

It requires so much effort and work to maintain our village institutions, such as the Church and Chapel, also the Parish Hall which is our community centre. Inflation has meant that more money is required to support the same things, but in order to raise the extra money, extra effort is required - for example three times as much money is needed to produce the same amount of heat in these buildings.

When these notes are circulated the Flower Festival and evening occasions will be "all set". I sincerely hope everybody will support this large effort which has been arranged with much enthusiasm. Please help in any way you think fit - come and bring your friends.

Leter in the summer there will be the Village Fete. Mr N.Noyes-Lewis is arranging this and in order to make it the success it was last year everybody who has anything to offer, time, ideas etc please give and attend meetings.

There is much talent in the village and a lot of untapped energy. The last few years have proved this to be so.

There is an old saying which says, "Many hands make light work". It is more important to remember this and abide by it than to take heed of the other old saying - "Too many cooks spoil the broth". This is just an excuse for opting out and in a small community such as ours we cannot afford to have anyone opting out.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave, whither thou' goest.

I returned and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all".

Ecclesiastes 9. V's 10-11.

INVALIDS We are sorry to hear of Mr Leslie Lincoln's continuing ill health and send our best wishes to him and to Mrs Lincoln.

Dr Mary Thackwell has returned to St Mary's after receiving treatment in hospital.

ARRIVALS We welcome Mrs Mortimer who has come to live at St Mary's.

BIRTH On June 11th. Congratulations to Brian and Dawn Tripp on the birth of a son, Paul Richard, a brother for Alan Michael.

MARRIAGE on June 8th. Jane Anne Lovell to Alan Charles Snowling of Dickleburgh. We send good wishes for their future happiness.

CHOIR BOYS are needed. If you are interested please come to the 11 a.m. service. You will be very welcome and the others will show you what to do.

WANTED A second hand portable typewriter. If you have one or know of some one who wants to sell please get in touch with me (the Vicar) and I will inform the reader who requires this.

LOST A man's gold wedding ring (with a black stone in the centre). It could well be on the left side of the road leaving the Village to Attleborough. This is the property of the man who is at present painting the Vicarage.

BEST WISHES to Adrian Sapsford who is shortly to leave the Village to commence training with the Royal Air Force.

CHURCH NOTICES

July 7th. FLOWER FESTIVAL. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m.
Matins 11 a.m. Evensong 6.30 p.m.

14th. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
21st. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
28th. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL each Sunday at 10.15 at the Vicarage, except July 7th.

On the Flower Festival Sunday the preacher at Matins will be Professor Donald Osborne, Professor of Science at the University of East Anglia.

Evensong will be fully Choral, an anthem will replace the sermon. The Cantoris Venta Choir from Norwich will sing, read a lesson, and ring a peal.

Hugh Whitwham (Vicar).

METHODIST NOTICES

WOMENS' FELLOWSHIP

July 2nd. The Speaker will be Mr Goodrum.
16th. An open meeting.
30th. Mr Francis.

SERVICES

July 7th. Morning: Mr How. Evening: To be announced.
14th. " Mr Davidson. " Mr Mayhew.
21st. To be announced.
28th. do.

F. Potter.

PAST AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Guides The Bingo which took place on June 12th raised £14 approximately. Many thanks to all helpers.

L. Gedge.

Royal British Legion - Womens' Section.

An enjoyable evening was held at the home of our President, Mrs Gilmour of Old Buckenham. Home made refreshments were provided by our hostess. An interesting talk and demonstration on "how to make up" was given by the County Vice Chairman, Mrs Lee.

July 4th. Business meeting in the Parish Room at 2.30 p.m.

10th. Bingo at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Room.

E. Powell (Chairman).

Good Companions

An enjoyable day's outing to Kings Lynn took place on June 11th. The next meeting on July 18th will be the annual garden meeting held at The Grange by kind invitation of our President, Mrs Steward.

Annual outing: July 31st.

