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YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

As it is sometime since we published a complete list of Councillors, besides which there have been three changes and new residents have arrived, here it is:

Chairman :

Eric Benn	2 Fine Lea	812763
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Vice Chairman :

George Wall	Purn Dene, Bridgwater Road	811273
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Members:

Chris Carter	The Dell, Celtic Way	
Len Chamberlain	New Bay Cottage, Celtic Way	814507
Brenig Evans	The Granary, Mulberry Lane	815352
Alistair House	1 Purn Way	815586
Les Master	Bleadon P.O.	812200
John Rhodes	5 Fern Lea	813636
John Ward	4 Shiplate Road	812136

THANKS

To Charlie Rose for his efforts to clear the area behind the Coronation Hall and the Scout Hut. As mentioned in the last Village News, he would appreciate some help but so far, no one has offered. To Bob and Sue Conelley for weeding the Jubilee Garden and replacing the broken tub at the corner of Mulberry Lane.

CONGRATULATIONS

Betty Berry (The Veale) has again had a successful summer with her garden, gaining a second place certificate in the Woodspring Sea of Flowers competition.

Several local youngsters have been successful in their examinations and are moving on to university, including Kylie Brenner, Leanne Howells, Helen Osborne, Tim Southwell and Lucy Wilson.

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The Annual Flower and Vegetable Show held on the 6th of August 1994 was very successful although there were fewer entries. Many thanks to Mr. W. Stephens and his team for their hard work. Congratulations to the Cup and Certificate Winners.

The Festival of Remembrance Winter Gardens - Weston super Mare

This is to be held on Sunday October 30th commencing at 7pm.

Remembrance Services will be held at both Bleadon and Lympsham Churches on Sunday November 13th. Details will be displayed by the respective Churches.

Royal British Legion Women's Section

21st. October Annual General Meeting will be held at the Manor Hall Commencing at 7.30pm. All Members Welcome.

Nov. 26th. R.B.L. W.S. Somerset & Avon S. County Conference Winter Gardens Weston S. Mare. 10.30am. to 4.30pm.

Dec. 8th. Carol Service Bleadon Parish Church 2.30pm. Every-one Welcome.

Dec. 10th. Christmas Bingo R.B.L. W.S. Manor Hall 7.30pm.

See Posters for all details of all these events,

Donations Royal British Legion Women's Section Lympsham & Bleadon. £50 has been sent to Headquarters Fund, and £50 to the Benevolent Fund Also proceeds from the D. Day Draw held at Sanders' Super Store on June 4th was £160. This was divided equally between the Earl Haig Poppy Fund and the Branch Funds. Many thanks to all- that contributed to this most worthy cause. With Mr. Sanders' permission the Collection for the Poppy Appeal 1994 will be on Friday November 11th and Saturday November 12th. at the Groceries Department of Sanders' Super Store.

To:- RESIDENTS OF BLEADON MILL

You have moved into the first sizeable development in Bleadon for twenty years. We welcome you and hope that you will enjoy living among us. Having moved here seven years ago to take over the Post Office Stores, I can tell you that the people of Bleadon are the most friendly and co-operative I have ever come across and that newcomers are very quickly made welcome as neighbours and members of local groups. I hope and trust that you will find the same.

Les Masters

BLEADON GUIDES

Having closed in April, the Guide Troop has restarted under the leadership of Maureen Cosh, meeting at the Church Room on Wednesdays from 6.30 - 8.00pm. All girls from 10 - 15 years are welcome. For details ring Maureen on 814885

1st BLEADON BROWNIES

This term the Brownies have been learning about life 80 years ago and carrying out some of the tests the first Brownies had to do.

In June all the Brownies in the Division celebrated by having a birthday party at Worle where they played games and had a puppet show. In July the Brownies took part in the Family Service at Bleadon to give thanks for 80 years of Brownie Guiding. Every Brownie took part and the congregation thoroughly enjoyed their presentation.

