Council.

PARISH COUNCIL SERVICE Sunday, 20th November 6.30 pm.

The Chairman & Members of our Parish Council have accepted an invitation to attend Evensong in St. Peter's Church at 6.30 pm. on Sunday, 20th November. The Mayor and Mayoress of Rushcliffe will be present and the preacher will be Canon Frank Worwood, a Freeman of the Borough.

I hope that everyone from East Bridgford will make a special effort to be present on this occasion to acknowledge the tremendous efforts our councillors undertake on our behalf. Much of the beauty and welfare of the village is in itself a tribute to the work they do. We shall be thanking God for all that is being achieved.

A. H.

### VISITING

The Rector is willing to visit any home at any time: Those who have moved into the village recently; those who wish to arrange baptisms or weddings; those who are ill or in hospital or nursing home; those who are visiting the village; those who feel that his visit is long overdue. Please, please help him by letting him know, if a visit would seem appropriate for these or other reasons. He depends greatly upon such information and encouragement.

### FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism: 2nd October David Thomas BALSON  
Katie Louise COCKAYNE

Holy Matrimony 22nd October Robert Thomas MILLS and  
Jacqueline Helen HAILES

Funerals 29th September Kathleen Una CLARKE  
12th October Edward Alvey CROSSLAND  
12th October Eva SHAW

### JANET MORRIS

## **The Mothers' Union**

A demonstration in the art of arranging flowers with special emphasis on Church decoration was given by Mrs. MacDonald-Smith to an interested and highly entertained group of members at the September meeting. In October we welcome Mr. Hollansby to talk on the work of the Church of England's Children's Society, which many members support actively with collecting boxes, bring & buy sales and this year the growing of sponsored sun-flowers. The success of the latter has yet to be proved! The success of the former will be demonstrated yet again by the presentation to Mr. Hollansby of a cheque for £140 raised at Mrs. Bontoft's recent coffee morning as a result of much work by Mrs. Bontoft and her many friends.



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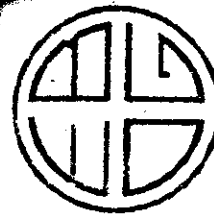


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The East Bridgford Drama Group are producing a drama in November - "A Letter from the General" by Maurice McLoughlin - set in an Eastern Country in the 1950's. As all good dramas should, it contains humour, suspense, violence and pathos and makes a change of direction from the recent comedies and a welcome challenge. The producer is Janet Morris.

Performances are on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9-12th November in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £1.20 including coffee. Pensioners half-price on Wednesday 9th. Tickets from members of the group or the Post Office.

### BRIDGFORD YOUTH CLUB.

The Youth Club are pleased to give notice of their Senior Citizens' Christmas Party, which this year will be in the School Hall on Saturday 17th December. All Senior Citizens are most welcome. Invitations will be sent shortly. The club, at least till the end of the year, continues to meet on Wednesdays.

Regretably it has been found impractical to offer an adequate programme for the Spider Club until the Clubs premises at the Village Hall are expanded, so the Spider Club will remain closed for the time being.

### EAST BRIDGFORD GUIDES

Congratulations to Nicola Foss and Julie Grant on gaining their Queen's Guide Badge. They were presented with their certificates and badges by District Commissioner Mrs Jean Brown at a meeting Wed. 12th October. Those present included their family and friends, the testers of the various badges gained and Brownies from the local pack. Refreshments followed and camp fire songs.



Young, as well as old, people can be crippled by arthritis and rheumatism. W.I. members were told at their October meeting by Mr. R. Farnsworth from the Arthritis & Rheumatism Council when, with the aid of a film he was telling them of the work of the Council, which is dependant on voluntary contributions. He was thanked by Mrs. Janet Morris. Next month's guest will be Mr. C. Bartholomew with slides of the Swiss & Italian Alps. There will also be a competition of members own paintings and photographs featuring mountains.



# BIRDS

DAVID JACKSON

"Why won't Blue Tits nest in my nest-box?" is a question I am often asked. The simple answer is because they choose not to, but the reasons are more complex. To help you make your nest-box more attractive to the birds there are a few basic rules:-

Size Internal measurement should be no less than 4" x 4" x 6" deep. The hole must be as high as possible to stop predators stealing the eggs or young.

Position Shaded from midday and afternoon sun to keep the birds cool. It is not unusual for Blue Tits to rear a dozen young and as they get bigger and start to grow feathers they will soon become overheated.

Rain is another problem; do not have the hole facing west or the young birds may get wet and die. A few small holes in the bottom of the box are essential. If you can place the box to face from north through south-east it should avoid the worst of the rain and sun.

Predators These are other birds, cats, squirrels, and rats etc. Don't make it easy for them to get to the box. If there is a little peg on the front of the box, cut it off it is not needed by Blue and Great Tits. Make sure that pussy can't spring up at the Parent Birds as they fly to the box or sit on top of it!

Having given this brief list I have to say that I know at least one box that breaks all of these rules and more besides and yet is occupied every year. A great many birds besides the Tits will use nest-boxes and I will be glad to help anyone who would like to try attracting other species to their gardens.

Now a sad note. Two months ago I recommended the Pond by Gunthorpe Bridge as a pleasant place to spend an hour or two. Since then a local Angling Society has moved in, digging up banking, tearing up trees and breaking down branches. That together with the litter that they leave behind after each visit has turned the place into a slum. The birds are still there but now the risk of being snared by discarded line is a constant threat. It is a pity that one group of people can cause such chaos.

A Christmas Cookery Evening Class will start in the W.I. Hut on Monday 31st October at 7 p.m. (6 weeks) There is no need to be an expert cook - come and enjoy making different types of Christmas Cakes ..... and gifts to please the family and friends. Details from Margaret Foss at E.B. 20535.

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## The STORIES BEHIND BRIDGFORD'S LANES

MOSS CLOSE

ALAN ROFFEY

Moss Close might well be considered a young upstart in this series of articles. Twenty years ago it did not exist. Built in the mid-sixties on land behind the bungalows fronting College St. the Close's twenty houses formed simply another part of East Bridgford's post war development.

However, although the design and layout of the houses will never, I suspect, come to be regarded as an architectural gem of the 20th century, they are, I believe of interest as a typical example of the speculative housing of the sixties. They have most of the characteristic features. Note for example the picture windows, used regardless of aspect or prospect or practicability; the low pitched roof; and the open front garden, a long surviving reaction against the hedges garden of the thirties, providing an area of private space devoid of privacy. The double garage and the second bathroom, obligatory in the "executive" house of the seventies were not yet in vogue. Typical of the time too, as it was of previous decades, was the complete disregard for the character of the older village. Houses were not seen as part of the wider environment: the era of conservation and sympathetic design was still a few years off.

For all that Moss Close is pleasant enough. The sales promotions of the purveyors of replacement windows have thankfully made no impact on the fronts of the houses, and although many of the houses have been extended to meet the changing needs of families their original appearance remains essentially unchanged. With the pretty little ornamental trees of early years now grown to maturity and the carpet of lawn mellowed by years of hoovering it has become an established part of the village scene. So in spite of its youth perhaps it is not altogether unreasonable to include Moss Close among the historic lanes of the village. When historians of a hundred years hence look at East Bridgford this cul-de-sac of old houses will be just as historic in their eyes as what we now regard as the old village.

That reminds me. "A short piece on Moss Close" the editor said. So a little research on the origin of the name. I am afraid I was unsuccessful. Does any reader know who Mr. Moss was?

## THE BEAUMONTS of East Bridgford

by RICHARD  
BEAUMONT

George Beaumont's second son, George II inherited the Bridgford property and carried on the Land Agency practice. He married in 1861, Emma, daughter of the Revd. Heycock of Pytchley, and rented the Old Hall until his father moved to Bournemouth. He had many outside interests besides his Land Agency, including farming at Toll Bar Farm, Car Colston. He was one of the original members of the County Council and continued on it until his death in 1899. He had an extensive knowledge of trees and shrubs and an understanding of birds, many of whom seemed to recognise him as a friend in his garden at Bridgford Hill. Unlike some of his descendants he seems to have had infinite patience.

