

The Parish News will be shorter this month as its preparation co-incides with my move. If I have omitted to thank those who have so generously subscribed, please forgive me.

An apology to Mr and Mrs Lovell. In last month's issue it was implied that the late Mrs Salt was the monther of Mrs Lovell. She was, of course, Mr Lovell's mother. Twice married and twice widowed she had lived with her son and daughter in law for twenty five years. Mrs Lovell combined nursing her and running a business until almost the end. Mrs Salt was aged 91 at the time of her death.

Dr Hamerton has aksed me to say that members of the Church who are car drivers will take people to the group services when these occur. There will not be a group service in April.

HIGH ALTAR FLOWERS

Mrs Taylor has kindly agreed to do these for Easter and they will probably last the next weekend. The list in the Church porch is still incomplete and it would be much appreciated if Mrs Tofts will be responsible for the next two weeks April 9th and 16th and Mrs Cope April 23rd and 30th.

BRASSES Will Mrs Thomas kindly do these (as last year).

Joan Whitwham.

SERVICES IN NEW BUCKENHAM CHURCH

April 2nd.	Holy Communion 11 a.m.	
9th.	Holy Communion 8 a.m.	Matins 11 a.m.
16th.	Holy Communion 11 a.m.	
23rd	Holy Communion 8 a.m.	Matins 11 a.m.

Sunday School and Choir Practice as arranged.

The Annual Church Meeting After morning service on April 23rd.

Anthony Lathe.

METHODIST SERVICES

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
2nd April.	Mr Gray	Mr Austin.
9th "	Supply	Mr Talbot.
16th. "	Mr Sheldrake	Rev. Webster
23rd "	Rev Webster. F.S.	Rev. Hughes.
30th "	Mr Humphreys	Mr Tillet.

Womens' Fellowship Meetings at 2.45 on:

11 April.	Meeting
25 "	Easter Offering. Dedication Service at Watton.

F. Potter.

PAST & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WOMENS' SECTION ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

April 6th. Monthly meeting. Mrs Hamerton will speak on Home Nursing. Quiz.

E. Powell.

SOUTH NORFOLK CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION: NEW BUCKENHAM BRANCH

The Annual General meeting was held in the Village Hall on Friday March 10th.

Mr D. Steward was re-elected Chairman. Mr C. Cowdrey Vice-Chairman and Mrs V. Cowdery Secretary and Treasurer.

The following committee was re-elected: Mr Breeze, Mr Smitherman, Mrs Breeze, Mrs Coleman, Mrs Eames, Mrs Evans, Mrs Hazell, Mrs D. Mackrell, Mrs Powell, Mrs Smitherman, Mrs Steward and Mrs Whitwham.

After the meeting there was a friendly quiz against the Wine Circle which they won 38-34, followed by refreshments.

Mr Smitherman compiled the questions and was also question master: Mrs M. Casson was the scorer.

V. L. Cowdery, Sec/Treasurer.

VILLAGE HALL

Our Bingo on March 15th made a profit of £8.

Our Clothes sale will be held on May 27th not as published last month.

We are holding our sale on the Market Place at 2.30 p.m. If anyone has anything for sale perhaps you would let me have them before this date.

April Bingos April 12th and 26th.

Jean Howling.

GOOD COMPANIONS

The March meeting was held on March 16th, the weather was awful. Most members kept by their fires but about 30 members attended. We had a game of bingo and a min tea with a cuppa from a gas stove.

We dophope everyone will come to the April 20th meeting as this is our Birthday Party - 2.30 p.m.

We are having a Whist Drive on April 7th at Bunwell. If anyone has a prize to offer us for this, we should be very grateful. If any member wishes to go please let me know and I will arrange transport.

Dates for your Diaries.

April	7th.	Whist Drive.
	12th.	Bury St Edmunds.
May	23rd	King's Lynn.
June	17th.	Sale.
	28th.	Skegness.
July	5th.	Bingo.
July	(date will be given later)	Outing to Great Yarmouth.
Aug.	23rd.	Mystery Tour.
Sept.	20th.	Hunstanton.
Oct.	4th.	Bury St Edmunds.
"	28th.	Sale.

