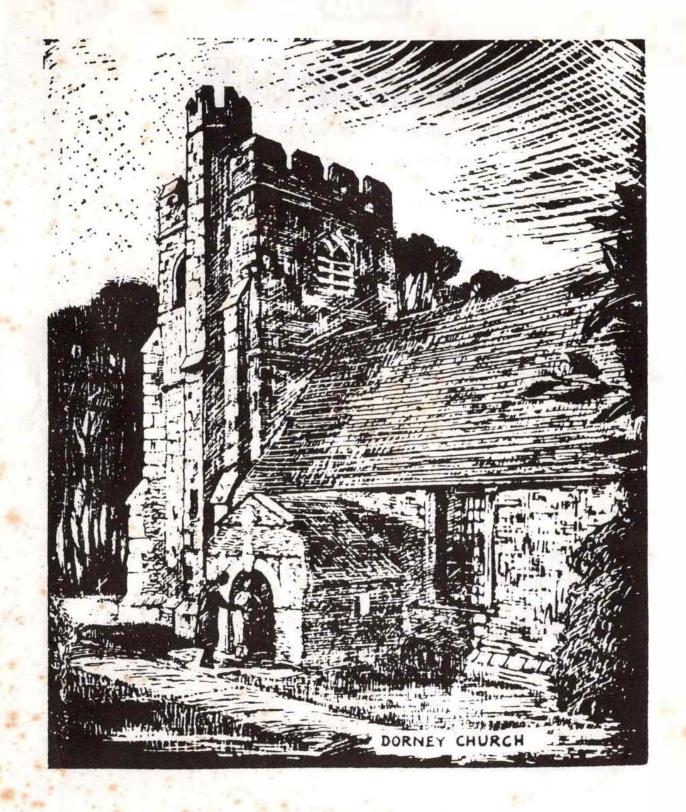
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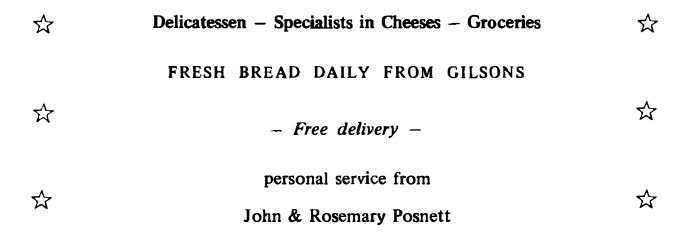
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**EVERY SUNDAY** 

8.00 a.m.

**Holy Communion** 

10.20 a.m.

Explorers and Creche at the Vicarage

10.30 a.m.

**Parish Communion** 

## VICAR:

The Rev. Ronald Johnson The Vicarage, Dorney, Windsor, Berks.

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Mr. Peter Belcher,

The Haven,

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FEBRUARY, 1983

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### DORNEY COURT

Dorney Court will be opening to the Public at Easter Weekend for the third year.

If there is anyone who would be interested in being a guide we would be very pleased to meet you. We also require young ladies to serve teas.

When Dorney Court was opened the first year we were all very new but we have learned a lot of things about the Court, its history and its furniture. We meet lots of interesting people and many experts in different fields come to look over the Court and tell us what they know.

Don't be put off by thinking you don't know anything about Dorney Court, we have notes for guidance and it does stimulate an interest in History.

The Court will be open Sunday, Monday & Tuesday 2-5.30 April to September, and we have a rota so it doesn't mean you have to be in attendance every day of every week.

If you would like to know more would you please give me a ring at Maidenhead 28491 - Marion Hellmuth.

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## FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK

Do <u>you</u> know what really goes on at Dorney Vicarage? Have you ever wondered at the steady stream of young people who congregate here? What can they be up to? For that matter, do you really know what we <u>do</u> at the Project? What <u>is</u> the Project? Have you noticed the gangs of boys who appear frequently, some on cycles, some delivered in cars and minibuses? What about the young ladies who fill the building with their lively chatter? Have you heard the music? Is there too much noise at times?

Perhaps you ought to know what is going on!

Perhaps you ought to know that our deprived children could only enjoy their holidays because teenagers (and sometimes older people) come along to help - to shower dirty little boys and girls who have soiled themselves; to quell minor skirmishes, to wipe away tears from grubby eyes; to mop floors and make beds, to rebuild collapsing furniture, to replace broken doors and windows, to create usable space out of nothing ..... to wash dishes, play games, cut grass, organise parties and outings, to mop up food spilled on the floors, to coax, cajole, manhandle and plead ..... and all for no financial reward! And the children's holidays are only a fraction of our work!!!

Perhaps you ought to know that running the Project can be great fun, immensely satisfying, very tough, trying and exhausting; it can be heaven, it is often hell! Perhaps that is as it should be, for God's best work is often done under stress. But if you didn't know any of this, you ought to - so please call in at any time! We need your support, love and prayers!

I would like to thank the youngsters who have grappled hard with deprived children, many of whom are quite depraved, whose language and dispositon leave much to be desired; I would especially like to thank those who rehearsed an entertainment, performed it in Wales and earned £400 for Project funds. I think I can honestly say that all who come along to help at the Project felt they gained something themselves: it is an experience never to be forgotten, and thoroughly recommended!!

What else do we do? The answer is just about everything, and I need you to help us achieve what must be achieved - because if we don't achieve, there will be no Project! Thankyou, all of you, who serve on our committees, who collect newspapers, who raise funds, who work timelessly on our behalf. Bless you all!

The Christmas services at Dorney were a great joy. The church was packed for our three main services, and I must say I enjoyed the mattins which took place on Boxing Day. Please pray for our church in 1983 - for its growth, and for courage in the face of alarming financial matters. Dorney church, too, needs more money. Despite the love people have for the bricks and mortar, we barely have enough to break even - so please support any special events, and give generously!

Please remember we shall be hosting the Confirmation which will take place on February 18th at 7.30 p.m. by the Bishop of Buckingham. There will, of course, be refreshments afterwards.

The Youth Club room is almost ready now. In fact we would like to open up on the first Friday in February (4th) and operate on subsequent Fridays, largely as an experiment. Do please inform your children - I would suggest we draw certain limits, such as belonging in Dorney and Dorney Reach (unless special representation is made to me!), and the room will be available for teenagers (with an upper age limit of 18 yrs.) 7 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. We shall have to demand 30p. entrance fee (to cover heating & lighting costs) and there will be table-tennis, table football, music and a coffee bar. In due course, depending upon interest, we shall need to draw-up a committee. Please bring your ideas along!! Adult helpers warmly welcomed!!

Ron Johnson.

## ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

13th February, 1983 7TH BEFORE EASTER (1ST BEFORE LENT) 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Cleaning Mrs. Ames Coffee Miss Hinkley Explorers Mrs. Humpleman, Mrs. Pepler & Mrs. Hayton Creche Miss Belcher Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Eastgate 10.30 Mrs. Harpur Mark 2: 13-17 lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Warner Horne Hosea 14: 1-7 WEDNESDAY 16th February, 1983 ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION 7.30 P.M. Sidesman Mr. Robb FRIDAY 18th February, 1983 CONFIRMATION IN DORNEY CHURCH 7.30 P.M. Sidesman Mr. Belcher 20th February, 1983 LENT 1 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Cleaning Mrs. Howell Coffee Mrs. Perryman Explorers Miss Hinckley, Mrs. Pepler & Mrs. Butcher Creche Mrs. Clayton

Matthew

4: 1-11

Genesis 2.7-9: 3-1-7

Sidesman

8.00 Mr. Liney 10.30 Mr. Pepler

1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Robb

27th February, 1983 LENT 2 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Cleaning Mrs. Mack Coffee Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Ames Explorers Miss Hinckley, Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Butcher Creche Mrs. Woolner Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Robb 10.30 Mr. Wilkinson Luke 19: 41 - end 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Howell 1 John 4: 1 - 6 6th March, 1983 LENT 3 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Cleaning Mrs. Wilkinson Coffee Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Howell Explorers Miss Hinckley, Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Parker Creche Mrs. Backhouse Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Ames 10.30 Mr. Howell Luke 9: 18 - 27 1st Reader 10.30 Mr. Drew Colossians 1: 24 - end 13th March, 1983 LENT 4 MOTHERING SUNDAY 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Cleaning Mrs. Belcher Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Pepler NO CRECHE OR EXPLORERS Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Mack 10.30 Mr. Armstrong Luke 9: 28 - 36 lst Reader 10.30

Corinthians 3: 4 - end

Mrs. Armstrong

## To everyone in the Parish DORNEY CHURCH AND YOU.

As happens each year at this time the Parochial Church Council has reviewed its financial position and you will not be surprised to learn that we are finding it difficult to make ends meet.

Can you help?

Of course everyone can help and we are looking for your support in a number of fund raising ventures that are currently being investigated. We anticipate that these events will help to raise funds and at the same time enable us to have fun in the Parish.

Whilst these events and efforts are vitally important the Church faces a problem that most other local organisations do not - namely that we have financial commitments that are on-going year on year. These commitments are to the Project and to the wider church to pay for salaries, pensions, vicarages and missionary work - all vital to continue to grow a living church. Because we are committed we need you to be committed and ideally you will take up a Covenant to pay Dorney Parochial Church Council a sum of money each year. Apart from your donation the Inland Revenue will pay to us the Income Tax that you paid - the result being that for every £100 you donate we receive an additional £30.

Mr. Len Eastgate in particular would be pleased to hear from you if you wish to complete or renew a Covenant.

Should you help?

Only you can answer that question. However without the support of the villagers of the past our church would not now exist - we must do everything in our power to ensure that the church will be there for the future.

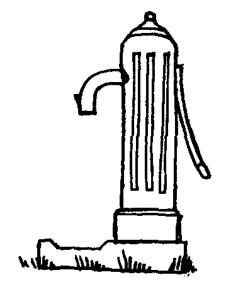
An observation is that there are some 230 families in this Parish most of whom will use the church at some time. If only half of these families convenanted £1 per week this would do much to solve the problems.

Can you help - should you help?

I hope you decide "Yes" to both questions, when you do please contact John Robb, Len Eastgate or me.

God Bless You - look forward to seeing you at the various functions.

Peter Belcher, CHURCH WARDEN.



#### THE PARISH PUMP

## Meeting of the Parish Council

## Controlled Crossing on A4

It seemed that there was very little chance of the Parish being able to get the county to provide a controlled crossing due to the small number of people crossing the A4.

## Parish Bus Service

The Alder Valley Bus Company have said they are unable to increase the service in anyway. The Parish Council agreed to obtain more detail from the Alder Valley Bus Company.

## Schools Bus Service

It was generally agreed that the Council would ask Tim Smith M.P. to come and talk to the Parish at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on the 17th March and the matter of the School Bus Service could be discussed then.

### **Grass Cutting**

It was agreed to give the job to Mr. Smith who would undertake to do the mowing throughout the summer.

### Accounts for payment

Typing	£ 4.50
Booking Hall for Meetings	31.88
Society of Local Council Clerks	7.50

## Planning Applications

September House - no observations. Glebe Close.

## Annual Parish Meeting

This will be held on Thursday March 17th at 8 p.m. and everyone is very welcome. The 5th Terminal at Heathrow will be on the Agenda and it is hoped that our MP. Tim Smith will be able to attend.

## PAINTING FROM YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS

A persistent problem for painters is finding subjects. Many artists dislike painting out of doors: too public, and often too windy and cold. Painting indoors can be very restricting, but Maurice Wooller's new book shows that this need not be so if you paint from your own photographs.

The early chapters help you to make photographs suitable for that purpose, advising on choice of camera, and on photographic techniques. Various aids to drawing are reviewed, including some home made devices which should be useful to those reluctant to paint because they do not draw well.

The final chapter shows a number of photographs together with the paintings derived from them. It discusses the problems involved, and the techniques used to produce the paintings, ranging from those that follow the photograph closely to more imaginative derivations.

The book is published by Frederick Warne and costs £2.50.

Having had the pleasure of reading Mr. Wooller's new book I would thoroughly recommend it. It is very clearly written and I found lots of information about the use and care of cameras.

The final paragraph with the illustrations of the paintings from photographs was quite fascinating, and having tried to paint and not found it easy, I feel I might be tempted to try again with these clear instructions, and have a go painting from photographs.

MH.

\* Thursday 17th March

DORNEY OVER 60 LUNCHEON

CLUB

## Dorney Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m.

#### DIARY OF EVENTS

Saturday 12th February V.H.M.C. Valentine Dance D.D.H.S. Steak Pie Supper & Talk Friday 25th February Friday 18th March Dorney Conservative Association, an evening with Tim Sainsbury M.P. Dorney Court at 8 p.m. Friday 15th April D.D.H.S. Cheese & Wine & Talk Saturday 16th April) D.D.H.S. Spring Gardens Competition 17th April) Sunday 29th April V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale Friday Saturday 7th May V.H.M.C. May Dance 15th May D.D.H.S. Bring & Buy (Hall Car Park) Sunday D.D.H.S. Coach Trip - Wakehurst (Sussex) Sunday 19th June D.D.H.S. Dance/Social Saturday 16th July Saturday 23rd July) D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition Sunday 24th July) Saturday 13th August D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show Saturday 3rd September Saturday 17th September D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper 30th September V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine Saturday 14th October llth November D.D.H.S. A.G.M. Friday Saturday 12th November V.H.M.C. Race Evening 1984 Friday 20th January D.D.H.S. Winter Special DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE Meet second Wednesday of every month at 2.30 p.m. DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB Meet fourth Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m. DORNEY P.T.A. Meet fourth Monday of every month for P.T.A. Committee Meeting. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney School. ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE Second Tuesday in every other month at 7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council Meeting. DORNEY P.C.C. First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney Vicarage. DORNEY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Meet second Wednesday of every month.

Vicarage.

Meet second Tuesday of every month at the

#### THE EVINS (NATURE) MEMORIAL COMPETITION 1983

The winners were - DORNEY BROWNIES

They made a very lovely collection of pressed summer flowers. Their collection contained over <u>sixty</u> different flowers, collected <u>locally</u> and named.

### THE EVINS MEMORIAL COMPETITION 1983

Prize for Nature Poetry was won by - Mrs. Lois Parker
17, Meadow Way,
Dorney Reach,
Maidenhead.

#### DORNEY AUTUMN

Golden fields and golden light, golden leaves and berries bright, Old Man's beard silver-white, purple blackberries, velvet night; Autumn's splendour gives delight.

Pearl clouds, grey mist unfurling, scent of woodsmoke rising, curling, Wild geese, strong wings whirling, lapwings skirling; swallows twirling Poised to flee raw Winter's bite.

Thames, whose glistening waters show, the roseate hues of sunset's glow is home to grebe where swallows throw their shadows on the reeds below, Safe from Man's intruding sight.

Adder slides, wood mice scatter.

Vixen hides, squirrels chatter.

Chestnuts, mushrooms, acorns, sloes; down of thistle on the breeze, Scarlet toadstools, bursting pods: lies the fruitful Reach at ease.

#### by Lois Parker.

The competition is in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Evins of Dorney Reach - who when their son was alive, lived on Dorney Common. Their only son was killed in the second World War and they found great comfort in the natural beauty of the countryside around them.

A trophy will be given to the winners.

WELL DONE!

Phyllis Wallbank.

## DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (December report)

The Christmas meeting was held in the Village Hall on December 8th, with Mrs. Harpur in the chair. She gave a warm welcome to all our visitors, including those from Taplow and George Green.

The new committee was introduced, but unhappily some members were absent owing to illness, and others, more fortunate, were away on holiday.

The President thanked all those who had helped towards the success of the Christmas Fayre on November 20th. A profit of £316 had been raised for Institute funds.

The Monthly Letter drew attention to the meetings in January at which representatives of local Institutes will be able to help select the resolutions for discussion at the Albert Hall in June. On February 28th there will be a Day on New Zealand at Hazell's Hall, Aylesbury, and those wishing to attend this were asked to put down their names.

Mrs. Allen had brought a Christmas card, which all the members signed, to send to Mrs. Shirley Horner, who was greatly missed at this special meeting. Party time began with a competition to make a Christmas cracker, and everyone set to work with enthusiasm. When the results of our efforts were all lined up on the Chairman's table for judging, the whole effect was extremely festive, with the lighted Christmas tree in the background. The winners were Mrs. Stacey, Mrs. Livsey, and Mrs. Spencer.

The next competition was to guess the names of all the garden birds in a picture on a teatowel, and this was won by Miss Kilpatrick. A delicious tea was served while carols were played, bringing to an end a most enjoyable meeting.

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## DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (January report)

The January meeting, held on the 12th, was chaired by Mrs. Harpur. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. A. Chase, Mrs. E. Huddart and Mrs. B. Binns.

After the record of the previous monthly meeting had been read, Mrs. Harpur thanked the members for their efforts in making the Christmas meeting such an enjoyable occasion. The Treasurer was then requested to comment on the year end Financial Statement.

A copy of the Financial Report was given to all members present and items noted thereon were explained by the Treasurer. A satisfactory credit balance was shown but as further transactions had been undertaken since the production of the Statement details would be given at the next meeting.

The Monthly News Letter gave the programme for 1983 and members were requested to keep this for future reference.

The Secretary read the correspondence which included letters from Taplow & George Green W.1. expressing their appreciation of the Christmas Party. Due to notification having to be advised to W.I. offices, lists were made of members wishing to attend the Day of New Zealand Talks & Slides at Aylesbury on 28th February, and the Regional Meeting to be held at Loudwater, near High Wycombe, on the 17th March. The demonstration at this meeting will be Stir Fry Food.

It is proposed to hold a new members meeting some time during March, when a V.C.O. will probably attend for the purpose of advising on the aims and activities of the W.I.

A Coffee morning is to be held in March and will probably take the form of a Bring and Buy. An interesting feature of this occasion will be the sale of some 70 to 80 hats.

Mrs. Jordan supplied an interesting list of suggested outings for the year and requested members comments on the suitability of dates and places.

A most interesting talk was given by Mrs. N. Williams, a member of The Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxford Trust, on the Wild Life in Buckinghamshire. She had some beautiful slides on the Plant Life and Butterflies still to be seen in this County, and it was fascinating to

see how really lovely flowers grow wild, including the Orchid. It is good to know that there are organisations of this nature taking such an interest and working so hard to protect our fast diminishing countryside. It was extremely interesting to know what is being done by this Trust for this protection and would seem to provide worth while education and interest for young people.

At the February meeting the speaker will be Mr. A.H. Boxer on the History and Mystery of Tea. His Hostess will be Mrs. Spencer. Tea Hostesses: Mrs. Dorrell, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Eastgate. Competition will be the Flower of the Month. W.I. Duties: Child Welfare Clinic. Mrs. H. Harpur and Mrs. V. Edwards.

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## THE BUS THAT WAS

Recently among my collection of important filed documents or general junk as my wife irreverently and usually refers to it, I came across a little four-page paper booklet. It has a blue cover carrying a clearly presented inscription:

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Remember the Blue Bus? All right, some of you do, a lot of you don't. The price of the timetable was ld. (that was when there were 240 ds. (sorry, pennies) to the £. Remember? The little booklet measures 3½ inches by 6½ inches (renewed apologies - 95 by 170 millimetres). Page 1 sets the scene so to say. Headed 'Regulations' Schedule (1) it deals with DOGS ACCOMPANYING FARE PAYING PASSENGERS. ACCOMPANIED LUGGAGE. TIMETABLES and LOST PROPERTY OR SERVICE.

LOST PROPERTY OR SERVICE is reasonably short and dealt with by offering a telephone number for enquiries. "TIMETABLES" however is a 74 word paragraph unlikely to have been written by Mr. Cole, the proprietor. More likely to have been perpetrated by some lawyer looking after Mr. Cole's best and proper interests by mentioning non-liability "for inconvenience, loss or damage caused by any inaccuracy in any timetable or from failure of any vehicle to start or arrive at any specified time..." among a good few other supporting words and phrases.

The bus timetables on the following pages start off with Sunday services and holiday services. Boxing Day and Good Friday have a Sunday service but other Bank Holidays a weekday service. There is no service on Christmas Day.

There were two main services, one running from Windsor to Harcourt Road, the other running the Windsor-Maidenhead trip, although the late night 10.30 p.m. from Windsor ended at Dents Corner but would, if requested, carry on to Harcourt Road. So far as I can

disentangle the two-page list of services, there were something like nine services a day Windsor to Maidenhead.

The old Blue Bus Service ended in 1966 when on 4 June of that year The Thames Valley Traction Company took over, followed as we bus users know, by Alder Valley who now give us one bus to Maidenhead on Wednesday and one on Saturday per week. Despite the legal jargon and minor comicality on page 1 of that little book, the Blue Bus service was a service in the real meaning of the word. And if the Editors will allow me the space in the next issue or two of the magazine I will recount the story of the Blue Bus from its beginnings - would you believe it - with a converted military ambulance of the 1914/18 war. All as told to me by Mr. Cole. A little bit of local history worth the telling I think.

Harry Dorrell.

Dear Residents of Dorney and Dorney Reach.

Thank you all so much for responding to my appeal to attend the W.I. Christmas Fayre in November. It was well supported, and we are very grateful.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Harpur President.

## DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB -

## Any Questions Panel - 24th November

A good number of us were present when the Vicar, Ron Johnson, his Assistant Warden, Andrew Frank and two of the Eton College Chaplains answered our questions and provided a stimulating evening. Among the questions were "What do you know now that you wish you had known at 18", "What Career would you like best apart from your present Occupation" ... this produced replies of Actor, Architect, Chauffeur, Navy & Surgeon. Replies to "What is your least favourite TV programme" named Cross Roads, Panorama, Sport & Quiz Shows. The audience participated with comments and opinions and the question regarding the Ordination of Women provoked the observation that this is the last nut to crack in the achievement of female equality. The most amusing answers came from "What was your most embarrassing moment." e.g. One member of the Panel was introduced to a girl at a party and remarked "I'm sure I've seen you somewhere before", "You have" she replied "I'm your hostess."

One of the reverend gentlemen had served a year in a hospital on the Casualty Ward where a "battle axe" of a sister was in charge. Among the casualties were too many broken syringes and our reverend friend said he was not the least guilty person in this respect, so that when a stentorian voice came from the sluice demanding "Whose is this?" he was needled into saying "It's not mine". On entering the sluice soon after he was mortified to find the object in question was not a syringe but an intimate organ of the female anatomy! My most embarrassing moment came later. When serving the Panel with coffee I picked up 2 "sugar bowls". The ensuing grimaces proved my Faux pas. It was salt!! I hope they will pardon me for almost poisoning them.

The Raffle, a bottle of wine, was won by Mrs. McIntyre.

Our meeting on Wednesday, 26th January, will be a talk by a Dietician "Does what we eat really matter?".

Happy New Year to you all.

Lois Parker Secretary.

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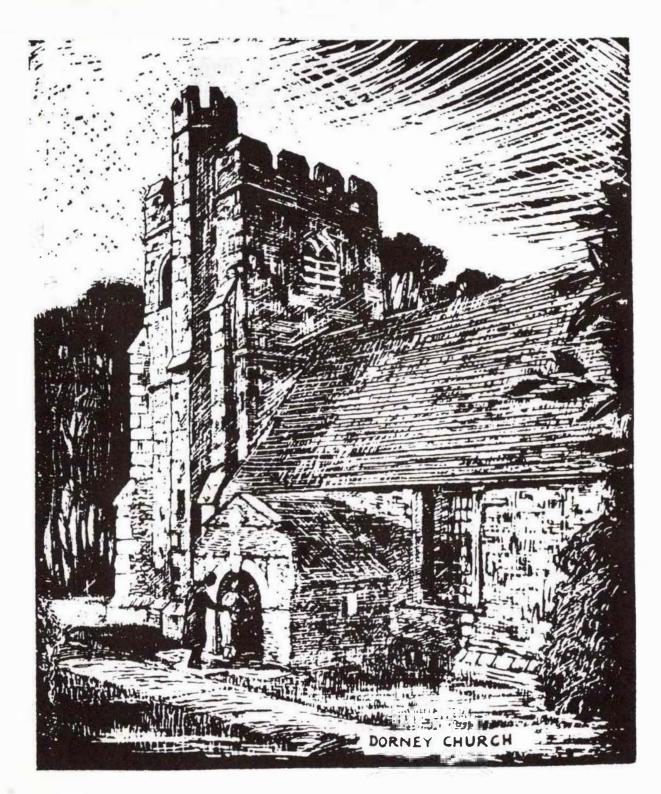
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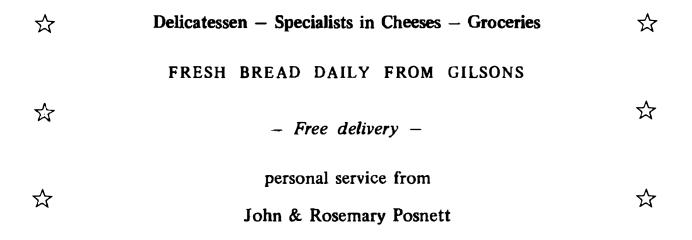
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8.00 a.m.

