

THE REEVE'S TALE



A happy holiday to our Readers!



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THE RECTOR WRITES

Briefly this Month, as this is an August-September issue, and the next Reeve's Tale will not be out until roughly the middle of September, for the October events.

I will be away for most of August, and as for a number of years now my son-in-law, the Revd. Nigel McCulloch, will be living in the Rectory and looking after things in the Parishes. This will be his last time with us, as he has recently been appointed Archdeacon of Sarum, the area around Salisbury, and he and Celia and the children leave here in the Autumn, so that he can take up his new job early in the new year. We congratulate him, and are sure that he will be very happy.

After the dreadful printing of the last Reeve's Tale I sent my machine to be overhauled - not before time - and I am more than grateful to the PCCs of Foxley and Bawdeswell for saying that they would pay for it. This offer came out of the blue, and I am most grateful for it. Unfortunately however, an overhaul does not teach it to spell, so you will probably get as many errors as usual in this and other numbers !

SERVICES FOR AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

Roman Catholic: Fr. Peter Marsh: Catholic House, 35, London Road, Dereham. Tel. (9) 4066

Mass each Sunday: RAF Swanton Morley 9.00 a.m.
Dereham Catholic Church: 10.30 & 6.30

Methodist Church: Rev. Ivor Claydon, 31, Trinity Close, Dereham
Tel. (9) 5528

- Aug. 6th. Foxley: 6.30 p.m. A.J. Barrett
- 13th. Bawdeswell: 2.30 D. Fisher
- Foxley: 2.30 Family Service
- 20th. Foxley: 6.30: Rev. W.G.T. Westgate
- 27th. Bawdeswell: 2.30: S.W. Graves
- Foxley: 11 a.m. A. Howman

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Methodist Services continued...

- Sept. 3rd. Foxley: Rev. I. Claydon 6.30. Holy Communion
10th. Bawdeswell: 2.30. Rev. I. Claydon
Foxley: 2.30. Family Service
17th. Foxley: 6.30 p.m. Miss Theobald
24th. Bawdeswell: 2.30 : G. Brown
Foxley: HARVEST FESTIVAL 2.30 & 6.30.

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Anglican: Canon Tim Townshend: Foxley Rectory. Tel. 397

- Aug. 6th. Bawdeswell: 8.30 Holy Communion 11 a.m. Mattins
Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
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Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
27th. Bawdeswell: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
Foxley: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 11. see Methodists
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Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
10th. Bawdeswell: 9.45 a.m. Family Service: UNITED
Foxley: Closed: see above.
17th. Bawdeswell: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion: 11 am. Mattins
Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
24th. Bawdeswell: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
Foxley: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 am. see Methodists.

FOLLAND COURT

- Monday, 4th. September: 10 a.m. Bible Study
Monday 18th. September: 10 a.m. Holy Communion

REEPHAM PARISH CHURCH: Thursday, 14th. September, 7.30 p.m.
A Deanery Welcome to Bishop George Ambo, of Papua New Guinea,
one of the Lambeth Bishops. Refreshments will be served,
and people will have a chance to meet Bishop George.
Anyone who cares to come will be very welcome.

ADVANCE NOTICES: Harvest Festivals: Foxley 8th. October,
Bawdeswell: 1st. October. Details later.

EDWARD CRITCHER aged 93

It is always a matter of sorrow when one says goodbye to a much-loved friend of many years, and this is so true in the case of 'Grandad' Critcher, whose illness was reported in last Month's issue. Mercifully though, his last illness was very brief and his end peaceful.

He was a remarkable character, in the truest sense of the word: he joined the Royal Navy at a very early age, but soon found that it was not his cup of tea; so he jumped ship by the simple expedient of diving overboard at Malta - he was an expert swimmer - and proceeded to join the Army: when the first war came he received a free pardon, and served with the Surrey Regiment until he was sent home with wounds and the results of being gassed: he then was transferred to the Royal Flying Corps, thereby serving in all three Services. After the war ill health dogged him constantly, and he and his wife went through very hard times bringing up their family. In 1939 he joined up yet again, and became an Instructor in the Home Guard as a regular soldier, until he was retired.

After his wife's death over 21 years ago he went to live with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. & Mrs. Loose, with whom he remained to the end, greatly loved by all who knew him. Our deep sympathy to them and to all his family.



ALICE EDITH MANN - aged 68

We also record with sorrow the unexpected death of Alice Mann, the wife of 'billy' of Dereham Road, Bawdeswell, who died in Yarmouth where she and he had gone for a short holiday following his recent illness. She was one of the large Skipper family of Elsing and Bylaugh, and sadly her brother Harry Skipper died just two days after her. The very large gathering of her friends and neighbours at her funeral was a tribute to the high regard in which she was held. Our deepest sympathy, especially, to her husband, who returns to Hospital (Norfolk & Norwich: Colney Ward) on 24th. July. May she rest in peace.

BRENDA EGLIN - aged 27

The deepest sympathy of both villages will go out to John and the children on the sad loss of a loving wife and mother, made all the more tragic because of the real hope that after her operation for a kidney transplant Brenda was going to make a real recovery.

John and Brenda had lived in the police house all their married life until recently it became necessary for her to be nearer the Hospital for treatment: they were greatly liked by everyone, and John threw himself wholeheartedly into community affairs.

There will be a funeral service in Bawdeswell Church on Wednesday, 26th., at 11.30 a.m. and this will be followed by Cremation.

We ask for the prayers of everyone for John and the children, so that they may be upheld in this great loss.