CHIROPODIST April 26th.

Anyone wishing for treatment there are a few vacancies. Please call at Mrs Gray's in the morning to book an appointment for the afternoon.

Jean Howling.

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ARRIVALS

Mr and Mrs Booty with Jane, Jonathan, Kathryn and Emma have come to live in the old thatched cottage, Marsh Lane. Mr Booty is in the process of restoring the house.

DEPARTURES

Mr and Mrs Sydenham have left the Village.

OBITUARY

Mr Wilfred Garrard who died at Old Buckenham was a former New Buckenham parishoner. He and his late wife were closely connected with the Church and were greatly missed when they left here to live in Old Buckenham.

For many years Mr Garrard had suffered from severe Arthritis, but his death was unexpected.

We extend our sympathy to his sons Neil & Roy and to Mrs W.Saunders (sister).

Mrs Muris who lived at St Mary's died after a short illness. When able she attended church regularly, but for the last year her frailness prevented her from going out as much. She often used to speak of the New Buckenham Church she knew as a child - as an inhabitant of a neighbouring village she would cycle to New Buckenham which in those days had quite the "highest" church in the neighbourhood. Mrs Muris had lived an interesting life but had known much personal sorrow.

INVALIDS

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We were sorry to hear that Mr Hanner was very ill his wife had a bad accident. She fell from the top of the stairs to the bottom and was badly bruised. Both Mr and Mrs Hanner are on the mend now.

Mr William Cooper is ill and in hospital. On going to print we have no further news of his condition.

Mrs Lily Howling would like to thank all who showed kindness and attention to her when she was ill and housebound for so many weeks.

Mrs Savory is reported to be very unwell.

EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE VISIT

Mr E. Smith of St Martins Gardens who is the Registrar at the Norwich City College is at present in the U.S.A. He flew to New York and then to Washington where he will be conducted round the White House. Mr Smith is then bound for Appalachian State University, North Carolina where he will lecture and exchange ideas regarding education.

HOLY WEEK

I am sure many of you would like me to thank our clergy for the many beautiful services in Holy Week. I attended the Palm Sunday service at Banham and at Kenninghall on Good Friday evening - and greatly regret missing the services at New Buckenham, Old Buckenham and Quidenham.

J. Whitwham.

NEW BUCKENHAM LOSSES

I quite agree with what Mrs J. FitzPatrick had printed in our last month's magazine about this being a dying village. This has been happening for a long while. At one time there was everything you could wish for. With losing all the people she mentioned - and the property; and last of all our surgery - is a bad job! There was a surgery here long before I was born and I have known a surgery hear for over 76 years. I hope before long we shall soon hear about another one. We have a good doctor - nothing too much trouble for him and it's nice to know we have all our medicines and tablets brought here. This is a great help to the sick and old. Many parishes have to go miles to collect prescriptions.

There is only one thing that is still going strong - this is the Band. It was started in 1887 by Mr George Holl who was my School Master when I first started school.

C. H. Hanner.

PARISH COUNCIL

Next Council meeting Tuesday April 18th in the Village Hall at 8. 30 p.m.

Finally I am sure you would like me to express our concern for Mr and Mrs Potter, who suffered a fire at their home, College Farm. Although they lost many treasured possessions they were fortunately unhurt.

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The Annual Meeting of the Parish Church took place on April 23rd. The following report by the Hon. Secretary of the P.C.C. was printed on the agenda:-

"1977 brought St Martin's face to face with the social changes and realities of the Church of England today. Our Vicar, the Rev. Hugh Whitwham died after a long illness in April and throughout the year the arrangement of services and welfare of the Church fell directly upon the Churchwardens, particularly Mr Donald Steward, to whom the congregation must be particularly grateful. It became increasingly evident that so small a parish could no longer be afforded its own priest and that for the foreseeable future there would be no resident incumbent to follow the Rev. Hugh Whitwham, thus breaking a succession which began in 1216. The P.C.C. accordingly approached the diocese to make arrangements for our pastoral care accepting the likelihood that this would mean participation in a group ministry. As a result shortly before the end of the year the Rev. Anthony Lathe, head of the Quidenham Group of Parishes was designated priest in charge of St Martin's until such time as the benefice is formally included in the group.

