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EDITORIAL - OCTOBER

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

It is now two months since the last edition since when much seems to have happened in our two villages. We see that in Foxley West, four "executive type houses" are in the course of erection presumably awaiting four executive type buyers - we wonder how one qualifies for this title? In The Street, Bawdeswell, the old Wesleyan Chapel, built in 1829, prepares for its new life as a house and seems to smile under its coats of paint and cleaned brickwork. Will it be called "The Old Chapel" or something more original?

Of course, the main development of interest to all is the extension to the village stores, now rising rapidly on the site of the old car park and destined to provide fine new shopping facilities to accommodate the growing trade in the old premises. We think that some new name should be devised to recognise its new status. Ideas begin to flow as we write. 'Battley's Better Boutique'? 'Andy's Candies'? 'Shirley's Super Stores'?

Come on, readers - lets have some ideas and we will award a small prize for the most original, to be judged by Andrew and Shirley themselves, though they don't guarantee to use it!

One thing is certain; whatever the name, we can look forward to the same cheerful and friendly service that we have enjoyed ever since they came here - good luck to them in their efforts to provide a still better service.

A.R. HOLMES, Editor
The Willows,
Bawdeswell (Tel. 218)

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The Rectory,
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Dear friends,

Autumn is a time of taking stock, enjoying Harvest and preparing for the future. Nothing can thrive if things are left to stand still. While this is true in the garden and on the farm it also has a very real message within the life of the Church as well. Within our own diocese, the Bishop of Norwich has called upon every Christian to be part of the strategy he has called "Moving Forward". The Bishop's address, centering the Church's life on Mission rather than maintenance, was delivered at a Diocesan Synod earlier in the year. It received a standing ovation at the time but its success depends on whether individual Christians in parishes like ours are prepared to study Bishop Peter's words, and act upon them. The Bishop of Lynn, the Rt. Rev. David Bentley has been asked by Bishop Peter to chair a working group who will be in close contact with the parishes as they face up to "Moving Forward". (copies of the Bishop's address are available if you would like to read his words for yourself).

Bishop David has already written to remind us that "mission and ministry" are at the heart of Christian discipleship, and all who value the name Christian must be part of "moving forward".

The Church councils and congregations of Bawdeswell and Foxley will be giving the Bishop's words careful consideration in the coming months and I hope you will feel able to be a part of the process by sharing in our worship and our praying.

Yours most sincerely,

Grahame Humphries
(Bawdeswell 397)

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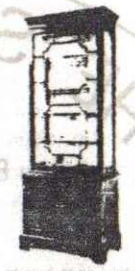
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REMINDERS.

In view of our absence from circulation for the past two months, due to the holiday break, you might like to be reminded of one or two local services and problems that could affect us all.

1. Prescription service. If you find it difficult to get to the Elmham surgery for repeat prescriptions you can leave your prescription form at the Willows before mid-day on any Wednesday and collect the prescribed items from the village stores after 4.00 p.m. on the following Friday.

2. Stray Dogs. Dogs allowed to wander freely can be a menace to themselves and to people in the village. Please ensure that your dog is walked on the streets on a lead and causes no nuisance; also that it is kept securely when at home.

3. Motor Cycles. The council has received complaints that motor cycles are using the Street, Bawdeswell as a race-track, especially late in the evening. The police have been alerted and if anyone can get the number of an offending vehicle, they should advise a councillor - or report the matter direct to the police.

4. Bawdeswell Heath. As we have reported previously, the Heath is a valued amenity not to be abused by vandals. The owners of a Tricity Fanfare Cooker dumped on the Heath in the last few days might like to know that they were ill advised in leaving the serial number attached; steps are being taken to trace the name and address from the makers. He/she might think it an advantage to remove the cooker to a tip before enquiries are complete - rather than face prosecution.

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A NEW INITIATIVE FOR THE CHURCH.

Regular churchgoers will be aware that a bold new initiative has been taken by the Bishop of Norwich, summarised in the booklet, 'Moving Forward'. This places an entirely new emphasis on the church in the way it is to be run in future, in each parish and diocese, with greater responsibilities on members of the congregation.

You may, perhaps, be amongst those who believe that the church has little relevance in your daily life and is 'stuffy' and based too much on tradition. If so, why not ask for a copy of the booklet, from the vicar or any member of your church council - you could be pleasantly surprised.