REGGIE BECK, who is in the Mousehold Ward at West Norwich, is making slow progress following his recent illness: he is now able to sit up out of bed, and is eating well. We hope that this improvement will continue.

CONGRATULATIONS to Karen Howard, Richard Lilwall and Mark Gill who were selected from a very large entry to receive special tennis coaching at U.E.A. during August: perhaps we have a future Wimbledon champ among them !

Don't miss The W. I. Garden Fête —
See over leaf.

BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY W.I.

It is safe to say that all members and their guests present at our last meeting thoroughly enjoyed the talk by Lady Margaret Barry and Mrs. Smith: their story proved that neither money nor the lack of it creates happiness, but a good family life most certainly can.

Among the guests we were pleased to see Mrs. Lloyd Lewis, the first President of the Lyng & Sparham W.I., who held this Office for 50 years!

The visit to Bawdeswell Hall gardens was much enjoyed by all who went. After an interesting tour of the gardens with Mr. & Mrs. Loose who answered many questions on gardening problems, Mrs. Loose provided the party with coffee, delicious home-made scones and biscuits.

There will be no monthly meeting in August, but a special meeting will be held at Mill House, Foxley, on Monday, 31st. July at 7.30 p.m. for any members willing to help with the fete on 5th. August.

The next committee meeting will be at Barwick House, Bawdeswell on Monday, 4th. September, at 7.30 p.m.

The next Monthly Meeting will be on 11th. Sept. at 7.45 p.m., in Bawdeswell when John Kett will entertain with Norfolk song and verse, and members are invited to bring two visitors, who will be charged 20p. towards the cost of refreshments.

A second chance to take part in the W.I. Tablecloth design, as judging has been postponed until the September Meeting.

Future dates: October: Foxley. Mrs. Kirkham: Macrame .

November: Bawdeswell: A.G.M.

December: Foxley: Christmas Party.

STALLS
TEAS

GARDEN FETE

SIDESHOWS
HOT DOGS

MILL HOUSE, FOXLEY (Foxley Village Hall if wet)

SATURDAY 5th AUGUST: 2.30pm.

FANCY DRESS: JUDGING 2.45 SHARP.

TO BE OPENED BY LADY FREELAND

WHAT DID THE TOP CLASS THINK OF THE TRIP ?

We would love to print all the accounts of the exciting trip to Kent, but space forbids; so the following are a selection in which we try to cover most of the variety of experiences: we put them in without names, to be fairer to those whose accounts are not included as they duplicated others.

1: We started off a 9 o'clock we waved to the Mums, and we were off to Kent. We were very excited. The first stop was Shipdam for a few mins. We went on to Duxford for lunch. We look around and saw 2 USA planes, 4 British planes 1 German plane and Concorde. After we had done that we went and had our lunch and then we went to look over Concorde: we look to see how much it was and it was 15p. we got our money out and went in. We then went back to the mini bus. We parts Newmarket and saw some jockeys riding: then we went the rest of the way to London, and down to Kent.

2. On Tuesday we went to London and went up the Monument, it had 311 steps to the top and its 215 feet tall, you had a great view from the top you could see most of London. Then when we came down we could see HMS Belfast, we went to it by bus, and then on to it by barge, and when we came off it we went by boat to the father side of the Tames and saw the Tower of London, but we did not go in it. Then we went to Greenwich to see the Cutty Sark which is a tea clipper and we went to see the Date Line and put one foot on each part of the world; and then we went back to Kent.

3. The girl's name I stayed with was called Emma Pankhurst. Her house was really large so I had a bedroom to myself. The lounge was very long and she had a bathroom upstairs and a toilet downstairs. They had three bedrooms and Emma's door and mine had crinckly glass in the middle but her mum and dad's door was all wood. They had seperate dinning room and of corse a kitchen. She has two pets a little dog called Bran and a cat called tiggy. In her garden she had a caravan which she played in. Mr. & Mrs. Pankhurst were very nice and they ate a lot too.

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Mrs. Pankhurst gave me breakfast a packed lunch a dinner and supper. Emma is like me we both suck our thumbs and bite our nails and we are always talking and laughing. We both liked roughly the same programmes. Emma and I got on very well while I was there and I thoroughly enjoyed myself.

4. On Wednesday at half-past six we went to a barbecue we had ginger beer and crisps and cake and the boy went round the back and climbed up the hill. And Scott spilt some ginger-beer on Penny and I hid up the tree and they couldn't find us until we had the cake and most of the boys were still up the trees but when we got round the back we got some bikes out and we got back and it was time to go home.

5. When we got to Boulogne (Thursday) we were very excited, and Mr. Pyne took us up a hill to get to the Fisherman's Cathedral. We went in and we lit a candle and they were 50p. each. After we had put a candle in we said a prayer. Then we went to a shop. We had 5 francs each and Richard Lilwall got a football for 5F. Then we went to the boat and went back to Kent.

6. On Monday at 9 o'clock we set off to Plaxtol in Kent. On the way we stopped at Duxford Airfield and had our lunch. Some of the children went on Concorde, I thought it was very nice.

When we arrived at Plaxtol I met Jenny. Jenny lived in a bungalow. On Tuesday we went to the Monument and HMS Belfast, and we saw the Cutty Sark. On Thursday we went to France it was nice we lit a candle and prayed. We walked up a hill in France.

On Friday we went to the Natural History Museum and the Science Museum and saw a lot of whales.

Then we went home it was nice to be home.

Our warmest thanks and congratulations to the children for these entries, and apologies once again to those who did not get in. It was very hard to choose.

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