**Holy Communion** 

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Explorers and Creche at the Vicarage

10.30 a.m.

**Parish Communion** 

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"I'm a broken hearted milkman in grief I'm arrayed" so sang the Paddington Green roundsman, lamenting the fickleness of a certain Miss Perkins. This hard hearted girl had spurned him for the love of a bowlegged conductor. Perhaps he would have been even more disconsolate had he found that her rejection was simply a preference for some newfangled long-life milk on sale in a little shop around the corner.

Consider, then, the impending fate of our own milkman, confronted by the arrival in Britain of the new UHT product. Will he too be rejected? Will ladies, whose very cup of tea depended on his unfailing visit, turn their 'pints today' indicators to a permanent zero? Will Neville and Griffin become nothing but grieving?

I hope that the answer to these rhetorical questions will be a concerted - No.

Certainly many individuals and organisations have publicly stated their objections to the importation of UHT (ultra-high temperature) milk from France and other EEC countries and readers of this magazine will recall the W.I. June 1982 report of their letter to the Milk Marketing Board, conveying their intention to continue the purchase of fresh milk and the hope that it would continue to be available and delivered to the doorstep.

Britain's ban on the import of UHT milk, on health grounds, has recently been ruled illegal by the EEC court of justice. The court declared that the ban was aimed primarily to protect the British dairy industry from EEC competition. Certain importing arrangements are still to be settled, but we can expect UHT milk in British shops by the summer.

The advantages of UHT milk are that it keeps for six months and that it is cheap. For these reasons the British Consumers Association thinks it should be available to the home market. On the other hand it has long been considered a threat by protectionist British dairy farmers and bureaucrats in the ministry of agriculture. Without a doubt it constitutes a serious threat to our customary daily delivery service, for although it may seem unlikely that fresh dairy milk will be forsaken for this continental substitute the fact must be faced that if it is substantially cheaper it may in time capture such a large share of the market that it will be unprofitable for a dairyman to deliver fresh milk to his remaining customers. Our one hope is that UHT milk will not only be cheap, but cheap and nasty; in fact very nasty! Britain's farm minister, Mr. Peter Walker, described it

as "bloody awful", but then he is hardly impartial. He also added that it would pose no threat to the British pinta. I only hope he is right and that the British housewife will not abandon the trusty British milkman.

Polly's milkman also sang of the happy days before he was jilted, "At the sound of my milk-cans her face she would show. With a smile upon her countenance and a laugh in her eye".

Can we promise a similarly constant welcome for our own man from the dairy?

## FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK

As a child I could never quite grasp the significance of Easter. To me, Easter simply meant a gathering together of as many chocolate eggs as I possibly could, on or around Good Friday, gazing at them longingly on the Saturday, and then devouring them as quickly as possible on Easter Day. Part of the enjoyment was in the age-old custom of dyeing eggs - using pieces of coloured material, paint, potato-peelings (which produced a curious mottled brown-grey) and distributing these to relatives and friends. As I grew older I spent happy hours painting faces and other motifs on their shiny surfaces - and so on!

Perhaps your children are more enlightened, and may know about the death and resurrection of Our Lord, about the Divine One taking upon Himself the whole burden of human sin. What a battle there must have been — on the one hand Jesus, the man, dreading the nails, the cruelty of the people (not to mention their very fickleness), the humility, the agony and the blackness and the crushing despair of being separated from God, and on the other hand Jesus of the Divine Mission, the Son of God, who knew he had to brave the rigour of death vicariously — i.e. for you and for me. The 'green hill' mentioned in the famous hymn sounds too nice for a place of execution!!

Essentially Easter means the joy of the Resurrection. It spells hope for all of us in that death no longer need be an enemy, but can be seen as part of God's plan for us, not an unfortunate accident or mere quirk on God's part, a deficiency in this creation. Jesus has conquered death and we are thus promised eternal life in the nearer presence of our Heavenly Father. And on a lighter note, isn't it good to know that Easter brings with it the Spring – a visible sign of hope, of new life and growth.

Wishing you all Easter blessings.

Ron Johnson.

## ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

20th March 8.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	LENT V  Holy Communion  Parish Communion
Cleaning Coffee Explorers Creche Sidesman 8.00 10.30 1st Reader 10.30	Mrs. Hammond John 12: 20-32
27th March 8.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	PALM SUNDAY Holy Communion Parish Communion & Annual Church Meeting
Cleaning Coffee Explorers Creche Sidesman 8.00 10.30 1st Reader 10.30	Mr. Handy Matthew 21: 1-13
31st March 8.00 p.m. Sidesman 1st Reader	MAUNDY THURSDAY  Holy Communion & Vigil  Mrs. Harpur  Mrs. Shepheard  Maundy Thursday  John 13: 1-15  Exodus 12: 1-14
lst April 10.30 a.m. Sidesman	GOOD FRIDAY Meditation before the Cross Mr. Hayton
2nd April 8.30 p.m. Sidesman	SATURDAY EASTER EVE Renewal of Vows Mr. Pepler

	EASTER DAY	
Holy Communion		
Parish Communion		
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Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Allen		
Mr. & Mrs. Wilkinson		
Mr. Liney		
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Mrs. Pepler	I Corinthians 15: 12-20	
	EASTER 1	
Holy Communion		
Parish Communion		
Mrs. Humpleman		
Mrs. Ames		
Mr. & Mrs. Robb		
Mrs. Ames		
Mr. Wilkinson	John 6: 32-40	
Mrs. Wilkinson	Exodus 16: 2-15	
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### A TOMB WITH A VIEW

That popular band of local thespians, the Dorney Players, drew enthusiastic audiences to the Village Hall on January 27th, 28th & 29th for their production of 'A Tomb with a View'.

The action of this comedy thriller by Norman Robbins takes place in the library of Monument House, a residence which no doubt Count Dracula would have found homely, and certainly set the scene for all the sinister eccentricity, mystery and murder that was to follow.

It is an involved story which I would not, and could not, attempt to relate in the little space available to me. Suffice to tell that it concerns a Will and a quite dotty family who, along with one or two outsiders, hardly more sane, meet various violent and untimely demises. During the course of the evening, and three acts, the cast of ten was reduced by poison, knife and pistol to two.

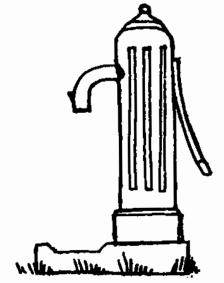
We, the audience, agreed that the entire cast had provided us with a thoroughly enjoyable evening, our praise being equally divided among all the players. Our thanks to them and those 'behind the scene' workers; from the Producer to the Refreshment Ladies. We wish the Players continuing success and hope they are already preparing their next presentation.

C.C.C.

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## THE PARISH PUMP

## Meeting of the Parish Council



## Parish Bus Service

After much discussion concerning the Bus Service and the apparent inability of the Alder Valley Bus Service to operate a loop system from the Bath Road, it was decided to write to them again and ask them to reconsider the position when they next make out their bus schedules.

## Highway matters

A large pothole was reported by the entrance to the Thames Water Board site at Climos Corner.

## Annual Parish Meeting

The following items will be on the Agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on Thursday, 17th March 1983.

Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting
Minutes of Special Parish Meeting
Parish and School Bus Service
Parish Precept
Best Kept Village Competition
Playground Equipment
Parish Magazine
Eton Dorney Project
Seddings Charity
5th Terminal ~ Heathrow
Water Abstraction Scheme
Emergency Planning Civil Defence.

### Accounts for Payment

Photocopying £11.75 Minutes 3.00

## Planning Applications

59 Harcourt Road - extension - No observations

5 Harcourt Road - extension - No observations.

#### THE GREAT DORNEY HYMN-IN

Can the church choir hit its target? Can it sing its way right through the English Hymnal (656 hymns) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday March 26th? (And if it does, will it ever sing again?)

Yes, you're right, of course. This is a money-raising venture - the first of several this year to help put the church on a sound financial footing again. What we want you to do is sponsor the choir at, say, per hymn. (The expert view is that in eight hours continuous singing and one or two verses to each hymn, around 500 hymns is possible.)

So,

- \* Please sponsor us forms will be distributed mid-March.
- \* If you can sing, why not join the choir for a 2-hour stretch? (9-11, 11-1, 1-3, or 3-5: let Michael Wilkinson know.)
- \* Look in at the church during the day anyway, and join in your favourite hymns as they come up.

## DORNEY'S FIRST CAR BOOT SALE BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, 2nd MAY

Dorney's first ever car boot sale will take place in the car park of the Palmer Arms on the 2nd May from 11.30 - 4.00 p.m.

We would like as many people as possible to join in and take a space in the car park to sell their unwanted items. So start looking out those unwanted gifts stored in your loft and come along and sell them. The profit is yours except for a £4.00 charge for your parking space. The proceeds of the day will go to the Eton Dorney Project and the Church funds.

If you want to be sure of a space book now by ringing Marion Hellmuth Maidenhead 28491 or Sarah Armstrong, Burnham 5595 or just come on the day.

Light snacks will be served.

We will be advertising widely so hope for good trade on the day.

## FLOWER FESTIVAL ST. JAMES CHURCH, DORNEY

Sat. 2nd Sun. 3rd and Mon. 4th April, 1983.

We are having a Flower Festival at Easter in aid of Church Funds. If you would like to come and arrange some flowers, please do. If you feel you cannot but would like to donate some Flowers, Foliage or Funds towards buying some flowers please would you phone me Marion Hellmuth - Maidenhead 28491.

Theme: Easter

We will meet early on Saturday morning 2nd (there is a Wedding early afternoon) to decorate the Church. I would like to know who will be coming along to help. I would also like any volunteers to sit in the Church during these three afternoons to collect any donations as we hope there will be a lot of visitors to Dorney Court who will be attracted to the Church and will make a donation.

## DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

are having a COFFEE MORNING

on March 23rd at 10.30 a.m. at 'OAKDENE', HARCOURT ROAD.

This to be a Bring and Buy.

Also - A sale of some 70-80 Hats
You may find your Spring Model!

Proceeds to Langley Hospice and for extra W.I. China.

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Mr. & Mrs. Chapman of Eton Wick received a phone call on February 15th from their son-in-law, Victor Fredlund in Kwazulu, S. Africa. It was to give the good news that his wife, Rachel, had just given birth, by caesarean section, to a baby girl, Jocelyn Ruth.

You may remember that Dr. & Mrs. Fredlund are missionaries with the Africa Evangelical Fellowship and that Dorney Church members are supporting them in various ways.

More good news is that the Fredlunds hope to visit the U.K. in the Summer, and plan to allow time to tell us of their work and of ways in which we may be able to help. There will be more news of this later.

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Note: For fund raising events for the Church see page no. 16.

## DIARY OF EVENTS

Thursday 17th March	Dorney Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m.
Friday 18th March	Dorney Conservative Association, an evening with Tim Sainsbury M.P. Dorney Court at 8 p.m.
Wednesday 23rd March	D.W.I. Coffee morning, 'Oakdene' Harcourt Road @ 10.30 a.m.
Saturday 2nd April )	
Sunday 3rd April )	St. James Flower Festival
Monday 4th April )	bu bunch rioner reservar
	D.D.H.S. Cheese & Wine & Talk
Friday 15th April	D.D.H.S. Cheese & wine & Talk
Saturday 16th April )	D.D.H.S. Spring Gardens Competition
Sunday 17th April )	
Friday 29th April	V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Monday 2nd May	Dorney's First Car Boot Sale, Car Park of
Caturday 7th Man	the Palmer Arms @ 11.30 - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday 7th May	V.H.M.C. May Dance
Sunday 15th May	D.D.H.S. Bring & Buy (Hall Car Park)
Sunday 19th June	D.D.H.S. Coach Trip - Wakehurst (Sussex)
Saturday 16th July	D.D.H.S. Dance/Social
Saturday 23rd July) Sunday 24th July)	D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition
Saturday 13th August	D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance
Saturday 13th August Saturday 3rd September	D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show
Saturday 17th September	D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper
	V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Friday 30th September Saturday 14th October	D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine
Friday 14th October	D.D.H.S. A.G.M.
Saturday 12th November	V.H.M.C. Race Evening
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Friday 20th January	D.D.H.S. Winter Special
DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE	Meet second Wednesday of every month
	@ 2.30 p.m.
DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL	meet fourth wednesday of every month at
CLUB	8.00 p.m.
DORNEY P.T.A.	Meet fourth Monday of every month for
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	P.T.A. Committee Meeting. Secong Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m.
FARISH COUNCIL MEETING	Dorney School.
ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE	Second Tuesday in every other month at
	7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council
DODNEY D. C. C.	Meeting.
DORNEY P.C.C.	First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney Vicarage.
DORNEY VILLAGE HALL	order pim. Borner viculage.
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Meet second Wednesday of every month. Meet second Tuesday of every month at the
DORNEY OVER 60 LUNCHEON CLUB	Meet second Tuesday of every month at the
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# DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB Meeting 26th January.

We were pleased to welcome Mrs. Parker a Dietician at Windsor King Edward VII Hospital, who gave an instructive talk on a subject that interests all of us in some way, "Does What We Eat Really Matter". It certainly does.

Many of us have childhood memories of parents saying "You can't leave the table till you've cleared your plate". Today, one should never say this to a child; it can lead to being overweight.

Adverts can promote fallacies in regard to dieting. We are led to believe a Sauna will reduce weight but it merely causes loss of water, not fat. Slimming products stocked in shops have no long term effect. To lose weight calorie intake must be reduced.

Various diseases are associated with being overweight or bad eating habits, such as heart complaints, diabetes, rickets, allergies and dental decay. It was noted that during the war when sugar was rationed dental decay decreased. We were advised to use a Poly unsaturated fat margarine to reduce cholesterol in the body and also to note the ingredients on food containers. A well known brand of chicken curry contained ingredients not used in home cooking. Also, manufacturers change recipes from time to time.

There are a few simple rules one can follow to avoid becoming overweight. Watch your weight, exercise, increase fibre intake, decrease intake of fat, salt and sugar but adopt a diet you enjoy eating.

Don't be scared of falling victim to Slimmer's Disease (Anorexia Nervosa). This self destructive illness is rooted in psychiatric causes.

Mrs. Parker humourously pointed out that good health also depended on choosing your parents carefully.

If anyone works out how to arrange this please inform me.

It conjures up a hilarious picture of generations yet unborn swopping around families.

The Raffle prizes were won by Marilyn Knight and myself, being a glass ashtray and a brooch.

The talk at our next meeting on 23rd March will be given by Mr. Henry Green on 'Theatrical Costumes'.

Lois Parker, Secretary.

#### BUCKINGHAMSHIRE VILLAGE VENTURES COMPETITION

The Buckinghamshire Village Ventures Competition is designed to encourage and support voluntary projects in villages. The competition is for people who join together to work on a project which adds in some way to village life.

#### WHO CAN ENTER?

Any group of people from a village or small group of villages working on a voluntary project for the benefit of the local community, will be eligible. Projects which were started after January 1982, can be entered.

The competition is for NEW projects - so that the day-to-day running of an organisation will not qualify, although the starting up, or development of, an organisation, particularly through project work, will certainly qualify.

#### **PRIZES**

There will be separate sections for large and small villages with cash prizes in each section of:

First prize: £150 Second prize: £75 Third prize: £25

#### WHAT KIND OF VENTURE?

Here are just a few ideas:

- Building or improving a village hall, using voluntary manpower.
- Setting up a Village Newsletter.
- Constructing an adventure playground or playing field.
- Clearing a village pond.
- Launching a pre-school playgroup, luncheon club for the elderly, or a youth club.
- Car sharing or social car schemes or village minibuses, where transport is difficult.
- Village Appraisals a self-assessment of village assets and problems and suggestions for action.

#### JUDGING

Entrants must submit a report on the project giving background details, amount and sources of funding, a photographic record (if appropriate), and the nature and extent of any professional help received, by October 31st, 1983.

Judges will be looking for:
Imaginative use of resources
Community effort
Quality of workmanship
Lasting benefit to the community

#### HOW TO ENTER

Entry forms are available from Buckinghamshire Council for Voluntary Service, Walton House, Walton Street, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP21 7QQ and must be submitted by 31st July, 1983.

# EDITORS' APPEAL

Last year all the local clubs and societies gave financial support to the Parish News, thus enabling us to continue publication in the face of rising printing costs.

We are hoping that the same generosity will be extended in 1983 and we will be very pleased to receive a donation or some indication of intent, from the societies treasurers.

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Dorney Babysitting Club. For details contact - Catherine Lancaster Maidenhead 71618.

#### THE BUS THAT WAS

Continuing the story as told to me by Mr. Cole in an interview recorded for BBC Radio, right here in our living room at Dorney Reach.

He went right into it without a prompt, my only contribution an occasional quiet chuckle in the background.

"The service started when father came out of the army after the 1914-18 war. Buses weren't known then and he struck on the idea of converting a wartime ambulance. It was a 7 cwt. Ford van. It was fitted with an ambulance body to take two stretchers and he converted it into a bus by chopping off the top and inserting two windows, cutting a hole at the back and hanging a step on by two iron brackets.

That ran from Windsor to Eton Wick - about 1 miles. Not many people lived in Eton Wick in those days, only about two or three hundred I expect and the road was a third class road with no lights. the bus ran more or less when there was anybody to carry. It only had six stops and perhaps there'd be six people or two or one waiting and even then a lot depended on the driver; what mood he was in and how he felt about it, perhaps how well you knew him. Although the most was six passengers seated, believe me we have carried twenty-six. It was quite normal after a theatre show for them to be hanging on They used to sit on each other's laps and there were all round it. no lamps inside and they used even to stand on the step at the back. In fact, one night coming along the Eton Wick Road the poor old step suddenly gave way and the people on it were in the road. People were very glad to see us; before that it had been a miserable walk, blowy and rainy and gradually certain people at certain times used to come along to catch this bus and so the first timetable was more or less started. But whether the buses ran according to the timetables was another matter.

The first timetable was a written paper stuck up in the bus showing that at 2 or 3 o'clock a bus would leave for Windsor. The times of running after that were varied. You found the timetable arranged to meet people coming out of the cinema, for instance, and we used to run a bus to meet the theatre people. The Theatre Royal in Windsor used to put on revues and varieties and after the show, whether it

was a quarter past ten, half past or eleven o'clock, the bus would stand outside waiting for the customers and incidentally, after ten o'clock double fare.

There were several buses like ours about at this time and they were all operated according to how the man who operated them felt. In fact, if he felt like coming out on Sunday he would. If he didn't he stopped at home and if he'd had a good day, say up to 7 o'clock at night he'd go home and put his bus away for the day.

We had three buses by 1920 and when the village got bigger we advanced from a six-seater to a twelve-seater. That was a notable occasion I can tell you. It was christened 'the glasshouse'. It was handbuilt with drop windows and sprung cushions and a front entrance. This meant the driver didn't have to nip round the back to make sure they'd all paid their fares. It was a Wolsey Four, top speed twenty miles an hour. My father built it with the help of a carpenter and in those days drop windows were quite the thing. It was more or less like a glasshouse to look at, that's why the customers christened it 'the glasshouse' but they were pleased to get it just the same.

If we came in from Windsor and saw people waiting for Datchet, well, never mind the Eton Wick people, we'd go to Datchet and that was all there was about it. Six people would pay tuppence ha'penny each and off we'd go to Datchet. It was a diversion that took about 12 minutes and the Eton Wick people just had to wait twelve minutes until we got back. Things were very, very easy in those days: a person would wait an hour for a bus, it didn't mean a thing and a woman with two bags of shopping was very pleased to see the bus even if she had waited an hour. And in those days, with an eye to business, one always used to pick up the biggest crowd. If there were six people waiting for Eton Wick, well, it was Eton Wick people who were going to be lucky and not the Datchet people.

In the next instalment Mr. Cole starts driving the Blue Bus.

Harry Dorrell.

#### DORNEY W.I.

In spite of a very cold wintry day, there was a reasonably good attendance at the meeting on 9th February, chaired by Mrs. Harpur. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. L. Hutton, Mrs. P. Ferris, Mrs. O. Stacey, Mrs. P. Livesey and Mrs. A. Eastgate.

After the record of the previous month's meeting had been read Mrs. Harpur took up the following points.

The new members meeting had been arranged for 16th February at 2.30 at the home of Mrs. Harpur.

It was decided to hold the Coffee morning on 23rd March at 10.30 at Mrs. Sharphouse's house in Harcourt Road. This was to take the form of a Bring and Buy, together with a Sale of some 70 to 80 Hats. The proceeds of this event will go mainly to the Langley Hospice and a small proportion to the purchase of some additional W.I. china.

Mrs. Sharphouse was asked to comment on the Resolutions meeting attended by herself and Mrs. Harpur. The meeting had been of interest, 13 Resolutions having been put forward, out of which 6 were chosen but members were not asked for comments.

The Home Economics Secretaries Meeting held on 31st January was attended by Mrs. D. Jones. When asked for comments she said it had been a most interesting meeting, with the emphasis on staging of exhibits, which had been most informative and would prove useful when doing staging in future.

The Day on New Zealand talks and slides to be held on February 28th has proved to be so popular that there have been too many applicants and the number had to be limited. Our allocation was 5, it was therefore decided to take a ballot from the list of members who had applied.

Mrs. Harpur expressed her appreciation for the members' contributions to the Heritage Project, and to the members responsible for assembling them into suitable presentation form. She said this was an effort of which we could be proud, and there would be an opportunity to see the whole County collection which would be on display at the Beaconsfield Library during the period 9th-25th June.

Attention was then drawn to the Meetings in the Monthly News Letter, with particular reference to the Regional meeting at Loudwater on March 17th, the Treasurers Meeting on April 20th at George Green and the Craft County Day at Aylesbury on 29th June.

The correspondence was then noted by Mrs. Allen.

The Spring Council meeting of the B.F.W.I. was to be held on 28th April, and in the absence of any other volunteers, Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Harpur said they would attend.

An invitation had been received from the Taplow W.I. for 2 members to attend their Birthday Lunch on March 1st and Mrs. Edwards would be attending, with either Mrs. Sharp or Mrs. D. Jones.

A request had been received from the Arthritic & Rheumatism Council, to take part in a "Knit In" in aid of this Organisation. This had been undertaken previously and had proved enjoyable in addition to being of financial benefit to the Council. However it was decided this would be a better prospect for the Winter period and would be postponed until later in the year.

Mrs. Harpur then drew attention to the Group meeting at George Green on 30th March. Dorney W.I.'s contribution was to be a Quiz and Mrs. Spencer was asked if she would compile a list of Questions.

On the subject of Outings Mrs. Jordan was asked for comments. After issuing a list of suggested outings to all the members, she had obtained details of the most popular placed noted. A theatre outing to Oxford. As this was fully booked until April a suggested date was November. A visit to the Wedgwood Factory, Staffordshire, Bath or Eastbourne could be possible in April, May or June, these could be pursued further according to popular demand.

A talk on the History & Mystery of Tea was given by Mr. Boxer. It was interesting to learn how we first came to consume this most welcome and refreshing beverage. One is inclined to accept our daily uses as "things that grow in packets", and it is sometimes worth while to sit down and learn of the origins and subsequent production of items used in our daily life style. Mr. Boxer's talk was interesting and informative.

The Speaker at the March meeting will be Mrs. B. Turner, and the subject Jerusalem. Her Hostess will be Mrs. Jordan.
Tea Hostesses: Mrs. D. Jones, Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Street.
W.I. Duties: Child Welfare Clinic, Mrs. H. Harpur & Mrs. C. Allen.

The following events have been planned as fund-raising events for the Eton Dorney Project.