G. Gray (Hon. Sec).

PARISH ROOM

On May 19th our sponsored walk raised the sum of £85. Many thanks to all-walkers, to all who sponsored them and to all the helpers on the day.

We hope the people who came to our Beef Supper and Ballroom Dance enjoyed themselves. We raised the sum of £28. Another dance is booked for August 2nd.

The Good Companions have kindly let us purchase all their crockery, for the sum of £15 and a kind friend from Gissing has presented us with a Cooker and 'Fridge for our kitchen.

The Storeroom is almost completed but we still need your support as we would like to replace all rotten windows and redecorate both inside and out. Then we hope we will have achieved the best hall for miles around and we hope it will be treated with respect.

Forthcoming Events:

July	3rd.	Bingo.
	13th.	Disco.
	24th.	Bingo.
Aug.	2nd.	Ballroom dance with refreshments.

Jean Howling (Chairman).

CHURCH SPRINGCLEANING

On going to print this is almost finished. Everywhere has been scrubbed and polished. Many thanks to those ladies who gave so many hours of their time. All very busy women, they fitted this chore in to their work routine. Thank you also for lending equipment. I will not mention you all by name but I am sure you would like me to make special mention of Mr Deeks and Mr Self, also Messrs H and W. Saunders who redecorated the porch and are busy recovering the door. Thank you also to Mrs Winser and Miss Ringer for providing and serving refreshments.

Joan Whitwham.

FLOWER FESTIVAL

Have you got your tickets for the Cheese and Wine party? (on July 5th at The Grange). Tickets are available at The Family Shop or from Committee members, price 75 pence.

Please may I make a last appeal for cakes, biscuits, preserves and pot plants. These are for sale during the Festival. Small cakes and biscuits etc are also welcome - these to be used for refreshments.

It is hoped that everyone will make an effort to attend the two Church Services on July 7th. Professor Donald Osborne will preach on God and Creation.

The Centoris Venta Choir are from the City College. Last year we had a much enjoyed choir, The Lyrian Singers - also from the City College, so we are expecting a beautiful evensong.

Joan Whitwham.

A BRAVE DEED On June 14th the children from the primary school had a day at Lowestoft. While playing on the beach, cries for help were heard. A little girl was in trouble and far out of her depth. Stuart Cope attempted to swim to her but cut his leg and had to return to shore. Robert Drake swam out to her and dragged her in by her legs. She was cut on the legs and was very distressed. I think much praise is due to these boys for such a brave task. Well done boys!

Jean Howling.

RED CROSS COLLECTION amounted to £14. Collectors were Mrs Saunders and Mrs Whitwham.

THE FOLLOWING IS A COPY OF A LETTER SENT TO THE BRECKLAND D.C.

"Dear Sir,

On Monday 3rd June at the New Buckenham Annual Parish Meeting very severe criticism was made by many people present about the sudden steep rise in rates. Certainly there will be great difficulty among some of the inhabitants in meeting this extraordinary rise.

Our representative on Breckland Council gave us a breakdown of the figures. It was very strongly felt that at a time of galloping inflation, with the country as a whole, as well as every individual in serious financial difficulties, to be wasting money on unnecessary luxuries, such as swimming pools, should be regarded as throwing away taxpayers' money. It was also felt that at a time of such financial stringency, to wish to build a new Council Chamber at Dereham, costing goodness knows how much, when there is a perfectly good chamber in Attleborough, must be regarded as further waste of taxpayers money.

The meeting did not wish to form it's own Ratepayers Association but instructed the Parish Council to officially inform the Breckland District Council that they were very dissatisfied with the way in which their money was being spent"

Parish Council.

I'M VERY WELL, THANK YOU. Sent in by Mr. D. Steward.

