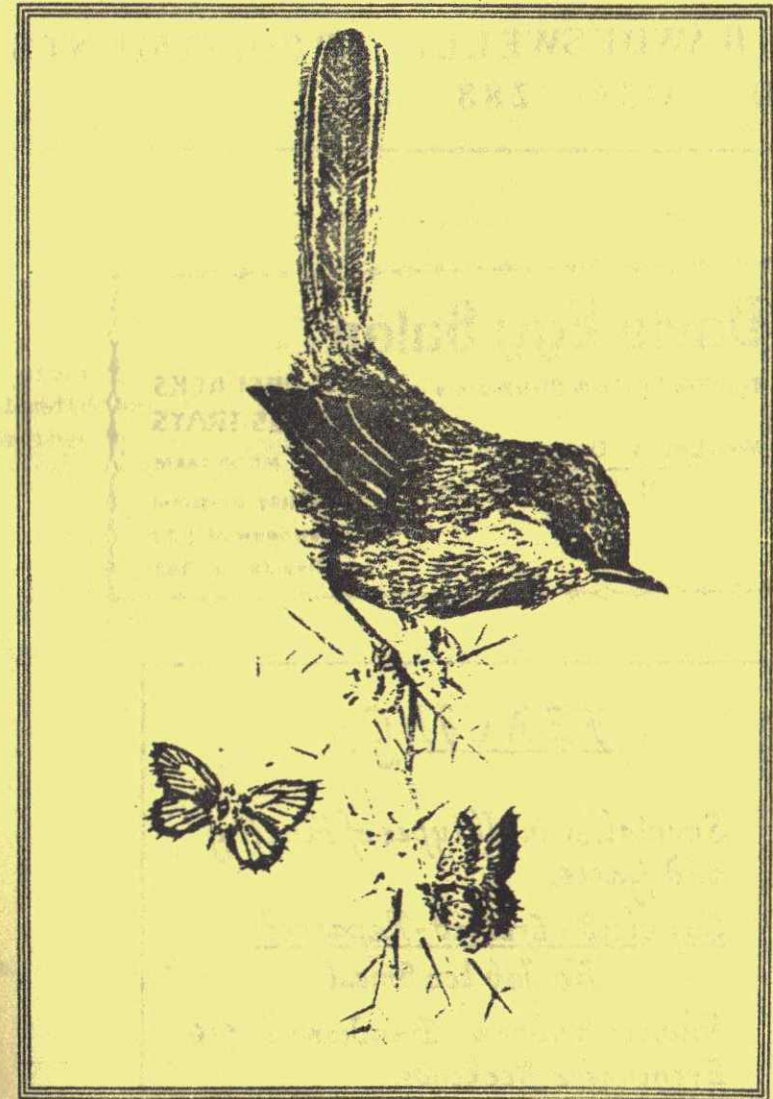


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This piece of nonsense verse by Edmund Clerihew Bentley comes to mind because this is the time of year when we are all looking for opportunities to do something different from the everyday pattern of life - our own version of 'going out to dine with some men'. Your Editor and the hard-working staff of the Reeve's Tale are no exception and look forward to a glorious month when there are no deadlines to meet, no typing of stencils, stapling of sheets, designing of covers or pushing through letter boxes.

On behalf of all in the two villages, this is an opportunity to thank everyone concerned for the services freely given and to hope that they will take advantage of the splendid spell of weather to have a wonderful break. We wish them a very happy holiday wherever and whenever it is. As the poet might have written:-

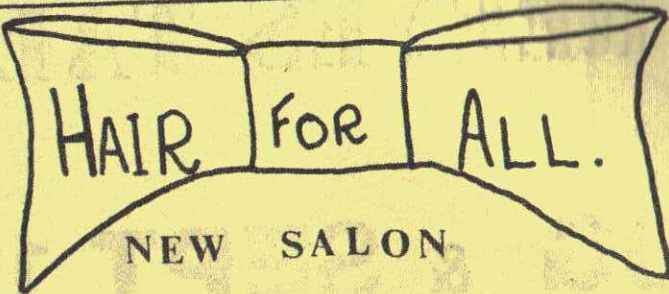
The Reeve's Tale staff said

"We are going out to have a good laugh,  
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The Willows,  
Bawdeswell.