Date	Event	Organiser	Church or Project
3rd March	Lent Lunch	Mrs. Richmond	Church
	Ranworth Harcourt Rd.		
10th March	Lent Lunch	Mrs. Harpur	Church
17th March	Norbury Cottage, Oak Stubbs Lane	Mrs. Allen	
	Lent Lunch	Mrs. Ames	Church
	Pear Tree Cottage, Village Road.		
24th March	Lent Lunch	Mrs. Hellmuth	Church
	Boskerris, Marsh Lane.	nerimden	ondron
26th March	Sponsored Hymn-In	Mr. M.Wilkinson	Church
	Dorney Church		
27th March	Annual Church Meeting	Dorney Vicarage	
3/4th April	Flower Festival	Mrs. Hellmuth	Church
	Dorney Church		
2nd May	Car Boot Sale	Mrs. Armstrong	Church & Project
	Car Park Palmer Arms	Mrs. Robb Mrs. Hellmuth	
		Mrs. Knobel	
3rd July	Vicarage Happening	Mrs. Richmond	Church
17th July	Barbecue and Jazz	Dean Paddy	Project
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22nd Sept.	Greyhound Evening	Mr. Nick Teale	Project
	Slough Stadium		
End Sept.	Eton Action Fair - mile	-	Project
October	Trumpet and Organ	Mr. Allen Handy	Church
	Concert. Church		

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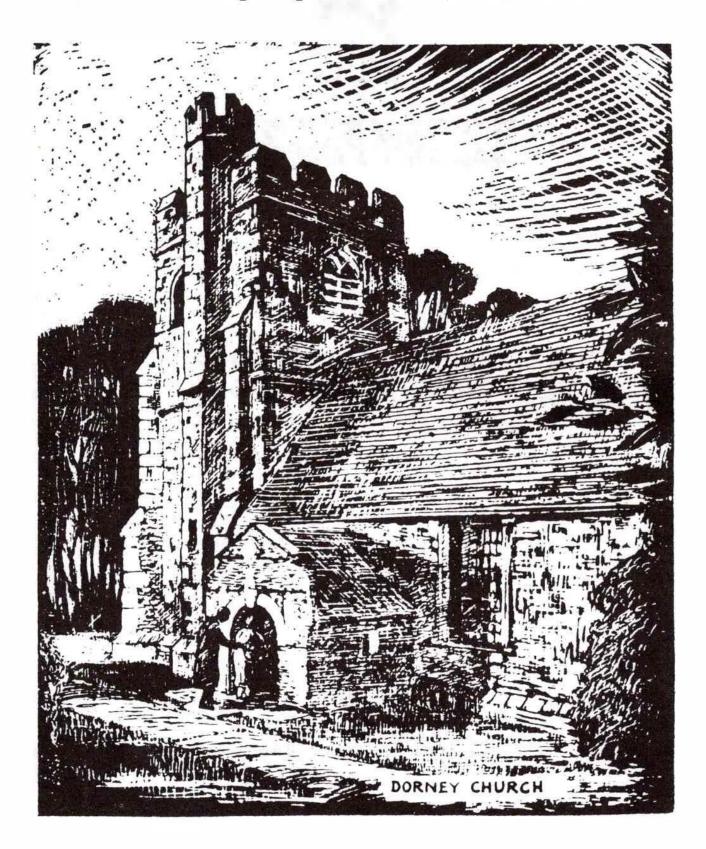
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#### EDITORIAL

Is it another sign of the times, like the Policeman getting younger, I am getting older. I have invested in an Electronic Typewriter, my old one was I thought about to give up after having been a sturdy workhorse for many years. This new typewriter is faster, much faster sometimes than I am. It took me a long time to get the feel of it.

Now though only six weeks young it has had to have a logic board replaced, because it started to type on its own accord, characters I did not want or need (mostly of course at the bottom of a sheet of impeccable typing). It's an expensive chit of a thing too - carbon ribbons don't last long and it scorns the cheaper cotton ribbon.

I am now left wondering if my old faithful was ready to be discarded or was I fooled by the desire to jump on the electronic bandwaggon - I am sure it won't last as long as my old faithful! - Don't I remember my old Grandad saying these new fangled gadgets aren't as good as the old stagers!!!

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#### FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK:

If you have recently moved into our village, welcome! There seems to be a glut of empty houses at present, particularly as new ones have not yet been bought up! As I walk or drive past I am constantly looking for signs of life - and in due course would look forward to meeting new friends. In the meantime, I urge newcomers to take a few steps towards our church. You will receive a warm welcome at any of our services, and the front door of the vicarage is ever-open. I hope you will come along and find out about the Project - help is always appreciated, and the best help is kindly interest.

By the time you read this article Easter will be over, once more. I hope the Resurrection Message has stirred hope in all your hearts, and that you are moving forward into the spring with confidence and with joy that only Jesus Christ can bring.

I am looking forward to the arrival of my two new colleagues at the Vicarage, Brian Pike and Pat Lister. There is still a third post to fill, so I expect it will be in the late autumn before the team is completed. Work in the vicarage is now speeding up. The arrangement of rooms, purchasing of fabrics and furnishings, repairs and general maintenance take up most of our time: we have a newly furbished lounge as well as an array of what I hope will be "improvements", which eventually will include a newly-fitted kitchen. But please do not assume we are now wealthy enough to survive without your help - we still rely heavily on volunteers and on fund-raising events. The improvements were simply long-overdue. Happily the structure of the building has been declared 'sound'.

Over the years a considerable amount of money has been raised through your generous newspaper collection and delivery - unfortunately I must now ask you to bring no more, as we have had a rat problem (hopefully solved now), and one of the offending areas is our paper-collection shed!! Perhaps you would be kind enough to refrain - at any rate for sometime - from sending us any further supplies .....

Ron Johnson.

#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

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17th April
                                               EASTER 2
 8.00 a.m.
                    Holy Communion
10.30 a.m.
                    Parish Communion
Flowers
                    Mrs. Belcher
                    Mrs. Howell
Cleaning
Coffee
                    Mrs. Richmond & Carol
Explorers )
                    To be advised
Creche
Sidesman
             8.00
                    Mrs. Mack
            10.30
                    Mr. Howell
                                              John 10: 7 - 16
1st Reader 10.30
                    Mrs. Keith
                                           l Peter
                                                     5: 1 - 11
24th April
                                              EASTER 3
 8.00 a.m.
                    Holy Communion
10.30 a.m.
                    Parish Communion
Flowers
                    Miss Kilpatrick
                    Mrs. Mack
Cleaning
Coffee
                    Mrs. Chase & Mrs. Hayton
Explorers )
                    To be advised
Creche
Sidesman
             8.00
                    Mr. Armstrong
            10.30
                    Mr. Belcher
                                              John 11: 17 - 27
                                                    3:
                                                         1 - 11
1st Reader 10.30
                    Mrs. Liney
                                       Colossians
1st May
                                              EASTER IV PATRONAL FESTIVAL
 8.00 a.m.
                    Holy Communion
10.30 a.m.
                    Parish Communion
                    Mrs. R. Smith
Flowers
                    Mrs. Mack
Cleaning
                   Mrs. Breslin & Mrs. Warner Horne
Mesdames Hayton, Humpleman & Pepler
Mrs. Backhoise
Coffee
Explorers
Creche
Sidesman
             8.00
                    Mrs. Eastqate
            10.30
                    Mrs. Hammond
                                                 Jehn. 2_: 15. - 22
1st Reader 10.30
                                         Revelations 3: 14 - end
                    Mrs. Warner Horne
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8th May			EASTER V		
8.00 a.m.		Holy Communion			
10.30 a.m.		Parish Communion			
Flowers		Mrs. Ames			
Cleaning		Mrs. Wilkinson			
Coffee		Miss Hinkley & Mrs. Harlow			
Explorers		Mesdames Hayton, Humpleman & Pepler			
Creche		Mrs. Woolner			
Sidesman	8.00	Mr. Handy			
	10.30	Mrs. Harpur	John 16: 25 - end		
lst Reader	10.30	Mrs. Howell	Hosea 6: 1 - 6		
124h Mars		munch av	ACCENCION DAY		
12th May		THURSDAY	ASCENSION DAY		
8.00 p.m.		Holy Communion			
Sidesman		Mr. Hayton	Matthew 28: 16 - end		
lst Reader		Mrs. Handy	Acts 1: 1 - 11		
15th May					
8.00 a.m.		Holy Communion	EASTER VI		
10.30 a.m.		Parish Communion	<del></del> :		
Flowers		Mrs. Street			
Cleaning Coffee		Mrs. Armstrong			
		Mrs. Perryman	Dutahan & Mica Tavia		
Explorers Creche		Mrs. Humpleman, Mrs. I Mrs. Harlow	Butcher & MISS Lewis		
	0 00				
Sidesman	10.30	Mr. Liney	Luke 24: 25 - end		
lst Reader		-	Luke 24: 25 - end Ephesians 1: 15 - end		

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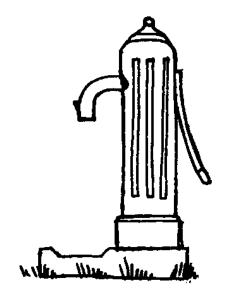
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#### THE PARISH PUMP

#### Meeting of the Parish Council



#### Parish Bus Service

Prospects for the improvement of the present service are not great, particularly as it is very lightly used. However, the Council will continue to make representations to the appropriate authorities.

#### Suggested A4 crossing at Marsh Lane

The County Council have again declined to take any action in this matter, due to "lack of pedestrian traffic".

#### Playground

The Parish Council has agreed to the suggestion of Dorney P.T.A. that a seat be installed in the playground adjacent to the Village Hall.

#### National Arts Day 24th June 1983

Anyone wishing to organise a local exhibition as part of a National effort should contact Maidenhead 26972 for further information.

#### Waste Container Programme

Containers will appear in Village Road, Lake End Road and Harcourt Road between the following dates:-

May 2nd - May 16th Aug.1st - Aug.15th Oct.31st - Nov.14th Jan.30th - Feb.13th

and in Old Marsh Lane for the first week of each period only.

#### DIAL BUCKS

#### (Disablement Information and Advice Line, Buckinghamshire)

DIAL Bucks is a disablement information service manned by trained volunteers with personal experience of disability. The DIAL office, at Tindal Hospital, Aylesbury, is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Telephone Aylesbury 33937.

An evening DIAL service, open Wednesday and Thursday, from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m., is available at the Buckinghamshire College of Higher Education, High Wycombe.

#### A FEW QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT DIAL BUCKS

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Who can use it?

Anyone with a query or problem connected with any aspect of disability; for instance:

- (a) Disabled people, their families and friends.
- (b) Professionals-doctors, social workers, architects.
- (c) Voluntary and statutory agencies.
- (d) Students and researchers.

How is it available?

By telephone, by letter or by personal visit. Telephone queries are dealt with directly, wherever possible or appropriate, backed up by documentary information in some cases.

What Information is available?

All the main publications in the field, e.g. books, magazines, papers, government publications, are examined and relevant information noted and filed. This forms the documentary background to the current awareness of the service.

A library of books relating to disability is maintained at D.I.A.L. Bucks in conjunction with the local Libary Service. Please ring for further information.

What kind of enquiry can be answered?

Examples of the kind of questions which commonly arise usually fall into the following categories:-

- (a) Income and benefits.
- (b) Aids, equipment and appliances.
- (c) Leisure activities and holidays.
- (d) Access and mobility.
- (e) Welfare rights.
- (f) Housing, accommodation and care.
- (g) Education and employment.
- (h) Rehabilitation and training.
- (i) Voluntary organisations and their work.
- (j) Local welfare services.
- (k) Legislation, Reports and other literature.
- (1) Personal relationships and sexual problems.
- (m) Information about specific impairments.

Some questions may fall outside the competence of D.I.A.L. to properly answer, e.g. questions requiring medical knowledge - in such cases an appropriate referral can be arranged. But wherever possible D.I.A.L. deals with all enquiries direct.

The following events have been planned as fund-raising events for the Eton/Dorney Project.

Date	Event	Organiser	Church or Project				
2,/3/4th April	Flower Festival Dorney Church	Mrs. Hellmuth	Church				
2nd May	Car Boot Sale Car Park Palmer Arms	Mrs. Armstrong Mrs. Robb Mrs. Hellmuth Mrs. Knobel	Church & Project				
3rd July	Vicarage Happening	Mrs. Richmond	Church				
17th July	Barbecue and Jazz Boveney Court	Dean Paddy	Project				
22nd Sept.	Greyhound Evening Slough Stadium	Mr. Nick Teale	Project				
End Sept.	Eton Action Fair - mile	of pennies	Project				
October	Trumpet and Organ Concert. Church	Mr. Allen Handy	Church				

Note: For fund raising events for the Church see page No. 7

#### DIARY OF EVENTS

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2nd April )
Saturday
          3rd April )
                          St. James Flower Festival
Sunday
          4th April )
Monday
         15th April
                          D.D.H.S. Cheese & Wine & Talk
Friday
Saturday 16th April
                          D.D.H.S. Spring Gardens Competition
         17th April )
Sunday
                          V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Friday
         29th April
                          Dorney's First Car Boot Sale, Car Park of
Monday
          2nd May
                          the Palmer Arms @ 11.30 - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday
                          V.H.M.C. May Dance
          7th May
Sunday
         15th May
                          D.D.H.S. Bring & Buy (Hall Car Park)
                          D.D.H.S. Coach Trip - Wakehurst (Sussex)
         19th June
Sunday
Sunday
         10th July
                          Dorney Conservative Assoc. Barbecue @
                          Boveney Court 12 noon - 4 p.m.
                          D.D.H.S. Dance/Social
Saturday 16th July
Saturday 23rd July
                          D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition
Sunday
         24th July
Saturday 13th August
                          D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance
Saturday
          3rd September
                          D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show
          4th September
                          Sponsored Ride to help raise funds for
Sunday
                          Dorney/Eton Church Project.
Saturday 10th September)
                         Berks. & Bucks Draghounds Autumn two
         11th September) day Hunter Trials
Sunday
Saturday 17th September
                          D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper
Saturday 17th September) Berks & Bucks Draghounds Schooling Days
Sunday
         18th September) over Hunter Trials Course.
         30th September
                          V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Friday
Saturday 14th October
                         D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine
                         D.D.H.S. A.G.M.
Friday
         11th November
Saturday 12th November
                         V.H.M.C. Race Evening
1984
Friday
         20th January
                         D.D.H.S. Winter Special
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DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL
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DORNEY P.T.A.
                          Meet fourth Monday of every month for
                          P.T.A. Committee Meeting
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
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                          7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council
                          Meeting.
                          First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m.
DORNEY P.C.C.
                          Dorney Vicarage.
DORNEY VILLAGE HALL
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
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Cheer up. Here in Dorney is an organisation which is offering you its services this year at the same price as last. We are referring to the Village Hall, which is available to societies and individuals, local and outside the Parish, for weddings, dances, parties, lectures and recreation.

This year, in order to freeze the hiring charges at their present level, the Committee proposes to provide, in addition to the perennial favourites dances and jumble sales, off-beat innovations and ingenious ways of raising money painlessly. We know you will support such events and, by so doing, indirectly help the whole community.

For further information, ring 20663 or 71618 (day) and watch this space!

#### DORNEY CUB SCOUTS

The Cubs have been taking part in some District events. In February they joined in an orienteering/map reading exercise in Burnham Beeches, finishing with a camp fire.

More recently the Cubs competed in the District Swimming Gala. They took part in a variety of events designed for various ages and levels of swimming ability. All the boys did well: we were particularly pleased with Alan Knobel, Mark Wagstaff, Mark Hoile, Stephen Lloyd, Neil Dangerfield and Stuart Dodd who reached the finals of their events. Alan Knobel did particularly well, finishing 2nd in the final of the breast stroke.

We wish to make especial note of our appreciation of the help given by Peter Perryman last term. He came along for most of the term to give us some extra help with the Pack meetings. Awards:

Silver Arrow: James Billington, Paul Hayton.

Bronze Arrow: Nicholas Staley, Mark Hoile, Alan Knobel,

Kevin Breslin, Trevor Duffy.

In addition most of the boys in the pack have received the Map Readers badge.

#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A lovely sunny Spring Day, on March 9th, resulted in a very well attended meeting, a fact warmly appreciated by Mrs. Harpur in the Chair. Before commencing the meeting Mrs. Harpur drew the attention of the members to the very sad death of Mrs. P. Clifford, and after paying tribute to a dedicated member and past President she requested all to stand in silence in memory of Mrs. Clifford.

A welcome start to the meeting was the introduction of two new members, Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Byford.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. P. Livesey & Mrs. M. Williams.

A record of the previous meeting was read by Mrs. Allen.

Several functions had been held during February and members attending these were asked to give their comments.

A new members meeting had been held at the home of Mrs. Harpur. Mrs. Ferris gave details of this most informative occasion, attended by a V.C.O., Mrs. Jones, who had proved to be a most instructive and entertaining Tutor giving the origins and aims of the W.I. It was felt this should be a regular feature for new members as it is not only informative but an apportunity to meet other members and to feel more involved.

The Day on New Zealand had apparently been a great success according to the comments of Mrs. Hill & Mrs. Looker. All had enjoyed the lovely slides and interesting talks, which had given an insight into life in that far country; Judging by the impression these talks had had, the next Package Tours to be organised must surely be to New Zealand!

The Taplow Birthday Lunch was attended by Mrs. V. Edwards, who said what a very enjoyable occasion this had proved to be. They had been served with an excellent Lunch after which the normal monthly meeting had been held, followed by Tea. It was announced at this meeting that an outing to London on May 21st was being organised. In the morning there would be a tour of Unknown London, followed by a Canal Cruise to Camden Lock and Lunch, a visit to a Continental Market and then to Hampstead and St. Johns Wood. Members from Dorney W.I. could participate if they so wished.

Mrs. Jordan was then asked to comment on her visit to Denman College. She said how much she appreciated having this opportunity and how much she had enjoyed her stay there. The course she had taken had been for Dried Flowers, and she had found this to be very interesting and informative.

Mrs. Harpur then drew attention to the Monthly News Letter, one item of particular note being the paragraph on Age Concern, asking for Institutes willing to entertain 30 elderly Londoners to Tea. It was decided we could help with this request and the date would be advised at a future meeting.

Mrs. Allen then noted correspondence received which included reference to Election of N.F.W.I. Committee members, a visit to the Houses of Parliament on July 11th, for which unfortunately our allocation is for 2 members only, and a Lancaster University Tour 5th - 12th September.

Mr. Turner was our Guest Speaker this month and the subject of his talk supported by some very good Slides, was on Jerusalem, and after having seen pictures of this most interesting City one feels the urge to make the trip and see the wonders for oneself.

The Speaker at the April meeting will be Miss S. Saunderson and the subject - Iceland.

Tea Hostesses will be Mrs. Huddart, Mrs. Ferris and Mrs. Looker.

W.I. Duties - Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. H. Harpur and Mrs. C. Allen.

#### CALLING ALL CHILDREN & ADULTS

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The Sunday School teachers would like to thank all the children who responded to their call in this magazine in the Autumn and added to our numbers; and also the two adults who came forward as teachers. The Sunday School is growing and we are always pleased to see more children.

We restart after the Easter Holidays on Sunday April 24th at 10.30 a.m. at the Vicarage.

M. Pepler



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#### NEW BYELAWS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

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Important new byelawe governing the employment of school children in Buckinghamshire are published by the County Council this week.

Among other things they will make it an offence to employ school children on door to door sales or the collecting of money.

This will include collecting money for newspaper or milk deliveries.

The byelawe come into force on Tuesday, March 1. Largely they amount to an up-dating of existing regulations, but there are some important changes.

For instance, from next week it will be illegal to employ a school child in window cleaning, except as part of or incidental to light house work.

It will also be illegal to employ a echool child to work a petrol pump, or in cutting, sorting or bundling wood for sale.

Coal deliveries are also banned.

The new byelaws, many of which are a rewording or simplification of existing regulations, also lay down strict working hours for school children.

For instance, no child of statutory school age may be employed on any school day for more than two hours, or for one hour before 8.30 a.m.

No child aged under 15 shall work for more than 25 hours a week. No child shall be employed for more than two hours on Sunday.

The County Council is producing a leaflet explaining the new regulations for parents and employers.

Further information can be obtained from the Principal Education Welfare
Officer at County Hall, Aylesbury (Aylesbury 5000), or at Divisional
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(Amersham 22271); Milton Keynes, Wolverton House, Stony Stratford, (Milton Keynes
563731); Wycombe, Thame House, Castle Street, High Wycombe (High Wycombe 20012).

#### DORNEY GUIDES

At the beginning of the year the guides spent a very enjoyable afternoon at the Vicarage, entertaining several elderly citizens to tea which they had prepared themselves. After tea it was time for entertainment, the guides had a play ready for everyone to see. Then it was the turn of the patrols to take a game involving all the visitors. All too soon the party came to an end, the guides said their goodbyes, everyone agreed that it had been very enjoyable. Especially 4 of the guides from the company who had passed there Hostess Badge.

Victoria Robb & Johanna Griffith made their promise as guides and were welcomed as members of the Company.

For our Thinking Day Celebrations this year, guides and brownies from Burnham and Taplow came to join us at Dorney. We started our celebrations at Dorney Church with a lovely service. The Brownies, Guides & Rangers and their Guiders filled every part of the church. After the Colours and Pennants had been received the service began with readings by both a Ranger and a Guider. We all renewed our promises, and then followed our Thinking Day ceremony. Representatives from each Pack & Company brought up their units Thinking Day money in bags especially made for the occasion. To conclude our service Rev. Ron Johnson gave his talk about Thinking Day. It was marvellous; something we shall all remember for a long time.

After the final hymn, the colours and pennants were collected and we sang the National Anthem.

As we left the Church, each unit walked back towards the Village Hall. On their way we had a challenge to make a collage, about Thinking Day using natural materials. When we all arrived there, the hall was ready for us. First we finished the challenge while others played a game or two. Then we had a very much needed cup of tea and squash and biscuits provided by some of our Dorney Mums. Prizes were awarded to the best Brownie and Guide Unit for making the best collage and the best Thinking Day Bag. We then continued with some more games until we finally finished with Kum Ba Yah, Brownie Bells & Taps.

The company is taking part in a Quiz which is being organised by the Taplow Guide Supporters. This is to be the competition this year

for the Burnham Cup which is awarded every year. The next round takes place towards the end of April early May.

The guides are planning to go to camp at Cliveden for the weekend 5th/7th May, for many it will be their first time under canvas.

The guides have obtained the following Badges -

Elisabeth Robb - Commonwealth Knowledge

Amanda Ainsworth - Hostess

Andrea Kirkby - Entertainer. Hostess.
Anna Hutton - Entertainer. Hostess. Child Nurse

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FRIDAY MAY 13TH. 6.30 p.m.

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#### THE BUS THAT WAS

3rd instalment and Mr. Cole starts his driving career, so ...

"Officially I started driving at sixteen, unofficially at fifteen. My first attempt to drive a bus was to drive it through the garage doors and when I left school, whether anyone knew my age or cared I don't know. You see, there wasn't much traffic about in those days. There were mostly horses and carts. In those days you ran anywhere you could find passengers. In fact I can remember coming back through Eton Wick and we found someone broken down in a car. They said "Would you take us to Wraysbury?" So we jolly well took them to Wraysbury, just made a price and there and then off we went.

The next step was a twenty-seater Bedford about 1930. It was new and it cost £300. By then we were running into Dorney but normally a person would say "Will you run me over the Common?" and if the driver felt like it he would. We do try to give a personal service. I have known most of these people for years and years, saw most of them grow up, get married and have families and of course it's my living and one always tried to look after that. After thirty years in the business you know very little else. I would like to see my son carry on and his son carry on very much.

We carry quite a few children. The mothers trust our drivers with the children and it's not unusual for a child to come along and say he has no money. And we carry him. Sometimes we get it, sometimes we don't. It all depends whether the child tells his mother. We try to keep an eye on them and see they get off at the right stop. Sometimes we have a message to tell them not to get on the bus because mother is meeting them there and we tell them to stop exactly there until mother arrives. Of course, sometimes mother arrives in a car! Still, that's all part of the service. And then sometimes when it's foggy we phone round the schools and let them know. When you are running backwards and forwards over the same ground you are meeting the same people and they're not really passengers, they become friends. We've had passengers travelling with us over thirty years.

I know we are accused of not running to time, but you know what happens. Sometimes it's a child comes running up saying "Will you wait a couple of minutes? Mummy's left her purse at home". So of course the driver doesn't wait a couple of minutes, he finds himself waiting four minutes and in the end he has to get out of the bus to see if she's coming. So of course at the next stop the passengers

are very cross, and they say angrily "Why are you late?". Your driver is likely to be a bit cross by now and turns round and says "What the hell's that got to do with you?". Well, that's all part of the service too and we take it but try not to give it too much.

