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EDITORIAL - July, 1988

It seems entirely appropriate that Bawdeswell Village Hall, which has served the community well for over 50 years, should have been the scene of much activity on 21st May, when a 50/50 Auction was held in order to raise funds towards a new hall and sports centre. Some 125 lots were skilfully and professionally sold by Ken Ewing to a host of eager buyers and the net result was a profit of over £700.

We owe a debt of gratitude to those who gave us goods to sell and donations in cash - and to those who came to buy. Many left the hall carrying bargains such as a desk (£6), a colour T.V. (£22) but we hope that the purchaser of a gas cooker (£5) is not still trying to connect it up in the village!

The success of the event has prompted us to wonder whether we could use the magazine to advertise goods for sale each month. We would charge £1 for each entry of maximum 20 words, including address or 'phone number - let us know if you wish to use this service and we will start after the holiday break.

A.R. Holmes, Editor,  
 The Willows, The Street,  
 Bawdeswell. (Tel: 518)

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New Arrivals

Congratulations to Martin and Jill Straffon on the birth of a son Christopher, on 31st May. Also to Mark and Julia Garrison on the arrival of a daughter, Elizabeth on 21st May.

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Wanted

A Secretary/Treasurer for Bawdeswell Heath Fuel Allotment Trusts. You could be of great service in the preservation and maintenance of one of our natural assets; the duties are not onerous. Why not 'phone Robert Eglington on Bawdeswell 559 for further details.



The Rectory,  
Foxley,  
July, 1988

Dear friends,

Are we really into those lazy, hazy days of summer? - not if my diary is anything to go by. Most of us find the pace of life quickening with all too few opportunities for quiet reflection. Hopefully you won't be too busy to share in what we hope will be a great time on Sunday, 10th July, on the occasion of the Foxley Gardens Open Day. There will be two events happening at the same time which should add to the enjoyment. Mrs. Davis at Moor Farm will be opening her three gardens in aid of the Guide Dogs for the Blind. The remaining gardens which will be open around the village will be participating in the Church Garden Open Afternoon. Programmes with all the details will be available from the Village Hall from 2.00 p.m. onwards. As well as lovely gardens to visit there will be one or two special craft features, a chance to see what goes into forest propagation and a static steam engine! All this and one or two surprise items as well. St. Thomas' Church will be open throughout the afternoon and will be beautifully decorated from the previous days wedding. Do use the opportunity to see the carefully restored south chancel window (behind the organ). This work has been undertaken in memory of our late Churchwarden Mr. Martin Chase and the window will, we hope, be dedicated at a service later in the year.

As well as popular hymns being played in church throughout the afternoon, I do hope, after a welcome cup of tea in the Village Hall, you will stay on for the Songs of Praise service in church at 6.30 p.m.

Yours most sincerely,

Grahame Humphries

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BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY PLAYGROUP

Guess who missed the deadline for last months Reeve's Tale? Many apologies, as I'm sure you all missed your monthly dose of scintillating wit and wisdom!!

We had a lovely soggy time on our annual trip to Reepham Fire Station, mainly due to the firemen. As one was turning on the BIG HOSE attached to the fire engine, he didn't realise it had been left in the 'squirt' position, neither did we until it snaked wildly around with a life of its own, soaking the mums feet. The children were alright as we'd carefully made sure they all had their wellies on!

On the first Tuesday after half term we were all done-up and dusted for our yearly 'mug shots' when the Playgroup photographer came. Many thanks to the various mums who made complete idiots of themselves in an attempt to get the children to look happy!

We have got quite a busy time coming up. Weather permitting on Thursday, 16th June, we should be going to Tara's grandad's farm for the day. If last year is anything to go by the children should have a wonderful time with pony rides, trips round the fields on a trailer, horse boxes to play in and old tractors. I can hardly wait.

Thursday, 23rd June is our annual trip to Gressenhall Rural Life Museum. This year the theme is farms and farm animals.

For July, we are having our summer trip to Wells for the day, on Tuesday, 19th. As we have got a big coach if there is anyone in the village who is game enough, or insane enough!! and would like to take advantage of the coach journey for a day out, please pop into playschool for details, or give me a ring.

There is only one birthday in July - Graham Corrish - 4 years old on 23rd. Happy Birthday.

