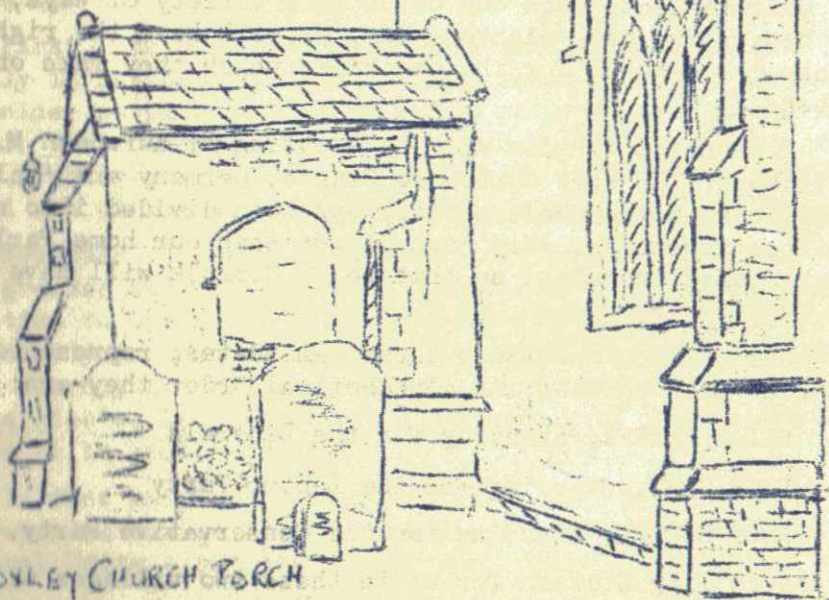


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FOXLEY CHURCH PORCH

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THE RECTOR WRITES

Do you want to share in making History ?
That sounds rather surprising, but it is what we all can do, if we exercise our right to VOTE on 7th.June in the Common Market Elections.

But why is this making History ? Simply because it will be the first time in history that a simultaneous election has taken place in nine different countries for the same purpose to elect a single Parliament.

But why have Elections? Why not get each political party to nominate a certain number of members in proportion to their strength to represent us ?

Simply because what they will be doing over the next five years affects each one of us in a variety of ways, and, because we have elected them, we will have the right to make them answer for the decisions which they make on our behalf.

The United Kingdom will be electing 81 European M.P.s on 7th.June (the same number as France, Germany and Italy), and as we know the whole country has been divided into new Euro?constituencies, very much larger than our home Parliamentary constituencies, so that we in Norfolk will have just one Member.

Our choice is between three candidates, representing the three main parties: in alphabetical order they are:

BRIAN BAXTER, standing for the Liberals

HUGH GRAY, standing for the Labour Party

PAUL HOWELL, standing for the Conservative Party.

and the Polling Station for us in these two villages will be Bawdeswell School, which means, incidentally, another day off for the children: I suppose they have never had so many in one term.

But what does the Common Market consist of ?

At the present time there are nine countries, the United Kingdom, France, West Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, Ireland and Luxembourg, with a total population of somewhere around 260 million. The elected Members will speak up for us and our area, and will also bear some measure of responsibility for how some of our taxes are spent, as the European Parliament controls the Common Market Budget: they will also supervise the Commission in Brussels which prepares Common Market Laws.

But what is the point of it all ?

Apart from the economic advantages, which was the original purpose of the Common Market, it seems to me that there are two other great advantages.

First, the closer we all get linked in Europe, the less likely is it that there could ever again be a war among us: the older people remember only too well the two occasions within their lifetime when the world was plunged into the most ghastly conflagration because the nations of Europe waged war with each other; and this must never happen again.

Secondly, the closer we work together and draw together, the greater our international power and bargaining power in relation to the other great power blocs in the world, especially the United States and Russia. The U.K., France, West Germany and so on alone are small beer compared with these giants, but the 260 million people of Europe are a force to be reckoned with.

In fact many people, myself included, look forward to the day when we can go beyond a economic unity, and achieve a Federal Unity - but that's for the future.

For the present, the important thing is to vote on 7th. June. I certainly shall, and I hope you will too.

Tim Townshend.

WILLIAM FARROW aged 94

We record with sorrow the death of William Farrow of Foxley, a resident for over 20 years until he had to go to Hospital through increasing ill health. For a large part of his working life he was a sailor, first on trawlers working from Lowestoft when he was still only a boy, and then, after a period of training in Chatham, in the Royal Navy, where he sailed on sailing ships and was posted to the China Fleet, when he took part in the subduing of the Boxer Riots, in or around 1910. After returning home, he once again worked on trawlers, but remained on the Reserve for the Navy, which meant that he was recalled in the first war. He was a very interesting man, and very much of a character and we express our sympathy for his widow. May he rest in peace.

THE PLAY GROUP: OPEN AFTERNOON

We are asked by the organisers and Committee of the Play Group to express their warm thanks to the many people who came along to the Open Afternoon, as a result of which the splendid sum of £74 was raised for the Funds. They would also like to thank Mrs. Potts, the new Supervisor, who had taken so much trouble over the preparations for this, and the admirable displays of the children's work on the walls. It was a very happy occasion and well worth all the effort.

CONFIRMATION A very warm thanks to all those who helped by providing and serving the excellent refreshments in the Village Hall after the Confirmation. It made all the difference, and was greatly appreciated by all who came. Incidentally, the Hall looked lovely, not least because the children's decorations were up on the walls in preparation for the Open Afternoon (above) !

BAPTISM. A warm welcome into the family of the Church for Jean, Tina and Lisa Digby, all baptised on 27th. May.