Punctuality is rather a ticklish point. I would like someone not used to a village bus to come along sometime and we'd run it to time and, believe me, we'd leave half our passengers behind. running out in all directions and I see people in the morning with their shoes undone and their tie in their hand. Of course, when our drivers lose time they run until they pick up the lost time. other words, the driver will forego a smoke at the end of the trip to give the customer satisfaction and, you know, everybody has to wait these days, no matter what service. Railways, ships, aeroplanes, it's just part of general progress. But this is a country service, goes into a country area, and it's a good driver who can compete with thirty cows straggling along the village street. The bus is there when people expect it; we run in fog, snow and rain and if my drivers can't do it, I come out and try myself. Also of course you get a passenger who comes along and says "I'm bust, can I pay tomorrow?" and they always do. That's also part of the service.

I remember, some time ago, we withdrew the 8.42 service and some old lady said to me "You are not running that late bus now". And I said to her "No, that's so, but why do you ask, you never use it". And she said "But it was so nice in the evenings to see the bus go along".

Well, that's the end of Mr. Cole's Blue Bus story. The BBC producer went over the top about it and fixed the date for broadcasting it. Then two days before the date he phoned me and told me that Quality Control had stepped in and stopped the broadcast. The recording was faulty, could I do it again? We discussed it and eventually he agreed with me that such a spontaneous, off-the-cuff story could just not be repeated, and that was that.

It was not the first time a BBC portable recorder of those days had let me down. Pity; for on that recording I had the then familiar rattling sound of the old Blue Bus arriving and leaving a stop, the voices and shuffling of passengers and one customer saying "I've got no cash on me, Bill, can I pay tomorrow? And Bill telling him "Yes, OK". Alright, that bit was a set-up, but it was in the spirit of the Blue Bus.

Harry Dorrell.

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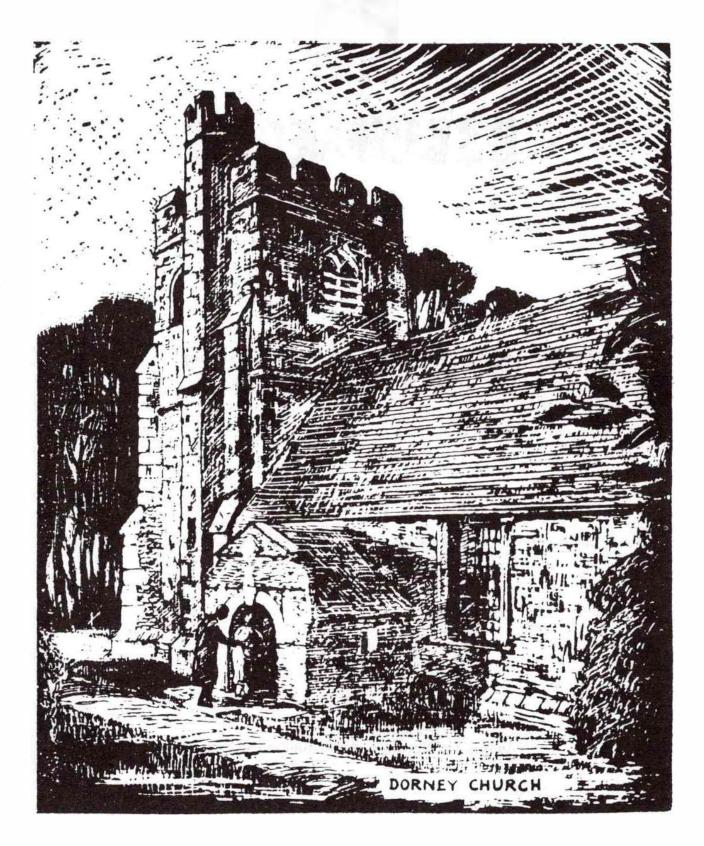
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Holy Communion

10.20 a.m.

**Explorers and Creche at the Vicarage** 

10.30 a.m.

Parish Communion

### VICAR :

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### EDITORIAL

Thursday the fifth of May is Local Elections Day. In Dorney we will be casting our votes to select our Parish Councillors. Seven of the ten prospective candidates will be granted the doubtful privilege of safeguarding Parish interests over the next four years and the opportunity to suffer the customary slings and arrows of elected fortune.

To the retiring Council we express our thanks for past service. Some members are not offering themselves for re-election: others, being gluttons for punishment, are prepared to serve another term if the electorate so desire. Remember that the entire Council must be elected, so our presence is requested at the polling station to put our crosses against the names of the seven nominees we wish to represent us.

Why people volunteer for such a thankless office is hard to determine, but I am only too grateful that they do and that they manage to perform their task to our general satisfaction. I imagine that much of their work must require a capacity for compromise, an ability to resist the temptation to mount a particular hobby-horse and the patience to work as a good committee member.

For our part, we may individually have very definite views about what we want for Dorney and what services and facilities we consider desirable in the Parish. It falls to the Parish Council to give sympathetic consideration to our individual suggestions and to support the requirements and resolutions of collective opinion.

Obviously these candidates care passionately about local matters, otherwise they would not be prepared to take on such an arduous duty.

If you care, the 5th May is the day to show it.

### FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK

Well!!! I can only gasp with astonishment and pleasure .... and why? because Dorney Church was literally 'packed' for our Easter Day service. We just couldn't believe our eyes as more and more people arrived - and our little church was suddenly filled to overflowing with people who wanted to give thanks to God for the Resurrection of Our Lord. A "flash in the pan"? - I hope not, but what a treasured memory it will always be: glorious sunshine, myriads of flowers put there for our Flower Festival, and little baby Williams blinking in astonishment at those who witnessed his baptism .... or could it simply have been the coldness of the holy water with which he was sprinkled?

By the time we all read our magazines Easter will be over, and we shall be moving on to Whitsuntide. Just as Easter brings new hope, so it brings new growth. Here at the Project we, too, will be experiencing sudden new growth - new staff, new aims - and new problems too. Please pray for us!!

I do not really have to tell you how much we rely upon your charitable support: newspapers are, sadly, no longer welcome (hopefully our rats have gone now!) but we do urge you to keep your aluminium cans (coke, beer, soft drinks, etc.) and either send for us to collect them, or deliver them to us, and we shall thus benefit under our 'Cash-a-Can' scheme. "Every little helps."

Wishing you God's blessing.

Ron Johnson.

### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

*	15th May 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.		Holy Communion Anniversary Service at St. Michaels Church, Horton *	
	Flowers Cleaning Coffee ) Explorers) Creche ) Sidesman		Mrs. Street Mrs. Armstrong	
			Riverside Service at Horton No creche or explorers at Dorney	
		8.00	Mr. Liney	
	22nd May			PENTECOST
	8.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.		Holy Communion Parish Communion	
Flowers Cleaning Coffee Explorers Creche Sidesman 8				
	lst Reader		Mr. Wilkinson Miss A. Perryman	John 14: 15-26 Act 2: 1-21
	29th May 8.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.		Holy Communion Matins	PENTECOST I TRINITY SUNDAY
Coffee Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Howe Explorers Miss Hinkley, Mrs. Ar Creche Mrs. Claughton Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Howell		Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Allen Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Howell Miss Hinkley, Mrs. Armstro Mrs. Claughton Mr. Howell		
	lst Reader		Mrs. Ames Mrs. Shepheard	Act II 22-36 Exodus 34: 1-10

5th June PENTECOST II

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. Belcher Cleaning Mrs. Ames

Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Pepler

Explorers Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Parker

Creche Miss Keith Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Mack

10.30 Mr. Armstrong John 15: 1 ~ 5

lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Pepler I Peter 2: 1 - 10

12th June PENTECOST III

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Miss Kipatrick Cleaning Mrs. Howell

Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Belcher

Explorers Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Pepler & Mrs. Hayton

Creche Miss Keith Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Eastgate

10.30 Mr. Belcher John 15: 5 - 11

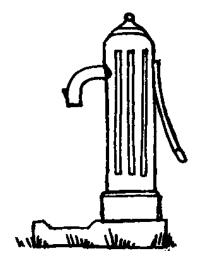
1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Robb Deuteronomy 6: 17 - end.

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We will be grateful if our magazine distributors can arrange early collection of outstanding subscriptions from our readers, and we appeal to the several local organisations to advise us if they intend to financially support us again this year.

To date we have received donations from the W.I., D.W.S.C., and D.V.H.M.C., which we are pleased to acknowledge with our thanks.

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### THE PARISH PUMP

### Meeting of the Parish Council

Notes following the meeting of the Parish Concil on the 12th April 1983.

### Highway Matters

Work will start as soon as possible on repairs to potholes and bad road surface in the parish.

### Emergency Planning - Civil Defence

Mrs. Wallbank from Dorney Common has put her name forward as a possible candidate for the role of Community Adviser. Her name will be forwarded to the Community Co-ordinator for the area.

### Unsolicited Newspapers

Following a complaint from a parishioner about the amount of unsolicited newspapers that came through her front-door, the Parish Council were asked to investigate to see if there are ways of preventing this. The Parish Council have been told that there is no legislation that can stop this happening other than that a suitable sign could be erected outside the door to say that persons will be prosecuted if such items are delivered.

### Controlled Crossing of A4

Following our last meeting the Clerk wrote to the County Engineer for clarification of what was meant by "low priority" and if this was measured against cost or accidents. The following reply arrived which the Parish Council decided to print as a gem of bureaucratic language!

"Dear Sir,

### A4 J/W Marsh Lane and Station Road Pedestrian Crossing

I refer to your letter of the 10th March 1983 giving comments of your Council.

There is nothing I can usefully add to my previous correspondence on the request for a crossing at this site. However, it may be useful to re-iterate the main points. The need for a crossing is judged on vehicle and pedestrian flows and pedestrian accidents. At this site the pedestrian flow is too low and the number of pedestrian accidents, at zero, in the latest three year period, is also too low for a crossing. It follows that committee would give priority to the many other sites where the pedestrian flows and pedestrian accidents are much higher. Therefore, this site has a low priority, indeed it is most unlikely committee would wish to provide a crossing at this site in the foreseeable future.

I hope the position is now absolutely clear to your members.

Yours faithfully,

### J.L. Currell

Team Leader (Traffic) for County Engineer.

Planning Applications There were no planning applications this month.

#### Accounts for Payment

Best Kept Village Entrance	£ 2.00
Motor Mower Insurance	20.00
Motor Mower Road Fund Licence	14.00
General Insurance	56.68
Bucks Assoc. of Local Councils	1.00
Typing	6.00

### Parish Bus Service

The Parish have been informed that at the moment the twice weekly bus on Wednesdays and Saturdays to Maidenhead will remain. The number of people travelling on Wednesday justified the continuation of the service but unless the numbers increased on the Saturday service this would have to be withdrawn. The possibility of operating an alternative private service was again talked about and deferred until the new parish council had been elected.

### Parish Councils Elections

The elections will take place on the 5th May. Everyone is encouraged to vote as there are more candidates than places on the Council.

### Parish Audit

The documents and books relating to the Parish Audit would be available at Mr. Peter Belcher's house 14 days prior to the Annual Audit on the 23rd May and on that day they would be on view at 10 a.m. at a public place, the venue of which will be indicated on the Parish noticeboards.

### DORNEY CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

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### BARBECUE

at

#### BOVENEY COURT

(By kind permission of Mr. & Mrs. Paddy)

10TH JULY, 1983 12 noon - 4 p.m.

The following events have been planned as fund-raising events for the Eton/Dorney Project.

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Date	Event	Organiser	Church or Project
2nd May	Car Boot Sale		Church & Project
	Car Park Palmer Arms		
		Mrs. Hellmuth	
		Mrs. Knobel	
3rd July	Vicarage Happening	Mrs. Richmond	Church
17th July	Barbecue and Jazz	Dean Paddy	Project
	Boveney Court		
22nd Sept.	Greyhound Evening	Mr. Nick Teale	Project
	Slough Stadium		_
End Sept.	Eton Action Fair - mi	le of pennies	Project
October	Trumpet and Organ Concert. Church	Mr. Allen Handy	Church

### DIARY OF EVENTS

Monday	2nd	May	Dorney's First Car Boot Sale, Car Park of the Palmer Arms @ 11.30 - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	7th	May	V.H.M.C. May Dance
_		May	Dorney Conservative Assoc. Jumble Sale,
•		•	Dorney Village Hall @ 6.30 p.m.
Sunday 1	15th	May	D.D.H.S. Bring & Buy (Hall Car Park)
Sunday 1	19th	June	D.D.H.S. Coach Trip - Wakehurst (Sussex)
Sunday 1	lOth	July	Dorney Conservative Assoc. Barbecue @
			Boveney Court 12 noon - 4 p.m.
Saturday 1		_	D.D.H.S. Dance/Social
Saturday 2			D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition
Sunday 2	24th	July )	<del>-</del>
Saturday 1	13th	August	D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance
Saturday			D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show
Sunday	4th	September	Sponsored Ride to help raise funds for
			Dorney/Eton Church Project.
		September)	Berks. & Bucks Draghounds Autumn two
Sunday 1	llth	September)	day Hunter Trials
Saturday l	l7th	September	D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper
		September)	Berks & Bucks Draghounds Schooling Days
		September)	over Hunter Trials Course.
Friday 3	30th	September	V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Saturday 1			D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine
Friday 1	llth	November	D.D.H.S. A.G.M.
Saturday l	L2th	November	V.H.M.C. Race Evening
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Friday 2	20th	January	D.D.H.S. Winter Special
DODNEY WON	MENI C	SINSTITUTE	Meet second Wednesday of every month
DORNET WOR	, MIM -	MOIIIOIE	@ 2.30 p.m.
DORNEY WOM	ÆN'S	SOCIAL	Meet fourth Wednesday of every month at
CLUB			8.00 p.m.
DORNEY P.7	r. A.		Meet fourth Monday of every month for
			P.T.A. Committee Meeting
PARISH COU	JNCII	L MEETING	Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m.
			Dorney School.
ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE			Second Tuesday in every other month at
			7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council
			Meeting.
DORNEY P.C.C.			First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m.
			Dorney Vicarage.
DORNEY VILLAGE HALL			-
MANAGEMENT	1001	MITTEE	Meet second Wednesday of every month.
DORNEY OVE	IR 60	LUNCHEON	Meet second Tuesday of every month at the
		CLUB	Vicarage.
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#### DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

#### MEETING 23RD MARCH

### MR. HENRY GREENE - THEATRICAL COSTUMES

Mr. Henry Greene, well known to many of us, has also appeared on TV and Radio. Although having no formal training he makes the costumes for films and plays himself. Being the world's worst needlewoman his lovely dresses made me green with envy. He explained about the work of behind the scenes staff with many amusing enecdotes. As master costumier for "The spy who loved me" he told us how what seems a mammoth allowance is spent without a penny to spare, as the star must have top quality clothes and the stand-in and stunt man almost as good. Any possible mishap has to be foreseen as an hour's hold-up costs £5,000.

The dresses on show included a gorgeous, gold Elizabethan costume, a wedding gown for "Bless the Bride", a turquoise creation for "My Fair Lady" and a cream and diamante gown for "Gigi".

Among the many period items on display was a lovely eighteenth century fan worth £800.

Many questions were asked after this most interesting talk. It was unfortunate that attendance was not at its usual level. Perhaps this was due to the inclement weather.

The Raffle was won by Silvia Bampton and Mrs. Willis.

The next weeting on 25th May will be a "Walkabout".

Lois Parker Secretary.

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on

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### DORNEY FLOWER FESTIVAL

I would like to say a big thank you to Mesdames -

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E. Robb

Mrs.Stopford

for their flower arrangements in our Flower Festival. It was a great success and we raised a grand total of £114.

Thank you also to those who donated flowers and money, and to Elizabeth and Victoria Robb who looked after the church on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Marion Hellmuth.

DORNEY CONSERVATIVES

JUMBLE SALE

DORNEY VILLAGE HALL

FRIDAY MAY 13TH. 6.30 p.m.

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Dorney Babysitting Club. For details contact - Catherine Lancaster Maidenhead 71618.

### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

March had been an active month for outside meetings and Mrs. Harpur opened this month's meeting by asking for comments from members attending.

Mrs. Edwards said how much everyone had enjoyed the Regional Meeting at George Green. This Institute, although only having 19 members, had organised this event superbly, and had set a high standard for Dorney to uphold when our turn comes in October.

Mrs. Sharphouse spoke of the Home Economics Meeting at Loudwater, which had also proved enjoyable and consisted mainly of a demonstration of Stir Fry Cookery, a method which could be economical, particularly for a person living alone.

The Coffee morning held on March 23rd had been a successful event, and Mrs. Harpur, on behalf of all W.I. members, would like to thank all the other people who attended and helped to make this a most enjoyable occasion. A total of £47 was raised and our contribution to the Hospice had been gratefully acknowledged.

The date for entertaining 30 elderly people from London to Tea had been fixed for August 24th and W.I. members are requested to note this date.

For the Craft Day to be held on 29th June, Mrs. L. Hutton is making a Soft Toy and Mrs. M. Boshier a Dressed Rag Doll.

Mrs. Edwards as Treasurer, was asked to give a half yearly statement on the financial situation, and it was decided that further activities in the nature of Raffles, Sale of Birthday Cards, a Trading Stall at meetings etc. should be introduced to augment funds.

Miss S. Saunderson gave a most interesting talk, accompanied by some beautiful slides, on Iceland, an Island about which we all seem to have very varying ideas as to its true identity. A popular misconception, due to its name, no doubt, is that it is the land of the Eskimos. This has now been suitably corrected. Although a very interesting subject and beautifully photographed, it did seem a very barren land indeed, its one redeeming feature being a plentiful supply of free hot water.

The speaker at the May meeting will be Mrs. Haynes V.C.O. on Resolutions for the annual meeting.

W.I. Duties-Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. Cobb & 1 other.

Extracts from the South Bucks District Council pamphlet: - Help for the Elderly.

During the last war most foods were rationed in order to ensure that everyone got their share. We all ate our rations regularly and our health improved; nowadays the high cost of food means that careful purchasing of the best foods is very important.

### Everyday You Should Have: -

Half a pint of milk )

l oz. of cheese )

4 oz. of meat or fish

A fresh egg

7oz. of bread, i.e. half a small brown loaf

l oz. of low fat margarine

l tablespoonful of rosehip syrup or an orange or blackcurrant drink

Half a cupful of bran (any kind)

Raisins or sultanas

Fresh fruit

3 pints of liquid (any kind)

### Every Week Your Diet Should Include:-

lab. of liver, heart or kidney lab. of porridge oats 32oz. of dried milk powder

By including the above mentioned foods in your diet you will ensure that you get an adequate supply of Vitamins B, C and D, and also iron. Sunlight also contains Vitamin D and older people should get out of doors more.

The following will give you an idea of the foods which give best value for money:-

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<u>Flour</u> gives three times as much energy per penny as rice.

Rosehip Syrup gives three times as much Vitamin C as fresh oranges.

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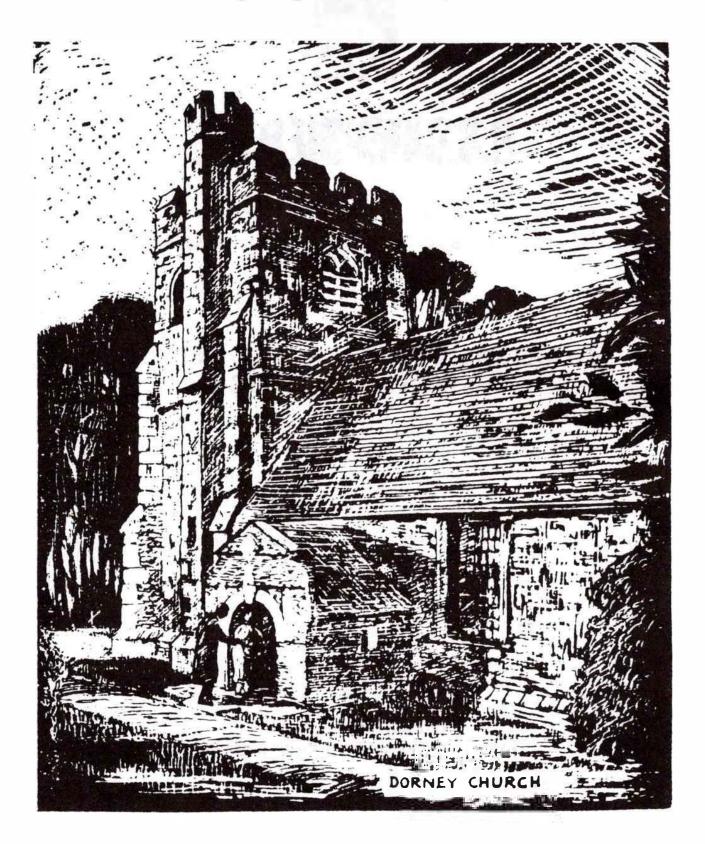
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### EDITORIAL

Now that June has arrived I can confess to having been suffering from a curious malady. It happens every Spring, and it comes upon me quite suddenly and with incredible intensity.

The sun has only to peep out some time around May, and it hasn't been doing much of that this Spring, and the fever is upon me. I wish I knew of a way of avoiding it but I can't, try as I might - What is it - Spring Cleaning.

I start with such energy, soon become exhausted and irritable, wondering all the time I am doing it what possesses me and why I should think it necessary, turning out cupboards, reaching all parts not usually reached, and generally being a nuisance. It is not helped by being told it is not necessary and doesn't show anyway.

After the madness has passed I feel very pleased with myself and all my efforts and hope the sun will now shine so that I may sit in the garden with a clear conscience. Its curious what triggers it off, it doesn't happen to all of us, in fact when I confessed to my daughter in law my condition she said, "Oh dear, I hope I don't catch it." Somehow since then it has seemed such a silly exercise. Ah well I'll tell myself that, next year.

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### FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK:

I know you will all join me in congratulating our choir-master, Michael Wilkinson, on his appointment as Diocesan Secretary in the Diocese of Portsmouth. He, Anne and his family go with our love, and we wish them every happiness in their new life.

Nevertheless our loss will be tremendous. Not only do we lose a worshipping family, but we shall lose a deeply dedicated couple who have made an invaluable contribution to our church life. We shall, of course, need a replacement: our little choir has responded magnificently to Michael's enthusiasm and skilful direction, and the best memorial to Michael would, I am sure, be its continued growth. Dorney has been so fortunate in having two splendid musicians in Bob Gordon-Blacker & Michael Wilkinson. Now the partnership must be severed, and we must rise to the challenge and not just wallow in our loss! Perhaps YOU would know someone (or even offer yourself) who would undertake to lead our choir? In the meantime we bid Anne & Michael 'God-speed', and say 'thank you' from the bottom of our hearts!

#### Ron Johnson.

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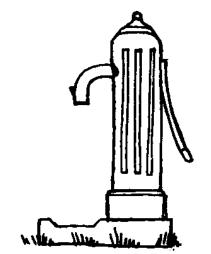
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#### THE PARISH PUMP

### Meeting of the Parish Council

The new Parish Council met for the first time on the second Tuesday in May and unanimously elected Peter Belcher as Chairman with David Shott as vice-chairman. Other members of the Parish Council are Ken Richmond, Paul Bampton, Bridget Woodhead, Peregrine Palmer and Audrey Wooller.

### Public Transport Service

A small sub-committee was formed to report.

### Best Kept Village

The village as a whole has been entered, and judging takes place from the beginning of June until the end of July. Particular efforts are required for the period from 1st to 15th June for the preliminary judging and the finals take place during July. 'Best Kept' means 'best kept' and not the prettiest and particular places where points are won or lost are the churchyard, notice boards, well clipped hedges, tidy gardens and the absence of litter. We are still awaiting the hornbeam which is to be presented following our victory in 1980.

### Rubbish

Comment was made about the skips not being emptied, the present irregularity of the refuse collection service and the rubbish blackspots at Boveney.

Accounts paid can be seen from the Minutes on the Notice Board, the main one being the Village Hall loan repayment of £43.60.

<u>Community liaison emergency officer</u> - Mrs. Wallbank has been appointed by the District Council.

Next Meeting - 8.00 14th June at Village Hall.

### SOUTH BUCKS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Offices, Windsor Road, Slough SLl 2HN.

20th April, 1983

Mr. P.J. Chapman, Clerk to Dorney Parish Council.

Dear Mr. Chapman,

### 5th Terminal Public Inquiry

Further to your letter dated 14th April, your letter does pose a number of questions which it is difficult at this juncture to give specific replies to as it all depends on the final Report of the Inspector into the Third London Airport and what is implied in his recommendations.