There is nothing the matter with me,
I'm as healthy as I can be,
I have arthritis in both my knees
And when I talk - I talk with a wheeze,
My pulse is weak, and my blood is thin,
But - I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.
Arch supports I have for my feet,
Or I wouldn't be able to be out on the street,
Sleep is denied me, night after night,
But every morning I find I'm all right,
My memory is failing, my head's in a spin,
But - I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.
The moral is this, as my tale I unfold,
That for you and me who are getting old,
It's better to say I'm fine with a grin,
Than to let folks know the shape we are in.
How do I know that my youth is all spent?
Well, my "get up and go" has got up and went,
But I really don't mind when I think with a grin,
Of all the grand places I've "got up" and bin.
Old age is golden I've heard it said,
But somehow I wonder as I get into bed,
With my ears in a draw, my teeth in a cup,
My eyes on a table until I get up,
"Ere sleep overtakes me, I say to myself,
"Is there anything else I could lay on the shelf?"
When I was young, my slippers were red,
I could kick my heels right over my head,
When I was older my slippers were blue,
But I could still dance the whole night through.
Now I am old, my slippers are black
I walk to the store and puff my way back,
I get up each morning and dust off my wits,
And pick up the paper to read the "obits",
If my name is still missing I know I'm not dead,
And so I have breakfast and go back to bed.

THE STATUTORY SERVICES of the Church of England are the Choir Offices of Matins and Evensong. Although, as far as I know, this statute has not been rescinded, these services do not always take place each Sunday, according to legal requirement. This is because multiple pluralities allow only one service per Sunday in small parishes. This is of course always the Holy Communion. However, the Clergy are required to say Matins and Evensong every day throughout the year - during which prayers and intercessions are said for those parishioners who are sick or in any way afflicted.

During the recent Flower Festival we had three usual services - the Holy Communion and the two Choir offices. There was a large congregation at Matins and an even larger one at Evensong. I was delighted to hear so many people say how much they enjoyed these services.

When a preacher goes into the pulpit he faces a diverse audience. The age range is from childhood to old age. The experience and education of the audience - even in a small village like this - covers a wide range. His task then is to say something which is both meaningful to the erudite and understood by the children. The sermon preached by Professor Osborne amply filled this need.

The Cantoris Venta Choir, which helped to make Evensong a memorable occasion serves to inspire our choir to higher things. This can only be achieved by attending Choir practice - so ably taken by Mrs Thomas - and by those who like singing (men women and children) to join our numbers.

The collections taken at these services amounted to £25 +. If these large congregations were the rule rather than the exception, an effortless annual revenue of £1300 would result. Although this would not mean redundancy for those who work so hard to raise money for the Church, it would mean that the burden is more evenly spread. Church attendance is a discipline. An example of this is given each Sunday by the one you elect year after year to be your Peoples' Warden. As I have often said and will repeat - the Church is better served by those who attend its services than by those who sit on committees. The Church of England is increasingly becoming a bureaucratic machine. There are committees for this - and that, and at a recent deanery synod (another committee) it was suggested that the right hand does not always know what the left hand is doing. Those of you who love the Church and work for its continuity by raising funds, keeping it a place of beauty and peace both within and without, do so for posterity and purpose - the purpose being Worship, which is the highest form of giving.

INVALIDS

We are pleased that Mark Rush is making progress after an operation for appendicitis.

We send our best wishes to Mrs Oakley, Mrs Curtis and Mr Tip Self who have been poorly of late.

ARRIVALS

We welcome to the village - Mr and Mrs Davis who have come to live at "The Foxes", Mrs Martin and Mr Roger Martin, her son, who have come to live in Chapel Hill.

DEPARTURES

Mr and Mrs A. Paton have moved to their home in Watton.

OBITUARY

It is with deep sorrow we report the death of Leslie Walter Lincoln, which occurred on Friday July 19th. We send sympathy to Mrs Lincoln who bravely nursed him until the end. She has a son and devoted family to support her. Mr Wilfred Saunders writes:

"Mr Leslie Lincoln has lived in the village since marriage. By trade a brickmaker, first at Banham then at Norwich, until the closure of the brickworks. Quiet and friendly and very fond of a garden".