Members of the congregation have already seen in the opening months of 1978 the effects of this arrangement. These are encouraging and suggest that we may regard the future with confidence. This parish does not lose its identity. We will continue to run our own affairs through the P.C.C. and will have representatives in the administration of the group as a whole.

So much for the recent history of the Church. On the practical side it can be said that its affairs are in sound order. The financial statement (attached) is satisfactory. We are by no means rich but we can meet our obligations provided we maintain our fund raising efforts. The fabric of the Church is in good order but it is essential that we make provision for the future. To this end we have begun a modest maintenance fund to which we propose to add annually.

During the year, after years of debating, we opted for calor gas heaters to replace the somewhat ineffective, very expensive and rapidly deteriorating oil heating system. Regrettably they are not things of beauty and we are grateful to Mrs Taylor for her work to disguise their mechanics. They are flexible in operation and we have good grounds for believing that in the long run they will prove cheaper than oil.

The P.C.C. thanks all those who have contributed to the smooth running of the Church, the ladies who arrange the flowers, all who work so hard at fund raising and who clean the brasses.

We are particularly grateful to Miss Bird for running the Sunday School and to Mrs Thomas for her work with the Choir. We are also most fortunate in our devoted organist Mr George Burrows.

In the coming year we look forward to playing our full part in the affairs of the Quidenham Group and to a closer relationship with our neighbouring parishes.

F. Smitherman.

CHURCH SERVICES

May 7th. Sung Eucharist at 11 a.m.
Whit Sunday. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Sung Eucharist at 11 a.m.
May 21st. Sung Eucharist at 11 a.m.
28th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.

Sunday School: 10.15 a.m.
Choir Practice: 7.30 p.m. Tuesdays.
Bell Practice: Friday evenings.

Anthony Lathe.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1977

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Collections	479. 21.	Taking services.	61. 05
Covenants	220. 21.	Heating Lighting and	
Envelopes.	54. 42	Insurances.	246. 83.
Fetes & Special events	478. 72.	Repairs to Church Organ.	77. 13
Fees.	42. 00	Supplies for services	24. 63.
Rent	75. 00.	Parish News.	18. 07
Dividends and interest	101. 50.	Organist, Verger & Choir	152. 08
Miscellaneous	230. 90.	Purchase of Heaters	424. 01
		Charities	129. 60
		Sundries	26. 10.
		Diocesan Quota	313. 00
	<u>1681. 96</u>		<u>1472. 50</u>
Brought forward from 1.1.77.	1509. 95	Bank 1.1.78	38. 31.
Excess income 1.1.78.	209. 46	On suspense	118. 40.
		Deposit a/c	589. 70.
		Fabric Fund	173. 00.
		Savings Bonds	800. 00.
	<u>£ 1719. 41.</u>		<u>£ 1719. 41.</u>
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METHODIST CHURCH

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
May 7th.	A. W. Garrard	Service at Old Buckenham.
14th.	Mr Tye.	Rev. Webster
21st.	Rev. Coggle	Mrs L. Dye.
28th.	Supply	Mr Snaith.
<u>Womens' Fellowship at 2.45 p.m.</u>		
May 9th.	Rev. Webster.	
23rd.	Miss Barnard.	F. Potter.

PAST & FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS' SECTION

£44 was realised at a Prize Bingo for Womens' section schemes.
 Next meeting May 4th. Bring your favourite recipe.
 A report on the National Conference will be given at this meeting.
 Mrs Bannigan will be unable to attend. She will be able to demonstrate cushion covers at our July meeting.

E. Powell.

VILLAGE HALL.

Our Bingo on April 12th made a profit of £6.
 We are holding our Clothes Mart on May 27th at 2.30 p.m. on the Market Place. Anyone with clothes or any item they wish to sell or give away, let me have them by Friday 26th.
 We will be having a few side stalls so I hope you will come and have an enjoyable afternoon.
 Next Bingos May 16th and 24th.