### "Fevers" in East Bridgford.

But there was also a streak of obstinacy which must have showed itself in the 1860's when he became concerned about the increase in "fevers" in the village and in the Trent Valley generally which he attributed to the discharge into the Trent by the Nottingham Corporation of increasing volumes of untreated sewage. He sought help from the Bingham Guardians, the only local authority there was at that time, in fighting this nuisance. Goaded into anger by this inept body he went direct to the Home Secretary as the Government was becoming concerned about sanitary matters. But the Home Office staved him off with feeble excuses so he finally forced his way into a meeting of the Royal Commission on Public Health set up in 1869, where he made such a nuisance of himself that he was reluctantly allowed to give evidence as a private individual. His evidence was listened to with great attention and is referred to in their report. The Royal Commission's labours resulted in the Public Health Act 1875 which was the foundation on which modern health legislation was built.

### Toll Bridge to Gunthorpe.

George was largely responsible for the formation, in 1869, of the Gunthorpe Bridge Company of which he was the Secretary. His carriage, with wife and children on board had been swept downstream in a Trent flood when the chain on the ferry broke as they were going to catch a train. Happily no one was the worse for the adventure. He, with other local proprietors put down the capital to buy out the ferry and build the Toll

Bridge completed in 1875. It was a public spirited rather than a profitable enterprise and there were anxious moments when shortly after the bridge was built the Trent froze, and, when the thaw came blocks of ice threatened to wreck the bridge. Profits were elusive until with increasing motor traffic the enterprise showed signs of paying off. Even so the proprietors were very relieved when they were taken over by the County Council, after some sticky negotiations, in 1927 for £9,500.

### "The Hollies"

I have no papers of my Grandfather's and I know less of him than I do of his pre-decessors. He died in 1899 from a heart attack after going up the steps from the platform at Nottingham Station. His widow, Emma, was a little woman who looked and dressed like Queen Victoria. She lived on in Bridgford Hill ministered to by two daughters until her death in 1907. After this, the house with all its contents was sold in 1908. Members of the family who wanted any furniture had to bid for it at the sale and, as they either lacked the money or a house, many family treasures were scattered.

There were five sons and three daughters. The eldest son unfortunately made a disastrous marriage which resulted in calamity for himself and many years of worry and expense to the second brother. The third brother, my Uncle Rupert, will be remembered by some of the older inhabitants, as he eventually settled in "The Hollies" opposite the church and his three children are still living. The two other brothers died many years ago and have left no descendants. My cousin George, Uncle Rupert's son, suffered the loss of most of his possessions during the war. My younger brother, another Thomas, happily has two sons but apart from them I am the only remaining male Beaumont descended from the last owner of that name of Bridgford Hill.

An Enormous Pumpkin, watched over by Mrs. Pattie Clark, dominated the scene at the Horticultural Society's Harvest Supper in the Village Hall on Saturday 1st Oct. Chairman Graham Lomax welcomed the 80 members present and introduced the new President, Mr. Allen Bragg and his wife, from Mill Farm Newton. The President's message was that members should start planning their 1984 exhibits now.

An excellent supper, prepared and served by the Ladies Committee was then very much enjoyed. Eric Blagg's enthusiastic auctioning of the produce on display and the picture of College St. painted and presented by Mr. A. Adcock raised £69.50 for the Society's funds. The raffle added £55. Mrs. Ann Widdison, one time of Occupation Lane, successfully estimated the girth of the Enormous Pumpkin thereby winning both the 70½ lb. vegetable and a bottle of wine. The pumpkin she gave back to Eric Blagg to auction.

The tables were cleared and dancing started. A highly enjoyable Harvest Supper. The Enormous Pumpkin was given to St. Peter's Church where is introduced the harvest theme from the church porch at the Thanksgiving on Sunday 2nd October.

Kneeton has had a quiet month enlivened only by the Harvest Thanksgiving at Church on Sunday 9th Oct. when Canon David Keene, formerly Rector of Bingham gave a sermon, in a refreshingly chatty style. He reminded us that although the earth and the seas have been provided the harvest we reap depends largely on our own efforts.

Personally I was amused by his story relating to pigs bladders for when I was a boy and a pig was killed in the village we always went for the bladder, dried it, and blew it up with the aid of an old clay pipe thus making a light weight football.

As usual the church was alive with colour and evidence of harvest with masses of flowers beautifully arranged by ladies from our parish and from East Bridgford. Our church when dressed like this is a really beautiful place. The produce was taken to a very grateful Red Cross Home at Newark.

Haydn's "CREATION" will be performed in St. Mary's Radcliffe-on-Trent at 7.30 pm. on Saturday 19th November, by the Bingham & District Choral Society. Details from Mrs Dorothy Francis, 12 Moss Close.E.B.20400.

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## NED CROSSLAND

An 83 year old lifetime spent entirely in the village has come to an end with the death of **Ned Crossland**. He was senior member of one of the best known families in East Bridgford.

Ned was born in Browns Lane in a house long since demolished, son of a farm worker who was employed at the then farm on College Street where David Atkins now lives. Ned was one of a family of 10 children. He attended the village school at the same time as Frank Chapman, Bill Ellis, Ted Green, Doris and Les Hand, Jack Kemp, Vic Manchester and Fred Widdison. He left school at the age of 12 and started work as a gardener. He moved with his parents to Straws Lane (the present home of Tim Pickup).

For about 20 years Ned was employed with Frank Chapman as gardener at the Hill (then the home of Mr Clay). He married Sarah Thornton (known to everyone as Sal) and moved to Providence Terrace on Main Street to the house now occupied by Doris and Les Hand. The next move was to Curnows Farm (now Springdale Farm) and then to Cross Lane where Alan Betts now lives. In the early 1950s Ned and Sal, along with sons Fred and Geoff, moved to Sandfield House the farm house on Closes Side Lane where Ned lived until being admitted into hospital in June. Ned's long term association as a professional gardener has been with successive owners of The Homestead (now named Fossecourt) on Cherryholt Lane.

Ned and his wife reared a family of 9 children, most of whom still live in East Bridgford. Sal died 4 years ago. Ned was a very keen member of the Horticultural Society. He first exhibited in 1923 when it was held in Pickford's field on Main Street, and he was made a Life Member of the Society for his long, active and loyal service in 1975.

For a continuous period of 23 years from 1960 to 1982 he won for his employers (Mr Ashton-Hill and more recently Mr Jacobson) the Dr. L. Owen Taylor Challenge Cup awarded for most points gained for exhibits in the Open Section. In his earlier years Ned was a regular exhibitor at a number of neighbouring Horticultural Shows including Burton-Joyce, Gunthorpe, Loxham, Newark Police, Radcliffe British Legion and Saxondale Hospital.

Ned was an unassuming character with a dry sense of humour. He called a spade a spade and knew how to use one. He was a keen and tireless worker who gained great respect from all his gardening colleagues and employers. He had a special nickname for all his family and close friends and he will be sadly missed by them and by the countless people who knew him.

G.E.L.

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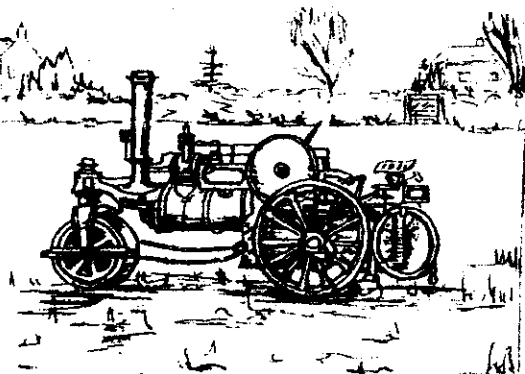
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"Canon Anthony Otter, then Vicar of Lowdham, now a Bishop"  
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### " A STEAM ROLLER AT LOWDHAM"

As readers of this magazine know one of the people who help to keep alive the Bishop's memory of steam power is Mr. Jim Proctor of College St., with his love of steam engines in general and steam rollers in particular. Jim has recently hit the headlines and the sound waves from Radio Nottingham because at a large Transport Pageant at Donington Park, Derbyshire on Sat. and Sun. 24th & 25th Sept. he was asked to take charge of a roller that he had actually used 50 years previously.



He was presented to Prince Michael of Kent and seized the opportunity of inviting the Prince to mount the roller where he explained the workings to H.R.H. This was certainly a high spot in Jim's life with steam and steam engines.