CHURCH SERVICES

August 4th. Holy Comm. 8 30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
11th. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
18th. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
25th. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL. No Sunday School during August. This will commence on Sunday September 8th.

CHOIR PRACTICE Each Tuesday at 8 p.m.

ALTAR FLOWERS August 4th and 11th. Mrs David Gladden and Miss Gladden.
August 18th and 25th. Mrs Spaul and Mrs Ecart.

Hugh Whitwhem (Vicar)

METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

August 4th. Morning. Mr Woodroffe. Evening to be announced
11th. " Mr Humphries. " "
18th. " Mr R. Garrard " "
25th. Family Service - Miss Taylor. Evening - United Service at O.Buck.

Womens' Fellowship

Tuesday Aug. 13th. The Speaker will be Miss Hammond.
" " 27th. Ladies from Old Buckenham.

F.Potter.

PAST AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Village Hall Fund

The recently held Bingo made a profit of £12 and the Disco £8.

August 2nd. Ballroom Dance with refreshments. Music by Ted Holden and his Band. Tickets from Committee members.

J.Howling (Chairman)

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - WOMENS' SECTION

There will be no meeting in August - the next meeting will be on September 5th.

AUGUST 30th. Because of the many events in the Village the Womens' Section have not held their annual garden party and sale for the last two years. In order to raise money we are having a Country & Western evening on August 30th at 8 p.m. in the Parish Room. The music will be to Dave West and the Cripple Creek. This evening has been arranged by one of our members - Mrs R. Howling.

E.Powell (Chairman).

GOOD COMPANIONS CLUB

The August meeting on Thursday 15th will take place at the School Room, Old Buckenham. An enjoyable afternoon was spent at The Grange on Thursday July 18th. The rain eventually came but not until the party was almost over.

Refreshments were provided by our president and hostess - Mrs Steward.

G. Gray (Hon. Sec.)

FLOWER FESTIVAL

My thanks to the Festival Committee for all their hard work before, and during the Festival. To all ladies who made those really lovely flower arrangements, to everyone who gave cakes, plants and fruit for sale. To all those who gave their time and help during the three days of the Flower Festival.

The Festival was, as you all know, a great success and judging by the comments of the many visitors to the Church during the three days, was much enjoyed by all.

A special thanks to the following: Mrs Tofts and Miss Ringer for the time they gave to watering and keeping the arrangements fresh for as long as possible. To Mr Deeks and Mr Gedge for providing water and for the disposal of dead flowers. To Mr Peter Taylor for bringing furniture and crockery from the Parish Room. To Mr Wilfred Saunders for erecting the shelves and to all the Stewards who were on duty.

Helen Bunn (Hon. Sec.)

On behalf of the Committee I would like to add Mrs Bunn's name to the above list. We all appreciate her enthusiasm, tireless energy and organising ability.

J. Whitwham.

GRAND DRAW

Apart from the £5 which was taken from the proceeds the remaining prizes were given by people in the village. The winners were:-

£5. Mrs Love of Reveningham.

Whisky: Mrs Oxley. Large Wine: Mrs Sapsford.

Sherry: Eileen Walton (Shipdham) Chocolates: Col. Thackwell.

Coins: Mr Smitherman. Car Kit: Mrs Frost (Tivetshall).

Coffee: Moore-Ede (London). Wine: Mr Steward. Vase: Mrs Woodrow.

We are grateful to Mrs E. Symonds for selling so many tickets. The result of the draw will be on the balance sheet which will be displayed in the Church porch.

Joan Whitwham.

THE NEW BUCKENHAM FETE. AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY.

I would be grateful if the ladies who usually help me with refreshments at the Village fete on August Monday would like to help this year; also anybody else who is interested. Cakes etc - large and small - will be gratefully received. Collections can be arranged.