In actual fact, there is only one planning application at the moment before the Secretary of State for the Environment and that is the one to expand Stansted Airport. Consequently, should the Inspector who is conducting the Inquiry into that decide to reject that application and infer in his report that he favours a 5th Terminal at Heathrow, as far as I can see, this will still require a formal application to be submitted to the appropriate Planning Authority for that development. At that time, the Planning Authority or Authorities can either refuse the application, in which case it will be the subject of the normal Appeal proceedings with all that entails, or in the light of whatever is contained in the Inspector's report, they could in fact, approve it with conditions.

If it is the latter, then of course, no further Public Inquiry would take place. Similarly, an application has already been submitted by Uttlesford District Council to this Authority for the relocation of the sludge works at South Iver and as far as I am aware, the present proceedings into the 5th Terminal which has also referred to the South Iver Sludge Works does not mean that a further Inquiry into that refusal will not take place. Consequently, as no formal application has ever been submitted for one of the alternative sites for the Sludge Works such as Dorney, no development could take place on that particular site without a formal application being submitted.

The proceedings attached to the determination of such an application would be similar to the 5th Terminal Proposal, that is, that the Authorities to which that application relates could either refuse it in which case the applicant would have a statutory right of appeal, or they could approve it with conditions thereby foregoing any further Public debate.

In conclusion, and to simplify the above comments, I can only reiterate that as far as I am aware, the present Inspector looking into the problems of the Third London Airport can only recommend on the Stansted application. Any other alternatives would in my view have to be the subject of further planning applications with all the ramifications I have set out above, and I am not aware that the Inspector would have any power to direct.

Your sincerely, (Signed) S.R. Jobson Planning Officer.

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Sunday 3rd J	July	Mrs. Robb, Music Evening, The Chauntry 7 p.m.
Sunday 10th J	July	Dorney Conservative Assoc. Barbecue @
		Boveney Court 12 noon - 4 p.m.
Saturday 16th 3	July	D.D.H.S. Dance/Social
Saturday 23rd J		D. D. H. C. Common Common Common tition
Sunday 24th J	July )	D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition
Saturday 13th A	August	D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance
Saturday 3rd Se	eptember	D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show
Sunday 4th Se	eptember	Sponsored Ride to Help raise funds for
_	_	Dorney/Eton Church Project.
Saturday 10th S	September)	Berks. & Bucks Draghounds Autumn two
Sunday 11th S	September)	day Hunter Trials
Saturday 17th S	September	D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper
Saturday 17th S	September)	Berks & Bucks Draghounds Schooling Days
Sunday 18th S	September)	over Hunter Trials Course.
Friday 30th S	September	V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale
Saturday 14th 0	October	D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine
Friday llth N	November	D.D.H.S. A.G.M.
Saturday 12th N	November	V.H.M.C. Race Evening
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Saturday 14th J	January	D.D.H.S. Winter Special
DORNEY WOMEN'S	INSTITUTE	Meet second Wednesday of every month
DORNEY WOMEN'S	SOCIAL	<pre>@ 2.30 p.m. Meet fourth Wednesday of every month at</pre>
CLUB	DOCIAL	8.00 p.m.
DORNEY P.T.A.		Meet fourth Monday of every month for
		P.T.A. Committee Meeting
PARISH COUNCIL	MEETING	Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney School.
ROAD SAFETY COM	MMTTTEE	Second Tuesday in every other month at
NOID DIN 211 COI		7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council
		Meeting.
DORNEY P.C.C.		First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m.
DORNEY VILLAGE	שאדד	Dorney Vicarage.
MANAGEMEN'I COM		Meet second Wednesday of every month.
DORNEY OVER 60		Meet second Tuesday of every month at the
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CLUB

### DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

### Meeting 27th April

### Talk by Mrs. H. Cusworth "Are we Superstitious?"

Yes, of course we are, said Mrs. Cusworth and have been since mankind first appeared. Although, much travelled, lack of time compelled our speaker to keep mainly to superstitions of the British Isles.

If you break a mirror, thereby breaking your image, counteract the bad luck by throwing the pieces in running water. Mrs. Cusworth was once tempted to hang up a new calendar before 1st January and promptly broke a prized glass dish. A lady from Melbourne who attended one of her lectures later wrote to say that on walking under a ladder, both the ladder and a pot of paint fell on her. Another acquaintance brought down electrical fittings for which he had to pay when turning a mattress end to end instead of side to side. If you are born with a caul you will never drown at sea if you take it with you. acquaintance was the only survivor when his ship blew up in the last He came up through the funnel. He had taken his caul with him. Why is "13" unlucky? There were 13 at The Last Supper. Leonardo da Vinci's painting on this subject shows salt spilt by Judas on the table. Salt spilling is unlucky because if a sack spilts during transport the merchant loses money.

We say "bless you" if anyone sneezes as this was the first symptom of one form of plague. The children's game "Ring a Ring of Roses" originated from the plague. The posies are pock marks and "Tishoo, Tishoo we all fall down" denotes the symptoms that end in death. Black cats are lucky here and the ancient Egyptians respected them sufficiently to give them their own goddess, Bastet. I have so named one of my collection of cat ornaments and when my own cat knocked the goddess'namesake off the cabinet, found myself asking her pardon "to be on the safe side". The Christian Church has also included old superstitions into its customs. Hence, holly, ivy and mistletoe in Christmas decorations.

The raffle, a gateau, made by Mrs. Willis, was won by Norah Wood.

Lois Parker Secretary.

### DORNEY CUB SCOUTS

The A.G.M. of the Cubs' parents was held on 9th May and the following officers were elected:-

Chairman: George Knobel Secretary: Gill Hayton Treasurer: Dorothy Hoile

In May the cubs attended a District Camp in Dorneywood. The whole camp had a Red Indian theme and each pack took the name of an Indian tribe for the duration of the camp. Dorney cubs were known as the Cheyennes. During Saturday afternoon they had the added attraction of a visit from a real American Indian who lives in the district.

During their recent Job Week the cubs all worked very hard and between them raised over £60. We wish to thank all those who supported them in this. It has been reported before that the pack has been without a leader for some time now. Alf Wiltshire has been keeping the pack going for the past two years with help from the parents but he has the responsibility for all the cub packs in the Beeches District and it is impossible for him to do both jobs. It has now become urgent for us to find a leader if the Dorney Cub Pack is to be allowed to continue after September. We should, therefore, be very grateful to hear of anyone who would be willing to take this job on and thus save the pack. A potential leader does not need to be experienced and need not have been a scout or guide (as the case may be), as training will be given for any suitable candidate.

Gill Hayton (Maidenhead 23769) Secretary.

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2nd Mr. Poole

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2nd Mr. Byford 3rd Mr. Williams.

### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The meeting on 11th May was unfortunately, not too well attended, however it proved to be an enjoyable and interesting one.

Mrs. Harpur welcomed two guests to the meeting, V.C.O. Mrs. Haynes, and Miss Clarke a Taplow W.I. Member.

Mrs. Haynes attended for the purpose of explaining the Resolutions to be put forward at the Annual General Meeting. She achieved this in a most admirable way by making it most interesting and entertaining. Voting proved to be positive for all the Resolutions and almost unanimous and Miss Clarke, our representative at the A.G.M. duly noted the wishes of the members.

Mrs. Allen gave a report on the Spring Council Meeting at Aylesbury, which was attended by members of 173 Institutes. During this meeting, Miss Hilda Jones, a former Principal of Denman College, gave an excellent and amusing talk on the College.

Attention was drawn to the Heritage contributions which had numbered 149. There had been a wonderful response to this effort, and the exhibits had been beautifully done. It is reminded that they will be on display in Beaconsfield Library from 9th to 25th June.

Mrs. Edwards had attended a Treasurers meeting and she said it had been suggested that due to increased costs for attending Courses at Denman College, Institutes should consider increasing the Bursary for a member attending and it was decided to agree to this recommendation. In consequence a suggestion was to hold a Coffee morning to assist with raising the necessary funds. A Ballot was taken of members wishing to attend the College and Mrs. Allen was successful in being granted the Bursary for next year.

Mrs. Jordan, then asked for comments on her attendance at the College, gave an interesting and amusing account of her Course on Dried Flowers, and she had some beautiful samples of work done by her as a result of this tuition. As a result there are sure to be more applicants for this instruction.

The outing to the Wedgewood Factory had been most enjoyable and very well organised by Mrs. Jordan. It was decided to have another Outing,

this time to Hever Castle on July 20th.

The Speaker at the June Meeting will be Mrs. Staff on Engraving on Glass.

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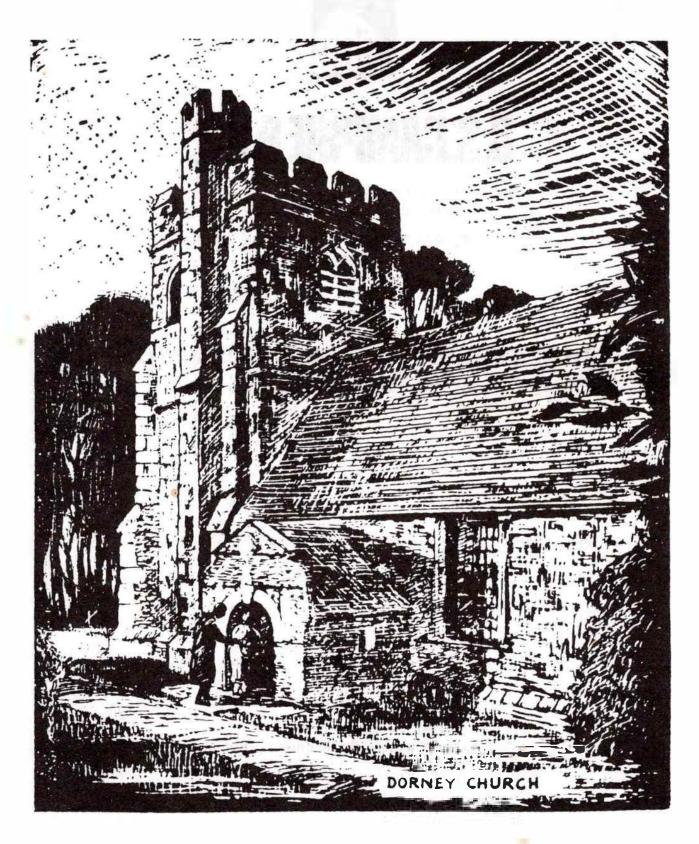
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#### EDITORIAL

Reports in the local paper indicate that planning approval for the demolition of the Granada cinema in Slough and the building of an office block on the site will not be granted. But although the building will be preserved, its future as a cinema is in doubt. Thus, with the recent closure of the cinema in Windsor, our three local towns will have but the one cinema, in Maidenhead, to share between them.

It is illogical that I should feel some dismay at this turn of events, for if the local cinemas relied on patronage such as mine they would all have closed years ago, and yet I cannot deny a certain sense of loss at their passing. I suppose it is the nostalgic memories of my youth, which is probably more years ago than it seems, when the cinema was the favourite source of The radio, or wireless, was, as now, a steadfast entertainment. companion but apart from an occasional visit to the theatre, visual entertainment was only to be found at the 'pictures'. Every town had two, or three, 'picture palaces' but even so when a 'good' film was showing, queueing would be at all prices and a two hour wait quite acceptable. The cinema was the rendezvous for courting couples, some even provided double-seats, and two 1/9d's was the price of companionable bliss.

Television was blamed for the closure of the old music halls, and today with all the films on the small screen plus the phenomenal growth of the video industry the community cinema is unnecessary and apparently, unwanted.

Well, it is understandable. In the comfort of one's own home, in the company of a non pop-corn munching audience one can enjoy the film without distraction. And it costs less.

But O the Roxy, the Ritz and the Rialto; now those were the days!

#### FROM THE WARDEN'S DESK:

Today is dull and grey, and such a contrast to the glorious sunshine of yesterday and the few days before that. How the weather affects us: I find it hard to think clearly! And yet tomorrow could well be gloriously sunny again: what a reflection that is of the "ups and downs" we experience in life, and what a comfort to know that the problems of today will soon be mere memories, blurring into the past. Roll on tomorrow!!! Above all we can pray away our woes! (Not that prayer has to be a mere sop for our own petty disagree—ability). Prayer is a positive force: it is a key, and by committing our joys and sorrows to the Lord we find reassurance and hope. Perhaps we should pray for each other more frequently. What a joy it would be to know that one's life was bounded by a wealth of prayers of other people! I shall pray for you: please pray for me!!

It is an incredible (well, almost) thought that within a few weeks the Hackney Children will be here again. I look forward to the prospect. Once again a willing band of helpers is being recruited, and this year we shall have several Etonians quite new to the job! We shall also be welcoming the students from Lincoln College, Oxford, with their group of children drawn from the poorer districts of Oxford itself.

Despite what you may have heard, money continues to be a problem for the Project, especially on its "charitable" side, and with this in mind Mr. & Mrs. Dean Paddy are holding a barbecue at 12.30 p.m., on 16th July, at their home in Boveney. Please support this event, and enquiries may be made either to Dean himself, or to me at the Vicarage. At the time of writing I am not sure of the price of tickets, but I have no doubt they will be very reasonable, and that "a good time will be had by one and all".

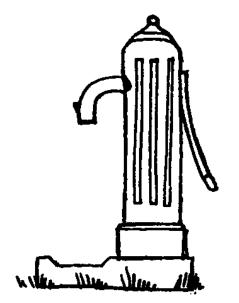
Wishing you God's blessing.

Ron Johnson.

#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

31st July PENTECOST X 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Mattins Flowers Mrs. R. Smith Cleaning Mrs. Parker & Mrs. Richmond Miss Hinkley Coffee 8.00 Mr. Armstrong Sidesman 10.30 Mr. Belcher Mark 9: 30 - end 1st Reader 10.30 Mr. Drew I Samuel 18: 1 - 16 7th August PENTECOST XI 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion **Flowers** Mrs. Ames Cleaning Mrs. Robb Mrs. Perryman & Tracey Coffee Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Eastgate 10.30 Mrs. Hammond John 13: 31 - 35 lst Reader 10.30 Miss Keith Isaiah 42: 1 - 7 14th August PENTECOST XII 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Mrs. Chapman Flowers Cleaning Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Allen Coffee Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Ames Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Handy 10.30 John 17: 20 - end Mrs. Harpur 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Robb 2 Corinthians 5: 14 - 6.2 21st August PENTECOST XIII 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Flowers Mrs. Humpleman Cleaning Mrs. Ames & Mrs. Chapman Coffee Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Howell Mr. Hayton Sidesman 8.00 10.30 John 16: 1 - 11 Mr. Pepler Mrs. Keith 7: 54 - 8.11st Reader 10.30 Acts

28th August PENTECOST XIV 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Flowers Miss Kilpatrick Cleaning Mrs. Howell Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Pepler Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Liney 10.30 Mr. Robb Mark 10: 2 - 16 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Handy Proverbs 31: 10 - end 4th September PENTECOST XV 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Flowers Mrs. R. Smith Cleaning Mrs. Mack Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Belcher Explorers TBA Creche Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Howell 10.30 Mrs. Ames Matthew 22: 15 - 22 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Shepheard Romans 13: 1 - 17 11th September PENTECOST XVI 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Flowers Mrs. Belcher Cleaning Mrs. Richmond & Mrs. Parker Coffee Mrs. Paton & Mrs. Coish Explorers TBA Creche Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Mack Luke 10: 25 - 37 10.30 Mr. Armstrong Luke 10: 25 - 37 lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Pepler Romans 12: 9 - end 10.30 Mr. Armstrong



#### THE PARISH PUMP

#### Meeting of the Parish Council

#### Highway Matters

The Council drew the attention of the authorities to the various potholes in Harcourt Road and Common Road which require urgent attention.

#### Best Kept Village Competition

In an effort to clear litter from black spots along the river bank, bins are to be removed from those sites for an experimental period, as this may well prove to be the best solution.

#### Playground Equipment

The Council had an on-site meeting, examined the playground equipment and pronounced it in satisfactory condition.

#### Financial Matters

Grass cutting £					
Mrs. Chapman, typing	£ 4.50				
S.E. Energy charges	£54				
Mower servicing, pending a more detailed report	£63				
Annual Audit Commission fee	£41.				

The Clerk reported the auditors had expressed satisfaction with the accounts, and made three suggestions; the fidelity insurance for the Clerk should be raised from £400 to approximately £2,500; the Clerk should reclaim VAT on petty cash items that carry VAT; the

Clerk's salary should be minuted every meeting.

The Council agreed to adopt these three procedures.

#### Planning Applications

There were no applications this month. The appeal by Mr. F. Bough has been dismissed.

#### Correspondence

A letter had been received from the S.B. District on the subject of dual use of recreational facilities. The Council felt this did not apply within the parish, but would welcome details of how this would work with larger schools offering greater facilities.

#### A.O.B.

The Council would welcome observations on ways of improving visibility for drivers using the entry to the new houses in Village Road.

Next Meeting - 8.00 12th July in Village Hall.

#### FIRST DORNEY GUIDES

At the end of April we welcomed Jennifer Govey & Melanie Bromham to guides, the Brownies came to wish them well on their journey up to Guides.

Nearly all the Company went to camp at Cliveden in May, many for the first time. On Saturday afternoon we all got ready to welcome many of Elisabeth's guests as she was to receive her Queen's Guide Badge and Certificate. Brown Owl & Tawny brought quite a few of their Brownies, who were very interested to see the Guides in camp. We were pleased to have many of our Badge Testers with us. Tea and Squash and a cake specially made for the occasion were served before the presentation. For the ceremony the Guides formed a horseshoe around the flagpole, then the Brownies and the invited guests joined our horseshoe for the presentation. It was a really nice occasion and much enjoyed by all who came. It was really super to have Rebecca home from College for the weekend helping me, besides our Young Leader's Tracey & Elisabeth, without any of them I don't think I would have been able to run the camps quite so well.

The Company have been busy enjoying the Out-of-Doors learning to light fires and cook different things on it.

Gill Langston

#### DIARY OF EVENTS

Dorney Conservative Assoc. Barbecue @ 10th July Sunday Boveney Court 12 noon - 4 p.m. D.D.H.S. Dance/Social Saturday 16th July 11 Eton-Dorney Project, Summer Barbecue, Boveney Court start 12.30 p.m. Saturday 23rd July D.D.H.S. Summer Gardens Competition Sunday 24th July 1 Saturday 13th August D.D.H.S. Barbecue/Dance D.D.H.S. Horticultural Show Saturday 3rd September Sunday 4th September Sponsored Ride to Help raise funds for Dorney/Eton Church Project. Saturday 10th September) Berks. & Bucks Draghounds Autumn two Sunday llth September) day Hunter Trials Saturday 17th September D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper Saturday 17th September) Berks. & Bucks Draghounds Schooling Days Sunday 18th September) over Hunter Trials Course. Friday 30th September V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale Saturday 14th October D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine Friday llth November D.D.H.S. A.G.M. Saturday 12th November V.H.M.C. Race Evening Saturday 14th January D.D.H.S. Winter Special DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE Meet second Wednesday of every month @ 2.30 p.m. DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL Meet fourth Wednesday of every month at CLUB 8.00 p.m. DORNEY P.T.A. Meet fourth Monday of every month for P.T.A. Committee Meeting PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney School. ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE Second Tuesday in every other month at 7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council Meeting. DORNEY P.C.C. First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m. Dorney Vicarage. DORNEY VILLAGE HALL Meet second Wednesday of every month. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Vicarage.

Meet second Tuesday of every month at the

DORNEY OVER 60 LUNCHEON

CLUB

17 Britwell Road, Burnham.

14th June 1983

Dear Friends,

Anne and I, and John and Teresa, are shortly going to take off for South Hampshire and I have asked for space from the editors to say thank you to Dorney for many happinesses in the past 20 years.

All this time we have lived outside your frontiers, beyond not only the M4 (which is excusable, as one present churchwarden must allow) but beyond even the A4 (which, as is well known, divides North from South, and in general is crossed by the elect only for the purposes of necessary shopping). Very early on we cast around from Burnham for a church which would meet our particular specifications, and found it at Dorney. And so Sunday after Sunday we crossed the great divide; our young were christened (in those days without benefit of congregation) and sat in their prams outside during Mattins (yes, Mattins) enjoying the aeroplanes, but not as yet the wolves.

Inevitably, involvement followed. First, the PCC - this was in the 60's when new services had not been thought of, and pastoral measures amalgamating parishes were a thing of the future, and our meetings brooded at length on designs for the new graveyard, and whether a faculty would be granted for the new Palmer window. Sunday school was held in church, and always began with hide and seek (vicar seeking hidden children) and all seemed quietly set fair for ever.

Then things changed. In 1970 Mr. Sherlock retired as vicar, TWE Roche left the parish after a most distinguished spell as church-warden (and historian) and I found myself elected as churchwarden in his place with an interregnum pending and the Bishop making very clear warning noises that Dorney's future as a parish lay in some form of amalgamation. In the next few months there was a great deal of coming and going; there were frequent meetings at Dorney Court between the churchwardens, with the PCC, and with the archdeacon or bishop, and in due course, as a solution was conceived and gradually took shape, with David Jones from Eton College. A vast quantity of Colonel Palmer's sherry was consumed, invariably in tumblers, as was his generous custom.

The outcome, the Project, is more recent history. To the parishioner in the pew the Project has brought us a series of young men as vicar who have been enthusiastic, imaginative, innovative - and invariably overworked. To us, the extra-parochial faithful from Burnham, it has been an exciting time. We have enjoyed the differing contributions of Roger, John, Paul and now Ron and we have been grateful week after week, for the presence in our lives of a community of friends in a lively church.

Perhaps we shall find the same spirit of friendship and common purpose where we are going - we hope so! But we shall miss Dorney. And in particular I shall miss the Sunday morning sessions with the choir whose loyal attendance and hard work are showing very promising results.

Thank you all very much for the past twenty years, and indeed for your recent most generous farewell presents which we shall treasure; and please come and see us at Beacon House, Meonstoke.

Yours sincerely,

Michael & Anne Wilkinson

"\*\* Whilst on holiday in the Isle of Wight last year. I watched the parade of the Tall Ships. Looking through the programme that I had bought, I read that cruises were open to young people to give them an opportunity to train and develop their character, an experience never to be forgotten. I sent off as soon as I could for further inform-I soon received the programme, seeing what a great adventure this would lead to I applied for a place for one of their cruises. I was delighted when they offered me a place on the Malcolm Miller for a two week course at the beginning of August. I now had to try to raise £335 to pay for the course. I wrote away to two funds, associated with Guiding, to see if they could offer any assistance. Last month I was very pleased to receive a £50 bursary from the Ralph Reader Memorial Fund, and I am hoping to hear from the Olave Baden Powell Fund soon. The Guides offered their support by running a coffee morning for me, which we held during half term. pleased we had raised £98.

May I thank you for all your support and I look forward to telling you all about it when I return.

Tracey Perryman,

Young Leader - First Dorney Guides.

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#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

An air of expectancy prevailed at the opening of the meeting on June 8th. as we thought we were about to hear a report on the Annual Meeting held at the Albert Hall and to be told of the New Look to the W.I. Unfortunately this interesting item had to be postponed until next month due to our delegate being otherwise engaged. We had, however, had some quite considerable publicity on the Radio and in the Newspapers, and had been made aware of some of the aims behind this new move.

After the normal preliminaries at our own meeting Mrs. Jordan was asked to comment on outings arranged. Regrettably the planned Eastbourne trip had to be cancelled due to lack of support, but the one to Hever Castle on July 20th is going ahead as planned.

The Monthly News Letter contained details of two interesting meetings at Aylesbury. County Produce Days 20th & 21st September, Speakers to be Mr. Harkness on the 20th, a talk and slides on Roses and a Flower Arranging demonstration by Mrs. Drakard on the 21st. Also A Day in the Country on 26th October including a talk about Inland Waterways, A Cottage in the Country, and in conclusion Mr. Phil Drabble, the well known Naturalist will speak on "My Beloved Wilderness". Both meetings should be well worth attending.

Notice was given of the Village Happening on July 3rd and members volunteered to make cakes and assist with serving teas.

A most interesting talk and demonstration was given by Mrs. Staff on the Engraving of Glass, a most delicate and intricate operation. She very generously gave members the opportunity of trying this craft out for themselves.

Next month's meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. M. Williams, who has very kindly offered to let us use her garden for this purpose. The report will be given on the W.I. Annual Meeting.

W.I. Duties - Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. Street & Mrs. Harpur.

Tea Hostesses - Mr. N. Hutton, Mrs. K. Sharp & Mrs. A. Chase.