Incidentally Bishop Otter returned to Lowdham on Thurs. 6th Oct. to Consecrate a vessel (called a ciborium) specially made by Silversmith Doxford of Farndon, to be used in the Communion Service. This was presented by Mrs. Marjorie Brooks in memory of her husband, the late Dr. Roger Brooks, brother of East Bridgford's Dr. Geoffrey Brooks.

### TWO NEARBY WALKS

Thursday 10 November 1.30pm  
Scenery of the Trent Valley,  
Radcliffe on Trent

An easy afternoon amble with Ian Sutton and Judy Rigby of the East Midlands Geological Society, along the Trent Valley at Radcliffe. Discover the local geology through river features and rock outcrops. Distance - 2 miles. Duration - approx. 2 hours. Meet outside the parish church, Radcliffe on Trent (Grid ref. SK645392). Strong footwear essential for possible muddy conditions.

Tuesday 15 November 10.00am

Dover Beck and its Water Mills, Lowdham  
A walk with Mrs Kendon of the Footpaths Preservation Society, from Lowdham Village along the Dover Beck, one-time boundary of Sherwood Forest. The walk takes in several ancient mills including the 'notorious' Cliff Mill at Gonalston. Distance - 6 miles. Duration - approx. 3½ hours. Meet at Lowdham Village Hall car park. There will be a stop at a pub for lunch but you may wish to bring a picnic.

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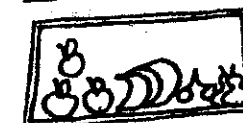
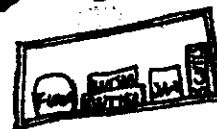
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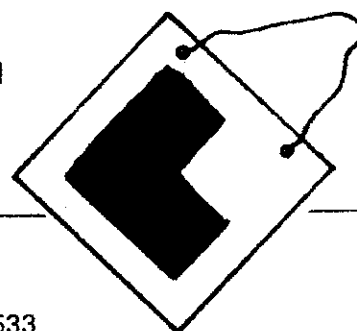
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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Best Kept Village. The formal presentation of the award will be made by Mrs. Sylvia Bell from Oxtou on behalf of the Community Council at 10 am. on Wednesday 14th December. A commemorative tree will be planted.

Car Park. For the past few months a caravan, a car and a horse box have been parked on a long stay basis. Arrangements are being made for them to be removed. The car park is for short term use by residents and visitors.

Youth Club. The Council has made a grant of £250 and offered a £250 loan to enable the Club to improve their facilities at the Village Hall.

Planning Applications- Parish Council Recommendations.

E. Hunt & Son. 22 Kneeton Rd. Demolish outbuildings to make wide access. The Council, on a vote, did not object but made the following observations:-

1. A wall to be built on the right-hand side of the property entrance which will be a minimum of 6 ft. high and provide a minimum 4 ft. wide public footpath access and serve as a barrier to noise and dirt.
2. The entrance requires a concrete apron from Kneeton Rd. pavement to the level part of the yard.
3. Suitable screening to be carried out to hide the coal bunkers from the road.
4. Some landscaping would be desirable.

Land to East of College St. Residential development of not more than 2 detached houses (outline). The Council did not object but made the following observations

1. All services to be placed underground.
2. The front building line should not be nearer to the road than the bungalow adjacent to the plot of the south side.

Land to West of College St. Residential development of not more than 2 detached houses (outline). The Council objected as it was felt that this land would be better preserved as a green field bordering on to one of the major roads and open spaces in the Conservation Area.

D. Glaves, Corner Cottage, Main St. Demolition of existing garage and erection of 2 storey side extension. The Council, on a vote, supported the application.

Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions.  
J. Hill, Spinney Corner, Cherryholt Lane. Permission refused for erection of a 3 bedroom bungalow and double garage.

Permission has been granted for the following:-

W.F. Whysall, 25 Brickyard Lane. Erect double garage and loggia.

Hills & Little, Mill Heyes. Reduction of height and diameter of trees and cutting back of hawthorn hedges on boundary.

Next meeting. Mon. 7th Nov. 7.30 pm. 95 Main Street.

## SPORTS NEWS by IAN LODDER

**Bowls:** The finals of the Hillgrove Shield (Pairs) Competition was played on a dark and dank Saturday afternoon in October. The contestants were, on one side Ken Smith and Bill Widdison, on the other side Fred Iucker and Tony Benson. Well though they all bowled Ken and Bill soon took the lead to finish 20 points to 12 after 21 ends.

On the Lodder Cup (Singles) Competition Arthur Thornton was the victor and in the Naomi Ward Trophy for triples the combination of Bill Widdison, Don Bly and Albert Clamp was successful.

To complete a hat trick of successes Bill Widdison also won the Thornton Cup for Senior Citizens, defeating Rose, Bly in the finals. The Club as a whole enjoyed its most successful season both in the Notts and Country Leagues. Its thanks to all players and supporters. Members should note the Awards Supper Dance on 19th November and the A.G.M. on Thurs. 8th Dec. 8 p.m. at the Sports and Social Club.

### An Unusual Achievement

East Bridgford Royal British Legion set out at the start of this season to defend the Skegby Cup for Darts, Crib and Dominoes. Two teams were entered and so well have they played that both will appear in the finals, against each other. This at the Reindeer on 23rd Nov. at 8 p.m.

### Football

In an effort to preserve village football the East Bridgford Football Club has taken the unusual step of inviting another club to join them, still to be known as East Bridgford Football Club, to play their home games on Butts Field and to represent the village. In the eyes of the Club Committee such a step was necessary to preserve the club for the future. All through last season the club struggled to honour its league commitments because of a shortage of players. If the club was to survive a radical step was needed to ensure its future.



R.B.L. members are asked to meet outside St. Peter's Church at 10.50 a.m. on Remembrance Sunday 13th November. 8 serving men from R.A.F. Newton will join them to March to the War Memorial for the two minutes silence followed by church service. Poppies will be sold house to house from 31st October to 12th November.

ON TUESDAY 15th NOVEMBER at 8.00 pm. in the Village Hall Committee Room, the Men's Society' speaker will be Peter Hutchinson who teaches at Kirkby in Ashfield, runs a sports shop in Bingham and competes in marathons in his spare time! His subject - 'How my Hobby Became my Job'

The house to house collection in aid of the NATIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME raised £103.66. Rene Coulson thanks all who helped with the distribution and collection of envelopes and all those who gave so generously.

Hilary Curtis thanks everyone who kindly helped with the R.A.F. Battle of Britain collection and all who gave so generously, raising £123.27 from East Bridgford.

Joan Gibson thanks everyone who supported the Cancer Relief Flower Demonstration on Monday afternoon 17th Oct. which raised £190.

Wilf Clarke of Crossways Drive thanks his neighbours, friends, The Rector, the Womens Institute and the members of the Methodist Church for their kindness to Una during her illness and to him and his family since. They have received many messages of sympathy and send thanks for them and for the magnificent floral tributes which people sent to the funeral. They say that when they came to live in East Bridgford they were told it was a caring and friendly village and that no truer words were ever spoken.

### About the Magazine

This month's cover is a view of St. Peter's by Jill Dodsworth of the Old Rectory.

A number of interesting articles had to be held over by lack of space including the football results, items on the Old Toll Bridge and more on Occupation Lane. - The Editors would be delighted if any reader suggests additional items for the Village Directory that will be included in the December magazine, for which copy is required by noon Thursday 17th November.

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9.00 am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address. Rite A  
First Sunday: Family Eucharist. Rite A Coffee After  
10.30 am Sunday School except first Sunday.  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon.  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
Prayer) after Evensong.

**SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. HELEN'S KNEETON**

- 8.00 am First Sunday. Holy Communion. Book of Common Prayer  
6.00 pm Second and Fourth Sundays. Evensong.

**SUNDAY SERVICES AT METHODIST CHAPEL**

- 10.30 am Family Worship except last Sunday.  
9.30 am Last Sunday. Sacrament of Holy Communion.  
6.00 pm Second and Fourth Sunday. Service.  
10.30 am Every Sunday. Sunday School.  
6.00 pm Sunday 6th November. Songs of Praise.