Jean Howling.

D COMPANIONS

Our Birthday Party was held on April 20th. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent with approximately 75 members and friends present.

A group from Attleborough gave the entertainment. A very enjoyable tea was given and served by members and friends.

Mrs Bailey made and gave a most beautiful birthday cake. We finished with a raffle and auction of goods.

Many thanks to everyone who helped this event in any way.

The May outing is to King's Lynn on Tuesday May 23rd starting at New Buckenham 9.30 a.m. There are still some seats vacant. If anyone wishes to go please let me know. Fare: Members 60p. Non-Members 85p.

Next meeting May 18th.

Chiopodist: May 24th.

Whist Drive: Great Hockham: May 10th.

Names to me by May 3rd please. Transport provided.

Jean Howling.

NOTICES, ARTICLES etc.

INVALIDS.

Mrs Savory, who is in hospital at Bury St Edmunds is said to be making slow progress.

Since our last issue Mr William Cooper has been in the West Norwich Hospital. He is at home again.

Mrs V. Green has been a patient at the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital - She is at home and making progress.

Mrs Gemmell and Mrs Goffin have been patients on the Eye Department at the West Norwich Hospital.

Mrs Green writes:

"Thank you seems a small word to say, but I mean it very sincerely to all those who sent me "Get Well" wishes and gifts on my recent stay in hospital. Thank you to all those who have helped and done kindnesses for me since I have been home. It has been greatly appreciated by my husband and self".

OBITUARY

Mr Horace George Seville who died at Old Buckenham was buried here on April 13th. He was 85.

The following appreciation has been given:

"Horace George Seville was born in Rosemary Lane, New Buckenham in 1892, he was the last surviving member of a family of three daughters and four sons. His father was a familiar figure in the district as coachman to the village doctor.

In the company of many friends he enlisted in the Norfolk Regt in 1914 and was posted to France where he was wounded twice. After convalescing in England he served for the remainder of the War in Mesopotamia. He returned to New Buckenham and worked as a bootmaker and repairer in Chapel Street. He married in 1930.

He will be well remembered by the older residents of Carleton Rode where he was a postman for thirty years. He retired in 1959 and in 1964 the family moved to Old Buckenham.

He leaves a widow and one Son "

HIGH ALTAR FLOWERS

May 7th and 14th. Mrs Tofts.

21st and 28th. Mrs Breeze and Mrs Whitwham.

BRASSES: Mrs Cooper.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Next meeting May 2nd (Tuesday) 8 p.m. in the Church.

FLOWER FESTIVAL, WILBY

23rd 24th and 25th JUNE.

Anyone who would like to do an

arrangement please contact Mrs J. Salisbury, Old Rectory, Wilby.

Telephone Quidenham 414.

A Coffee evening and a bring and buy sale in aid of the above to pay for advertising will be held at Church Farm House, Kenninghall on Friday 19th May, 1978 at 7 p.m.

NEW BUCKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Council meeting will be held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 16th May at 8.30 p.m.

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THE THETFORD & ROCKLAND DEANERY SYNOD

"Who does what in the life of our Church" This was item 5 on the agenda and The Rev. Christopher Byworth introduced the subject and stated some of the problems met by Clergy and laity. He asked for discussion under the following headings: Worship; Evangelism; Caring and Administration.

The Rev. Raymond Winter led the discussion and points arising included:-

1. WORSHIP It was generally agreed that the laity could play a far greater part in conducting and assisting at services. The Rev. Kinns (Rockland) thought that none other than the clergy and licensed lay readers should preach. Where an unlicensed layman finds himself in charge of one of the choir offices he should read from a series of diocesan letters - if these were available. Mr Kinns did not think a rural congregation would appreciate readings from a book of homilies. It was agreed that the laity should take part in the services by reading the lessons etc. Lay people could assist at the service of Holy Baptism. The conclusion was that the church worship should be directed by the Clergy who were the only men who could give the Holy Sacrament.