The Brownies ran several games at the Church garden party in July. We also visited the Animal Farm Country Park. The highlight of the day was feeding a four day old goat, Hannah, Julia and Hannah were tested for their Animal Lovers Badge and successfully passed. This term Alex and Hannah were enrolled on 20th May and we welcome Stephanie, Sarah and Rachel who will be enrolled next term. Dawn, Kirsten, Katy and Kelly left us in the summer and hope to start Guides in September

Brownies is for the girls aged 7-10. We meet on a Friday evening 6.00 - 7.30pm at the Church Rooms Bleadon. Anyone wishing to help with Brownies or wanting to put their daughter's name on the waiting list, please contact me:-

Brown Owl, Karen Wheeler - 0934 632514

BLEADON FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club reopened on Friday September 16th at the usual time of 2.15pm.

New programmes were given out-containing details of future events. The holiday in Llandudno was probably one of the best the Club has had - our thanks to Mr W Stephens for organising it and to Miss Sylvia Bird for dealing with the finances. We welcome all our members for the Autumn session and hopefully some new ones

EMT

BLEADON IN BLOOM

On a dreary and dull day (September 3rd) what a pleasure it was to be able to call in to the Coronation Hall where our Horticultural Society were holding their 21st Annual Show. Those who came were greeted by a blaze of colour and some, never to be forgotten, exhibits. (Nearly 200 in all).

Mr F R Evans from Cheddar was once again a most successful exhibitor and took away no less than six trophies. The size of those onions was something to see!

Mrs C Fisher who won "The Best Exhibit in Florel Exhibits" trophy, came up with a most ingenious entry for her interpretation of the class "Reflections"

Once again the children's section caused a lot of amusement, where brothers Simon and Tom Court won trophies, no doubt after a lot of hard work and occasionally prodded by Mum.

Those who came, I'm sure, took away some happy memories. To those who didn't "Hard luck" - you missed a treat but there will be other years.

R Tansley

Mark Howe

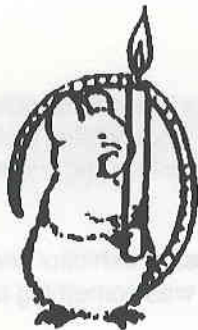
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FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH NEWS



The summer is over, and what a good one it was! The Rectory Garden Party took place on a lovely sunny day. The Band entertained well over a hundred people who enjoyed not only the music but also the cream teas, games and stalls. We made nearly £300 profit. Our Coffee Mornings have continued at the homes of Barbara Hillier and Win Bowden with hosts and guests deriving a great deal of pleasure from these very friendly get-togethers. A successful Jumble Sale was held in August. Many thanks to all helpers with these events.

On Saturday 10th September a Garden Party took place at Rivermead, the home of Rod and Julia Lewin. There were cream teas and home made cakes, games for adults and children including a bouncy castle, and the sun came out just in time and lasted long enough for everyone to have an enjoyable final taste of summer.

October is going to be a very busy month - dates to note in your diaries are:-

Sun: 2nd Oct: Harvest Lunch in the Coronation Hall at 12.30pm. Tickets £3 or £2 for children. This will be followed by an Auction of Harvest Gifts the proceeds of which will be used to buy linen for the CLIC flat in Weston. This is always a very popular village event and everyone is welcome.

Sat: 22nd Oct: Barn Dance in the Coronation Hall. Music by Gray Tide Eel, Caller John Thomlinson. Tickets £2.50. Licensed bar. American Supper (bring a plate of food suitable for a finger buffet). Doors open 7.30pm. This will be a great fun evening so book your tickets early as numbers will be limited to 80.

Fri: 28th Oct: Band Concert in the Church at 7.30pm. The Bristol East Band.

Dates for November:

Saturday 12th Coffee Morning at Westdown Cottage Purn Way, the home of Tony and Sylvia Ewin at 10.30am. There will be the usual home-baked goodies with a raffle and bring and buy stall.