## November Diary

- Tue 1st W.I. Committee Meeting. 7.30 pm  
Wed 2nd V.H. Management Committee. 8.00 pm.  
Sat 5th Methodist Coffee Morning. 10.11.30 am.  
Whist Drive W.I. Hut. 7.30 pm & every Saturday.  
Tue 8th W.I. Monthly Meeting 7.30 pm.  
Wed 9th Drama Production V.H. Nightly till Sat. See Page 7  
Sat 12th Conservative Supper. Old Manor. 7.30 for 8 pm.  
Sun 13th Remembrance Sunday. R.B.L. Parade 10.50am. (Page 22)  
Mon 14th R.B.L. A.G.M. V.H. Committee Room 8 pm.  
School Governors 7.30 p.m.  
Tue 15th East Bridgford Men's Society V.H. Committee 8 pm.  
Fri 18th Cheese & Wine. School. 8-11.30 pm.  
Sat 19th Playgroup Autumn Bazaar. W.I. Hut. 10.am.-Noon.  
Bowls Club Supper & Awards Dance V.H. 8pm.  
Wed 23rd R.B.L. Skegby Cup Final. Reindeer 8 pm. Page 22.  
Mon 28th Film School "Escape to Victory" 5 pm.

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## East Bridgford & Kneeton

### Village Magazine



St PETER'S

St HELEN'S

Christmas

December 1983

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## Greetings



The December East Bridgford and Kneeton Village Magazine, enlarged to 40 pages, comes to every family in both villages and in Newton, with Christmas Greetings from the Rector, the Revd. Alan Haydock; the Churchwardens; the Editors; and the Distributors. We are grateful to the Advertisers for making this possible.



In 1984, as in 1983, a 24 page magazine will be published monthly. It really is essential reading for anybody who likes to know what is happening in the village in which they live. Early in January the Distributors will try to visit every dwelling to collect orders and a year's subscription, unchanged at £1.30. Individual copies will be 15p., making the yearly rate excellent value.



### Picea abies, anyone? ROBIN POLLARD

Why do we continue this strange practice of growing Norway Spruce for 5, 6 or 7 years only to be cut and brought indoors at Christmas like a garden flower?

Trees and other forms of decorative evergreen foliage have been used as Christmas decorations for centuries. One legend attributes the practice to Martin Luther, although others connect the tradition with St. Boniface in the eighth century. Certainly the practice was well established in Germany in the 18th century.

Christmas trees reached America before England, carried there by German settlers and by the Hessian soldiers in George III's army, who are said to have used them in their camps during the American War of Independence. The first English occurrence precisely recorded was one arranged by a German member of Queen Caroline's household for a children's party in 1821.

Queen Victoria and Prince Albert had a lighted tree, the first of many, at Windsor Castle. This royal patronage indubitably helped to make Christmas trees fashionable and by the late 1860s they were familiar sights in most parts of the country.

Let's keep using the real thing - no substitutes please !

## Jesus our Emmanuel

If you go to Israel today, you would find in Bethlehem an array of small basement rooms, each with a little niche in the wall, all purporting to be Jesus' birthplace. Completely enclosed and quite 'churchified' they give no suggestion of rustic animal husbandry ever having taken place there. Yet some people give the place so much honour as to almost worship it.

The actual place of Jesus' birth, wherever it might have been, is of no real importance, except as it reminds us that Christ's incarnation did happen in a place, not in men's imaginations.

We perhaps can say smugly that we do not worship a place, but one wonders what we do give honour to in our gift-ridden Christmasses. Our heads are so tied up with gifts, when Christmas comes round, that we do well to ask why the first presents were given. The Magi arrived in Bethlehem with their gifts seeking no ordinary king. So convinced were they of his specialness, that Jesus' humble surroundings did not dissuade them. The gifts they presented were to honour Jesus; to recognise his greatness.



And how much more we know than they! We know that baby was actually God and man 'Jesus, our Emmanuel'.

Christmas Day in our families can sometimes seem very split. We go to Mid-Night Mass or Morning Service to do the Christian bit; then home we go to enjoy our presents and feasts.



Might the challenge this Christmas be to focus more on the awe and wonder of the mysteries of God, namely EMMANUEL (God with us) throughout this season. Perhaps there is an even greater challenge to those with families to turn our children's focus onto the most glorious present of all - the wonder of God becoming Man.

Joyce & Sally join me in wishing you a most happy and holy Christmas, and many blessings in 1984.

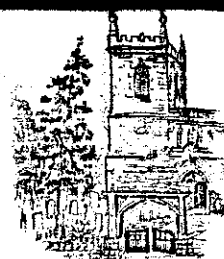
Alan Haydock.



# Christmas Services

DECEMBER 1983

St HELEN'S KNEETON



Sunday 18th 6.00 pm Carol Service  
Christmas Day 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

## St PETER'S EAST BRIDGFORD

Sunday 11th 6.30 pm TRADITIONAL SERVICE  
of 9 lessons & carols  
(No service at St. Helen's)  
Christmas Eve 4.00 pm Christingle  
11.30 pm MIDNIGHT MASS  
Christmas Day 9.00 am Holy Communion (ASB)  
with carols  
11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

(There will be no evening service in either church on  
Christmas Day)

## METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: The Revd. Graham Coleman, 9 The Banks, Bingham.

Sunday 4th 10.30am Mothers & Toddlers Toy Service  
(Revd. G.O. Coleman)  
Sunday 11th 10.30am Mrs. Stella Windfield  
6.30pm Service at St. Peter's  
Sunday 18th 10.30am Revd. G.O. Coleman  
6.30pm UNITED CAROL SERVICE  
Christmas Day 9.30am Sacrament of Holy Communion  
(Revd. G.O. Coleman)

The Sunday Club Christmas Service will be at 10.30am on  
18th December. The children will be singing carols and  
performing Christmas pieces. They hoped that parents and  
friends will join them. Coffee and mince-pies will be  
served afterwards.

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## PREPARATION for CONFIRMATION

In the middle of January, Confirmation Study Groups for adults and young people will be starting. In East Bridgford a number of adults and children have indicated they would be interested in taking part, with a view to being confirmed by the Bishop on 31st. May. Others who would like to join the groups should have a word with the Rector without too much delay.

A.H.

## St Peter's Church is Grateful

1. To Mr. Albert Lodder for installing the flood-lights in the Churchyard each Christmas and for Remembrance.
2. To those who have provided flowers during the year (and to Mrs. Irene Macdonald-Smith for her time in arranging them)

## FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism: (at Kneeton)  
6th Nov.

Anita Avril Alison BAKER  
Sarah Jane Ann BAKER  
Michael David Andrew BAKER

20th Nov.

Andrew John ELLIS

Holy Matrimony: 22nd Oct.

Robert MILLS and  
Jacqueline HAILES

Funerals: 4th Nov.  
18th Nov.

Alice May COIMAN (Kneeton)  
Frederick Jacob WEBB



A band of Ringers from Southwell will be ringing a peal at St. Peter's from about 10am-1pm on Saturday 10th December.

There will be a group of Carol Singers going round the village on Wednesday 21st. December. If anyone would like to join them, meet at the Christmas Tree in the Car Park at 7pm.

THE PLAYGROUP invites friends and neighbours to a SHERRY & MINCE PIE MORNING at 10.30-12 noon in the W.I. HUT on Wednesday 21st December.

Admission FREE. Proceeds to the N.S.P.C.C.

## Royal British Legion

DINNER 1983

The scene in the Village Hall on Friday 21st October, was set by the Standards of the Legion and the Women's Section proudly framing the Skegby Cup won by the East Bridgford and District Branch; and by the display of poppies on the tables. As always the Women's Section prepared and served an excellent meal for the 1983 Dinner under the chairmanship of the President Dr. Geoffrey Brooks. Vice-Chairman Fred Henson, deputising for chairman Doug Smith who was abroad, proposed a toast to the Legion referring to the work done by the Legion nationally . . . in 1982 over 6.3 million pounds was raised by the Poppy Appeal.

Group Captain Holding R.A.F., commanding officer, R.A.F. Newton replied. He emphasised his station's willingness to help worthwhile activities in East Bridgford if they were asked and to the need to attract new members to the Legion. Squadron Leader Jim Hughes interspersed the light relief.