Margaret Wright (Carleton Rode).

THE NEW BUCKENHAM FETE continued.

GOOD COMPANIONS CLUB

Dear Friends, Once again the time draws near for our Bank Holiday fete to be held on our Village Green on August 26th. As usual we are asking everyone to be as generous as in the past in giving anything they can. We shall be so pleased to have groceries, pot plants, cut flowers and cakes. The cakes we had last year were really wonderful and sold out so quickly too. Vegetables are very useful to sell - also any food, left off clothing and nick knacks that we all like pawing over. I shall be pleased to have any items at Beech Cottage, New Buckenham. Great care will be taken of them.

Sincerely, Grace Hull.

The Royal British Legion will have a stall at the fete as usual. All gifts, oddments etc to Mrs Powell or Mrs Whitwham.

COMMENT

During the recent flower festival various comments were made, and passed on to me, regarding the state of the Churchyard and the state of the cemetery. Adverse criticism was contained in these remarks i.e. "Why does the Church keep the Churchyard so beautifully and allow the recently bereaved to suffer the unkept state of the cemetery".

I want to make it clear that the cemetery is not the responsibility of the Vicar and Churchwardens, but is under the jurisdiction of the burial board.

The Churchyard has reached its present state of beauty because of the voluntary labour given over a period of ten years. If anyone can suggest how the cemetery can be improved I am sure these suggestions will be considered by the Burial Board.. Clerk: Mr W. Saunders.

H. Whitwham.

Mrs G. Hull writes:

I must be in a writing mood. This is a thank you to Mrs Evans. I have often wondered if the little tips we read in our Parish News are tried out. This one was - the bicarbonate of soda round the oven of electric cookers. It really works. I haven't had a dirty oven for months.

G. Hull.

STOP PRESS

Congratulations to Michael and Patricia Kirk on the birth of a son.

Referring to the "Comment" above and being the typist gives me an advantage - I would like to state the cemetery has been in the thoughts of the Parish Council on more than one occasion.

One Tuesday evening it was discussed at some length and it is hoped to employ somebody to cut the grass and afterwards level the ground so that it will be easier to manage. Furthermore, 100 trees are being ordered to make a windbreak along the boundary between the field and the cemetery and it is hoped these will be planted in the Autumn.

L. Breeze.

A VISITATION The Bishop of Norwich has arranged to make a pastoral visit to this deanery next Spring, when he will visit each parish. It is a time honoured episcopal custom for the Bishop in his capacity as chief pastor to travel widely in his diocese, meeting all the clergy and as many of the laity as possible. In times past the instrument of travel was the horse, this meant the bishop had to be suitably dressed, and this is why gaiters were worn and are still part of the episcopal dress, seldom worn today except on the most formal occasions. Gaiters are worn by Archdeacons, whose job it was (and still is) to visit each parish annually, for the purpose of inspecting Churches and instructing Church Wardens. £1 was then given to the Archdeacon for the upkeep of his horse. Although this visit takes place locally each year, the cassock has replaced the gaiters and the car has replaced the horse. The £1 is the only thing which has remained unchanged.

People sometimes ask me why some Bishops sit in the House of Lords. The Church of England, although unsupported by the state financially, is an established church. In the distant past, when England was a feudal country, the clergy were the only men of learning. The monarch, in as much as he would accept advice, was advised by the hierarchy of the church. The first semblance of parliament consisted of bishops and barons.- Lords spiritual and lords temporal. Similarly the parish priest was the dispenser of both spiritual and temporal advice to his parishioners.