#### DORNEY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Village Hall Management Committee 1983/84 is as follows:

CHAIRMAN - MR. J. ROBERTS
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**ENTERTAINMENTS** 

OFFICER - MRS. D. BELCHER

and MRS. M. COX, MR. H. COOK, MR. J. JACKMAN,

MR. P. LAKE AND MR. K. RICHMOND

The committee wishes to remind you that every organisation using the village hall is entitled to send a representative to the committee meetings held on the second Wednesday of each month. Your organisation is urged to do so as your particular problems can then be brought directly to the committee's notice, and there may well be some way in which you can help the committee to manage the hall to everyone's satisfaction.

The hall is now twelve years old and certain traditions have been formed. The committee realises that certain organisations and individuals have come to look upon particular dates as traditionally theirs. In order to avoid any misunderstanding the committee urge that such dates be confirmed twelve months ahead, otherwise the date would be left open for other bookings. Therefore Christmas 1984 dates should be confirmed at Christmas 1983 and, likewise, Summer 1984 bookings should be confirmed immediately.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Dorney Babysitting Club. For details contact - Catherine Lancaster Maidenhead 71618.

#### DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

COUNTRY RAMBLE 25TH MAY. We were seven when we left Cookham Green for the walk organised by Margaret Perryman on a cloudy but warm evening. It was a pity there were so few of us as it was a delightful The first items of interest were two willows acting as host to trees of a different sort that had germinated in their central branches; a rowan in flower and a cherry. We walked across the Golf Course, by hedges thick with lacy flowered cow parsley and May blossoms. The air was fragrant with their scent. We made friends with some horses and came to Winter Hill, pausing to drink in the beauty of the scene before us. The river was silver in the evening stillness, the surrounding fields a sheet of gold with the flower heads of the rape crop. Along the path, across the hill, we found a few cowslips and meadow saxifrage. Below were clumps of willows and reeded pools with patches of milkmaids and kingcups. had crept up on us and birds and ducks exclaimed noisy disapproval when we disturbed their nest. Owls began to call, as several of us, who had dawdled, realised we had lost sight of the rest of the group. We tried shouting which was answered by wolf whistles. No --- our luck was not in. Our friends had hidden behind the hedge. were back where we started and made our way to "The Crown" for much needed refreshment. Many thanks to Margaret for walking the route on a warm afternoon and then going over the same ground in the evening.

Our A.G.M. takes place on Wednesday, 20th July, at Avril Poole's house, "The Chalet", Dorney Reach, with a Cheese & Wine Garden Party. Lois Parker - Secretary.

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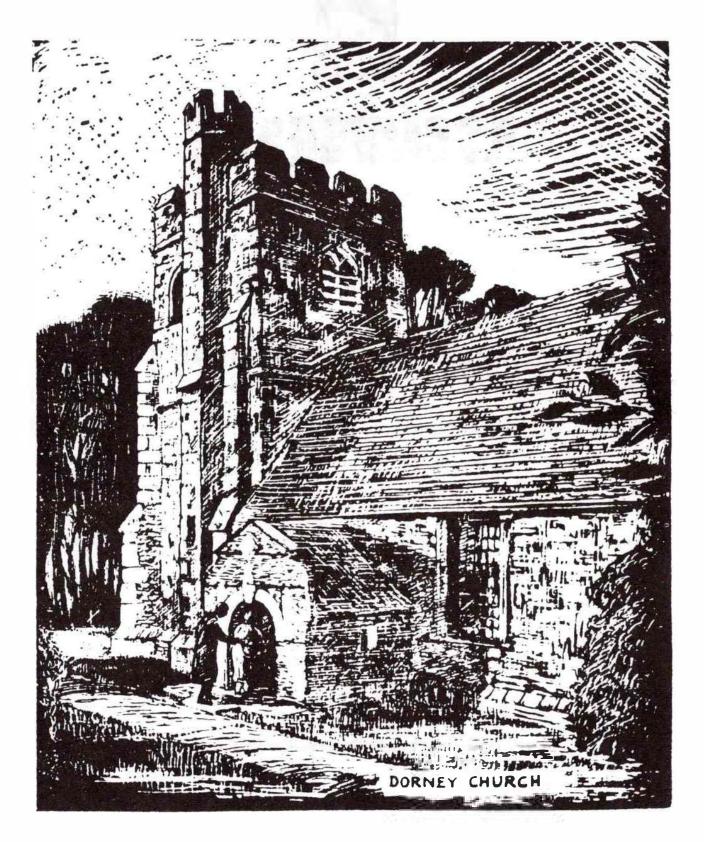
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**Parish Communion** 

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#### EDITORIAL

'These English Oaks stand staunch and true as were these men who died for you'.

The above inscription by Mr. Evins and Mr. Ingrams is on the back of one of the seats, in the War Memorial Garden. The Garden is just as you enter Dorney from Eton, over the Common and is on the left.

The site was originally a large ditch and was filled in with all sorts of debris and rubbish, even an old tank maybe and was then covered in topsoil, and commemmorated by Colonel Palmer.

Twelve English Oaks were given by the Windsor Forestry and planted by them in memory of the 12 who gave their lives in the 1939 - 1945 War. Two of the trees died and were replaced and now they stand very tall.

When we had a Post Office and Village Stores it was a favourite place for Mums with children and for Old Age Pensioners to have a rest and for children to safely play before walking back home, after the shopping had been done. Nowadays it is very rarely looked at or used, which is a pity as it is very peaceful for a visit.

Now the crunch - Peggy Williams, from the Garage, for over 18 years kept the garden carefully tended until she broke her arm and had to give it up. David Smith at the moment cuts the grass when he does the Village cut. Someone is needed to take responsibility for this garden, to keep the hedge cut and generally care for it.

Lest	we	forget								•
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The Scene: A leafy lane, somewhere in Dorney.

The time: The not-too-distant future.

1st Person: It's lovely to be back in dear old Dorney again. Things
just haven't changed at all.

2nd Person: It's good to have you back with us - just like old times.
Tell me, how long is it?

1st Person: Oh, nearly five years ... but, you know, Dorney is home
to me. I've never forgotten how kind the people were to
me. Oh, they were good times.

2nd Person: Yes, I remember. Your daughter's wedding comes to
 mind - now that was a splendid wedding; (wistfully) we
 used to have lovely weddings in Dorney ...

Oh yes, I remember. All those people who came along.

It seemed so odd, in the churchyard with all those lovely trees and flowers, and being so sunny - well, it just didn't seem possible that poor Maggie could be dead ... do you remember what the vicar said in his sermon?

1st Person: Look, I can see the church now -

1st Person: A good idea - but let's just stop off at church for a
moment - I'd like to look around it again, for old time's
sake.

2nd Person: Look, old man, let's come back later - I would like a
drink before lunch, and you know how crowded the pubs
become! In any case, I don't think you'd like the
church just now, being shut up and all that!

lst Person: What do you mean, 'shut up'?

2nd Person: Didn't you hear about it? The old place's been closed
now for more than two years. Oh yes, we still have
services - sometimes in the Village Hall, sometimes in
people's houses - but it's not the same, really!

lst Person: Closed? The church closed? - but why? I mean, what
happened? I just don't believe it!

lst Person: But what about the collections? Surely you had an
appeal?

Oh, we tried everything ... we had fund raising events, discos, barbecues, sales of work ... but it was hopeless. I suppose it's all to do with inflation! And I don't think people really knew the extent of the problem - perhaps they didn't care.

lst Person: Didn't care? Surely not ... Dorney people love their
church!!

<u>Loved</u> their church. Well, whatever the reason, people just didn't give enough. You know, 50p or a quid on the collection plate once a month isn't enough. Anyway, let's change the subject. It's too depressing for words.

1st Person: Is the church open?

Oh no, it's been boarded up to stop the vandals getting inside. I hear it could be turned into a museum: I've even heard it could be a library or an old people's centre ...

lst Person: Stop! I've heard enough. Let's go for that drink now!

From the Warden's Desk: Thankfully we are still in 1983 and the above horror story remains pure fiction. But facts must be faced. We desperately need more income if our lovely old church is to survive - and the only answer to our problem is in 'giving'. In due course

we shall be mounting a proper Campaign, to encourage visitors, parishioners and friends to commit themselves to regular, realistic financial support. Otherwise ......

Ron Johnson.

#### ANDREW FRANK:

Andrew Frank is leaving The Project to take up training for the Professional stage. Andrew has been a tremendous help to all of us, fully entering into the life of the Project in all its operations. I know he will be missed by his friends in Dorney. We wish him every success in his chosen career. Who knows, one day the world-famous Sir Andrew Frank, star of screen and stage successes in theatres around the globe may write his memoirs - and include something of his early days with us!!! Thank you, Andrew, and good luck!

#### FIRST DORNEY GUIDES

The Guides of Dorney are planning to help the Guides of Buckinghamshire raise money for the Elhesborough Guide Centre. The opportunity has arisen to buy the freehold of this 19th century School building set in 2 acres on the Chequers Estate. Since 1971 Brownies and Guides from all over the country have spent many holidays either inside the building or camping in the grounds.

Our fund raising event will take place on Friday November 18th at Dorney Court by kind permission of Peregrine & Jill Palmer. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to come, so make a note of this date in your diary. Further details will be announced later.

#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

#### 18th September

#### PENTECOST XV11

#### HARVEST THANKSGIVING

8.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.

Parish Communion

Flowers

Miss Kilpatrick

Cleaning

Mrs. Parker & Mrs. Richmond

Coffee

Mr. & Mrs. Gorle

Explorers )

Creche

No Creche or Explorers

Sidesman

8.00 Mr. Belcher

10.30 Mrs. Hammond

John 6: 27-35 (Page 894)

lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Robb

2 Corinthians 9:

6 to end

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#### 25th September

#### PENTECOST XV111

8.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.

Parish Communion

Flowers

Mrs. Ames

Cleaning

Mrs. Robb

Coffee

Mr. & Mrs. Robb

Explorers

Mrs. Humpleman, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Hayton

Creche

Mrs. Chapman

Sidesman

8.00 Mr. Eastgate

10.30 Mr. Handy

Matthew 5: 17-26

1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Armstrong

2 Corinthians 8: 1-9

#### 2nd October

#### PENTECOST X1X

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. Street

Cleaning Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Allen Coffee Mrs. Richmond & Carol

Explorers Mrs. Humpleman, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Parker

Creche Mrs. Dodd Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Harpur

10.30 Mr. Hayton Matthew 6: 24 - end 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Keith Genesis 28: 10 - end.

#### 9th October

#### PENTECOST XX

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. Chapman

Cleaning Mrs. Ames & Mrs. Chapman Coffee Mrs. Chase & Mrs. Hutton

Explorers Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Pepler, Mrs. Parker

Creche Mrs. Woolner Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Liney

10.30 Mr. Pepler Luke 9:51 - end

1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Warner-Horne Romans 8: 18 - 25.

Old Pond House, High Street, Upper Dean, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire.

A message to the Church of St. James, Dorney.

We, as a family who lived in Dorney village for six happy years, often worshipped in the lovely old Church of St. James.

We send a simple thank you to the congregation for all their love and prayers which sustained us in the event of our dearest beloved elder son Graham's road accident.

The sadness we feel is a burden, relieved by our sure and certain inner knowledge that the resurrection and joyous after life is the truth. We know.

Your prayers were answered. Thank you again.

The Holborn Family.

CALLING CHILDREN, TEENAGERS
- AND ADULTS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL starts again on September 4th. Any children of three and over will be very welcome. For the under - threes there is creche each week, except for September 18th when all the children are invited to be in church for the Harvest Festival. HELP is again required for the Sunday School. We are in need of someone to teach the five to six year olds for a few Sundays each term.

11-14 YEAR OLDS: Do you 'fit-in'? Where do you 'fit-in'? Come to the Vicarage for the week-end September 24th -25th to find out: With other young people from the Riverside Churches you will be taking part in such activities as making and playing musical instruments, doing drama, going for a walk by the river in the dark, as well as participating in games and generally having fun.

For further information on any item please contact Muriel Pepler (Burnham 63593) or Ron Johnson.

#### DIARY OF EVENTS

	Sunday	4th	September	Sponsored Ride to Help raise funds for Dorney/Eton Church Project.
	Saturday	10th	September	Dorney Conservative Association, Bring and Buy @ Dorney House.
	Saturday	10th	September)	Berks & Bucks Draghounds Autumn two
	_		September)	day Hunter Trials.
	_		September	Dorney Cubs Family Day Out at Bushy Park.
	_		September	D.D.H.S. Harvest Supper.
	_		-	
	_		September)	Berks & Bucks Draghounds Schooling Days over Hunter Trials Course.
			September)	
	_		September)	Riverside Churches week-end for 11-14 year
			September)	olds at Dorney Vicarage.
	_		September	V.H.M.C. Jumble Sale.
	Saturday			D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine.
	_		November	D.D.H.S. A.G.M.
	Saturday	12th	November	V.H.M.C. Race Evening.
	Friday	18th	November	Guides Fund Raising evening at Dorney Court.
	Saturday	26th	November	D.W.S.C. Christmas Dance at Village Hall.
	1984			
	Saturday	14th	January	D.D.H.S. Winter Special.
	DORNEY WO	MEN'S	SINSTITUTE	Meet second Wednesday of every month @ 2.30 p.m.
DORNEY P.T.A.				Meet fourth Monday of every month for
				P.T.A. Committee Meeting.
	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING		MEETING	Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m.
				Dorney School.
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#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The continuance of the hot Summer weather made us very appreciative of the generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Williams in allowing us the use of their lovely garden for our July meeting. It was indeed a great pleasure to sit under the trees admiring all the lovely flowers. However, when it came to having a competition to name twenty of the species growing in the garden it certainly sorted out the more knowledgable of us and found some of us sadly lacking as gardeners.

The writer of this article wishes to apologise to Mrs. Jordan, our excellent arranger of outings, for a misunderstanding which led to the statement in the June issue to the effect that the Eastbourne trip had been cancelled. This was incorrect, there was an outing to Eastbourne, which was very much enjoyed by all.

The final arrangements were made for the Age Concern visit of 30 elderly people from London on August 24th. They are to be entertained to Tea, after which there will be an entertainment by Hand Bell Ringers.

Mrs. Harpur thanked the members for their contributions and assistance in providing Teas at the Village Happening. She commented on the high standard of the cakes supplied and said that a letter of appreciation had been received from Mrs. Richmond.

Comments were then requested from members who had attended the Craft Day at Aylesbury. This had been most interesting, comprising a fascinating talk on Toy making by Mrs. Allen, a demonstration on this Art and a talk, accompanied by excellent slides by Caroline Goodfellow about her work at the Musuem of Childhood, Bethnal Green. There was a room full of exhibits made by members, of all types of Craft and all so beautifully made it must have made the job of judging extremely difficult. An exhibition too, of old toys which certainly made for a trip down Memory Lane.

Mrs. Clark of Taplow W.I. gave a most interesting and detailed account of her visit to the Annual Meeting at the Albert Hall. This meeting certainly seems to impress all delegates who attend.

Mrs. King, of Taplow W.I. has very kindly consented to be our Group Convener again a fact which we very much appreciate as she has had

valuable experience in the holding of this position.

The Speaker at the September Meeting will be Mr. R. Ryall on The Lord Mayor's Show.

W.I. Duties for August. Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. M. Harrison & Mrs. T. Burgess. September - Mrs. N. Jones & Mrs. P. Ferris.

#### DORNEY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

A.G.M. 20.7.83 held at "The Chalet, Dorney Reach.

It was regretfully decided at this meeting that owing to falling membership and attendances the club be closed down for a year. The booked dances will still be held on 26th November 1983 and 24th November 1984 but in a different form. The dinner will be omitted and a buffet will probably be arranged.

The present Committee will not stand down but continue to serve as necessary.

After reports from the Chairlady, Secretary and Treasurer the 12 members present were asked for suggestions that might enable the club to be a viable concern. However, it seemed that over the last 2 years everything possible had been done to boost membership and book varied and interesting talks and outings to encourage attendance.

After this rather sad business part of the meeting a cheese and wine social followed in Mr. & Mrs. Poole's lovely garden.

Many thanks to Avril for being such a willing hostess once again.

Lois Parker Secretary.

#### 1ST DORNEY CUB SCOUTS

The pack's Summer Camp was held at Boveney Court during the week-end of 22nd-24th July. The weather was warm and also dry for most of the week-end. We are very grateful to Mr. & Mrs. Paddy for the use of their grounds and swimming pool. We are also grateful to Mrs. Wallbank who organised a short service for the cubs on the Sunday morning.

A Cub Family Day Out will be held on Sunday 11th September when it is hoped that all the cubs and their families will join together and take picnics to Bushy Park where it is expected that they will have plenty of opportunity for fun and games.

#### Badges: -

Gold Arrow: David Dobner
Bronze Arrow: Paul Smith

Athlete, Stage 1: Stephen Lloyd, Paul Smith, Kevin Breslin,

Craig Hoile, Stuart Dodd.

Stage 2: Paul Hayton, James Billington, Alan Knobel

Stage 3: David Dobner, Trevor Duffy

Swimmer, Stage 1: Alan Knobel, Nicholas Staley, Paul Hayton,

Paul Smith, Kevin Breslin, Edward Griffiths.

\*\*\*\*\*\* FOUND on stage of Village Hall ......

Child's Charm Bracelet.

Contact - Mrs. Parker

17 Meadow Way,

Dorney Reach.

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From our missionary friends, Victor & Rachel Fredlund, who have recently been on holiday here.

Mseleni Hospital May 1983

The sun had just slipped behind the thatched roof of the near by Kraal and the moon full and silvery had made its appearance across the small valley as I stood on the road which was merely two sandy wheel tracks with grass growing in between. The girl, her face painted with yellow mud, moved uneasily from foot to foot as she tried to explain what she believed.

Her brother was the pastor of a church but it was different from her's, something to do with the way they clapped or used drums when they sang!

What did she believe? Well she was sure it was in the Bible - somewhere! If only she knew what it was and where she could find it!

She's not really different from many who live in Britain.

Do you know what you believe?

Or do you just leave it to those 'interested' in Theology? What is the difference between your beliefs and the beliefs of other churches and faiths. Is it just that some stand, some sit and some lie prostrate to pray?

God will not ask us where we went to church when he judges in the end of time. What did we believe will be the test - In whom were we trusting.

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In 1941 the 47th Henry Wood Promenade Concert, as the Proms were then known, was all set to go at the comparatively small Queens Hall in London's Regent Street, but Hitler's bombers destroyed the Hall and the then promoters, the Royal Philharmonic Society, were in a fix about another suitable concert hall. When the only option, the Royal Albert Hall in Kensington Gore, was considered there was some nailbiting because the usual not very large Queens Hall audience might feel lost in the great Albert Hall. Nevertheless the promotion went ahead and, while it is true the first Albert Hall From audience was scant more than somewhat, in no time at all the audiences were growing rapidly towards the now regularly overflowing proportions of the BBC Proms.

The Royal Albert Hall of Arts and Sciences and Works of Industry, to give it its full title, sometimes described as an ugly building, (not by me, I'm neutral) took less than four years to build, despite some delay caused by an unsuspected stream of water flowing under the foundations from the Serpentine to the Thames at the rate of eight gallons a minute. Queen Victoria laid the foundation stone in 1867 and by Royal Command the bit about industry was dropped from the title. And by the way, if you are visiting the Hall and are sufficiently curious or lucky as the case may be, you might find the foundation stone behind a couple of stalls in the back row of block "K" on the right hand side as you enter the Hall. The Hall was originally designed partly along the lines of the Colosseum of Rome. The huge domed roof is reckoned to be the largest and loftiest dome in the world supported only at the circumference. But not to worry, the dome has a frame of 400 tons of metal work.

Queen Victoria performed the opening ceremony in 1871, the then Prince of Wales reading "in a loud voice" (no mics in those days) the address of welcome to his Mother "every word of which was heard by the assembled audience" of over 10,000, which also says something for the acoustics. The acoustics incidentally were improved to their present high standard by changing the existing suspended awning of specially woven linen duck - the sort of thing used in Roman amphitheatres to keep the rain off the customers - to a fluted aluminium ceiling made up of a frame and two skins with some rock wool between. The outside decoration includes a marvellous and beautiful mosaic frieze running around for 800 feet, consisting of millions of half-inch bits (tesserae) in fifty foot sections

representing the progress of the Arts. It took a couple of years to complete and cost £4,000. Pity it's placed so high you can hardly see it.

Originally the Hall was lighted by over 11,000 gas lights which were lighted almost simultaneously by an electric spark in each cluster of lights. Thanks be that was changed to electricity in 1879 with an experimental installation and a complete re-wiring in 1956. So not to worry; also, although the whole place is as fireproof as possible, there are fifteen water tanks above the gallery with 1,400 gallons ready for use in an emergency. Although these tanks were originally filled by pumping up from a 400 feet deep artesian well, they are now on mains supply.

The enormous organ only cost £10,000 when it was installed as "the greatest and most complete instrument in the world" in 1870. Then over the years, from about 1926, things have happened to that great organ, including plant to counter the effects of modern central heating and it is still considered the most complete organ in existence and just to prove it I can tell you that the largest of the organ pipes is over forty feet long, weighs nearly a ton, and the smallest is the size of a straw.

The financing of the Hall started with the Royal Commissioners handing over the site, then worth £60,000, for a term of 999 years, plus £50,000 towards the total construction cost of £200,000, to which the builders contributed a price reduction of £30,000, subject to the 'ownership' of 300 seats. And that 'ownership' of seats is another unique bit of Albert Hall history in which private individuals by a complicated means of past and present cash contributions have holding rights on seats which in no circumstances may be occupied by others without the written consent of the individual holders who can dispose of their seats in any way they wish. So if you know of a seat holder (I do) and you want a free seat, ask and you may be given. Fact.

Of course the Proms are not the only users of the Hall and if you want to run a boxing match, a ball, a Women's Institute A.G.M. or other non-musical function, a special floor is brought up from the storage room in the basement, fixed up on a steel framing twelve feet above the promenaders' arena where on the last night of the Proms - coming up soon - you can see and hear the promenaders singing

"Rule Britannnia, Britannia  $\underline{\text{Rule}}$  the Waves ...." as if they really mean it and know what it means.

And you know, when doing a spot of research as I have on the Albert Hall, it is easy to be led off the track so to say. Whoever would think I would be led away from Kensington Gore to nearby Cliveden! Well, I was, and if the Editor will allow me I'll take you with me in the next issue of the Magazine.

#### Harry Dorrell.

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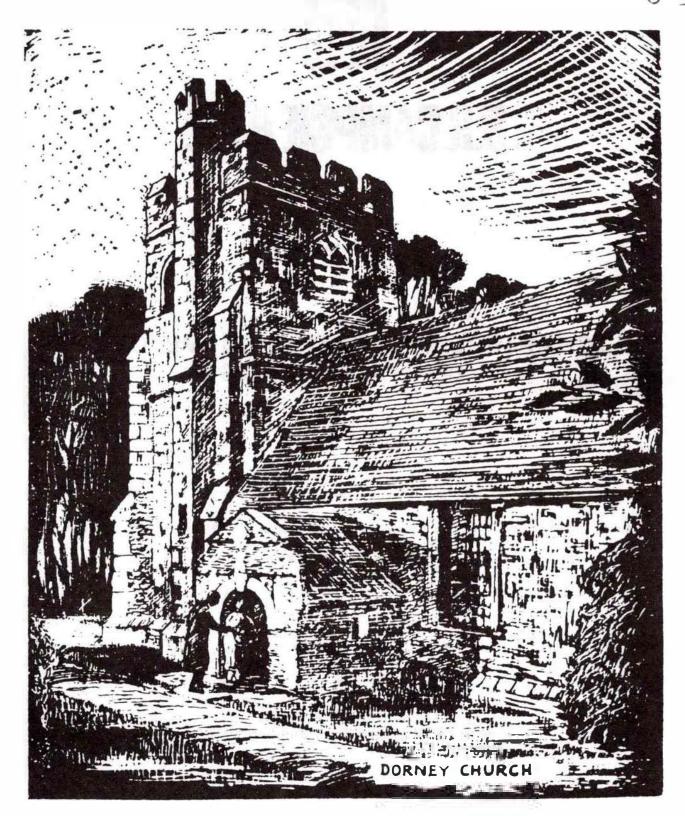
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10.30 a.m.

**Parish Communion** 

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#### EDITORIAL

Do not for one moment be fooled by the apparent flippancy of the Vicar's cri de coeur in last month's magazine. Our Church - Dorney Church - is very much in dire straits. We need more money to keep it going, the church has like everything else to pay its way.

Can you imagine Dorney without a Church. Even if you don't feel the need to attend, though why not give it a try one Sunday, you would not like to see it closed and know that you could not slip inside for a quiet moment at any time, or even not be able to get christened, confirmed, married or buried there.