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WANTED FOR FOXLEY CHURCH.

Could anyone help us to acquire please, a serviceable, second-hand vacuum cleaner for use in Foxley Church? Our present machine is long past its useful best, and the dedicated team of ladies who keep the church clean and pleasant would be delighted to hear that it can be replaced.

Please contact Mrs. Wates (558).

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

Our August meeting was held by kind permission of Mrs. Gurney in the magnificent setting of Bawdeswell Hall. On arrival we were welcomed by Mrs. Gurney and offered wine or fruit juice and savoury nibbles before being given a conducted tour of the lovely grounds of the Hall. Undoubtedly the most fascinating part was being introduced to Max, the robot who cleans the bottom and sides of the swimming pool! Back inside the Hall at dusk we had a delicious supper provided by Pearl Kemp and the wine bottles were emptied.

In September we met at Thatched Cottage and although our numbers were depleted by holidays and sickness, we had an enjoyable evening watching the nimble fingers of Mrs. Perowne demonstrate the ancient art of corn dolly making and telling us a little of their history.

Birthday posies were presented to Chris Sparkes and Anne Murrell. The competition was for the tallest sunflower grown from seeds given out in the Spring. Irene Ames won with a staggering 10' 4" (her first competition win) and Bridget Sayer was a close second at 10' 1".

Our next meeting, "Poetry and Prose for Hallowe'en" is to be held at the Grooms Cottage in the grounds of Bawdeswell Hall. Important business will include finalising arrangements for our Christmas Dinner - is it that time of year already?

We would all like to wish Gladys Lowe a speedy recovery from her illness and hope to see her back with us again next month.

Mary Ann Curson
(Hon. Sec.)

MINUTES OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER 1989 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present - Councillors Sparkes, Farthing, Holmes, Wright, Eglington, Smith, the Clerk and two parishioners. Apologies from Councillor Cooke.

Finance - The Bank has made a refund of £192.94 being interest over-charged recently. £25 for insurance has been paid, a further £5 has been received for the Vic Myhill marathon and £3.20 proceeds from the Bottle Bank. A loan is to be made from No.2 Account to clear No.1 Account (to be repaid in April, 1990) thus ensuring no further problems with the Bank.

Recreation Report - No progress can be reported. Through solicitors, the Garage was offered the Village Hall/Bowling Green site at £70,000, but this valuation was considered too high. The Garage has now applied for planning permission for six dwellings on that site only which would present access problems for the Village Hall site. The Planners have advised us to apply for planning permission for three dwellings on the Village Hall/Bowling Green site. No more information is to hand and Councillor Holmes is to contact David Sayer to query the Minutes from the last Planning Meeting.

The draw for the Whisky Galore will take place in the Village Hall on 8th December. More details on this later. Meanwhile, a gallon of whisky, 3 litre bottles and various wines have been donated.

There will be a fund raising event on 14th October in the Village Hall.

Planning

- 3/89/0803 - Mrs. D. Rogers - Conversion of building to residential use. Granted
- 3/89/0923 - Mrs. D. Buck - Erection of 2 two-bedroomed houses. Outline planning granted.

BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL (Cont'd)

Planning (cont'd)

3/89/0950 - Mr. S. Perkins - Erection of house and garage. Refused.

3/89/0965 - Mr. & Mrs. Battley - Extension to Village Stores. Granted.

Clerks Report - A reply has been received from the Police regarding speeding through the village and they hope that their presence has brought some improvement. Breckland D.C. is holding a Parish Conference on 19th September in Watton.

Any Other Business - The Chairman raised a point concerning the new computerised method of issuing medical supplies. Councillor Holmes explained the collection service for these supplies: see "Reminders" elsewhere in this issue.

A parishioner complained of continued speeding and noise from motor cycles and was advised to report the matter immediately to the police when the offence occurs. Another complaint was the reduced visibility when turning into the Reepham Road from The Street, caused by overgrown hedging on two properties. The Clerk will write to those concerned asking for the hedges to be cut back.

A further nuisance is caused by stray dogs and a notice is to be placed in The Reeve's Tale in an effort to encourage more co-operation from the owners of the offending animals.

An increase in the number of low-flying planes in the area has been noticed. On a previous occasion Councillor Wright received comprehensive information from the Ministry of Defence after complaining about this nuisance and she is willing to lend this correspondence to any interested parties.