No more news for this month, but I would just like

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BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY PLAYGROUP (Cont'd from Page 5)

to say a big thank you to the mums who helped in the creation of the Wendy House. Particularly Jean for the sewing. It just goes to show what you can do with three tables and some old army blankets!

Until next month, let's hope the sun appears as often as it is today, as I sit and write this in the garden.

Melanie Chilvers  
Supervisor (B'well 461)

PLAYGROUP - STOP PRESS

On Tuesday, 12th July, anyone in the village is welcome to come along to the Playschool 'open morning', prospective parents can see playschool in action and ask any questions they may have. Added attraction Raffle and Refreshments. Time 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

The children may also approach you to sponsor them for a 'Treasure Hunt' in which they have to collect ten items. Please support them and help raise money for their Playgroup.

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CHURCH URBAN FUND

The Bishop of Norwich has written personally to everyone in the diocese who is on the Church Electoral Roll of all the parishes. The letters concerned the financial support which this diocese hopes to make to valuable work being undertaken in the inner cities. If you are on the Church Electoral Roll of Bawdeswell or Foxley, you should have received the Bishop's letter. We hope to send our parish donations in by the end of July, so we would be grateful if you could submit your individual response to the Parish Treasurers by the end of the month. Foxley - Mrs. J. Waters, Church House, The Street, Foxley. Bawdeswell - Mr. T. Holmes, The Willows, The Street, Bawdeswell.

Many thanks

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MINUTES OF FOXLEY PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 20TH MAY, 1988 AT 8.00 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

**PRESENT:-** K. Murrell (Chairman) C. Skinner (Vice Chairman)  
M. Joice - W. Potter - T. Cook - M. De'Ath (Parish Clerk) also present 5 parishioners.

**APOLOGIES:-** Mr. D. Sayer B.D.C. Representative.

The Chairman opened the meeting and then asked the Clerk to call for the election of officials for the year 1988/89.

**CHAIRMAN** - Proposed by M. Joice, seconded by T. Cook  
Mr. K. Murrell be re-elected. Carried unanimously.

**VICE CHAIRMAN** - Proposed by T. Cook, seconded by M. Joice.  
Mr. Skinner be re-elected. Carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENT SCHOOL GOVERNOR** - Nobody has applied for the position. Miss M. Joice, current School Governor, to be invited to attend next meeting.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS** - C.P.P.E., through Norfolk Society - Nat. Ass.- Parish & Town Councils - also Municipal Insurance. Councillors agreed we should uplift the insurance on the Village Hall & V.H., contents. Clerk to write for new quotes.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL MEETING TAKEN IN MAY 1987-** agreed as read and signed by Chairman.

**QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS** - Parishioner raised question of seat at Memorial. We understand the seat will be repaired and back in position by the Summer.

**BUS SHELTER** - Mr. McCarthy will repair the shelter at a new cost of £62 - proposed by T. Cook, seconded by C. Skinner - carried. Parishioner raised question of over growth on Church wall. This is already in hand.

**SOME OTHER ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING:-** **VILLAGE SEAT** - installed free of charge. Clerk to send letter of thanks to Mr. N. Mears.  
**SEWERAGE** - See Chairmans Report.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.** Mr. K. Murrell read his report to the company and a copy of this report is attached to the Minute Book.

**CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT** - Clerk submitted Account Books and Balance Sheet for inspection. The year ended with a £132.17 credit balance. Our precept of £613 was received in April and the Village Hall Committee has returned the loan of £362.25.



CLERKS FINANCIAL REPORT (cont'd). Mr. Cook proposed we should transfer most of the cash to a Deposit Account at Barclays Bank. Seconded by W. Potter, carried. Clerk to arrange this. Mrs. Joice thanked the Clerk for a good Balance Sheet.

BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1988/89. - This will be in the region of £1,200. As usual Coopers & Lybrand will deal with the audit. Notice of this is already posted to Notice Boards with Balance Sheet. Date of audit 20th June, 1988.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

SEWERAGE - Councillor Potter informed us that Floranova are having their land drained. This is separate drainage activity in an area which has no connection with our sewerage work.

POLICE - Police have asked councillors their opinion on policing in Foxley. Chairman called for constructive comment. Clerk to write police stating we are satisfied with the service but we have had one or two problems.

Meeting closed at 9.20 p.m. Next meeting July 22nd, 1988.

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#### BAWDESWELL FLOWER FESTIVAL FUND.

Come to the Village Garden Party to be held at Barwick House, The Street, Bawdeswell on Saturday, 16th July at 2.30 p.m.