2. EVANGELISM The meeting had some difficulty in defining this word - but a definition was given by the Rev. Noel Godwin. It was suggested that we could all be evangelists in our place of work and at home. The Clergy in their preaching and visiting.

3. CARING Since there are fewer clergy and a more mobile population the two lay representatives from Attleborough suggested a system of street visiting to be done by lay members of the Church. The Rev. Christopher Byworth thought that one person should be responsible for caring for and visiting ten households. The Rural Dean said that we should all be aware of the importance of the industrial ministers - Canon John Room - in our deanery.

4. TEACHING Much was said about the work done by lay people in Sunday Schools. I suggested that not enough was done by the Clergy to try and dispel the doubts that all (most) Christians have regarding the doctrine of the Church. The Rural Dean agreed that since sermons are not open to any form of reply in church there should be discussion groups. He reminded the meeting that there are to be two open meetings to answer questions on "Difficulties of Belief". These will take place on June 6th East Harling 7.30 p.m. and on June 27th Quidenham 7.30 p.m. (Note in your diary)

5. ADMINISTRATION The Rector of Attleborough said that money raising and Buildings and Church fabric were entirely in the hands of lay committees at Attleborough. It was thought that this was right and proper, but the clergy should at all times be kept informed of matters of parochial administration. It was thought that the magazine should be edited and produced by lay people. The Rural Dean - Editor of the Norwich Churchman - said that one of the top ten magazines in the diocese was edited by a local postman. There were certain reservations about this and many thought that a Church Magazine should at least be "vetted" by the Rector.

At the end of the discussion we were asked to get together with our own representatives and formulate a motion for discussion by our own Parochial Church Council. Since I was the only representative present from the whole of the Quidenham group this was scarcely possible for me to do.

Joan Whitwham.

June 1978

CHURCH SERVICES

June 4th. Sung Eucharist 11 a.m.
11th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
18th. Sung Eucharist 11 a.m.
25th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10.15 a.m.
CHOIR PRACTICE 7.30 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Anthony Lathe.

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning

Evening.

June 4th.	Mrs Coggle.	Mr. Fitches.
11th.	Mr Neave	Mr Coleman.
18th.	Mr Davidson	Rev. Grewer
25th.	Mr Harvey	Mr Howe.

Womens' Fellowship at 2.45 p.m.

June 6th. Mrs Webb (Watton)
20th. Members afternoon.

F. Potter.

TWO DISCUSSIONS. DIFFICULTIES OF BELIEF. arranged by Deanery Synod

June 6th at 7.30 p.m. East Harling.
27th. at 7.30 p.m. Quidenham.

PAST AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Flower Festival at Wilby Church.

June 23rd. 24th, and 25th.

W.I. JUMBLE SALE at FACTORY FARM, BANHAM

June 2nd by Kind invitation of Mrs Foulger.

SOUTH NORFOLK CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

There will be a Whist Drive at Bunwell Village Hall on FRIDAY June 2nd at 7.30 p.m. There will also be a BINGO DRIVE on WEDNESDAY JUNE 7th in the Village Hall, New Buckenham at 8 p.m. It would be greatly appreciated if any member would like to give a prize to help in the running of these drives.

It is hoped, of course, that you will be able to support them by coming on the 2nd and 7th.

V. L. Cowdery. Sec/Treasurer.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS' SECTION

£19.50 was realised at a Whist Drive held at Bunwell. This will be sent towards the Rest Homes Fund - one is Queensmead, Bridlington, Yorks and the other Glenthorne, Weymouth, Dorset. The rest homes are open to receive free of charge ex-service women, the wives and widows of ex-servicemen and in certain exceptional circumstances other women who are members or eligible for membership of the Womens Section.

One must show a Doctor's Certificate and be really in need of rest and recuperation.

al British Legion Womens' Section continued

June 1st. Meeting at Park Farm by kind invitation of Mrs Gilmour.

June 14th. Group Meeting, Kenninghall (Quiz)
Come along and enjoy the fun. Transport arranged.