Bugle Warrant Officer W.O. Wheeldon and Sgt. P. Roebuck of the Robin Hoods presented the Branch with a framed photograph of the parade at the War Memorial on this year's Feast Sunday to commemorate their 25 years of sounding Last Post and Reveille at Feast Sunday Parades. Subscription Secretary Eric Blagg reported that 21 new members had joined since the 1982 supper and that all 166 members had paid their subscriptions.

Various awards of Appreciation were made to 20 recipients with many years of poppyselling, 304 years in all. A raffle raised £68.56 for Branch Funds. As always the evening was the best ever, and conviviality continued long after the formal proceedings had ended.

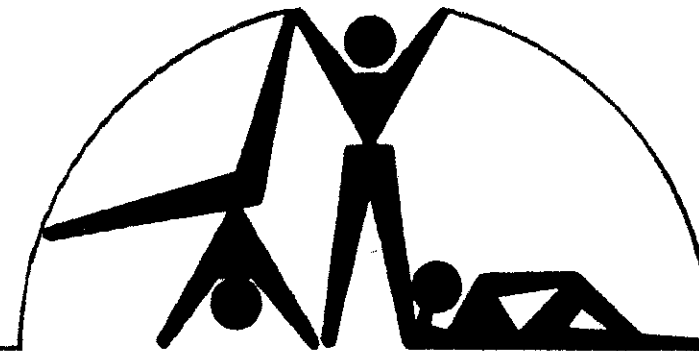
### REMEMBRANCE PARADE

The sun shone on Legion members, Scouts, Guides, Brownies, Cubs, St Peter's choir and spectators at this year's Remembrance Parade. Wreaths were laid by Mr. Fred Henson for the Legion, Councillor Edna Tutin for Rushcliffe Borough, Councillor Graham Lomax for the Parish Council, Squadron leader Callaghan for R.A.F. Newton and by a Guide and a Brownie and a Scout and a Cub.

The Legion Standard, leading the procession of standards into a tightly packed St Peter's Church, was celebrating it's 50th birthday.

### POPPY APPEAL - £1000 Barrier Broken

The thousand pound "barrier" was well and truly breached, to the great delight of Poppy Day Organiser Mr. Fred Henson and his team, in the 1983 collection. Last year £955. This year £1,234.



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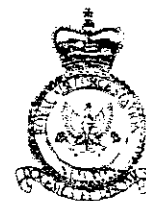
## GREETINGS

from COUNCILLOR Mrs. E. TUTIN



Life gets a bit hectic at times and many of us would welcome opportunities for respite. My respite would be to get to know ALL the residents in the village and in sending you my greetings for a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year. I wish to remind you that I am your representative on the Rushcliffe Borough and welcome any requests for help.

from GROUP CAPTAIN S. HOLDING R.A.F

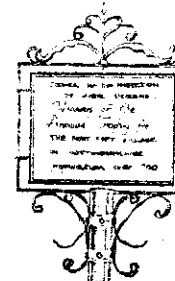


I am delighted to contribute to your magazine. Including our service men and women, their families and civilian employees our population at R.A.F. Newton totals some 2,000 people. We use your school, church, shops, and pubs, (not necessarily in that order!) and we meet kindness and courtesy wherever we go.

In return we try to play our part in this community and in addition to our substantial contributions to national charities we have also been able, over the last year, to distribute £3,000 to local causes.

This is my opportunity to say thank you for your friendship and to promise you our continued support. From all of us at R.A.F. Newton we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

from COUNCILLOR Dr. G. LOMAX



a whole?

Whether we like it or not, we live in a world of change. As individuals we cannot stand still, and neither can our village community. Your Parish Councillors operate in a dynamic environment, where ideas for change (not least planning applications) are regularly discussed. We need to assess in a balanced way whether these ideas represent a threat or an opportunity - would they be changes for the better when considering the village community as

We should encourage those changes which are likely to result in an improvement in the quality of life in the village, particularly in the longer term but resist those which are not. The task of the Parish Council is to try to walk the tightrope of change with care, consistency and considered judgements.

The Village Magazine regularly reminds us of our past. Whether the village is changing for the better, year by year, is a value judgement which each individual resident can make.

Compliments of the season to you all.

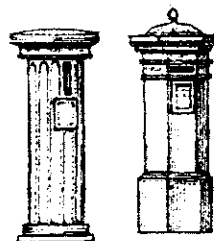
## POST HASTE

Christmas Cards, an important part of the British Christmas scene, were introduced when the founder of London's Victoria and Albert Museum, Sir Henry Cole, posted the first card in 1843. Roland Mill had introduced the penny post with envelopes and sticky stamps in 1840.

One result is a fivefold increase in the quantity of mail, parcels, letters and cards coming into East Bridgford in the weeks before Christmas. This is an additional challenge to the three ladies, Margaret Hobbs, Barbara Crossland and May Marczak who throughout the year, come snow, come heat wave, deliver mail to the 630 odd houses in the village and its surrounding farms.

On a normal day they start sorting in the room behind the P.O. counter at 6.15 am but at Christmas to deal with all this extra mail they start at 6 am. The trio sorts and sorts. The two regular reserves plus a "temp" all complete

with arm bands deliver the letters on foot. This can last till noon. Then the regular trio sally forth with their bikes festooned with parcels for delivery and if snowy, with skid chains on their shoes.



From 1947 until 1965 Mrs. Win Curtis of Straws Lane was a "post lady". In 1847 two "posties" could cover the deliveries. For a while Mr. Millington of Millgate worked with Mrs. Curtis. There was the same early starting, the same rounds, but fewer houses although afternoons meant cycling to Kneeton and Red Lodge. Mrs. Curtis' mother Mrs. Hopkinson was also a "post lady" for about eight years when the Post Office was at the corner of Kneeton Rd. and Main Street and was run by Miss Dexter and Mrs. Moore.

Between them the present three ladies have already given over thirty years postal service to the village and thanks to their intimate knowledge of their village even wrongly addressed post usually gets rightly delivered. Thank you ladies ... and may some of that mail be addressed to you. Also may Post Master Ian Lodder enjoy his first Christmas organising the post in his native village.



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but time enough to mark the faith ongoing  
and undeterred by Thor, Odin and the rest  
(or had the Danes some other god - it matters not)

A breathing space, the breath of God,  
a time for Norman to turn the sod and  
build upon those Saxon stones,  
to point the way for later man  
to add his mark and style

While untold numbers found sustenance  
beneath its roof  
yet time to spare, to send its priest  
circuitously to encircle  
Bess' head with crown

Yet other warriors passed it by  
set not against a foreign hand,  
but rather brother vied with brother  
for God's blessing on his ways,  
- and a son progressed  
to hack off Charles' head.

Memories abound  
a slated one in learned tongue  
to properly proclaim  
the founding of a School  
in Mansfield  
by Samuel Brunt

St. Peter now,  
but Baptist, and Mary  
in former days,  
and Magdalene too has an educational  
hand in patronage

Yet still it stands on eminence of Trent  
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Gordon Stobbs  
1983



## CHRISTMAS at SCHOOL THE HEADMASTER

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On Wednesday 14th December Santa's kitchen will be the location for the infants' Christmas party where Santa will actually come down the chimney-soot, presents and all!

On Thursday 15th clowns and fancy dress will be the order of the day for the junior Christmas party where custard pies and streamers will fly!

Our Christmas festivities will end on Tuesday 20th after a hearty Christmas dinner, when the children will enjoy the Walt Disney film 'Bedknobs and Broomsticks'

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### MUSIC, ART and DRAMA

<u>Art Group</u>	Thur.10am-12.30pm Tue. 7pm-9pm Village Hall St.Peter's School	
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<u>Bridge Singers</u>	A mixed vocal ensemble, Mr.A.James, 14 Kneeton Rd.	20512
<u>Drama Group</u>	New Members welcome, Mrs.J.Preston "Tacet" Kneeton Rd.	20554

VILLAGE DIARY : Organisers of events in East Bridgford are  
entreated to use the diary kept in the Post Office in  
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makes sure of a listing on the back page of the Village  
Magazine.