Saturday 26th A jolly Bavarian Evening to brighten up dull November in the Coronation Hall. Doors open 7.30pm. Supper, licensed bar, lots of fun and games for everyone, but not necessarily too energetic! Bavarian music by the legendary Kirt Willy Band.

***Tickets for all events available from
Les Masters at the Post office or from Friends of the Church.***

The **Christmas Punch and Pie Party** will take place again this year at Purn House Farm thanks to the kindness of Thelma and Tony Moore on **Tuesday 20th December**.

CHURCH OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL

From the Rector, The Rev'd David Parkinson (Tel: 812297)

CHURCH RESTORATION PHASE 3

I am happy to say that the Parochial Church Council has appointed an architect for the remainder of the restoration programme and he is now preparing a specification of works. English Heritage have made an inspection of the Church with particular reference to the tower and windows. Their estimate is that the work will cost £32,000, Because the building is of architectural importance, English Heritage are likely to make a grant of 50% of the cost which is very good news indeed. This work will include the repair and restoration to its proper place of the weathercock and the PCC members are most grateful to Bleadon Players for their fund - raising efforts in connection with this.

REMEMBRANCE

November is the month for special acts of remembrance and I bring to your notice two Services in particular:

Commemoration of All Souls - During Evensong at 6.30pm on Sunday 6th November there will be the commemoration by name of those we know to have died during the past year. To these names will be added those we have been asked to remember. You are specially invited to this Service and to let me have names for remembrance (in writing, please).

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY The Annual Service of Remembrance will be at 10.15am. on Sunday 13th November and will include the traditional hymns, silence, prayers and laying of wreaths. All local organisations and clubs are invited to be represented and to lay wreaths. If your organisation hasn't previously brought a wreath and would like to do so this year, please let me know.

COFFEE MORNING

**A Coffee Morning will be hold at "Pleasant View" Hillcote,
Bleadon Hill on Thursday 20th October 10 - 12 noon.**

Raffle, Bring & Buy, Knitwear Stall

Proceeds for R.S.P.C.A.

Please come and support this very worthy cause.

Thank you. Barbara Snelgrove

BLEADON LADIES CLUB

Membership has been maintained and meetings have been enjoyable. It was decided to have a cream tea and Bring & Buy in August and this proved to be a happy occasion. Sincere thanks to the Committee for arranging it.

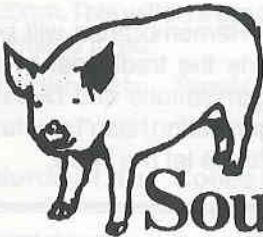
September meeting heard from Mr. E. Snelling, Veterinary Surgeon, about what happens behind the scenes in the operating theatre. His slides showed that the same care is exercised and hygiene standards are the equivalent of those for human operations. He answered questions at the end of his talk which was much appreciated.

In October Mr. A. Steel will give an illustrated talk on our beautiful countryside.

Miss D. Maplethorpe will demonstrate Christmas floral art and the December meeting will be a Christmas lunch at a cost of £3 per member. Names and money to be Collected by a November deadline to assist catering.

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THE BLEADON PLAYERS

The recent show "COCK AU VIN" produced a profit of £338.20, all of which will be reserved for the refurbishing and reinstatement of the village weathercock.

The Bleadon Players had previously reserved £400. That sum, together with the profit of say £350, gives an amount of £750 reserved for the restoration. This is half the estimated cost of £1,500. Efforts to meet the balance will be continued.

Frank Davies

Frank's report is too modest and matter-of-fact. "Cock au Vin" was widely praised as a very entertaining evening backed by an excellent meal (thanks to Ruth James). At the same time it must be said that the audience as usual, came determined to enjoy themselves - and succeeded.

Note the dates January 20th and 21st for Bleadon Players' 5th Pantomime - title to be announced!

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CORONATION HALL

August is traditionally the quiet month for the Hall, with many of our regular users taking their summer break.

