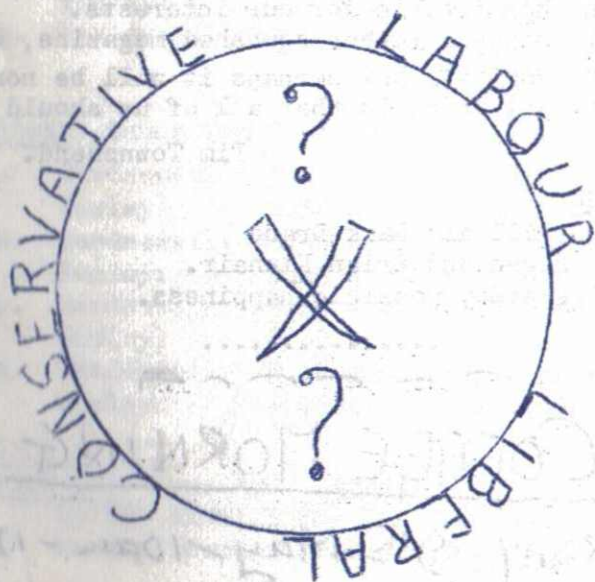


THE REEVE'S TALE



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THE ELECTION

I am extremely grateful to our three Candidates for so kindly agreeing to write a short personal message to the Electors of our two villages, as by no means everyone was able to meet them personally; and also am I grateful that each of them kept within the limits which I had to impose on them, namely one page each. The order in which they are printed has no significance - I could have put them in alphabetically, either by their names or their parties, but felt that the best way was as printed- the present government, the largest Opposition and the smaller one, which seems as fair as any: I hope that everyone will read all three, as all of them have taken this trouble for our interests.

This inevitably means a rather squashed magazine, with other news rather pushed together, but perhaps it will be none the worse for that! The important thing is that all of us should VOTE.

Tim Townshend.

TWO LOVELY WEDDINGS

March 31st. Pearl Myhill and Mark Drane
April 21st. Pamela Hagan and Brian Kinnair.
We wish both couples every possible happiness.

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COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 19th May - 10am - 12 noon

BANDESWELL VILLAGE HALL

Home-made cake & drink etc. -

in aid of W. I. Funds. ALL WELCOME!

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

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.

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Methodist: Rev. Ivor Claydon, 31, Trinity Cl. Dereham. (9) 5528
6th. Bawdeswell 2.30 p.m. Rev. C.G. Hambly
Foxley: 11 a.m. S.W. Graves
13th. Foxley: 6.30 p.m. Miss Ward
20th. Bawdeswell 2.30 p.m. Rev. I. Claydon
Foxley: 2.30 p.m. Family Service
27th. Foxley: 6.30 p.m. G. Brown

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

6th. Bawdeswell : 9.45 a.m. Family Service
Foxley: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 11. see Methodists
13th. Bawdeswell: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion: 11 a.m. Mattins
Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
20th. Bawdeswell: 9.45 a.m. Family Service
Foxley: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion: 11 am. Mattins
27th. Bawdeswell: 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion: 11 am. Mattins
Foxley: 9.45 a.m. Family Service.

ADVANCE NOTICE

WHITSUN DAY: June 3rd. Bawdeswell

UNITED SERVICE FOR THE TWO PARISHES: 9.45 a.m.
Family Service: Preacher, The Archdeacon of Norwich.

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Folland Court

Monday 7th. May: Bible Study: 10 a.m.
Monday, May 21st. Holy Communion 10 a.m.

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Bawdeswell PCC: Monday, 28th. May: 7.30 p.m.

Archdeacon's Visitation: Tuesday, 8th. May: Southrepps: 7.30 p.m.

LABOUR

When electing your Member of Parliament, it is important to keep in focus the National issues as well as our more personal and individual needs, both material and spiritual.