The first common parliament was called by Simon Earl of Leicester, after the defeat of Henry III at the Battle of Lewes. During the time the King was held prisoner, Simon called a meeting of gentlemen, merchants and tradesmen from the Shires. This was the beginning of the first common parliament (1265). The Church of England, as far as its outer form is concerned, is the work of a Greek monk, Theodore of Tarsus. He was the 7th Archbishop of Canterbury - 669 AD. The first Christian missionaries attached themselves to the Courts of the Kings, who were their first converts. They were thus royal chaplains, and the seven kingdoms became the seven dioceses. Theodore's task was to order the dioceses, and to add new ones. He then grouped them around the one centre, Canterbury. The parish system evolved over the next 100 years. Before this the priests went forth from the monasteries to preach and baptize. The mission priests became settled clergy. The holding of the English noble became the parish, and his chaplain, the parish priest.

A source of permanent endowment was later found in the revival of the Jewish system of tithes and in the annual gift to church purposes of a tenth of the produce of the soil.

In the 1300 years since then, the Church has undergone many reforms and has been divested of much of its power. Its critics only point to the Church's involvement in political intrigue and the worst aspects of statesmanship, remembering always the many cruelties performed (through ignorance) in the name of the Church. They fail to mention the Church as the founder of education, hospitals, welfare and rescue work, the basis upon which our welfare state has been built.

INVALIDS On going to print we are sorry to hear that Mrs Cole (Diana Eames) has been injured in a motor accident. We understand she was not detained in hospital.

Mr William Cooper has returned home after a short stay in hospital.

BIRTH Congratulations to Frances & Bernard Duncan on the birth of a son.

WELCOME to Mrs Cook who has come back to spend a few weeks in her home.

DEPARTURES When these notes are circulated Mrs Apthorpe will have left the Village. Her new abode will be "The Nunnery", Diss.
Mr Arthur Poll has sold his bungalow and left Upgate Street. Later in the month he will marry Mrs Rix of Spixworth. We wish him happiness.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sept. 1st. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
" 8th. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
" 15th. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.
Fri. 20th. HARVEST THANKSGIVING. 7.30 p.m.
" 22nd. Matins 11 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
29th. St Michael. Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL commences on September 8th at 10.15 at the Vicarage.
CHOIR PRACTICE each Tuesday at 8 p.m.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Sept. 1st & 8th. Mrs Braine and Mrs Thomas.
15th & 22nd. Mrs Gedge and Mrs Kirk.
29th. Mrs Fiske.

Hugh Whitwham (Vicar).

METHODIST NOTICES

Womens' Fellowship. Sept. 10th. To be announced.
" 24th. Members afternoon.

SERVICES

Sept. 1st.	Morning:	Mr Gaskell.	Evening:	Mr Ward.
8th.	"	Rev. Hughes.	"	Mr Barker
15th.	"	To be announced.	"	Rev. Blount.
22nd.	"	do.	"	Mr Dye.
29th.	Family Service (Mr Francis)	"	"	Mr Osborne.

As you will have noticed the Chapel has recently been repainted and some necessary pointing done. There is still a little more work to be done before repairs are completed.

F. Potter.

PAST AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Methodist Church.

A Flower and Harvest Festival has been arranged for October 4th, 5th and 6th when we will be pleased to see everyone. Refreshments will be served in the Schoolroom. There will be a cake and produce stall and a Plant and Bulb stall. We would welcome any gifts for these. On Friday evening a choir has been arranged and Sunday is our Harvest Festival. Services 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. We welcome you all on these occasions. We would like to thank everyone who has consented to help us in anyway. If anyone has queries would they please contact Mrs Philip Potter or myself.

Jean Howling.

PARISH CHURCH HARVEST THANKSGIVING

The preacher on Friday September 20th will be Rev. Barry Dawson - Chaplain to the Bishop.

On Sunday 22nd the service will be for the children when it is hoped they will bring small gifts of produce to be blessed.

Will all ladies who decorate the church please have the Church ready for the Friday service.

Hugh Whitwham.

VILLAGE HALL

Our last Bingo made a profit of £12. A Harvest Supper has been planned for October 18th, when we will be pleased to see everyone. Tickets will be on sale later and if anyone has anything for the auction we will be pleased to collect it

Forthcoming Events:

Bingo Sept. 18th at 8 p.m.
Harvest Supper October 18th at 7.30 p.m.
Country & Western November 22nd at 8 p.m.