The void is, of course, comfortably filled with very useful lettings for Pack holidays of Brownies and guides, whom we are pleased to welcome to Bleadon. They transform our cosy Hall into equally cosy homes for a week at a time with neatly laid out beds and belongings (and favourite dolls), pictures on the walls, clean and smart dining areas and mounds of food. There's wellies and balls, buckets and spades, swimsuits and all sorts of enjoyable paraphernalia! Quite a transformation (and profitable for our coffers as well)!

Several of our regular village organisations kindly move their meetings into the Youth Club and elsewhere to enable us to take the Pack bookings and I would like to thank them for their cooperation on these occasions.

Talking of thanks, although the regular usage drops off at this time, the behind the scenes work of our valuable and loyal caretakers and Booking Officer continue unabated. The Committee meets but once a month but these ladies are on duty day in - day out - so on behalf of all the Hall users I'd like to say a public "Thank You" to Marion McKay, Linda Griffiths and Joanne Jones for their unseen work that keeps the Hall running for all our benefits. Thank you!

Peter Lindsay - Chairman

FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN THE CORONATION HALL

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY!

Saturday	22nd Oct.	7.30pm	BARN DANCE	Church Friends
Saturday	29th Oct.	10.30 -12.30pm	COFFEE MORNING	Friendship Club
Saturday	19th Nov.	7.30pm	QUIZ (In aid of CLIC)	Mrs P. Dain
Saturday	26th Nov.	7.30pm	BAVARIAN EVENING	Church Friends
Saturday	3rd Dec.	10.30 -12.30pm	CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING & FAYRE	Hall Management Committee

BLEADON SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB

By the time you read this newsletter we shall be due to open our 1994/5 year club year. Our first meeting of the season will be on Friday 30th. September and will be a normal playing night. Sunday play will commence on 2nd. October. On the following Friday, 7th. October, we shall be holding our A.G.M. commencing at 7.00 pm. In the meantime I would ask all club members to give thought to their nominations for our various officers and managing committee. It would be nice to see some new faces in at least the main roles, including that of Chairman.

It is expected that we shall have room for a few new members this year. Any readers of this newsletter who are interested in trying their hand at short mat bowling would be most welcome. Just come along to the Coronation Hall any Friday at 7.00 pm. or Sundays at 3.00 pm.

Since last writing we have enjoyed a club barbecue evening at Shiplett Manor Farm. Our thanks to fellow club member Joan Diment for allowing us to use her farm area. We hope the somewhat heavy smoke rising from the "well done" beefburgers didn't linger too long at the farm.

We also enjoyed a car based treasure hunt during August which extended from Bleadon via Cross, Blackford and Mark, terminating at the Watchfield Inn. The route took some of us along a few previously unexplored but very interesting local roads.

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE CORONATION HALL

MONDAYS

10.30 - 12.00		Gentle Exercise Group	Mrs P Dain	812859
	<i>Sept - May</i>			
2.00 - 5.00pm		Bleadon Bridge Club	Mr R Gardiner	812041
7.30pm	<i>1st Monday</i>	British Sugarcraft Guild W.S.M. Branch	Mrs J Garrad	632632
7.30pm	<i>2nd Monday</i>	Parish Council		

TUESDAYS

2.00 -4.00pm	<i>2nd Tuesday</i>	Bleadon Ladies Group	Mrs J Wilkes	812783
7.30pm	<i>1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th</i>	Weston-super-Mare Camera Club	Mr K Tapley	623877

WEDNESDAYS

10.00 -noon	<i>2nd & 4th</i>	Infant Welfare Clinic and Toddler Group	Mrs J Morant at the Clinic	
7.30pm		Bleadon Players Rehearsals	Mr F Davies	812858

THURSDAYS

2.00 -4.00pm	<i>Sept - May</i>	Painting Class Painting to extend your abilities	Mrs K Panes A.C.E. WSM College of F.E.	621301
8.00pm	<i>1st & 4th Sept-June</i>	Folk Dancing	Miss B Snelgrove	812226