Bowl for the pig in the shape of pork for the freezer. A chance to win a bottle of Whiskey, Sherry or any of several other prizes. There will be prizes for the children to win and a Lucky Dip.

Stalls include Cake and Produce, Bric-A-Brac, Plants and jumble. Guess the weight of the cake, a raffle and Teas all add up to what we hope will be a very pleasant afternoon.

Looking forward to seeing you.

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#### BAWDESWELL AND FOXLEY W.I.

Although our numbers were rather depleted on Monday evening when we had our meeting, those of us present had a most delightful time. There was very little business and the President then introduced Mrs. Gwen Maxwell of Swanton Morley W.I. who went to the A.G.M. at the Albert Hall as our delegate. She gave us a very entertaining resumé of all that went on, the fashions, the voting on the Resolutions and how enthralling the singing of Jerusalem and Land of My Fathers sounded to her and how "with it" the members of W.I.s. are these days - a far cry from the fuddy duddy image they had in the past.

After Mrs. Maxwell's talk and a Birthday Posy had been presented to Mrs. Irene Ames, introductions were made by Mrs. Hazel Loose to her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bell, who had put together the "Moroccan Holiday" and a very professional job it was too, superb photography which really gave the feel of the places visited and Richard's commentary, along with interjections from his wife and mother-in-law, really kept us well amused.

The evening was rounded off with refreshments served by Mrs. N. Lucas and Mrs. G. Lowe.

Our next meeting will be on 11th July in Bawdeswell Village Hall at 7.30 pm when Mrs. Fielder will tell us of "Life on the Stage", mostly on the amusing side of things. Do remember, too, that it will be the second of our three-part Flower Arrangement competition; the theme is 'Summer' and as before, when we had such a good response, any flowers from the garden or hedgerow.

On Wednesday, 15th June, we had an outing to Swannington Manor Gardens; a convoy of five cars left the Village Hall in Bawdeswell in rather dull weather but it couldn't mar the beautiful gardens. I don't think I have ever smelt roses like them, the scent was so wonderful - and what interesting gardens - something to surprise you around every

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BAWDESWELL AND FOXLEY W.I. contd.

corner. Then, after a lovely pot of tea in the Restaurant and a look round the shop, we made our way home.

My apologies to Mrs. Irene Ames for giving the wrong date for her Garden Party in last month's issue. Please note it is on Saturday, the 16th July; look out for posters.

Gladys Lowe.

BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCILMeeting on 6th June in Parish Hall.

Apology - Councillor Smith.

Present - Councillors Sparkes, Farthing, Wright, Eglington, Holmes and Cook.

In attendance - David Sayer, District Councillor  
Colin Smith, District Planning Officer

1. Development of 31 Houses by Rogers Brothers  
Discussions with Mr. Smith centred on the way in which planning permission had been granted for the new development without heed to the wishes of the Parish Council (and agreement by the builder) to include a play area within the scheme, maintained if necessary by the Parish Council. After a long discussion it became clear that this was due to an administrative error on the part of the Breckland District Council. Though it is too late to reverse the decision, it was agreed that Councillor Sparkes would meet Mr. Smith again shortly, after the latter had had further words with the proposed developers to see if any benefit could be gained by a goodwill gesture on their part.
2. Minutes of previous meeting taken as read and agreed.
3. Recreation Ground Committee. Councillor Holmes reported on discussions with an

architect, Mr. Ross Powlesland, who will prepare plans for further consideration, to be financed mainly by a proposed sale of the present village hall site and bowling green. Councillor Eglington asked that his disapproval be recorded in respect of the proposal to have a bar in the new building.

4. Finance. The Chairman reported a profit of some £740 from the successful 50/50 Auction and it was agreed to record a vote of thanks to all those who gave so generously in the form of goods to sell and donations. The 200 Club tickets were almost fully subscribed. Fees for the 1987 local election (£206) were due for payment but these can be deferred till next year. On the proposal of Councillor Wright, it was agreed that, in future, a budget would be presented to the Council for consideration each November.
5. School Governor. Miss M. E. Joice to be re-elected.
6. Planning Applications. Mr. & Mrs. Williams, single storey extension at 43 Hall Road - no objections.
7. Planning Applications passed by B.D.C.  
Mr. & Mrs. McCarthy - Workshop  
Leal Developments - Dwelling and Garage  
Mr. L. Johnson - Extension.
8. Other Business. Highway repairs and improvements delayed by a backlog of work. The 200 Club draw to take place in the presence of three councillors later in the week. It was confirmed that the Council do not support the idea of street lighting in the village.
9. Next Meeting. 4th July at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.