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Dear Friends,

It seems strange to be writing about events that are still two months away in preparing my material for this edition of the Reeve's Tale. Harvest services in September and October mean that autumn is just around the corner while we seem to be having glorious summer weather. Two things in particular have to be borne in mind - preparation and anticipation. It's not only Boy Scouts who need the motto "Be Prepared". Just about everything we do needs a certain amount of planning and preparation - whether it's for our summer holidays or September services. Things don't just happen - they need our co-operation. What is true in the everyday things of life is true in our spiritual lives as well. If we believe that God has good things in store for us then we must seek His will and discover through prayer and study just what it is He wants to share with us. Alongside this preparation will go the anticipation of His goodness and guiding.

Mary and I have recently been celebrating our wedding anniversary and we still recall some words from a hymn we sang at our wedding "How good is the God we adore ..... we'll praise Him for all that is past and trust him for all that's to come".

I hope you enjoy your summer break and will share in this year's Harvest Thanksgiving.

Yours most sincerely,

Grahame Humphries  
(Bawdeswell 398)

CHURCH REGISTERS

12th July - Funeral at Foxley, followed by Cremation  
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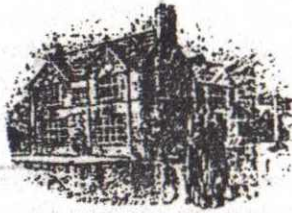
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M. De'ath (Parish Clerk).

Also Present - 3 parishioners and David Sayer B.D.C.  
Apologies - Mrs. M. Joice & L. Potter Chairman B.D.C.

### MATTERS ARISING:-

Foul Drainage - At the moment Anglian Water are unable to start Pumping Station due to construction company being held up for small parts. We are told they are inundated with orders for Pumping Stations and cannot keep up with demand. We have revised date of Oct - Nov. Until Pumping Station is commissioned connections cannot be made to existing pipe in The Street.

Grass Cutting. - The area supervisor has apologised for the omission and says it will now come into the ten day cycle.

Ornamental Village Sign - Is now carved and hopefully will be unveiled on the same day as the opening of Foxley Wood by M.N.T. Mr. Don Davis having lived in Foxley for a very long time has been invited to unveil the sign.

Planning - Re Turnpike Farm Development - All Cllrs agree we should go ahead with a letter to Ombudsman due to injustice being done to P.C. on non-consultation of inclusion of land into Guideline. A meeting to discuss this to be arranged in near future.

P.R.F. Grand Draw. - Clerk to write for a further making F10 in all as last year.

Norfolk Naturalists Trust - Letter received showing interest in Surveyors Land and asking Clerk to inform them of distance between Foxley Wood and Sur. Land.

Rights of Way - Mr. Potter will make further investigations.

Village Seat (Memorial) - Hopefully we will have the seat reinstated in the near future. Mr. Weeds is working on it and the P.C. are grateful to him.

Other Matters - Norfolk County Ass. of Parish & Town Councils - Mr. Tony Cook and Mr. Bill Potter to attend Parish Conference at Watton in Sept. No fees for this. Mr. Potter and one other (not yet named) to attend

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BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 3RD JULY 1989.

PRESENT - All Councillors, the Clerk and four parishioners.

FINANCE -13th June 1989, a balance of £51.17 dr. in the current account and £1,741.69 cr. on No.2 account. The audit has been completed.