FRIDAYS

2.00 -4.00pm		Friendship Club	Mrs E M Tucker	813940
7.30pm	<i>Sept - May</i>	Short Mat Bowling Club	Mr J Ward	812136

SUNDAYS

3.00 -5.00pm	<i>Sept - May</i>	Short Mat Bowling Club	Mr J Ward	812136
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The Hall is available for hire by any private individual or organisation,

ENQUIRIES TO: Mrs J Jones, 812370

1st BLEADON (St PETER & St PAUL) CUB PACK

U R G E N T

**Scout Leader or someone willing to train
needed for Bleadon Village.**

Unfortunately, owing to the lack of a Scout Leader, 1st BLEADON SCOUT TROOP have been suspended. Is there anyone out there willing to take us on. We have 4 cubs of scout age and no troop in the village for them to join. The scouts that were at Bleadon have had to go to Hutton for their scouting, but would dearly love to return to Bleadon.

The pay is nil but the rewards are overwhelming. The cub pack is still growing, we have had a great year so far, and we would hate to see it fold up also, so please if you know of anyone or would like to know any more about the troop, please contact:-

Betty Paterson AKELA Tel: 812183 or Steve Rhodes Tel: 813497

We will help you all we can.

SCOUT & GUIDE New Building

Mr Chatterly has told our Fund Raising Committee how far he has got with Building Regulations. A loose-leaf specification of the building work is now typed and ready. He is waiting for a favourable decision on Building Regulations. He has a letter saying he could begin work if he wished, BUT unfortunately we are too late for a grant this year. Woodspring has no more money to allocate. This means we have to wait until after the meeting in January to know if we can have our 60% grant. However, we are very sure that work will proceed well when started.

Barbara Snelgrove

P.S. We should be very grateful for any help from parents of Guides, Brownies and Cubs with Fund-raising events -
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Mr Peter Everett

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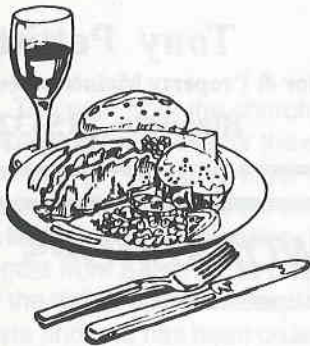
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WHIST DRIVES

These got off to a good start on Sept. 7th & 14th. Total profit from the two drives £35-00.

Friends came to each drive, and the total membership is now 22, with a promise of 2 new members to come.

In response to an idea by members, Mrs. Barbara Spackman has volunteered to send a Birthday card to each member, and he or she receives a verbal greeting at the drive!

Thank you once again for all your support.

Barbara Snelgrove

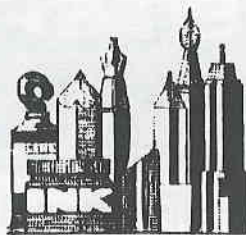
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The path from the churchyard to South Hill has received another coat of chippings in readiness for the winter. We are indebted to Atlas stone for providing the chippings, Malcolm Hillyer for transporting them and (principally) John Riding for spreading them. We are aware of the gate at the foot of this path needs repair and Malcolm is arranging this. Malcolm also apologises for having had to wire up the gate from South Hill to Shiplate Road as it had been left open several times and the risk of animals escaping was too great. The obvious solution is to erect a stile and one has been ordered from Woodspring.

STREET LIGHTS

We have at last received written confirmation from Avon County Council that they will pay for the maintenance and electricity costs of the three lights in Coronation Road with effect from 1st April last. This lifts a financial burden from the Parish Council and opens the way for the provision of further lights.

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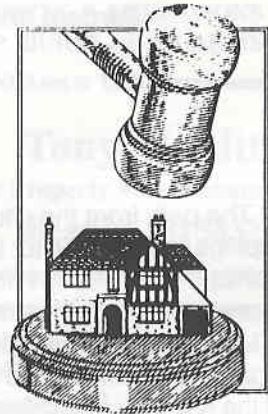
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