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July 1st-10th	<u>Old Station Site, Corpusty.</u>
Mon. to	4.30 pm Childrens Meetings
Sat.(inc.)	7.30 pm Main Meeting
Sun.	8.00 pm Main Meeting
July 6th	<u>Moor Farm, The Street, Foxley.</u>
Wed.	2.00-3.30 pm Tea Afternoon
July 10th	<u>Foxley Methodist Church</u>
Sun.	11.00 am Service.

LISTEN OUT ON RADIO NORFOLK DURING THE WEEK when Don Double, Evangelist, will be talking with Rev. Grahame Humphries.

WHEN GOD AND MAN MAKE CONTACT  
MIRACLES HAPPEN

If you would like transport to the evening meetings at Corpusty, please ring Mrs. Carol Nottage, Bawdeswell 569, who will endeavour to arrange lifts.

BAWDESWELL RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.

It's all go on this committee!! The 200 Club list is almost fully subscribed, with only 2 or 3 cards left. The BIG draw for a top prize of £100 will be in the Autumn, details later.

The 50/50 Auction in May was a great success, with a profit of some £700 towards the cost of a new hall and sports centre. Our thanks to both buyers and sellers and we hope everyone was satisfied. The Jumble Sale on the 18th June raised a further £180 and we are delighted with the response to our efforts.

On Sunday, 10th July, we are arranging a Car Treasure Hunt, starting at 2.00 p.m., at the Recreation Ground. The cost will be £3.50 per vehicle (Motor Cycles too), with prizes for the first three to finish. It's something different for a Sunday afternoon - why not pack Granny and the kids in the car and have some fun? Those interested, please phone Tracey Harris on 405.

Watch for the next issue for future events - we need and appreciate your support and interest.

Incidentally, we have two BARGAINS left over from the Auction. One is a brand new Boots Colourmaster Projector for 2" x 2" slides, with screen and projector lamp. The first offer of £5 secures. The other is a Marmet Carrycot and carriage in excellent clean condition - try an offer of £10.

A.R. HOLMES (518)

B I N G O .

For those interested, BINGO is run in the village hall at 7.30 p.m., on a fortnightly basis and everyone is welcome. Our thanks to Mr & Mrs Parnell for their help and hard work in the past.

The next dates are:-

Thursday	23rd June.
"	7th July.
"	21st July
"	4th August.
"	18th August.
"	1st September.

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MRS. RUBY PARFITT.

Many villages have families whose name is synonymous to them and in Foxley we share that great experience with the name of "PARFITT". Although for many years Ruby lived in Billingford, in recent years we can really say that she had been "one of us". In particular, the village Church and the Methodist Chapel has enjoyed that rural Norfolk quality of friendliness, understanding, helpfulness and honesty that Ruby so willingly shared with so many. Her support and encouragement sprang from her firm Christian faith. We thank God for the quality of her earthly life and rejoice that she is now "with Christ in Glory".

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FOXLEY GARDENS OPEN DAY.

SUNDAY, 10TH JULY, 1988.

Enjoy the Roses at Moor Farm and adjoining gardens (2.00 p.m. onwards). Admission £1 (children free) - Proceeds to Guide Dogs for the Blind. Also open from 2.00 p.m. onwards on Saturday, 9th July.

2.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. St. Thomas' Church Gardens Afternoon.

COLLECT YOUR PROGRAMME FROM THE VILLAGE HALL - 50p.

Enjoy the many gardens which will be open and Country Craft displays - Teas will be available in the Village Hall. Soft Drinks and Ices in the Church House Garden.

6.30 P.M. SONGS OF PRAISE AT ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

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## VIEWPOINT

Chaucer House,  
Bawdeswell.