The great strides by the Labour Government in economic and personal terms are worthy of your support: Labour has cut inflation by 60%; it has increased the rights of all women by outlawing sexual discrimination at work and introducing the child benefit scheme; it has protected jobs, abolished the tied cottage, helped small businessmen and kept British Industry alive through the National Enterprise Board - all this in a period of world recession.

Our record on pensions is the best of any Government in our history.

At 40 years of age I can with God's help serve you for many years.

Our villages must not degenerate into dormitory villages - lifeless and soulless; they need schools, places of work, services and a true sense of community: Norfolk needs Regional assistance and I will fight for money to regenerate our villages.

My work to improve bus services in the villages is well known: as a result, if Labour are elected, a National Concessionary Fares scheme will be introduced.

My efforts to protect our environment and way of life will be strengthened if you elect me to represent you.

That means total opposition to a Nuclear Power Station in the Constituency - Denver is at risk.

That means an extension of my open countryside campaign - to protect footpaths, and common lands, and to establish the Norfolk Broads as a National Park.

If you have never voted Labour before, I urge you to support me on 3rd. May: we must improve medical provision, widen the health service and scrap prescription charges.

The Common Market as it is is a disaster for this country: let's get it straight or get out in a fixed period of time.

I present you NO slogans or cheap gimmicks - but a proven record of hard work and sound policies based on human decency and justice.

Alan Rosenberg

As your Rector said in April's 'Reeves Tale', everyone is relieved a General Election date is now fixed. Electioneering has been under way since last July; too long for our country's good.

I am grateful for this chance to put over my views on how to make our country a happier and better place. Please come to one of my meetings if you can.

I promise to avoid personalities and to concentrate on policies. But it must be stated that Socialists have been in charge for ten out of the fourteen years I have been in Parliament, and our country is in a bad way. Productivity is the lowest and Taxation the highest in Europe, while Unemployment is tragic. Standards everywhere are lower and lawlessness is rife. State controls are all-powerful, while the individual counts for little.

WHAT CAN BE DONE ?

First - Direct Taxation can be slashed, giving incentives for harder work, more savings and new enterprises. Thus unemployment can be eased and a bigger National cake made, allowing all a larger share.

Second - A change of direction; Cooperation not Confrontation in Europe: and partnership with, not servitude to, America.

Third - Encouragement of Home Ownership. Help for young married couples and sales of Council Houses to tenants. This creates Independence and enables Councils to build more specialised homes for the elderly and handicapped.

Fourth - Greater support for the Police to prevent vandals and evil people destroying our way of life. A fair balance between Union Power and the general public, who have suffered much by strikes. Volunteers everywhere must be encouraged.

It will be a hard task, but what a reward if we rebuild a Britain we can all be proud of, and the world can turn to for moral leadership.

Paul Hawkins.

THE NATIONAL OUTLOOK

No one who thinks deeply and who looks ahead, can fail to be anxious as to the National Outlook. Economically this country of over 50 million people living cheek by jowl in the industrial areas, requires a very stable Government to implement policies which will unite rather than divide the Nation.

Unfortunately the 'track record' of the past 30 odd years has been rather the opposite, and it is a sad fact that to-day the two major parties in this country have become so divisive in their attitudes towards each other that the country's economic situation has become very perilous indeed.

Part of our problem is that our leaders no longer appear to put 'Country before self'- and I mean 'self' with a small 's': Leadership, I believe, should come from the top, and then the Nation will follow. How can the country respect a Government when our two leaders and their partys are continually slanging each other ?

It has the same effect as it would have in a house where the two parents are continually fighting each other and rowing in front of the children - a house which is not a home because all is confusion and anxiety.

We have many houses like this in our country to-day, the root cause thought to be due to economic crises, as in the country: this assumption, I believe, is totally wrong, for the root cause is far deeper. It is not monetary wealth that is lacking but moral and spiritual wealth. We have as a Nation 'turned as it were our faces from God'; we have forgotten how to worship and appreciate God's Earth; we have forgotten how to make the most of what we have instead of wanting more all the time: we cannot see the wealth in 'a rosebud by an early walk' or a drop of dew on a petal on a summer's morning !