# YOUTH GROUPS

<u>Brownies</u>	2nd.E.B.Pack,W.I.Hut, Tuesdays 5.30 to 7 p.m.: 2nd.Tuesday 5.15-6.45. Mrs.H.Pollard, 10 Magdalen Drive	20620
<u>Cub Scouts</u>	Shelford Village Hall Tue 7-8.30pm. Mrs.B.Connolly, 14 Thomas Avenue, Radcliffe-on-Trent	06073-3405
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<u>Play Group</u>	Ages 3-5 W.I.Hut Mon, Wed, Fri. 9.15-11.45 a.m. Mrs.C.Golightly, 3 Haycroft Way	20528
<u>Scouts</u>	1st.Shelford and East Bridgford. Shelford Village Hall.Fri.7-9pm Mr.B.Whitaker, 10 Croft Rise	20622
<u>Venture Scouts</u>	Shelford Village Hall, Fri.7.30pm Mr.G.Nicholls 23 Cherry Tree Close, Radcliffe-on-Trent	06073-3243
<u>Youth Club</u>	Youth Club Room, behind Village Hall, Wed.7.30-10.00pm	
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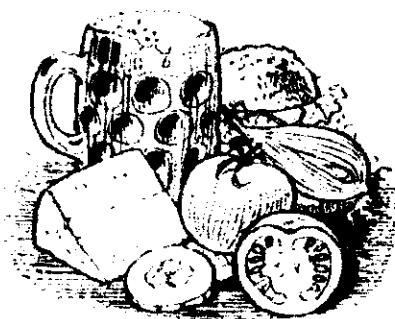
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## PEACE ON EARTH

David Atkins,  
Methodist Church Steward

Printers' deadlines mean that I am writing this on Remembrance Sunday. We prayed that the future would be peaceful. Some pledged themselves to work for that end, and it's not inappropriate to begin Christmas like that.

The sadness and solemnity of Remembrance Day help us to realise the horrors of war that deform and destroy people's minds and souls as well as their bodies. It should remind us all to work harder for peace.

Wasn't that what the angels promised us?

'Glory to God in highest heaven,  
And on earth peace for men on whom his favour  
rests'.

The prospect seems as far removed from this year's Christmas as it did then but the Peace of the World begins with the Peace of God in all our hearts. The mystery and majesty of God becomes more tangible at Christmas time and we see how far He is prepared to go for love of you and me.

The members of the Methodist Church in East Bridgford join in wishing you all a happy Christmas and the  
PEACE OF GOD for the New Year.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Presentation There will be a short ceremony in the Car Park on Wednesday 14th December at 10 am when Mrs. Sylvia Bell of Oxtou, on behalf of the Community Council for Notts. will formally present to the village the award for winning the 1983 Best Kept Village competition.

Planning Applications. Parish Council Recommendations

Mrs. Baldwin, 3 Orchard Close Retention of laundry room.  
The Council did not object.

Planning Applications. Rushcliffe B.C. Decisions

R. Howarth, 18 Cross Lane Permission refused for 2 storey side extension.

Permission has been granted for the following:-

R.G.Lodder, land to rear of 41 Kneeton Rd. Erect one dwelling house (outline)

J.C.R.Lawson, old GPO Sub-station Butts Lane. Change of use to joiner's shop and store.

Mrs. M. Smith, rear of 2 College St. Erect new access way with 7 four bedroom houses and 1 three bedroom bungalow with garage.

## MISSIONARIES & MERCENARY

A straight play was new ground for the Drama Group to tackle in Janet Morris' production of "A Letter from the General". Its superb success was a tribute to her and to the versatility and skill of the cast.

The Consul was so very "British in a Foreign Land"; the nuns kept their Irishness throughout while bringing out their distinctive personalities; one could but feel sorry for the suffering caring priest and for the bitter intelligent wife of the Consul and glad when the bullying hectoring mercenary met his just deserts. Congratulations to them all on the convincing way they brought the author's characters to life. The off-stage background noises were very authentic too.

On a minor note, the central gangway was a good idea.

The Group's next production will be very different, a Cheese and Wine for Christmas in the Village Hall on Saturday 17th. December entitled "A Christmas Cracker".

## MOTHERS UNION

JANET MORRIS

Helpful household hints and recipes were exchanged (with some sampling) at a well attended meeting on 16th. Nov. There was noisy and active participation, not always experienced at M.U. meetings in Margaret Bontoft's cooking quiz.

Several diary dates were given. At Evensong on Sunday 27th. Nov. there was a special service during which the Acolyte Torches given to the Church by St. Peter's M.U. were dedicated and two new members Mrs. Reardon and Mrs. Hineson were enrolled, a joyful occasion for them and us. On Wednesday 30th Nov. the ladies of Fosse Ward at Saxondale are to be entertained to tea after attending the School Christmas Play. Thanks to the Headmaster for arranging the extra show. On 3rd. December the M.U. will be manning a present stall at the Village Hall Christmas Fair. Each present will cost 20p. but may be worth much more! The next meeting on 14th. Dec. will be a week earlier than usual.

This month's cover was drawn by Bart Luchurst, the bird artist from Bingham.

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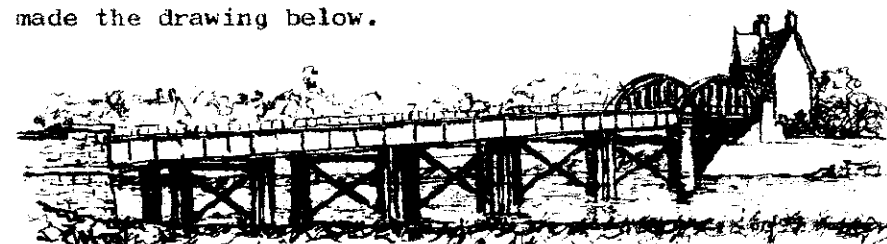
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS

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## THE GUNTHORPE CONNECTION

A Toll Bridge linked East Bridgford with Gunthorpe for 52 years. It was demolished in 1927 but parts of the old bridge can still be seen. The Toll House, from which Mrs. Holloway once controlled the gates, with their sensitive bells to detect toll dodgers is now the "Mr. Toad" restaurant. Sandstone from the demolished Trent Bridge at Nottingham was used in 1873 to build the links with the bank. The Bridgford end can be seen in Trent Lane where fishermen now often park their cars.

Bill Skellern, who has contributed these notes, partly based on an item in the Notts. Guardian of 1st. July 1875, made the drawing below.



A plan for a bridge was prepared in 1780, but it was never built. The Bridge Company, of which George Beaumont was Secretary (see magazine November 1983) was formed in 1869 and application made to parliament for powers to extinguish the chain ferry and establish a Toll Bridge. The Act was obtained in 1870 but the enormous rise in the price of iron then made building impossible. However land was bought, the design simplified by substituting wood for iron where possible and the price of iron fell. Earl Manvers of Thoresby Hall laid the foundation stone and the bridge was finished in 1875 providing the link to Gunthorpe until 1927 when the present bridge was opened.

Timber from the old bridge was bought by the late Mr. Arthur Mason for use in the old malt house which was then his pea factory and is now Mr. R.W. Jennings factory at the end of Main Street. Some of this wood was surplus to requirements so he sold it for £1 wagon load. One such load still provides the vital parts of greenhouse, garden tool shed and cold frame at 18 Main St. Yet another link between Bridgford's past and present.

## KNEETON NEWS from Tom Allen

Much activity recently:-

Sadly - the funeral of Mrs. Colman, who died at East Bridgford aged 85 years. Her father John Towns lived and worked in Kneeton for many years. He lived to be 84. Another of his daughters, Mrs. Agnes Wass is still living in East Bridgford after many years at Kneeton.