St. Thomas' Foxley

FLOWER
FESTIVAL



JUNE 22
23 & 24
1979

- THEME: MANY THOMASSES: SAINTS,
MARTYRS: PHILANTHROPISTS & OTHERS
 - FRIDAY 2.30 TO SUNDAY FESTAL EVENSONG 6.30.
 - PREACHER: THE ARCHDEACON OF NORFOLK
 - Refreshments: space for car & coach parking
- Foxley is on A1067: Norwich 16m. Fakenham 9m.

BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the May Meeting the Members warmly welcomed the Speaker, Mrs. Downton, the founder of the Club.

The Coffee Morning on 19th. May in the Village Hall realised the sum of around £40 for W.I. Funds.

The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Stable Wing of Bawdeswell Hall on Thursday, 7th. June, and the next monthly Meeting will take place in Foxley Village Hall on Monday, 11th. June, when the Speaker will be Mrs. Moorby, whose subject will be 'Fun with Fruit'. The Competition will be for four jam farts (home-made of course!)

The Committee ask us to say that they would very warmly welcome new Members: anyone who would like to find out what the W.I. is all about is most welcome to come for three Meetings without committing themselves - at a nominal charge of 15p. a visit, and we would then hope that they might like to join.



THREE SPECIAL SERVICES (See Church Notes)

1. WHITSUN DAY: June 3rd. UNITED SERVICE in Bawdeswell Church for Bawdeswell & Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Preacher; the Arch-deacon of Norwich.
2. June 10th. SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL: Foxley Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Taken by Mr. Strolger.
3. June 24th. FLOWER FESTIVAL EVENSONG 6.30 p.m., at the close of the Foxley Festival: St. Thomas' Church, Foxley: Preacher: the Archdeacon of Norfolk.

Everyone will be very welcome indeed to any or all of these Services.



LIFEBOATS R.N.L.I.

The Foxley Collection for the Lifeboats came to £12.84, and the collectors were: Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Burlingham, Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Weymouth.

This helped to bring up the Dereham area total to some £256, quite a bit up on last year.

Thanks to those who collected, and to those who gave.

THE RED CROSS COLLECTIONS

in Bawdeswell came to £24.14, and in Foxley to £13.45, making a total for the two villages of £37.59.

Very warm thanks to the Collectors in both villages, and also to those who gave so generously.

WE ARE VERY GLAD that Mr. George Guymer of Foxley is making very good progress after his recent illness: his garden is still a picture, and puts the rest of us to shame.

JACK MORTERS is in Hospital for a few weeks, but we hope that he will soon be home again.

Mrs. Dodie Ames is making a good recovery after a major operation and we hope that she will take things easy for a bit before she starts back again into her busy life.

IT IS A BLOW to the whole Community that Andrew and Marion McNair will be leaving Bawdeswell in August or thereabouts, but mercifully only as far as Foulsham. Having just got our OWN Doctor for the first time ever, we are losing him, though fortunately he will still be our 'local' G.P. But Marion will be much missed in the village. However, lucky Foulsham, and every happiness to them - we mean Andrew, Marion, Alastair and Katie, and the hopeful new arrival!

SATURDAY 16th. June: 7.15 p.m. in the Foxley Village Hall.

CAWSTON UNITED CHOIR

Community Singing

Items by the Choir

No entry, but a Collection will be taken for the Foxley Methodist Church Funds. The Rector will be in the Chair.

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME

CHURCH SERVICES for June

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

3rd. WHITSUN DAY. UNITED SERVICE FOR BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY

Bawdeswell Church: 9.45 a.m. Preacher: The Archdeacon of
Norwich.

10th. Bawdeswell: 8.30 am. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Mattins
Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Holy Communion.

17th. Bawdeswell: 9.45 a.m. Family Service.

Foxley: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion: 11 a.m. Mattins.

24th. FOXLEY FLOWER FESTIVAL.

Bawdeswell 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. No Mattins.

Foxley: UNITED FESTAL EVENSONG: 6.30 p.m. Preacher:
The Archdeacon of Norfolk.

FOLLAND COURT:

Monday, 11th. June; 10 a.m. Bible Study

Monday, 25th. June: 10 a.m. Holy Communion

Methodist: Rev. Ivor Claydon, 31, Trinity Cl. Dereham. (9)5528

3rd. Bawdeswell: 2.30 p.m. D. Hicks

Foxley: 11 a.m. Rev. Ivor Claydon

10th. FOXLEY SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY: 2.30 p.m. Mr. Strolger.

17th. Bawdeswell: 2.30 p.m. G. Middleton

Foxley: 2.30 Family Service

24th. Foxley: 6.30 p.m. Mrs. Coleman

July 1st. Bawdeswell: 2.30 p.m. Mrs. Fisher

FOXLEY: CHURCH ANNIVERSARY 11 a.m. Rev.- Fielder.

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.

SATURDAY 16TH JUNE

HOBBY SPECTACULAR

BAWDESWELL SCHOOL

2.30 TUG OF WAR: BAWDESWELL-V-FOXLEY

- STALLS • PONY RIDES • SIDESHOWS
- CROWNING OF ROSE QUEEN

TOMBOLA PRIZES GRATEFULLY RECEIVED
BY M^R SKINNER (FOXLEY) OR M^R WINTERBONE

SATURDAY 23RD JUNE

FLOWER FESTIVAL DANCE

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL

BALLROOM AND OLD TIME

TICKETS £1.00 at door

8.00 p.m. - 11.30 p.m.

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ALL WELCOME