RECREATION - New trustees have been appointed for both the bowling club and the village hall site. Bowling Club - Mr. D. Gurney, Mr. Wright, Village Hall - Mr. D. Gurney, Mr. R. Eglinton and Mr. A. Holmes. After meetings between various committees the solicitors have now been instructed to write to the Garage with an offer to sell to them at a specified price. Breckland D.C. has approved a grant of £4,000 on condition that work on the project starts in the current financial year. There is to be a Christmas Raffle in the village centering round a gallon of whisky and various other bottles of wines, spirits etc.

PLANNING -

- Mr. F. Reardon - Erection of dwelling at Rose Cottage, Reepham Rd. REFUSED.
- Mrs. P. Blake - Erection of car port GRANTED.
- Mr. M. Elsdon - Conversion of barn to two residential units. NO OBJECTIONS.
- Mr. A. Nicola - Construction of new access WITHDRAWN.
- The Garage - Redevelopment. COMMENTS REQUESTED.

The garage has yet to purchase the adjacent site from the Trustees. It is important that the development reflects the character of Bawdeswell as this site is in the heart of the village. New dwellings should be in keeping with those nearby with regard to size style and materials used. The density of housing is questioned, but would be acceptable if small, brick and flint, cottage-style dwellings of a modest nature were erected. There is a need for cheaper housing in the village. Exception was taken to the fencing shown on the plan and it was felt that brick walls, hedging or open-plan design would be preferable. A copy of this Council's comments will be sent to the D.C. in order that Mr. Sayer may reiterate our views.

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BAWDESWELL AND FOXLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We do get around for our meetings these days; our July meeting was held at Mrs. Ann Murrell's home in Foxley - a change from the advertised one at Thatched Cottage. Mrs. Irene Ames stood in as President for Mrs. H. Loose and welcomed us all and introduced Mrs. Gwen Maxwell who gave us a colourful description of her day at the A.G.M. in London's Albert Hall; she represented us and voted on our behalf.

Afterwards we were introduced to Mrs. Burt who told us about "A Funny Thing Happened" which made us realise how many things in our past could be put into a very amusing talk.

The Summer Flower arrangement was won by Mrs.G. Dobbs. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Murrell and Mrs. M. A. Curson.

Our August meeting on the 14th at 7.30 pm. will be at Bawdeswell Hall gardens by kind permission of Mr & Mrs. D. Gurney. Let's hope the summer weather will still be with us.

Gladys Lowe.

REEPHAM YOUNG FARMERS CLUB REPORT

Our only visit during the month of June was a farm walk. Our thanks go to Mr. J. Plumb for allowing this visit to his farm at Swanton Novers.

The two other meetings, and much other time was spent preparing our exhibits for the Royal Norfolk Show. This proved worthwhile since we were awarded prizes for both our exhibits. "Reepham Young Farmers English Mustard Pot" gained third prize in the outdoor display while the stand presenting the five crafts of beer making, bread making, picture framing, spinning and utter making was awarded first prize.

The first meeting of July was indoor, catching up on club business.

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BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Surprisingly perhaps, Bawdeswell has, in recent years, been entered for the above competition without most of us being aware of the fact. Predictably, the result has been to place us at the bottom of the poll for the second year running and details recorded by the judges are given on page 11.

It is, of course, a matter of civic pride that everyone in the village should be conscious of the need to keep it tidy and in good condition and perhaps the publication of the present results will stir us into action, where necessary. But we are firmly of the opinion that, until the whole village is conscious of the fact that we have been entered, we are unlikely to see much improvement in our rating.

How can we do any better until our new village hall arises on the sports ground to replace the present aged building which is, naturally, not looking its best after so many years? Surely, we should not be entered in future competitions until we have something of which we can be proud; then brief the whole village and form a committee to make sure that we can enter without fear of achieving such a poor placing in future.

What do you think? Let us know and we will publish your views in a future issue.