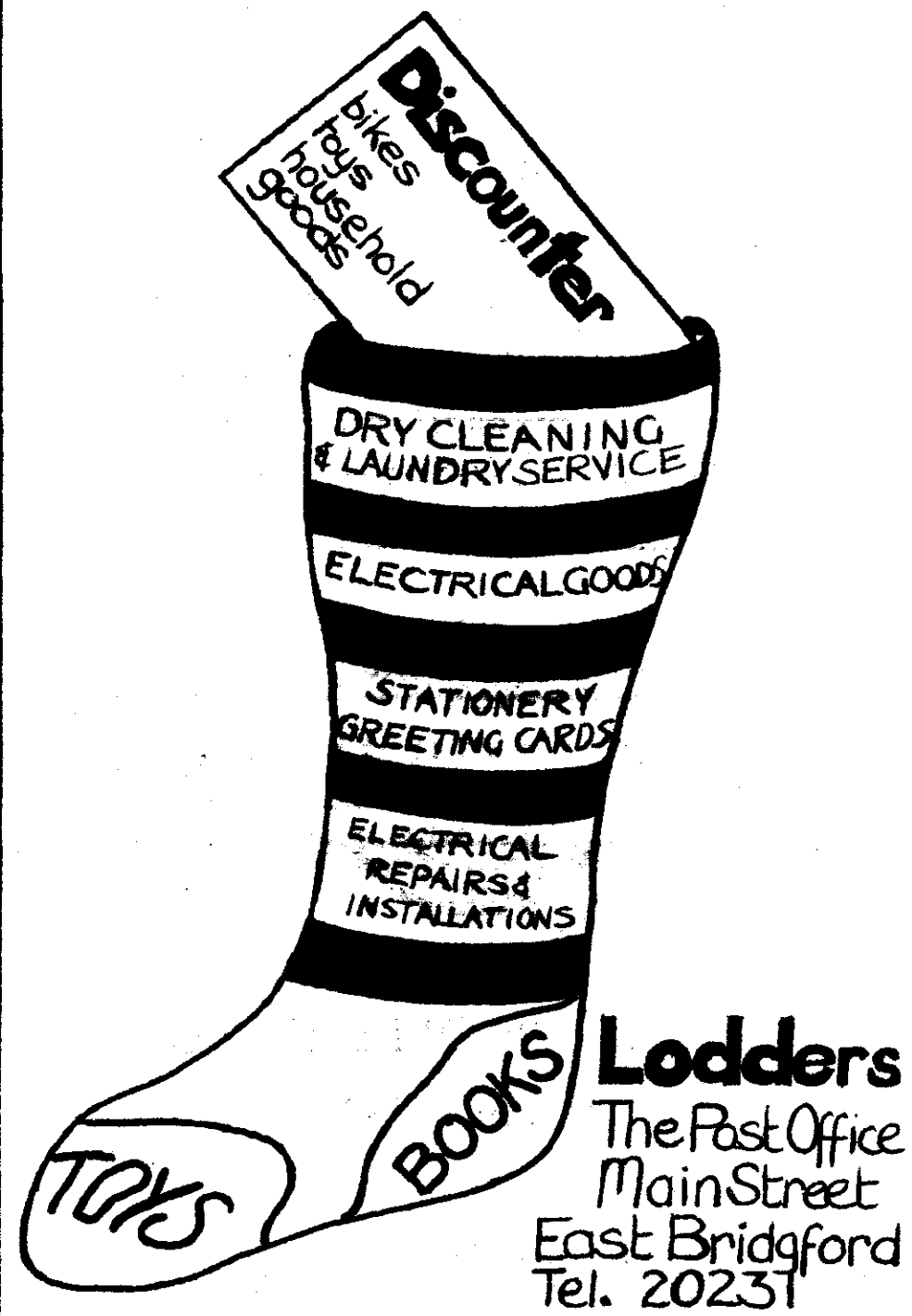
Gladly - The Baptism of Anita, Sarah and Michael Baker, children of Chief Petty Officer and Mrs. David Baker who returned to the church where, 20 years ago David and his brothers and sister sang in the choir and "blew the organ" The family thank the Revd. Alan Haydock for the beautiful service and Joyce for the music.

Gladly - The village was well represented at the Jimmy Savile walk, and not only by the young, although it was very pleasing that most of the village children undertook the six mile trek. It was thrilling to be one of the milling crowd and to contribute to so worthy a cause.

Gladly - A Hallowe'en Party, in one of the farm buildings suitably bedecked with coloured lights etc., and with music food and games was the first village activity since the church fund-raising effort. It was the inspiration of a comparative newcomer, Mrs. Caroline Clark, The surplus of £5.50 was given to the Jimmy Savile appeal.

Formerly - A Christmas Party, with Santa, at the school and later at Kneeton House which all the villagers attended (I was the last Santa) Whist Drives that were so popular that they often overflowed to Kneeton House: Carol Singing round the village and even to Red Lodge and East Bridgford with Mr. Merryweather dressed as Father Christmas: Skating on the flooded Trent meadows (in 1930) with hot potatoes and roast chicken provided by the Misses Shipstone (of Brewery fame) then resident in Kneeton, in other years frozen ponds were used: On one occasion when the road to the Fosse was blocked by snow it took 9 horses to pull a quantity of railway sleepers through to make a passage. Mr. J. Wattam was the waggoner.

Finally - The annual Carol Service will be on Sunday 18th. December at 6 pm. We look forward to a full church.







Just a few of the things we've trimmed away at the barbers shop.

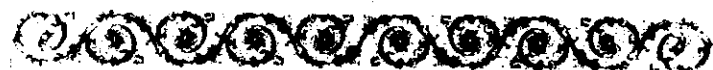
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## Scout Group



CUBS had a good year winning six-a-side and eleven-a-side football trophies: Enjoyed a visit by a Police Car and Fire Engine. Had a good camp, especially having five parachutists land in camp! Badges gained included Artist, Athlete, Hobbies, Home-help, Collector, Swimmer and Conservation. If you would like to join when you are 8 years contact Akela: Mrs. B. Connolly, R.O.I. 3401 and find out details.

**SCOUTS.** A year of interesting and adventurous programmes. Hikes, camps, abseiling etc. Martin Barnett represented the Troop and District at World Jamboree in Canada. Several Scouts and Scouters will visit Scout Centre in Switzerland next year. Won the Under-14 District Swimming Trophy. Badges gained include Photographer, Fireman, Ambulance, Swimmer and Collector. Hoping to run another winter camp week-end and hope for snow this time.

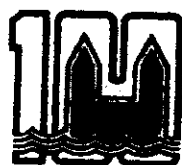
**VENTURE SCOUTS.** Helped as Service Crew at International Camp '83, had the honour of escorting the Chief Scout on his visit there. A very varied and interesting programme-numbers increasing being joined by lads and lassies from Bingham, Flintham and possibly Aslockton. May be changing name to Fosse Venture Unit. Activities include sports, camping, hiking, service to the community.

## W.I. JENNY FINCH



A dreary November evening was enlivened for W.I. members by Mr. Claude Bartholomew's slides of Switzerland. Preparations are being made for knitting a community quilt. This project is part of next year's promotional campaign to interest people in all aspects of the W.I. A knitted bedspread has been chosen here in an attempt to draw on the talents of as many people in the village as possible.

The December meeting promises to be delightful with Mrs. K. Wales demonstrating ideas for Christmas decorations.



### Problems? → Solutions

A problem solved, "What to give him/her this Christmas". To mark the Southwell Diocesan Centenary a range of "special offers" from Ties to T shirts, from Wine glasses to Lace table cloths, from Candle sticks to Calendars, are available. Illustrations, with prices, can be studied on the notice board outside the Village Hall. Orders given to the Rector will result in prompt delivery.

For a hundred years Southwell Minster has been the "centre" of the Diocese but the Minster itself has inspired and served successive generations for over a thousand years, and it would like more support. There are not many members of "The Friends of Southwell Cathedral, "The Minster by another name. This centenary year is a good time to join.

As even more visitors are expected this year more local people are needed as guides on a regular or occasional basis. Help is also needed with the book stall. Volunteers should contact the Rector at 20218.

### Farewell to Mrs Mary Marshall

For seventeen years the pupils of East Bridgford school have enjoyed the cookery skills of Mrs. Mary Marshall, who has just retired. She is an experienced, dedicated cook who also planned, ordered and costed the children's lunches. Planning the week's menu within a tight budget is an exacting task requiring nutritional knowledge. In 1966 when Mrs. Marshall started at the school she was catering for 250. Now with fewer children from R.A.F. Newton, and more taking sandwiches she is catering for 150 with the additional Luncheon Club meals on Tuesday and Fridays.