Dear Editor,

As a comparative newcomer to Bawdeswell, may I echo your sentiments expressed in the June issue, that Bawdeswell is 'a pretty good place to live'. The kindness and friendship and support I have received have been beyond hope or expectation. The only thing that makes me angry is certain outside forces - builders, developers and uncaring planners who draw from the community without any care for those dwelling within it and make no contribution whatsoever to the wellbeing of those who have always lived here and those who have chosen to come. I am sure it is carelessness and indifference - two very negative attitudes - and I would suggest a more positive approach should be called for. I endorse the suggestion at the last Parish Council meeting that those who wish to or have already made financial gain from property and land development within the parish of Bawdeswell should make a gesture of goodwill to the community by contributing handsomely to the Village Hall and Recreation Ground fund. It would be a sign to the Planning Authorities that everyone involved in the future of Bawdeswell cares about their community and from a practical point of view, it would convince those people who are to be attracted to come and live in the new houses, that Bawdeswell is indeed 'a pretty good place to live', so it would be in the interests of the developers as well.

Yours sincerely,

Ann Wright

## EDITOR'S NOTE

This appears to be a good idea - shall we follow it up?



IN MEMORYMr. Ernie Palmer

Villagers were saddened to hear of the death of Mr. Ernie Palmer. Ernie, who had lived at Folland Court for several years, was well known and his voluntary work in tidying the cemetery had been much appreciated. Before retiring to Norfolk, Ernie had been Head Groundsman at a Convent near Boreham Wood. One of the sisters from the convent joined a large congregation at All Saints Church for his Funeral Service on 26th May. Ernie had been a regular member of the congregation at Bawdeswell. His love of gardening was fulfilled up to the time of his death as he enjoyed working in the Folland Court garden.

Mrs. Doris Taylor

Mrs. Doris Taylor, of Woodbine House, will be remembered with affection as a kind, caring and very courageous person. She and her husband lived in Bawdeswell for many years and they recently celebrated their Golden Wedding; we shall miss her.

To her husband and family, we extend our sincere sympathy.

C.A.J.

GARDENER/HANDYMAN

Bawdeswell Church Council would be interested to hear from anyone who would be willing to help a few hours every week in the cemetery. The main work would be lawn mowing and using the church's strimmer to clear round the grave stones. A small amount of money could be paid for this valuable work. Please ring either the Churchwarden Mr. John Ames on Bawdeswell 455 or the Treasurer Mr. Tony Holmes on Bawdeswell 518.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULYCHURCH OF ENGLAND SERVICES

Sunday, 3rd	9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell 10.30 a.m. M.P. at Foxley
Sunday, 10th	No 9.00 a.m. Service 10.30 a.m. FAMILY WORSHIP at Bawdeswell 6.30 p.m. SONGS OF PRAISE at Foxley (this service is part of the Foxley Gardens Open Day - details elsewhere)
Sunday, 17th	9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell 10.30 a.m. H.C. at Foxley
Sunday, 24th	9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley 10.30 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell
Sunday, 31st	9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell 10.30 a.m. H.C. at Foxley 6.30 p.m. Summer Evening Service at Bawdeswell

Advance Notice for August

During August there will be a weekly combined service of Holy Communion at 9.00 a.m. These will be at Foxley Church on 7th and 21st and at Bawdeswell Church on 14th and 28th.

METHODIST SERVICES AT FOXLEY CHAPEL

Sunday, 3rd	10.45 a.m. Circuit Service at Swaffham 6.30 p.m. Major Don Carruthers
Sunday 10th	11.00 a.m. Mission team
Sunday, 17th	6.30 p.m. Rev. C. Riches (H.C.)
Sunday, 24th	11.00 a.m. Mr. E. Durrant
Sunday, 31st	6.30 p.m. Rev. K. Banks



DIARY DATES FOR JULY

- Monday, 4th Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting  
Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.
- Thursday, 7th BINGO - Bawdeswell Village Hall at  
7.30 p.m.
- Sunday, 10th Car Treasure Hunt, Recreation Ground  
at 2.00 p.m.  
2.00 p.m. Foxley Gardens Open Day
- Monday, 11th Womens Institute, Village Hall,  
Bawdeswell at 7.30 p.m.
- Tuesday, 12th Playschool 'Open Morning' Bawdeswell  
Village Hall 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon
- Saturday, 16th Garden Party at Barwick House, The  
Street, Bawdeswell, to raise funds for  
the Flower Festival in October.  
Latest date for booking outing to  
Pleasurewood Hills - see enclosure in  
this months edition.
- Tuesday, 19th Playschool trip to Wells
- Thursday, 21st BINGO - Bawdeswell Village Hall at  
7.30 p.m.
- Friday, 22nd Foxley Parish Council meeting in Village  
Hall.

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