The Vicar in one of his recent sermons wondered if apathy was the reason, and in a wider context maybe it has something to do with it. The Dorney Women's Social Club has closed for a year. Dorney Conservative's held a Bring & Buy recently, and did not manage to attract many bringers or buyers. Dorney Horticultural Society has to work hard at keeping going, and the Cubs have a Cubmaster at last, but it was a long time before someone came forward.

We are a small Village and it does take time, effort, and commitment, plus money to keep our Church alive. We know the constant asking for money becomes a bore, but nothing in this world comes free without effort. Please don't let our Church become another redundant Church as so many are now - we need it.

... and yet, the Harvest Supper given by the Dorney Horticultural Society was a great success and fully attended, and the Harvest Festival Service was packed to capacity !!!

#### From the Warden's Desk:-

Well? Can you respond to our challenge? Will you stand by and watch Dorney Church crumble and disappear? I'm sure you are horrified at the mere suggestion .... and am sure you will have "seen through' the flippancy of my last article (see Editorial) ...

Harvest was a moving experience: a full church, lots of children present, good singing, and joyful Christian fellowship. The church looked especially attractive, and the gifts, I know, are much appreciated by the recipients. May I thank all who worked so hard to give us such a memorable harvest festival? Now we turn our eyes towards Christmas!!!

I was delighted to be involved in a revue at the Caccia Centre, Eton College recently, when a marvellous group of youngsters raised a considerable sum of money for the Project, and it has been allocated for use at Christmas when we hope to entertain children from Hackney again. How kind and generous people are - and how near Christmas suddenly seems!!!

#### Ron Johnson

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#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

16th October PENTECOST XX1

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. Humpleman

Cleaning Mrs. Ames & Mrs. Chapman

Coffee Mrs. Warner-Horne

Explorers Mrs. Keith & Mrs. Butcher

Creche Mrs. A. Keith

Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Mack

10.30 Mr. Armstrong Luke 18: 1-8

lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Liney Habakkuk 2: 1-4

#### 23rd October PENTECOST XX11

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. R. Smith Cleaning Mrs. Howell

Coffee Miss Hinkley & Mrs. Harlow

Explorers Miss Hinkley & Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Butcher

Creche Mrs. Howells Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Eastgate

10.30 Mr. Belcher Luke 16: 1-9

1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Howell 1 John 2:22 to end

#### 30th October

#### LAST AFTER PENTECOST

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Mrs. Belcher Cleaning Mrs. Mack

Coffee Mrs. Perryman & Tracey
Explorers Miss Hinkley & Mrs. Hayton

Creche Mrs. Harlow Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Pepler

10.30 Mr. Robb John 17: 1-10

1st Reader 10.30 Mr. Drew Philippians 3: 7 to end

#### 6th November

#### 5TH BEFORE ADVENT

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Flowers Miss Kilpatrick

Cleaning Mrs. Parker & Mrs. Richmond Coffee Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Ames

Explorers Mrs. Humpleman, Mrs. Pepler & Mrs. Hayton

Creche Mrs. Backhouse

Sidesman 8.00 Mrs. Ames

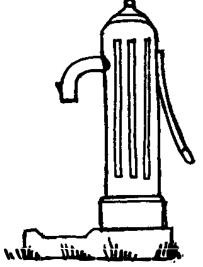
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1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Keith Genesis 2: 4-9,

15 to end

#### Meeting of the Parish Council

THE PARISH PUMP



- 1. A most interesting introduction to Dorney Parish Emergency planning was given, much more will be heard later on this subject which embraces such things as motorway and aircraft crashing, flooding and warfare. An enormous amount of work has been done, and many people in the Parish will be asked to make themselves available - "volunteer" help.
- 2. Parish Bus. The County Council say they would be willing to consider financial support for any proposal coming from the village. The suggestion of a house to house canvass of need is to be followed up by the Parish Council.
- 3. Best Kept Village 1983. We got through to the final, although no-one knew, but we then came last, 7 points behind the leaders 86-93.
- 4. War Memorial. Two offers to look after it had been very grate-fully received from the Public Bar of the Palmer Arms and a rota system by Mrs. Ames, this latter team had already started to work.
- 5. Trumpers Field riverside path. The County Council is trying to clear a path through the trees. As regards the field itself, the Council is asking to see whether the field should be designated a site of scientific interest.
- 6. Various accounts were paid including Wm. Fuller who had to repair 13 vandalised street lamps - see the posted minutes for full details.
- 7. Planning Applications. No observation was made in respect of a proposed bungalow between Wayside and Cydonia, Marsh Lane; the

- siting of a hay barn at the Spanish Bit riding school was to be visited before comments were made.
- 8. The "Local Plan" for the area has had to be postponed because the County Council's minerals subject plan had been challenged in the courts. This judgement has been appealed against, but it does principally query the right of the council to have as a preclusion against digging "Area of attractive landscape" which is Dorney of course.
- 9. The Council were shown a plan for a proposed rowing trench in the Thames field for Eton College. These plans are to be circulated to all members of the Parish Council for discussion at the next meeting. No formal planning application has as yet been received by the District Council.
- 10. Rubbish and litter colelction was discussed. A new resident in the village had complained about litter appearing in the streets. A comment was made by members that it was a custom for people in the village to pick up any rubbish that they saw rather then just look at it and complain about it.
- 11. A letter was discussed showing that the Thames Water Authority wish to make the exit from their Water works in Marsh Lane safer by removing the hedge and putting in a post and rail fence. The landlords have said that they would have to leave the hedge and saplings although the hedge could be trimmed up. The Parish Council was annoyed by the Thames Water Authority's request as the matter had been fully considered at the Public enquiry.

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Saturday 14th October D.D.H.S. Film Night & Cheese & Wine.

Friday 11th November D.D.H.S. A.G.M.

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DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE Meet second Wednesday of every month

@ 2.30 p.m.

DORNEY P.T.A. Meet fourth Monday of every month for

P.T.A. Committee Meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Second Tuesday in every month at 8.00 p.m.

Dorney School.

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7.45 p.m. preceding the Parish Council

Meeting.

DORNEY P.C.C. First Wednesday of every month at 8.00 p.m.

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#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Despite the fact of the holiday season still being with us, there was a reasonably good attendance at this month's meeting.

After the usual preliminaries Mrs. Harpur took the opportunity of thanking Mrs. Jordan for her most efficient handling of the outing to Hever Castle in July. Everyone had thoroughly enjoyed their visit to this most interesting and historic building and its beautiful gardens.

Mrs. Harpur also thanked the members for their assistance with the entertaining of a group of elderly people from London. After a tour of the country around Windsor, they came to Dorney for Tea and were entertained by a group of Scouts with Hand Bell ringing. It had proved to be a well worth while effort as they had so obviously enjoyed their visit and were so appreciative. A very nice letter of thanks was received from them.

We were reminded that the next Group meeting is to be held at Dorney on October 19th at 2 p.m. As there will be a large number of visitors the assistance of all members will be required in providing the necessary refreshments. Mrs. Looker was asked to supervise the catering arrangements.

During the reading of correspondence Mrs. Allen said she had been advised of a visit to Denman College being planned in 1984. It would probably mean one Coach load from three Institutes, but further information would be given at a later date.

Mrs. Jordan has again very kindly taken on an effort for the raising of funds and she has obtained an attractive collection of Christmas Cards and Wrapping Paper. She has also presented a Coffee Set to be raffled, the proceeds of which are to go to the Thames Valley Hospice.

A Regional Meeting is being held at Taplow on 21st October at 2.3Op.m. The crafts being demonstrated are Woodcarving, Pillow Lace, Clam Shell Patchwork and Embroidery.

The half year Council Meeting is being held at Aylesbury on 24th October, when the Speaker will be Mr. Roy Plomley on "Broadcasters and Broadcasting. Our delegrate is to be Mrs. E. Huddart.

Mrs. Staff, who very kindly came to us at short notice, gave a very interesting talk on "Being a Magpie" - Aren't we all? She had a fascinating collection of assorted objects, each with a history or sentimental memory, and all obviously cherished. So refreshing to see things being carefully nurtured instead of being wantonly damaged or destroyed.

The Speaker for the October Meeting will be Mr. H. Green on "Putting a Show on the Road".

W.I. Duties for October. Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. Cobb.

Wayside, 1 Harcourt Road.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As you will have read in previous issues the attendance at our church is dropping slowly. Personally I do not attend church as regularly as I might, due to the communion itself. I was brought up to accept communion from an ordained clergyman. After all he is a dedicated professional. One does not doubt the intergrity or sincerity of lay people, but it goes against the grain to receive part of the communion from my "Next door neighbour".

Obviously it is of great value to the clergy for lay people to assist as much as possible, but the act of communion should be one of the last areas to be encroached. Who knows, next year you could be married or christened in church by somebody other than the clergy.

It would be of great interest to know if other people in the parish feel the same way and consequently do not attend our church. I am sure that any comments in this, or other matters, would be dealt with sympathetically by the Vicar and P.C.C.

Please make your feelings heard.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy Breslin.

#### and so on

Well, as I mentioned in last month's Dorney Parish News, a little research can lead you a long way if you do not maintain a steady stance against being led off on to some other track. So, by way of the Albert Hall, the Proms and "Rule Britannia" I am at Cliveden where, in the then temporary open air theatre (it is still there), "Rule Britannia" was first sung on 1st August, 1740.

It was the central theme song in the Masque of Alfred which at the time was described as an "otherwise dreary entertainment". Devised by two gents, Mr. Thomson and Mr. Mallet, it was a sort of all dancing all singing musical about King Alfred the Great and how he flung the Danes out of England. Not realising its true significance the performance was given at the command of Frederick, Prince of Wales, then residing at Cliveden, to commemorate - as he thought - the accession to the English throne by the House of Hanover. It was, in fact, a send-up of the Hanoverian King of England who was politely described at the time as "somewhat pompous" but somewhat less politely as "not altogether sharp witted" which translates into modern English as 'a bit thick'. And that is really where ".... Britannia Rule the waves" comes in for it was a faintly disguised exhortation to the King to for heaven's sake now get on and deal with the Danish fleet and complete the job commenced by King Alfred.

The two gents, Mr. Thomson and Mr. Mallet, advertised the show as concluding with "a favourable Ode in honour of Britain beginning "When Britain first at Heaven's command". Their words but the stirring melody by Thomas Arne. So a word about Thomas Augustus Arne.

His musical experience started at Eton where he was educated and where he played the flute "not very well and was not well remembered" He was born at the 'Crown and Cushion' in King Street, London. (Sounds like a pub, but it is not there now). His father, an undertaker, wanted his son to become a solicitor and pushed him into that trade. But Thomas persisted with his music, took lessons on the spinet, smuggled one into his bedroom where, muffling the notes with handkerchiefs, he practised secretly - so he hoped. But his Dad found out. Then, although the spinet was out, Thomas took to the fiddle and practised down in the cellars where his father kept the

coffins. One day a friend casually calling found him practising there with his music propped against a coffin. His friend's finer aesthetic feelings aroused, he remarked ".... I could not stand for that, I'd be thinking all the time there might be a corpse inside." So young Thomas lifted the lid of the coffin and showed him .... the corpse inside!

If only in remembering that stirring 'Rule Britannia' melody it is pleasurable to know that Thomas Arne won his music battle and over the years composed much music. And if from among his 49 operas and pantomimes we do recall some of his slightly eyebrowraising titles like "The Amourous Alderman", "The Ladies' Frolick", "Achilles in Petticoats", there was much else. Including 2 oratorios, incidental music to 25 plays, overtures, concertos, sonatas as well as about 20 books of songs. But most of his work has not survived.

Anyway, that ripping patriotic Britannia song was not quite that when it started. But does that matter? Not a bit, for who does not enjoy that enthusiastic, roaring, last few minutes ritual tribute to the pleasures of the annual Prom season at the Albert Hall.

But Britannia? A questioning thought strikes - what is the origin and where? Well, the Britannia figure first appeared on Roman coinage to show the complete subjection of the Britons to the Roman Empire, stamped on coins to commemorate the Romans reaching the Clyde in the reign of Constantine Pius. The Clyde! Here, come off it, we are not making that trip. Kensington Gore to Cliveden is one thing, but .....

Harry Dorrell.

#### FIRST DORNEY GUIDES

Before the Guides broke up for their summer holidays, we were very lucky to have such a lovely evening at Mr & Mrs Hutton's home. The guides really did enjoy their inter patrol Swimming Gala and the White Rose Patrol were pleased to be the overall winners. During the evening we were especially thrilled to welcome our County Commissioner, Mrs Win Pearce who had come especially to present our Young Leader Tracey Perryman with a cheque from the Lady Baden Powell Bursary Fund, towards her place on the Malcolm Miller, it was a super surprise for her. We finally closed our meeting with Jennifer Govey & Melanie Bromham making their promises as Guides and we welcomed them as fully fledged members of the Company.

Since our return in September some of the Company, accompanied by their parents went to a District Camp Fire at Dorneywood organised by Dick Humphries, Chairman of the Taplow Supporters. A competition was held for anyone who had made a campfire blanket. Melanie was chosen as a winner of the guide section who had recently joined Guides.

The company is busy preparing to enter the District Handicraft Evening on Friday October 7th at the Methodist Church in Lent Rise. The Swimming gala for the District is planned for Saturday November 19th at Montem, Slough in which we hope to enter a team. Parents will be very welcome to come along.

Our fund raising event to help the Guides of Buckinghamshire purchase the Ellesborough Guide Centre will take place on Friday November 18th at Dorney Court by kind permission of Peregrine & Jill Palmer. We plan to have tickets for sale for the evening about the middle of October. During the evening we shall be holding a tombola and would be grateful of any donations towards this, so please when you are turning out drawers and cupboards in your home in the next few weeks, please bear us in mind. We are organising some slides to show you of our Guide Centre, besides other items which I am sure you will enjoy. Please come along and join us on this occasion and make it an evening to remember.

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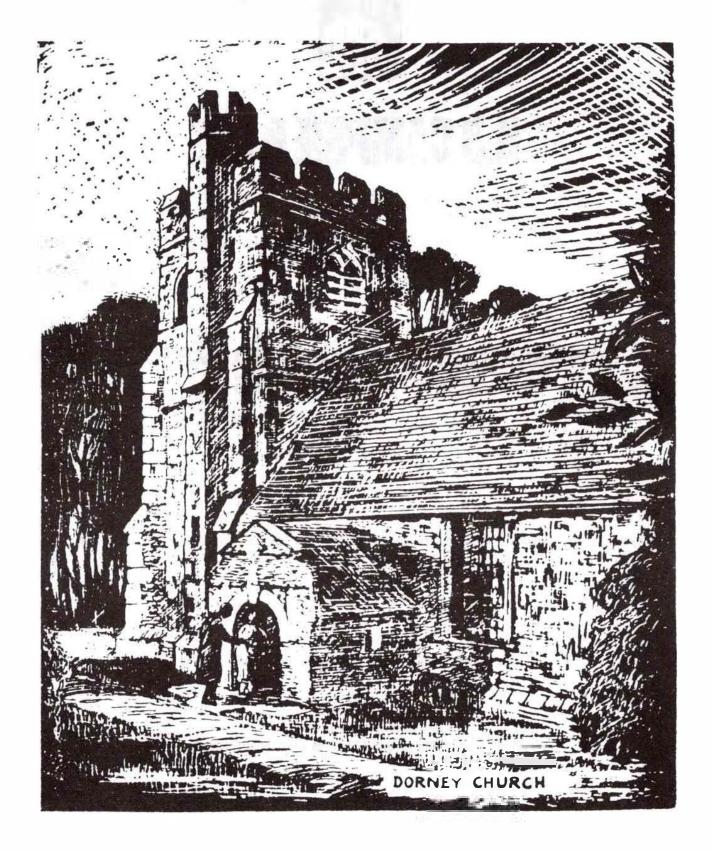
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10.30 a.m.

Parish Communion

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#### EDITORIAL

I will confess that the Girl Guides' handbook is not a manual to which I frequently refer, although the 1968 version is readily to hand on our bookshelf. My recent interest in it was occasioned by reports of a newly launched 1983 edition, only the third in the Association's 73 years history and each said to be a precise mirror to its time. I understand that the 1983 publication tells of a sterner climate and, so far from abandoning old ideals, in fact reintroduces stricter structure, tests and syllabus.

The first and second pages of our handbook introduced me to the Guide Promise and the Guide Law; two pages embodying the principles of the Association and which, it seemed to me, encompassed very desirable attributes. As I worked my way through this book I was impressed by the scope of its syllabus and by the common sense, sound advice and instruction contained therein.

These pages come to life at the company meetings, camps, intercompany contests and international gatherings; installing a sense of purpose, service and adventure in millions of girls throughout the world.

Who can fail to appreciate the record of the Scouting and Guiding Movement and not wish to support it whenever the opportunity arises?

Well our opportunity is here! Buckinghamshire Guides are trying to raise £45,000 for the purchase of the Ellesborough Guide Centre and the Dorney Guides and Brownies are doing their bit by organising a 'Soiree' at Dorney Court on Friday 18th November.

I ask you to make this event a truly successful evening. Please buy a ticket, and if tickets should run out (for numbers are necessarily limited) do not let that deter you from seizing this opportunity to give, and to give generously, in the spirit that this Association deserves.

#### From the Warden's Desk:

'1984' has an odd ring to it. Perhaps it is something to do with the image of that year (or projection) by George Orwell - a vision of a society under constant close scrutiny, having no real freedom "Big Brother is watching you!" and divided against itself. doubt he is; today we are not as "free" as we would like to think we are, and our society is, and probably always will be, a somewhat uneasy one. This is not a political aside, but more a reflection upon the weakness of mankind in general. It would be a truly Christian ideal that we live peaceably together instead of being suspicious, jealous and power conscious. I suppose we must thank God that the Orwellian vision has not totally come true, and in the meantime place our values in whatever freedoms we still have, and pray constantly for world peace, for the worth of the better aspects of humanity, and for ourselves - for surely that is where the good values can start! At any rate we can approach 1984 with a certain confidence if God is at the centre of our being.

Of course 'change' is always with us, and 1984 will see lots of advances (and regressions?) in our worship as well as in our community. Patterns of ministry change frequently and Dorney is no exception. We have a vicarage which is used for a multiplicity of purposes, and a priest who has to increasingly divide himself in several parts - and yet there are still some good people who do not understand this, nor will they make allowances. Dorney's rural ministry is a fiction, or, rather, it is not possible for a traditional ministry to operate in Dorney in the eighties. the concepts which has been shattered is that of a priest with "time on his hands" - this means that afternoon visiting on a doorto-door basis is no longer practicable: afternoons are spent interviewing social workers, attending meetings, writing reports, visiting hospitals, teaching and administering the Project. Mornings and evening are spent in similar fashion. There is sadly not enough time for prayer, study and contemplation. The priest in Dorney is caught up in a mad whirl which is both thrilling and frustrating. Much of the reason lies in the extended work of the Project, which is now a seven-day-a-week operation, unlike the mere weekend one of 12 months ago.

Yet I believe this good for Dorney. Our problems at Dorney Church, be they spiritual or merely physical, cause us to look at ourselves more closely. Where are we going in 1984? No longer is it merely the Vicar's problem: there has to be much more shared work. Without full 'lay' co-operation and involvement Dorney will not be viable in the terms of a worshipping community. Today's clergy have other jobs, huge vicarages are being replaced by smaller and better ones (we solve our problem in our own way!), but the Church thankfully does not die! It has simply become everyone's responsibility, and long may that situation reign!

In the meantime it is nearly Christmas once again.

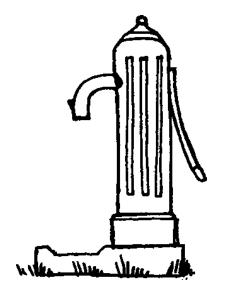
Wishing you all God's blessing.

#### Ron Johnson

#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

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10.30 a.m.	Pari	Parish Communion					
Flowers		Ames					
Cleaning		Robb					
Coffee	Mrs.	Mrs. Mack & Mrs. Howell					
Explorers	Mrs.	Humpleman,	Mrs. Pe	pler 8	Mrs.	Parker	
Creche	Mrs.	Williams					
Sidesman 8	.00 Mrs.	Hammond					
10	.30 Mr.	Robb		Mark	7:	14-23	
1st Reader 10	.30 Miss	Robb		Genes	sis 4:	1-10	

3RD BEFORE ADVENT 20th November 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion Parish Communion 10.30 a.m. Flowers Mrs. Street, Mrs. Harpur & Mrs. Allen Cleaning Mr. & Mrs. Dollimore Coffee Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Parker Explorers Creche Mrs. Chapman 8.00 Mrs. Harpur Sidesman John 8: 51-end 10.30 Mr. Handy Romans 4: 13-end 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Handy 2ND BEFORE ADVENT 27th November 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion Flowers Mrs. Chapman Mrs. Ames & Mrs. Chapman Cleaning Mr. & Mrs. Belcher Coffee Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Butcher Explorers Mrs. Woolner Creche 8.00 Mrs. Hayton Sidesman 6: 25-35John 10.30 Mr. Pepler Hebrews 3: 1-6 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Shepheard SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT 4th December Holy Communion 8.00 a.m. Parish Communion 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Humpleman Flowers Mrs. Howeil Cleaning Mrs. Paton & Mrs. Coish Coffee Miss Hinckley, Mrs. Pepler & Mrs. Hayton Explorers Mrs. Dodd Creche 8.00 Mr. Liney Sidesman Matthew 24: 37-44 10.30 Mrs. Ames Romans 11: 13-24 1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Robb



#### THE PARISH PUMP

#### Meeting of the Parish Council

At the commencement of the meeting, the Council stood in silence for a few moments in memory of Frances Palmer who died on 2nd October.

- The Jubilee seat (the bus stop at Dents corner) has been criticised by judges in the best kept village competition as in need of minor repairs. The Parish Council decided to seek quotations to have a proper job done.
- Planting of trees by the M4. The Department of Transport is considering a line of trees by the M4 near Oak Stubbs lane in the pony paddock.
- 3. Refuse collection. The District Council has said that plastic sacks should not be posted through letter boxes or stuck into hedges. A new crew has been scheduled to work in Dorney and the day of the week for collections has also been changed. It was hoped that these changes would relieve pressures on the work force so that they could do all that was required of them.
- 4. New waterworks building by the Thames. This was the subject of some comment. It was confirmed that it was being built to the approved plan and it was to be painted with colours to blend in with the surroundings.
- 5. Planning applications. The Parish Council decided to make no observation in respect of the hay barn, nor the continued siting of the residential caravan, nor for a viewing gallery by the indoor riding school, all of which are at the Spanish

Bit Riding School, except in so far as the colouring of the gallery should be harmonious.

- 6. The rowing trench in the Thames field was again considered. Comments were made in the light of the fact that a formal application has not yet been submitted. The principal points made were that whilst there was an apparent need for the trench for rowing, there was an enormous amount of gravel to come out which had to be processed, a serious loss of agricultural land, the setting of a precedent with regard to any form of gravel extraction and recreational use of the area. Also the implications of gravel extraction in the future both here and elsewhere and the fact that the time-scale is over a five year Other amenity groups will be asked for their comments and advice in due course. It was not thought that there is much else that the Parish Council can do at the present stage, but the matter will be coming forward as a matter of note at future Parish Council meeting, so everyone would be kept fully informed of any possible developments.
- 7. Buses, transport. The question of public transport or not continues to be a main subject for the Parish Council. A draft questionnaire be sent to all houses in the village was approved and some 300 are to be put through all our doors by the Parish Councillors and it is hoped that these will be sent back in time for the next Parish Council Meeting by 5th November. The next step will be based on the results of this questionnaire.
- 8. Gas. The Parish Council has been asked whether this can be brought to the village and at what cost.
- 9. Weeds in roadside gutters appear to be causing problems with the escape of surface water. The matter will be taken up with the County Council.
- 10. Dorney Football Team. A team made up of eleven true english oak trees of men, well supported and playing on our own fine ground, is to be ostracised by other less well endowed teams. Why? Because they have no showers. The Parish Council, undoubtedly made up of those who are only just past the football playing age, do not take too kindly to these views of the so called "perfumed league" aping their prima donnas of the modern sport. It is not clear whether opposing teams need to shower before or after the game.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Like me, you may have read with dismay the Editorial and the Vicar's Appeal in the October Issue of our Parish News, and, like me, you may have thought to yourself, "What on earth can I do to help preserve our lovely village church?"

Well, there is something positive that each and everyone of us can do straightaway.