E. Powell.

NEW BUCKENHAM BOWLS without a green, have not been idle over the winter months. One block has won the No 3 Division Cup at Diss and District Bowls Club Indoor Section. (D.Bailey, J.Gedge, J.Bale and R.Howling).

Most of the New Buckenham Bowls Club members play at Harling Recreation Bowls Club. If anyone is interested in joining, they will be very welcome. Please contact me

Reg Howling New Buckenham 331.

GOOD COMPANIONS

The May meeting was well attended. Members played Mr and Mrs - each receiving a little present for competing. Final winners - Mr and Mrs Sturman (Old Buckenham).

SUMMER SALE June 17th. We hope you will give this your support. We should be very grateful for cakes, produce, jumble etc. Please bring to hall, on Saturday morning..

JUNE OUTING on Wednesday June 28th to Skegness. Anyone wishing for a seat please contact me.

NEXT MEETING June 15th.

Jean Howling.

VILLAGE HALL FUND

The Bingo on May 10th made a profit of £6. At the time of writing the Clothes Mart has not taken place. Details of profit in next month's issue.

BINGO June 21st.

Jean Howling,

NEW BUCKENHAM VILLAGE HALL REPAIR FUND

Balance Sheet 1977 - 1978

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Balance b/fd 1977	865. 10.	Bingo Books	29. 10.
Bingos	129. 25.	Cleaning up front of hall	6. 00.
Clothes Mart	40. 00.	14 plates	5. 00.
Fete	287. 00.	Trays	6. 24.
Harvest Supper	150. 00.	Cloakroom hooks	4. 00.
Xmas Sale	52. 33.	Fruit for Supper 1978.	4. 98.
Sale of Fireworks.	25. 00.		
Interest on Deposit		Balance	1523. 17.
a/c	29. 81.		
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	£ 1578. 49.		£ 1578. 49.
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	Deposit account	£1,497. 10.	
	Current account	15. 00.	
	Cash in hand	11. 07.	
	Balance	<u>£ 1,523. 17.</u>	

A.E.Bailey
Treasurer

NOTICES, ARTICLES etc

CHURCH FLOWERS

June 4th. & 11th. VACANT. Please will someone fill in.

18th and 25th. Mrs Steward.

BRASSES. Vacant.

BIRTH On Friday May 19th to Nancy and George Robertson - a daughter

MRS M. GOFFIN sincerely thanks all who sent her flowers and get well cards during her recent stay in hospital. Also those who visited her.

DISTRICT COUNCIL BY-ELECTION.

Many folk no doubt know the result of the recent by-election for New and Old Buckenham in the Breckland District Council, which had to take place due to the sad death of Mr E. Macro. For those that don't, here are the facts:-

The total votes cast were 472. I received 329, Mr Towell 141 and there were two spoiled.

I have been elected to serve on two Committees; the Housing Committee and the Personnel Sub-Committee, both of which I have attended since my election.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all who helped and who voted during this election, and I hope that I will be able to be of service to all.

Yours sincerely,

Wm. Lloyd Barnes.

THE NEW BUCKENHAM SURGERY

People may wish to know what has been done and what is the present situation. Briefly this is as follows:-

Unfortunately no premises in the Village were offered which suited the Doctors' requirements.

The help of the Norfolk Family Practitioners Committee and of the Norwich Community Health Centre was requested but these replied that the responsibility for providing a surgery was that of the doctors - though the Health service would pay a reasonable rent for such premises.

Several suggestions were put forward, including the purchase by interested people, of a second hand living van to be stationed, say, at the side of the Village Hall. This did not meet with approval for several reasons.

Premises at Old Buckenham belonging to the Education Authority were agreed by them to be let for this purpose and were I understand inspected by the doctors.

A few days ago I was phoned by the Education Officer to say that these also had been turned down. So it seems as if the end of the road has been reached, unless anyone can suggest any other avenues that we can explore.

W. L. Barnes.

PARISH COUNCIL We have again entered for the Best Kept Village Competition.

Will all householders please make an effort to clean up the Village and those with children impress upon them not to throw litter around the streets or on the green.