The next meeting will be on Monday, 2nd October.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Old Post Office,
Dereham Road, Bawdeswell

Dear Editor,

May I, through our Parish Magazine, please make villagers aware that plans have been submitted to develop opposite to Adams Pit into an agricultural machinery business with showrooms, outside display and workshop.

Does this village want industrial and retail development in an area, that since the building of the bypass, has become a tranquil lane and a relatively safe area for our children to play?

If, like me, you object to this development, let your District Council know NOW!

Let's hope sense will prevail and they leave a quiet area in the village alone.

Yours faithfully,

A. Smith
Bawdeswell 479

Editor's Note - We hear that the Parish Council has opposed this development for some of the reasons referred to above.

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Dear Sir,

Ref. to the Best Kept Village - to acquire and deserve this title, the whole village should be kept nice and tidy for twelve months of the year. It would not be genuine to have that title if it was only tidied up prior to the judges visit, which would be the case if warnings that it had been entered were given.

ANON

(We shall be grateful if, in future, correspondents give their name and address).

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- 1 cup chopped hazel nuts.
- 1 cup sunflower seeds.
- 2 cups sesame seeds.
- 1 cup vegetable oil.
- ¾ cup honey.
- ¼ cup molasses.

Mix all dry ingredients together in a large bowl. Warm oil, honey and molasses. Make a hollow in the centre of the mixture and pour in liquid.

Mix well.

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(Editors note;- submitted by the Bawdeswell Parish Council Chairman, no doubt to explain how he sustains such an energetic existence!!)

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BAWDESWELL RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.

As reported in the minutes of the last council meeting the matter of selling the site of the old hall and bowling green is now floundering in the swamp of planning problems. The owners of the garage were not, after all, willing to pay the recommended price for our combined sites; however, they applied for outline permission for six houses on their site instead of the suggested nine on their land and ours in their sketch plan as seen and approved by the parish council.

We, in turn, were left with no option but to apply for permission to build the three houses shown in the earlier plan as applying to our land. The matter was deferred from the September planning meeting in Dereham and David Sayer, our District Councillor, tells us that it should come up in October. The outcome is unclear but until we can come to some arrangement to sell our sites, we do not have the means to start to build a new hall on the recreation ground.

Tickets are being sold by members for the giant whisky draw, available for Christmas - watch this space! We are holding a jumble sale, cake stall etc., on 14th October at 2.30 in the hall - Mary Farthing of 10, Hall Road is in charge and would welcome items for sale - cakes etc.

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Church of England

- Sun. 1st Oct. BAWDESWELL HARVEST FESTIVAL
9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley.
6.30 p.m. Harvest Service at Bawdeswell taken by Rev. Paul Illingworth.
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- Sun. 8th Oct 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell
10.30 a.m. FAMILY WORSHIP at Foxley.
3.30 p.m. Diocesan Festival Service at Norwich Cathedral.
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- Sun. 15th Oct. 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer followed by shortened H.C. at Bawdeswell.
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- Sun. 22nd Oct. 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Bawdeswell
10.30 a.m. H.C. at Foxley
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- Sun 29th Oct. 9.00 a.m. H.C. at Foxley
10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer at Bawdeswell
6.30 p.m. Evening Service at Foxley.

METHODIST SERVICES AT FOXLEY CHAPEL.

- Sun 1st. Oct. 11.00 a.m. Harvest Service at Bintree
- Sun 8th Oct. 6.30 p.m. Mr. G. Middleton
- Sun 15th Oct. 11.00 a.m. H.C. Rev. R. Purvis
- Sun 22nd Oct. 6.30 p.m. Mr. C. Jolly
- Sun 29th Oct. 11.00 a.m. Mr. I. Fisher

Diary Dates for October

Sun 1st 6.30 p.m. Harvest Festival Service at All Saints
Bawdeswell

Mon 2nd 7.30 p.m. Bawdeswell Parish Council, Village Hall

Mon 9th Women's Institute, Grooms Cottage, Bawdeswell

Thurs 12th 2.30 p.m. Pram Service at Foxley Church

Sat 14th 2.30 p.m. Jumble Sale & cake stall etc.,
Bawdeswell Village Hall

Sun. 29th 6.30 p.m. Evening Service at Foxley Church

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