Mrs. Marshall would like to serve a roast or stew every week but economy forbids. She enjoys festive cooking so Christmas lunch at school is really something, decorated tables with turkey and all the trimmings, plum puddings, and mince pies. She will be greatly missed and her many satisfied diners, including Luncheon Club members wish her the best of luck and a very happy retirement.



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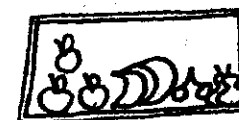
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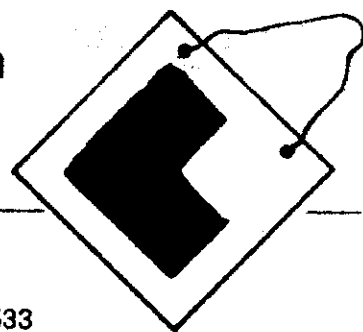
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### **The Christmas Robin**

The Robin has been associated with Christmas since the Victorians put it on their new found fashion of the Christmas Card. At the same time they were busily slaughtering the Great Crested Grebe for the plumage on ladies hats! Fortunately there were a few hard working people around to prevent the Grebe becoming extinct in this country.

But back to the Robin. Although we readily accept it as a Christmas symbol, it is a strange choice as legend has it that it came by its red breast at the Crucifixion; the blood of Christ splashed onto the bird as it perched nearby. Somehow an Easter bird has been transferred to Christmas, just as the symbol of the cross has been moved to Christmas - very odd.

Perhaps some explanation for the Christmas Robin is because its new feathers (they moult in the autumn as do many birds) show its red breast to advantage on dull winter days. It is also one of the few birds that sing through the winter months, not the full-blooded breeding song, but nevertheless it is a joy to hear on a foggy winter day. The reason for this out of season singing is that both male and female Robins take up individual territories outside the breeding season and will fight each other to defend them. The song is in fact the birds way of staking its claim. In the late winter they will begin to pair and will jointly defend their patch.

It is a curious fact that while the Robin in this country is considered, quite rightly, to be a garden bird and not frightened of man, on the continent it keeps well hidden in the woods and fields. Perhaps it is something to do with our E.E.C. cousins' habit for shooting at anything that flies. The Robin has learnt to keep away. In the early part of the 1800s it was also killed in large numbers in this country but perhaps with pictures appearing on Victorian mantelpieces every Christmas the idea of killing little birds for food went out of fashion.

Nowadays we choose 15 lb Turkeys instead! Bon appetit and best wishes for 1984.

## SPORTS NEWS by IAN LODDER

### St Peter's School, Football, Chess, & Netball

Both school football teams have overcome defeat in their first league games to go on and win their remaining games. Most encouraging.

#### First Team Results.

Willow Farm Gedling	Lost 1-4 (L)	Orston	Lost 1-2 (L)
Burton Joyce	Won 2-1 (L)	Langar	Won 2-1 (L)
Church Drive Arnold	Won 2-1 (L)	Bingham	Won 2-1 (L)
St Augustine Carlton	Won 4-2 (L)	Gunthorpe	Won 4-1 (L)
All Hallows Gedling	Won 2-1 (L)	Gunthorpe	Won 3-1 (L)
Willow Farm (Cup)	Won 7-0		

#### Second Team Results.

The School Chess Teams are seeking someone to help by coaching. Anyone interested should contact the Headmaster, Mr. Powell at 20226.

#### CHESS RESULTS

A Team		B Team	
Lambley	won 4-1	Bosworth	won 4-1
Southwell	lost 1-4	Keyworth 'C'	Drawn 2½-2½
Lowdham	lost 0-5	Lowdham	lost 2-3
		Langar	lost 2-3
		Keyworth 'B'	won 4-1

The girls in the netball teams play friendly matches with other schools and have reason to be pleased with their results so far.

A Team		B Team	
Calverton	lost 4-5	Calverton	won 8-0
Cropwell Bishop	won 4-2	Gunthorpe	lost 10-0
Langar	won 4-2	On the 3rd December the girls are going to watch the East Midlands play the world champions - Australia. Inst. of Sport.	
Orston	" 12-5		
Gunthorpe	" 7-0		

#### Long Alley Skittles

The Royal Oak had another successful season in winning the knock-out cup for the East Notts. League, they are also runners up in the Reg Willis Trophy. Licensee Gordon Paling won the Landlords Cup. About fifty East Bridgford people were at Cotgrave to watch the presentations on Monday 7th November.

#### Football

2nd Team. 22nd Oct. Anglican Wardens 3-5: 5th Nov. T.I. Raleigh 1-3: 12th Nov. Plessey 'A' 2-2. The 2nd team continue to have a difficult season but the bottom of the table clash with Plessey 'A' showed that with some striking power the team could fare well.

## VILLAGE HALL - ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday, December 3rd, 2.30 p.m.

The Hall is still very much a centre of community activity and as such the funds need a regular cash injection.

This year nearly £1000 has been spent on interior decorations and repairs. A further £2000 has been set aside to provide extra accommodation for the Youth Club, so the need for support is as great as ever.

The Fair gives an opportunity to shop early for Christmas and the children will love visiting Santa Claus in his Grotto.

#### MEMBERSHIP FREE

A recent Painting Exhibition in Bingham Library was sponsored by Rushcliffe Arts Association to bring the Association to the notice of the rural community. Its purpose is to stimulate interest in the Arts, music, drama, crafts, literature, photography, local history, and visual arts.

Membership, which is at present free, is open to groups and individuals. Application forms and the Autumn Programme can be obtained from Arthur Curtis at 30 College Street. (E.B.20677)

The January magazine will inevitably be late due to the printers Christmas/New Year Holiday. Copy by 29th. Dec. Don't expect the magazine before the 9th. Jan.

#### THANK YOU--FROM THE VILLAGE

As 1983 draws to a close, on behalf of all who receive copies of the Village Magazine month by month, I should like to thank those who are involved in its production and distribution. Our villages are grateful to the team of editors, distributors, contributors and advertisers. These together with a small group of people who assemble the pages enable this readable publication to be produced on time month by month. Their efforts are appreciated greatly by so many people from this neighbourhood and further afield in this country and overseas.

Alan Haydock.

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#### SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. PETER'S, EAST BRIDGFORD

- 8.00 am Second and Fourth Sunday. Holy Communion  
(Book of Common Prayer)  
9.00 am Sung Eucharist with hymns and address. Rite A.  
First Sunday: Family Eucharist. Rite A.  
(Coffee after)  
10.30 am Sunday School except first Sunday.  
6.30 pm Evensong and Sermon.  
7.30 pm Third Sunday. Holy Communion (Book of Common  
Prayer) after Evensong.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST. HELEN'S KNEETON

- 8.00 am First Sunday. Holy Communion. Book of Common Prayer.  
6.00 pm Second and Fourth Sundays. Evensong.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES AT METHODIST CHAPEL - MAIN ST.

- 10.30 am Service except last Sunday. Family Service 1st.  
Sunday.  
9.30 am Last Sunday. Sacrament of Holy Communion.  
6.00 pm Second and Fourth Sunday. Evening Service.  
10.30 am Every Sunday. Sunday School.

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### DECEMBER EVENTS

- Sat. 4th. Village Hall Christmas Fair 2.30 pm  
Whist Drive. W.I. Hut 7.30 pm and every Sat.  
Wed. 7th. & Thu 8th. & Fri 9th. School Christmas Concert 7pm  
Thu. 8th. Bowls Club AGM. Sports & Social Club 8 pm.  
Sun. 11th. Service of 9 Lessons & Carols. St. Peter's 6.30  
Mon. 12th. R.B.L. V.H. Committee Room 8pm.  
Tue. 13th. W.I. Monthly Meeting 7.30pm.  
Wed. 14th. Presentation. Car Park. 10 am.  
Fri. 16th. RBL Fur & Feather Bingo. Village Hall 7.30 pm.  
Sat. 17th. Drama Group Christmas Show, Cheese etc. V.H.  
Sun. 18th. Kneeton Carol Service 6 pm.  
Tue. 20th. Men's Society. Village Hall Committee Room 8 pm.  
Wed. 21st. Play Group. Sherry & Pies. W.I. Hut 10.30 am  
Sat. 31st. Bowls Party.

This Christmas number makes an ideal present to post  
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