You may not know that one of the most recent gifts of the late Mrs. Frances Palmer, to whom the village owes a great debt for her kindness throughout the years, was to set up a memorial fund to the memory of Lt. Colonel P.D.S. Palmer. Half of the annual income is to be spent on the upkeep and fabric of the church, the church-yard and the graveyard, the other half of the income is to go back into the fund to increase the capital. The family has suggested that a book be put in the church to explain the object of the fund and to record any other people who may wish to contribute to the preservation of the church in this way. The Trustees are the Treasurer of the Parochial Church Council, Mr. Stan Hellmuth, Mr. Michael Armstrong and Mr. Peregrine Palmer.

I believe this is a very well thought-out scheme of looking after our village church and so today I have made out a covenant promising to pay £3. per month, or £36 a year to the fund. Because this is a charitable trust the Treasurer is able to claim the £14 that I have paid in tax, thus making a grand total of £50 per year. If only 20 more parishioners felt like me we could provide £1,000 per year for the upkeep of our church. Amazing but true, and you know £3 per month is so little - but look what it can achieve.

Special covenant forms may be obtained from the Treasurer, Mr. Stan Hellmuth, Boskerris, Marsh Lane, Dorney Reach, or from myself - or, if you would prefer to give a single donation please send it direct to the Treasurer, marked "Lt.Colonel P.D.S. Palmer Memorial Fund."

Yours sincerely, Len Eastgate, Aegir Cottage, Ashford Lane, Dorney.

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The Editor, Dorney Parish News.

Dear Editor,

I was slightly confused by the opening item of the October 'Parish Pump' account of the Parish Council meeting about planning which "... embraces such things as motorway and aircraft crashing, flooding and warfare." With the respect due to our Parish Councillors I cherish the hope that the 'warfare' refers to the continuing battle with the County Authority to deal with the atrociously dangerous state of our footpaths and their illegal lack of maintenance of those footpaths in a safe condition. From memory, which in my case is not infallible these days, I do recall that our PC had written to the County Authority about this some months ago. Whether there was a reply or not I do not know. However, I do know that the potholes, mud filled in winter, on the footpaths in Marsh Lane, Oak Stubbs Lane and Harcourt Road have not been dealt with. Also the connecting footpath between Harcourt Road and Oak Stubbs Lane is now become almost unusable in wet weather.

I also have it on record that at least four local people have suffered painful falls due to these footpath hazards and that two of those victims had necessarily to have ambulance service to hospital for treatment. A fifth fortunately narrowly avoided a pothole accident which would have ended in a horrendous fall face first into a barbed wire fence.

I think it should be pointed out to the Parish Council that any 'warfare' they may be undertaking with the County Authority is backed by the 1980 Highways Act which places upon them the statutory requirement to maintain roads and footpaths in a safe condition and if failing in this the Authority can be taken to the Magistrate's Court or to the High Court. Also, for those individuals who may suffer from Authority neglect in this matter, financial compensation can be sued for with success, as evidenced in a recent case in which the responsible authority for the Slough Industrial Estates were Court ordered to pay cash compensation to the individual concerned.

Another item in the Parish Council report relates to the suggestion of a parish bus. This is a waste of time and effort as well as a

means by which our already almost non-existent public bus service between Dorney Reach and Maidenhead will be cut out altogether. A parish bus will inevitably depend upon volunteer operation which can, and reasonably will, collapse sooner or later. (In this connection the Burnham parish bus has in fact recently done just that). For Dorney a parish bus would provide the reason/excuse for cutting out the bus service to Maidenhead now almost non-existent because of the refusal of the County Authority to continue the measly £11,500 a year subsidy. Cut out by our representatives on the County Council who themselves are all car owners and receive (quite rightly) attendance allowances and travelling allowances, increased at their request last July and which in total probably come to something more than £11,500 a year. And at this point it is worth noting that the South Bucks District accounts for 1982-83 show a surplus of just on £14 million.

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I boarded the ship at Newcastle. We remained there for almost a day, whilst being given preliminary training before setting sail. From Newcastle we sailed to Amsterdam. We had very rough weather conditions when we left England, a strong wind and a very rough sea. Although soon we all felt ill, we were not allowed to let it affect our work. We just had to continue working and forget about it.

By the time we arrived in Amsterdam we had all got used to the rocking, so much so that when we went ashore we continued to rock.

Although we were divided into three watches, each day 3 people from each watch were 'day-workers'. This then only left 10 people in each watch; 5 people were on the bridge, whilst the other 5 were on standby watch, ready to hand any sails if necessary. The bridge party consisted of: a port and starboard look-out, who had to report any vessels or objects they saw; a helmsman, who steered the course; a writer, who had to record weather conditions, the course we were sailing and any sails that were handed and finally a messenger whose job it was to check for fire, flooding and she also had to wake the watches at the appropriate time. As each watch lasted for 4 hours, the bridge party changed every hour, so during

a 4 hour watch you were on the bridge for 2 hours. Meanwhile 3 of the 'day-workers' worked in the galley with the Chef and the other 6 worked with the Bosun.

After spending 24 hours in Amsterdam, we sailed to Bruges, which is in Belgium. During this journey I was a day worker in the galley. This work involved preparing the food and doing the washing-up. We stayed in Bruges, which was a pretty town, for 28 hours.

During the whole cruise we had what was known as 'Happy-hour' between 09.00 and 10.00 every day. During this hour we all cleaned the ship. The bridge was taken over by the crew and the trainees had to sweep, dust and polish the whole ship. The Chief Officer then came round and inspected our work.

From Bruges we started to sail to Guernsey. We had been sailing for 2 days and nearly arrived there when we had to turn round because there was no place in the port for us. Instead we sailed into Cherbourg. It was during this time that I was a 'day-worker' with the Bosun. This involved scrubbing the decks, sanding the ships sides ready for repainting and handing the mooring ropes in the harbour.

We only stayed in Cherbourg for 6 hours - just enough time to get the duty free!! Although when we arrived in Cherbourg it was high tide, by the time we came back from the town the tide had dropped 30 feet. Therefore to get back on the ship we had to hang a gang plank over the ship's side, then climb down the rigging to get back on the ship. This did not prove to be very easy for those with a few bottles.

From Cherbourg we sailed home. On the way back we had such little wind, we were only doing 0.75 knot; that we were able to go swimming off the side of the ship. From here we then motored into Cowes, so as to arrive before dark.

The following morning the S.T.A. Committee members boarded. With the Sir Winston Churchill, we sailed round the Solent, so that the members were able to see how we sailed and then sailed into Southampton.

This marked the end of an adventure and an experience never to be forgotten. Although it was very hard work it was most enjoyable and highly recommended to anybody who thinks they might like to go. Tracey Perryman.

#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

It was good to see such an excellent attendance at this month's meeting and to welcome a possible new member. It is hoped we shall have many more to add to our ranks in the near future, not only because of the promotion taking part throughout the country, but because the W.I. has many things to offer to interest and educate its members and to give them the opportunity to assist in useful service to the Community.

Arrangements were made for the various meetings to be attended this month, including the Group Meeting in the Village Hall on 19th October. The Spring Group Meeting will be at Taplow on 4th April 1984.

The Knit-In, in aid of the Rheumatism and Arthritis Council is to be held at the home of Mrs. C. Allen at 2.30 on 16th November. All members are welcome to take part and should obtain the form giving all instructions from Mrs. Allen.

The question of finance is again becoming a thorny problem, and the matter of providing the Monthly News Letter was brought forward for attention as it is becoming an expensive item to provide a copy for all members. After taking a vote it was decided that members would pay for their own copy.

The next month's meeting will be the Annual General one with V.C.O. Mrs. Johnson attending. The election of Committee and President will take place. Mrs. P. Ferris has very kindly volunteered to make a Birthday Cake. The Competition will be an Autumn arrangement - Leaves and Berries.

Mrs. P. Jordan who very kindly donated a Coffee Set to be raffled in aid of the Thames Valley Hospice, had herself done some excellent work in this respect, the result of which is Ten pounds to this most worthy cause. Mrs. Jordan also has Christmas Wrapping Paper and Cards for Sale for our own W.I. Funds. Her hard work and enthusiastic effort is very much appreciated.

Our most grateful appreciation is also extended to Mrs. K. Sharp, who supplies a lovely bowl of Flowers, every month, to be placed on the President's Table. She must have a lovely garden to supply such beautiful flowers and we all thank her for this lovely gesture.

The Speaker, this month, was Mr. H. Green on "Putting a Show on the Road", and he gave a most interesting and illuminating talk on his occupation, which was the supply of costumes for Theatrical and Film production. He is obviously talented in this art as he makes the costumes and accessories himself and brought along a collection of dresses and Objet D'Art: used in various productions.

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Close the doors and windows and leave by the nearest exit. If unable to escape go to a window at the front of the house to attract attention. If the room fills with smoke lie on the floor where the air is clearer.

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May we remind readers that there is no issue of the Dorney Parish News in January. Therefore contributions covering December and January are due on 16th November.

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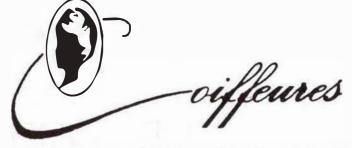
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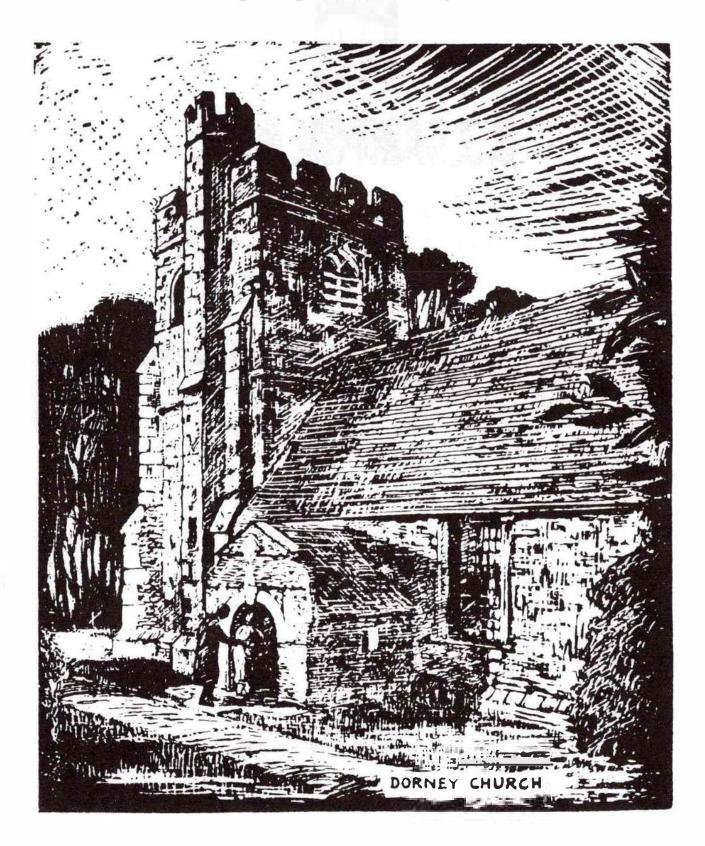
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#### EDITORIAL

It was during the Middle Ages that Christmas first began to assume its present significance as a holiday as well as a religious festival. By Tudor times it had been extended in England to last twelve days, that is to say until Epiphany. Throughout that time high and low, young and old gave themselves over to feasting and merrymaking, eventually wreaking the wrath of the Puritans, who condemned all such Christmas practices, and in 1644 the keeping of Christmas was forbidden by Act of Parliament.

This great day in the Christian Calendar survived these excesses of both the flesh and the spirit. Christmas had always been a time of family reunion and in the 19th century, being a period of large families, it became increasingly a children's festival. Charles Dickens did much to persuade people of the importance of Christmas as a special season not only of jollity but of kindness, and undoubtedly helped give the season much of its present character.

Undeniably Christmas becomes more and more commercialized and its Christian significance is often lost or unappreciated. And yet the goodwill and charitable response engendered by this most celebrated birthday refuses to be completely engulfed by the tide of materialism.

In this age we steer a middle course between the extremes of the roistering Tudors and the austere Puritans; enjoying both the temporal and spiritual festivities.

I hope that this Christmas will be a happy time for you all.

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#### From the Warden's Desk:

It has been said that 'we now know Christmas is here, because Easter Eggs are in the shops!' Well, I haven't yet seen any Easter Eggs, but shop windows have been festooned with coloured baubles, Christmas trees, tinsel and fake snow for some time - and it's good to see these again. Christmas is a marvellously exciting time, and I am looking forward to my second Dorney Christmas. The church, I can guarantee, will look lovely on Christmas Eve, as we celebrate once more the birth of Our Lord with Christians across the world. Do, please, come and join our worship: there are services to suit all preferences, and a mere phone call to me will ensure transport for those who would like to come but cannot otherwise. Service times are listed elsewhere in this magazine. I shall look forward to seeing you!

This is going to be a particularly busy Christmas at the Project. We shall have two parties of children from Hackney, from the 16th December to the 23rd, and from the 27th to 2nd January. I am hoping for lots of help from Eton boys, and if any parishioner can offer assistance, please contact me. In former years gifts of toys have been made, but this year I am changing the plea. It is not easy to allocate the normal second-hand toys to the children - so gifts of money would be more appropriate. This means we could take the children to pantomimes, etc., and buy them some sweets and fruit. I am thus starting a collection, and your gifts could be sent to or left at the vicarage. It certainly is going to be a hectic festive season, but my staff and I are eagerly looking forward to it.

May God bless you, and all of us at the Vicarage extend our greetings and wishes for a very happy and joyful Christmas.

Ron Johnson

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MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER Carolling round Village

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SATURDAY (CHRISTMAS EVE) Christingle: 5.30 p.m.

Midnight Eucharist:11.30 p.m.

SUNDAY (CHRISTMAS DAY) Holy Communion: 8.00 a.m.

Parish Communion: 10.30 a.m.

#### ST. JAMES DUTY ROSTER

11th December ADVENT 3

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

Mrs. R. Smith Cleaning Mrs. Howell

Coffee Mr. & Mrs. Gorles

Explorers Miss Hinckley, Mr. Pepler & Mrs. Hayton

Creche Mrs. Harlow Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Belcher

Flowers

10.30 Mrs. Ames Matthew 11: 2-15

lst Reader 10.30 Mrs. Armstrong Philippians 4: 4-9

18th December ADVENT 4

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Carol Service

Flowers Mrs. Belcher

Cleaning Mrs. Parker & Mrs. Richmond **Explorers** Rehearsal for Christingle

Sidesman 8.00 Mr. Eastgate

> 6.30 CAROL SERVICE - Mr. Armstrong

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1st Reader 10.30 Mrs. Warner-Horne

Romans 12: 1-8

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Isaiah 42:

1-7

10.30 Mr. Armstrong

Mrs. Handy

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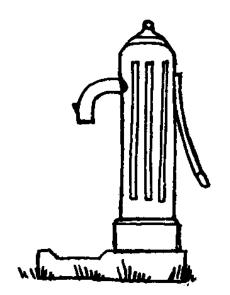
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10.30 a.m. Parish Communion
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#### THE PARISH PUMP

#### Meeting of the Parish Council

- 1. Pot holes along Marsh Lane. With the onset of winter not far away, the Parish Council were concerned that little appeared to have been done. We also wanted to have our fair share of the mechanical cleaner to sweep up the leaves.
- 2. The Forestry Commission have been charged to do the planting alongside the motorway by Oak Stubbs Lane, hopefully this winter, but they have declined to put in any Leylandii which they consider to be unstable.
- 3. The Parish Council's Public transport survey. 48 questionnaires have so far been returned, of which approximately half said they wanted transport, that is 20, and the other 28 said they would be prepared to help, mostly on an occasional basis. No conclusions as yet have been drawn and these returns will be analysed and reported back to a later meeting.
- Planning. The Parish Council made no comment as regards a replacement garage at Piemansway, Marsh Lane.
- 5. The next Parish Council Meeting will be on 13th December and the one after that on the second Tuesday in January in the Village Hall.
- 6. Our almost new lawn mower continues to give small problems which is why there has not been a recent cut of the grass.
- 7. Southern Electricity now has a new liaison man in the area, so if anyone has problems as regards major things, such as the

- collapse of the power lines, you should ring Slough 23941 ext. 414 and ask to speak to Mr. Sparks.
- 8. Emergency planning sub-committee met and arranged a number of public meetings to which parishioners have been invited.
- 9. The Rowing Trench. It was reported that if a planning application were to be submitted and none has been submitted so far it would be considered jointly by the Bucks County Council and the District Council.
- 10. Concern was expressed at a number of small items of vandalism caused by an apparent relaxation in our local policeman being seen in the village.
- 11. The meeting was one of the shortest in recent months!

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to everyone who made the recent fund raising event for the Guides & Brownies such a resounding success. The amount of money raised was £330 which is a very worth-while contribution to the Ellesborough Centre where the Guides & Brownies will spend many happy days.

Maureen Cody.

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#### DIARY OF EVENTS

Monday 5th December Coffee/Gluhwein Morning @ Dorney Court,

10-12.30 a.m.

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Saturday 14th January D.D.H.S. Winter Special.

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Thursday 26th January

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Dorney Babysitting Club. For details contact - Catherine Lancaster Maidenhead 71618.

The family of Albert Taylor would like to thank
all his friends and neighbours of Dorney for their
floral tributes and messages of sympathy received
after their sad and sudden loss.

#### A Tribute to The Late Albert Taylor

Albert will be sadly missed in Dorney Reach.

His work for the Village Hall from it's concept was unparalleled. He was the local "Fix it" man. Any problems that arose at the Hall such as wiring, painting, plumbing, repairing etc, the first person one contacted was Albert. Despite his personal tragedy of the sad death of his wife many years ago in a terrible road accident, he remained cheerful and full of fun. He was also known to some of us for organizing our local Whist Drives.

Such a large turn out at his funeral proved what a popular man he was. My sympathies to his family and to the Village Hall Committee who have suffered such a great loss. In a small community such as ours, Albert is irreplaceable, but will always be remembered.

Helen Harpur, Dorney Reach.

Come and meet Arthur! Dorney Players will be portraying Lord Arthur Saville's pitiful attempts to "do away with" one of his relatives in a crazy bid to fulfil a fortune-teller's prediction before he marries his beloved Sybil. You'll recognize some familiar faces plus some new ones and if rehearsals are anything to go by, the performances will be hysterical! So think ahead! Remember, after all that Christmas Spirit you may not be able to! We'll be pulling back the curtains on this adaptation of an Oscar Wilde tale in Dorney Village Hall on 26th, 27th & 28th January. Wine will be available again this year, for all those who need it, during the interval, plus a "not to be missed" opportunity to take part in our big prize raffles.

Oh boy, enough! Christmas isn't even here yet! Tickets will be available (we have a 'truly wonderful' organization behind us) from Katie Keith, 'Cranmere', Harcourt Road, M.22537, and Liz Knobel, 18 Meadow Way, M.24038.

DORNEY PLAYERS.

#### Eton - Dorney Project

Are you still looking for that last minute present? The Eton Dorney Project still have copies of their cookbook with some delicious recipes provided by people in Dorney. The price is £1.00 per book. For newcomers to the village we have a delightful Christmas Card of Dorney Church in the snow and these are selling at ten cards for £1.00. Please ring or call at the Vicarage and place your order.

#### DORNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The November meeting was the Annual General one, and although this usually gives the impression that it is going to be dull and uninteresting, on this occasion it was quite the reverse and proved to be most enjoyable. We had an excellent attendance and a very welcome new member.

October had been a busy month, with many outside meetings. Mrs. Huddart, accompanied by Mrs. Harpur, had been our representative at the Council Meeting at Aylesbury. The Group Meeting, with members from Iver, Taplow and George Green attending, had been held at Dorney, and all had expressed their appreciation of this very pleasant occasion. The meeting at Stoke Mandeville entitled "A Day in the Country" was a huge success. The venue was occasioned by the request from over 800 members for tickets. The talks during the morning, accompanied by Slides, were on Inland Waterways and A Country Cottage, and the excellent Speakers made the subjects interesting and informative. The afternoon Speaker was Phil Drabble; well known from his appearances on T.V. and he fascinated us all with his description of his home in the country.

Mrs. V. Edwards, our Treasurer produced a very well prepared and detailed Financial Statement for the year and our thanks go to her for all her hard work in performing this demanding task.

Mrs. Allen read the Committee's Annual Report and again our thanks to her for the very able and efficient way she performs the duties of Secretary. Without Mrs. Allen we would be truly lost.

Our visitor this month was V.C.O. Mrs. Johnson come as the W.I. representative to our Annual General Meeting. It was she who transformed what could have been a routine Annual General into one of interest and entertainment. Her talk, while being informative, was kept on a more personal level, and so kept everyone's attention. We were reminded of the National Exhibition to be held at Olympia during June/July next year, of the Bus which is travelling around the country and other details of the promotion to take place next year.

The announcement of the Committee chosen for the coming year was made and a Ballot taken for President. Mrs. Harpur was again chosen for this position.

Mrs. Harpur, in her address to the members covering events during the past year, paid tribute to all members of the Committee for their assistance and expressed appreciation to all members for their loyal support.

The draw was made for the Coffee Set, which was won by Mrs. V. Edwards. Mrs. Jordan was thanked for her hard work in this and other efforts and for the excellent outings arranged during the year. Regrettably, she has had to go into Hospital for an Operation and our warmest wishes go with her for a speedy and complete recovery.

Mrs. P. Ferris made a beautiful Birthday Cake for our tea this month and this was very much enjoyed by all. W.I. members are craftsmen all!

The December meeting will be a Christmas Party, with a few other W.I. members invited. All members are requested to bring one or two small wrapped gifts. The competition will be a Paper Hat and members should bring all their own equipment.

W.I. Duties: Child Welfare Clinic - Mrs. H. Harpur & Mrs. W. Sharphouse.

#### DORNEY CUB SCOUTS

We are very pleased to be able to confirm that we now have a new leader for the Cub Pack. Bob Dewin, who moved into Harcourt Road some months ago, is now getting to know the cubs and will be taking over the leadership fully in the near future.

Earlier this month a team of four cubs took part in a District Quiz competition. The boys answered questions on scouting, sport, safety and first aid, entertainment, wild life and general knowledge. Out of 15 packs taking part Dorney came 5th. The team consisted of Paul Hayton, Mark Wagstaff, Stuart Dodd and Craig Hoile.

Cub Pack Secretary.

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Dear Dorney Women's Institute,

I wish to thank you all for the very kind welcome you gave me when Margaret Kilpatrick brought me as a guest to your November meeting.

The reason I decided to withdraw my company from all but my work and my home was due to a very sad period of my life following a devastating loss of a greatly treasured friend, without whom I could never have survived life's problems many many years ago, when I most needed a friend.

Margaret has helped me to surface again and I am grateful to her and my profession.

I look forward to joining you all again and will enjoy the caring friendship that none of us can manage without, and for which the Women's Institute is world renowned.

Yours very sincerely, ANNE STRUGNELL SRN. SCM. SCBC.

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The Slough and District Branch of the Parkinson's Disease Society is organising a GRAND CHARITY CONCERT at Eton College by kind permission of the Provost, Lord Charteris, who will himself attend with Lady Charteris. The Concert is to raise funds for the Kenneth More Memorial Fund, which will finance the building and running of an extension to Kings College Hospital for further research into Parkinsonism.

Everyone concerned is giving his or her services free, so that <u>all</u> proceeds will go directly to the Fund, and an accountant member of Rotary is acting as honorary treasurer to the Concert.

RICHARD BAKER has promised to introduce the Concert, which will be given by the brilliant young Australian pianist, MARK HOOPER, playing Beethoven, Chopin and Liszt; and the Reading Male Voice Choir, under their conductor and director, Gwyn Arch, will perform a varied and interesting selection of English and Welsh songs.

Amongst the many important personages who are attending will be the Lord Lieutenants of Berkshire and of Buckinghamshire; the Governor and Constable of Windsor Castle, Sir John and Lady Grandy; members of the Garrick Club (of which Kenneth More was a well-loved member,) including Lord Vaisey; various local MP's, the Mayor or Deputy Mayors of the local Boroughs and representatives of other local Councils, together with their ladies.

Seating is limited to 600 and tickets are £3.50 and £5. Already, thanks to several local organisations who are actively helping the Parkinson's Disease Society, most of the £5. tickets have been sold, but a number of £3.50 tickets (giving perfect sight and sound of the stage) are still available from THE KENNETH MORE FUND, 16 Alma Court, Burnham. SLl 8BG or can be booked by 'phone, day or night, on Burnham 63058.

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