A. R. Holmes.  
Editor

The Willows.  
Bawdeswell 518.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 1988Judges Summary Sheet

Village: Bawdeswell. '87 position: 7 from 7  
'88 position: 8 from 8

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Churchyard	Rather rough, one path good the other weedy. Seat needs cleaning. Notice board in a bad state. Cemetery appeared neglected.
Hall	Very untidy surroundings, needs smartening up.
Recreation Ground	Good playing field. No children's play equipment. Good bowling green.
Village Centre	Fair but variable, not much sign of community effort.
Outlying Estates	Hall Road very good. Holland Court rather unkempt. Paradise Lane disappointing.
Commercial Premises, etc.	Garage untidy. Chapel fair. Shops fair. Garden Centre very good.
War Memorial and Fixed Equipment	Sign needs cleaning and graffiti on base. Surroundings good. Memorial in Church.
Tidiness	Fairly good in some parts, poor in others.
Council Property	Bus shelters littered also the kiosk. School good. Toll House sadly neglected.

BAWDESWELL AND FOXLEY PLAYGROUP

The Playgroup Sports Day provided much fun for everyone with Timothy Edwards and Andrew Lees receiving egg cups' presented by Mr. & Mrs. Holmes for their splendid efforts. Thanks to everyone who helped to organise the event, especially our staff. The Cake Stall raised nearly £20 and special thanks to our friend with the black labrador for his support!

We are holding a Puppet Show in conjunction with Norwich Puppet Theatre on 24th August at 10.30 am. at the Old Rectory, Bawdeswell. The Three Little Pigs will deal with aspects of safety as well as providing wonderful entertainment for children aged 3-7 (mothers too). Tickets at £1 are available from committee members for any child wishing to attend.

Playgroup reopens on Tuesday, 5th September, with our A.G.M. taking place on Monday, 4th September, at 8 pm. at The Old Rectory where all are invited to attend to elect new officials for Playgroup, (Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary and new Committee members.

The Thrift Shop will be closed until October having raised £40 this term. Hopefully the new Committee will give Edna Johnson their full support and our thanks to her for her efforts for Playgroup.

Thanks to all the staff, mothers and friends of Playgroup for their support throughout the year.

Denise Bristow (402) Trisha Williams (454)

SEPPHAM YOUNG FARMERS CLUB .. contd. from page 9

Before the programme draws to a close for the summer we look forward to a visit to the Splash at Sheringham and preparation for the Annual NFYFC Rally at the Show-ground on 15th July.

If anyone is interested in joining please contact Jill or Foulsham 513 or Sara on Melton Constable 860789.

Sara Morgan

BAWDESWELL P.C. MEETING (cont'd).

CLERK'S REPORT - Correspondence included a summary of routine highway maintenance procedure and explanations of delays caused by inadequate funds and staffing levels. A reply has been received from the traffic police regarding speeding through the village and once again checks will be made and enforced.

Results of the Best Kept Village Competition show once more that Bawdeswell is in fact the "worst kept" village in the area. The judges remarks will be published in the Reeves Tale in an effort to encourage better co-operation next year. The Clerk wishes to thank Mrs. Joan Parfitt and the Reeves Tale for supplying her with a marvelous new typewriter. No excuse for shoddy work now!

ANY OTHER BUSINESS - P.C. Watkinson reported that he is being transferred to Watton at the end of the month. Clr. Holmes proposed a vote of thanks for the help given by him to the community during his tour of duty.

The next meeting will be on Monday, 4th Sept, 1989.

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FOXLEY P.C. MEETING (cont'd from Page 7).

N.C.A.P.T.C. - AGM on October 21st - Fees of £6 each for this. All agreed the Chairman Mr. Keith Murrells name should go into the draw to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party arranged by N.C.A.C.T. We wish him luck!

PLANNING - Mr & Mrs P. Bazeley, Hawthorns, Foxley. Alterations and extensions. PERMISSION GRANTED.

NEW PLANNING - Eastern Electricity - Overhead cable to Foxley Barn - Parish Council no objections, but would prefer underground.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 22ND SEPTEMBER AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

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BRAIN OF BAUDESWELL QUIZ - Answers.