Our lives have become a restless craving for artificial and passive pleasure rather than for the energy to create our own 'being', may God forgive us, and lead us back through the still waters and pastures green to National Unity and contented souls.

Brian Baxter

Bawdeswell & Foxley Play Group

We would like to offer our apologies to all those people disappointed by the cancellation of the coach trip to Norwich: German Measles struck so many families that there were just not enough mothers to accompany the children. Thank you for your support - we hope you will come with us on our next trip.

The Playgroup is having an Open Day during National Playgroup Week: it is on Thursday, 24th. May, 1.30 p.m. - 3 p.m. Everyone is very welcome to come and see what goes on at playschool. There will be a display of children's work, teas, cake stall and Raffle.

The Committee and the children were very sorry to say goodbye to Colleen Coppelstone at the end of last term: she has been with the playgroup since its beginning, and we thank her for all her help: she will be missed by all the children.

We welcome Mrs. Leslie who will be our new helper next term. There are still some vacancies for children aged 3-5: all enquiries to Pat Sparks, (Chairman), Bawdeswell 493, or please call and see the Supervisor, Mrs. Potts, during Playgroup hours - Tuesdays to Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

We have rather a lot of naked dolls at playschool ! We would be very pleased if anyone would like to knit or sew us some clothes - we can supply the materials.

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THE VILLAGE GUIDE, which the Bawdeswell Parish Council organised and distributed free to every dwelling in 1976 is now very much out of date: it is intended to reprint as soon as possible after the Elections.

The Parish Clerk would be glad to have information concerning new people controlling organisations - Hall Committee, Playgroup, etc. Also individuals with skills - knitting, Dress-making, domestic skills, electrical, plumbing, house decorating and so on which would be useful to help anyone in the community.

The Parish Council wish to congratulate Mrs. Janet Hatlet on her free passage in the election to the Breckland District Council representing the Eynesford Ward.

Charles Sparkes:

Red Bricks, Dereham rd. Tel. 312.

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Baptisms - on Easter Day: Claire Louise Wolfe and Sadie Louise Pardon. We welcome both into the family of the Church.

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BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Unfortunately the writer was unable to attend Mrs Bennett's talk about plants at the April Meeting, which was a pity, as she has much to learn, but those who were there said how very much they enjoyed it.

Next Meeting in Bawdeswell Village Hall, Mon. May 14th., 7.45 p.m. when we hope to welcome Mrs. Downton who founded this Institute over a year ago. The Competition will be Dressing an Orange. It has been suggested that Members may like to help with the Foxley Flower Festival, June 22, 23 and 24th.

Other dates to remember: May 19th. our own Coffee Morning; July 5th. a Garden Party at the Barford home of Mrs. Batty Shaw; Sept. 29th. Barn Dance & Harvest Supper in the Stockman's Enclosure at the Norfolk Showground; and Oct. 27th. Jumble Sale in Wymondham: more details later.

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NORTH ELMHAM TENNIS CLUB

urgently requires lady players ! Now's your chance, ladies, to lose those few extra pounds in healthy and enjoyable exercise. All ages and abilities welcome. Club nights Mondays and Fridays, when you will be sure of a game, but of course the courts are open to Members any day. Men also welcome!

Contact Brian Winterbone: School House, Bawdeswell. Tel. 340.

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HEATHER DAVIS MEMORIAL

We are asked to announce that the wonderful total of £800 has been received for Cancer Research in memory of Heather. Norman and Joan would like to express sincere thanks to all who gave.

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - May 14th.- 19th.

It is hoped to have a House-to-House Collection in both villages: your gifts will be very welcome for this good cause.

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ONE FURTHER REMINDER: Foxley Flower Festival: June 22-24th.

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AS WE GO TO PRESS we have just heard of the death at the age of 93 of Mr. Blower of Foxley: our sympathy to his granddaughter, Sylvia, who cared for him for the last five years or so. We believe that the funeral will take place in Foxley Church on Thursday next at 3.30 p.m.

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