Jean Howling (Chairman).

GOOD COMPANIONS CLUB

The August meeting was held at Old Buckenham. Refreshments were given and served by Old Buckenham members. During the afternoon a few games of Bingo were played. Names were taken for an outing to Clacton and a possible trip to the Old Tyme Music Hall in Norwich on September 25th. The New Buckenham Over 60's Bowls team reported success. They have won their way through to the finals of the J.S.Cowell cup at the County Hall, Norwich on August 29th. Team names are Mrs Saunders, Mr Knappett, Mr W. Saunders, Mr Phillipo, Mr Beales, N.B. and Mr W.Hardy Old Buckenham.

Thanks to Old Buckenham members for a very enjoyable meeting.

G. Gray (Hon.Sec.)

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION (Womens' Section).

Meeting on September 5th at Old Buckenham (Evening). Group meeting on September 18th at Kenninghall (Evening). Speaker will be the County Treasurer - Miss Nash. Will those requiring transport please get in touch with me.

E. Powell (Chairman).

THE BOWLS CLUB have concluded another season with all games played and in good weather. By losing the last two games in the league we finished in third place instead of first place in which two wins would have put us. We also survived to the third round of the Guide Dog Competition. Mr Gedge is to be complimented on maintaining the green in such good condition.

W. Saunders.

THE BANK HOLIDAY FETE

On behalf of the Church, Chapel and Village Hall committee I would like to sincerely thank Mr N. Noyes-Lewis for organising this big event for the past two years.

Because of increasing business activities Mr Noyes Lewis regretfully will not be able to organise this event next year. As it has proved to be such a successful united effort, and as it has been going now for many years I feel it would be a pity for it to fall away. Therefore if anyone would like to take Mr Noyes-Lewis's place as C.O. would he or she please call a public meeting early.

Hugh Whitwham. Vicar.

NOTICES

The Churchwardens would like readers to know that the money raised for the Church by the Flower Festival and other means is necessary for the upkeep of the same. The lead on the nave rood has had to be repaired and the work will cost in the region of £250; this is only one item in the year's expenses.

W.Saunders.

If the person or persons who wrote sending the New Buckenham Fete programme to the Breckland District Council, drawing their attention to my advertisement, would like to call, he or they can inspect the planning permission granted to me by the Norfolk County Council and, if necessary, I will willingly supply him or them with a copy.

C. Rush. Mill House Garage, New Buckenham.

AEROFILMS LIMITED

The above have sent me three electrostatic copies of New Buckenham (showing all streets and houses). A price list is enclosed and if enough people are interested 100 or more P.Cs. can be obtained cheaply. Size 10 X 8 single copies cost £2.20 or £2.27 mounted.

H. Whitwham.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

A Government big enough to give you everything you want is also big enough to take everything you have.

President Gerald Ford.

THE WATER CURE

Sometime when you're feeling important,
Sometime when your ego's in bloom.
Sometime when you take it for granted,
You're the best qualified in the room,
Sometime when you feel your going
Would leave an unfillable hole
Just follow this simple instruction
And see how it humbles your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water;
Put your hand in - up to your wrist
Take it out - and the hole that's remaining
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.

You can splash all you please as you enter;
You can stir up water galore;
But stop - and you'll find in a minute
That it looks quite the same as before.
There's a moral in this quaint expression:
Just do the best you can
Be proud of yourself - but remember
There is no indispensable man.

Norwich Churchman.

WHIST DRIVES

The New Buckenham Conservative Branch are re-commencing their Whist Drives at the King's Head on Thursday September 19th at 7.45. These will continue throughout the Winter with a prize of £5 for the highest aggregate from 10 games out of 12. Normal prizes will of course be given at each Drive.

V.L.Cowdery.