We can only assume that you found it too hot last month to try to solve a quiz competition; only one answer was received and that, unfortunately, included one error. Here are the answers and perhaps we will have another attempt to get you going when the winter months arrive.

A.R.H.

- 1. (a) Hollyhock
- (b) Foxglove.
- (c) Christmas Rose.
- 2. Seth
- 3. 200th anniversary of the fall of the Bastille (French Revolution).
- 4. Coleridge.
- 5. Harold Wilson.
- 6. Rudyard Kipling.
- 7. Copper/Tin.
- 8. Sherlock Holmes.
- 9. Sparrow.
- 10. Game bird.

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SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE.

This year's sponsored cycle ride, organised by the Norfolk Churches Trust is on Saturday 9th September. If you and members of your family could consider cycling around local churches to benefit either St. Thomas Foxley or All Saints Bawdeswell, then please ring our local organisers for sponsorship forms. At Foxley Mrs. M. Joice on Bawdeswell 316. At B'well Mr. J. Ames on Bawdeswell 455.

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## CHURCH SERVICES - AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

### CHURCH. OF ENGLAND SERVICES

#### AUGUST

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Sun. 13th 9.00 a.m. Combined Holy Communion at Bawdeswell  
Sun. 20th 9.00 a.m. Combined Holy Communion at Foxley  
Sun. 27th 9.00 a.m. Combined Holy Communion at Bawdeswell

#### SEPTEMBER

- Sun. 3rd 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley  
10.30 a.m. FAMILY WORSHIP AND HOLY BAPTISM  
at Bawdeswell  
Sun. 10th 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell  
10.30 a.m. M.P. at Foxley  
Sun. 17th FOXLEY HARVEST FESTIVAL  
(No 9.00 a.m. Service)  
10.30 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell  
6.30 p.m. Harvest Service at Foxley with  
visiting Preacher  
Sun. 24th 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell  
10.30 a.m. H.C. at Foxley

#### OCTOBER

- Sun. 1st BAWDESWELL HARVEST FESTIVAL  
9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley  
6.30 p.m. Harvest Praise at Bawdeswell  
Preacher: Rev. Paul Illingworth

#### FOXLEY CHAPEL

- Sun. 6th Aug. 11.00 a.m. Mrs. B. Flint  
Sun. 13th Aug. 6.30 p.m. Mr. R. Lee  
Sun. 20th Aug. 11.00 a.m. Rev. S. Luckcock

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DIARY DATES - AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

AUGUST

- Mon. 14th 7.30 p.m. Womens Institute Meeting - Bawdeswell Hall gardens.
- Thurs. 24th 10.30 a.m. Playgroup Puppet Show, Old Rectory, Bawdeswell

SEPTEMBER

- Sun. 3rd 10.30 a.m. Family Worship at Bawdeswell
- Mon. 4th 7.30 p.m. Bawdeswell Parish Council - Village Hall.
- 8.00 p.m. Playgroup A.G.M., The Old Rectory, Bawdeswell
- Sat. 9th SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE (DETAILS ELSEWHERE)
- Thurs. 14th 2.30 p.m. PRAM SERVICE at Foxley
- Sun. 17th 6.30 p.m. Foxley Harvest Festival Service
- Fri. 22nd 8.00 p.m. Foxley Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
- Sun. 24th 2.30 p.m. Foxley Chapel Harvest Service
- Fri. 29th 7.30 p.m. Bawdeswell Church Wine & Cheese evening at May Tree Farm.

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CHURCH SERVICES (Cont'd from Page 17)

FOXLEY CHAPEL

- Sun. 27th Aug. 6.30 p.m. Mrs. Banham
- Sun. 3rd Sept. 11.00 a.m. Major D. Carruthers
- Sun. 10th Sept. 2.30 p.m. Service at Bintree Chapel
- Sun. 17th Sept. 11.00 a.m. Mrs. B. Thompson
- Sun. 24th Sept. 2.30 p.m. Harvest Service - Mr. J. Gaskin



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