

PARISH COUNCIL

Various footpaths have been tidied up and the footpath across the green reinstated to its original width. The Village Sign Competition was won by Mrs. J. Huntingford.

A team was entered for the Village Quiz on 25th September and finished in third position.

TOSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

Further kitchen units have been purchased and are being fitted in the Hall kitchen. The Committee is grateful to those organisations who have donated to this new equipment.

The Hallowe'en Dance will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday, 31st October, 8 - 12, Dancing to Alan Ray Duo - tickets priced at £1.75 (to include supper) are available from H. Spencer, Perkins Way - telephone Beyton 72395.

Due to the very high cost of fireworks, these have not been ordered this year for Bonfire Night but it is hoped to have the usual bonfire and refreshments on November 5th. Fuller details and arrangements will be displayed on Notice Boards.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, TOSTOCK:

These notes embrace the advent of the new Rector to this parish and we give him a cordial welcome and hope that his stay with us will be a happy one.

Services for October will be as follows:

Sunday 4th 11 a.m. Joint Service at Pakenham (Holy Communion)  
(If you need transport, please contact Barney Harrison, telephone 70247)

Sunday 11th 8 a.m. Holy Communion (Traditional)  
11 a.m. Harvest Family Service

Sunday 18th 11 a.m. Matins

Sunday 25th 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Series 2)

Sunday 1st November - JOINT SERVICE AT NORTON AT 11 a.m.

Note from the Rector

After just a week here (as I write) I am feeling a little overwhelmed by the number of people I have met in the three villages. I was grateful that so many of you came to the induction at Norton on September 11th and it was good to meet so many people at The Croft at the first of the afternoon meetings arranged by the Church ladies. It will take me a while to get to know you all, but that is my aim and intention. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at Pakenham Vicarage (phone 30287) if I can be of any assistance.

I was not able to be at the Family Service in September, but will be conducting the Harvest Family Service on Sunday 11th October at 11 a.m. This should be a happy and informal occasion as we thank God for all his gifts to us and I hope that those who find more formal services difficult will be able to worship God with me at this Harvest Festival.

Richard Addington

The P.C.C. had an informal meeting with Canon Chapman on Thursday 20th August to say our farewell to him and to thank him for his time amongst us which, although in a temporary capacity, was carried out with such enthusiasm, cordiality and loving kindness. Both Canon and Mrs. Chapman were given a small token of our appreciation.

The Induction of the new Rector by the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury & Ipswich took place at Norton Church on Friday 11th September and Tostock was very well represented amongst the congregation, which filled the church to capacity. Following the service we adjourned to Norton Village Hall where a sumptuous supper had been prepared, which we all thoroughly enjoyed, and our thanks go to the ladies of the three parishes for their hard work in the preparation of this Buffet.

On Tuesday 15th September Tostock P.C.C. met the new Rector informally at The Vicarage, Pakenham.

On Thursday 17th September the ladies of the Church Social Committee invited all those members of the parish over the age of 60 to a Tea of home made cakes, scones and sandwiches in the Croft Community Room. This was well attended and proved to be a most enjoyable occasion. It was opportune for the new Rector, the Rev. Richard Addington, to attend as well and to take the opportunity of meeting informally a large number of his elderly parishioners and talk with them. Cakes and produce were on sale and it is intended to make this a regular event in future to be held on the last Thursday of each month. The P.C.C. wish to express their most hearty thanks to Mrs. Pat Reynolds and the ladies of her Church Social Committee for all their hard work and the satisfying results of this new venture.

The P.C.C. take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to Commander and Mrs. Huntingford who held a Coffee Evening at their residence, Royal William Cottage, on Wednesday 23rd September, enabling parishioners who had not already done so to meet the new Rector and his wife.

DATES TO NOTE

Friday 2nd October Harvest Supper in the Village Hall 7.30 p  
(ALL TICKETS SOLD)  
Sunday 11th October Harvest Festival..... 11 a  
Thursday 29th October Afternoon at The Croft.....2.30 p

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The children are busy preparing for the Harvest Festival. They are also responsible for decorating the Church porch on Saturday October 10th.

TOSTOCK W.I.

Tostock's August Garden Party was all set for an enjoyable time at the home of the President, when down came the rain just as everyone was leaving home. However, a good number of members and friends braved the elements, the Bring & Buy Stall and refreshments moved indoors, and a good time was had by all. The rain even cleared after a while, and we were able to see round the garden before leaving. Six entries came in for the Childrens' Wild Flower Competition, resulting in prizes for a small visitor in the Under 8 and for Lucy-Anne and Emily Pillars in the Over 8 Classes, each with 42 different species.

The speaker at Tostock W.I.'s September meeting was one of its own members, Mrs. Simone Rochford, who with the help

of some excellent slides, talked with great enthusiasm about 'her corner of France'. We were able to see the beauties of the Vosges Mountains, and some of the lovely villages and vineyards on their slopes.

A short memory competition afterwards, was won by Mrs. Andrews.

Members were reminded of the Autumn Council Meeting on October 5th, and the Group Meeting at Norton on October 19th. The speaker for the meeting on October 21st is now unable to attend, but we have been very fortunate to get Mrs. Joy Howlett to come and give a talk and demonstration on 'Yoga'. Please come suitably dressed for an active evening!

#### TOSTOCK OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The 3rd Annual Village Quiz on Friday September 25th proved once again to be a very popular and enjoyable event, and despite a slightly lower attendance this year, a cheque for £40.00 will be sent to the R.N.I. for the Blind.

Nine teams competed in three preliminary heats, and at the end of an exciting final round, the Postock Cricket Club triumphed with a handsome score. Our sincere thanks go to all the gallant teams who sportingly took part, to the many willing helpers, and to all those who came along to support such a worthy cause.

There will be a General Meeting on Tuesday October 6th at 7.30 prompt, and those members who wish to take part or help in any way with the coming Pantomime should attend. We offer a warm welcome to newcomers in the village, who apart from acting, might be interested in helping with one of the many other aspects of putting on a Show, i.e. - building and painting scenery, costume making, organising publicity, tickets and programmes etc. DO please come along to the Meeting, or contact the Secretary, Michele Faiers - telephone 76107.

TOSTOCK BROWNIES

The Pack joined other Brownies in the District on 26th September for District Revels at Tostock Village Hall, the theme being the Royal Wedding, each Brownie dressing up as a bridegroom and taking a 'bride' doll.

On Monday, 5th October, we have a Road Safety Officer coming to give the Brownies a talk on safety generally. Elmswell Brownies will be joining us for this important aspect of Brownie badge work, and anyone interested is welcome to come along, as from approx. 6.30 p.m.

On Monday 9th November, there will be a Tupperware Party commencing 6.15 p.m., any commission for pack funds. Refreshments will be served and we cordially invite anyone to come along and see the latest Tupperware ideas.

Please note the Brownies Christmas Mini-Market will be held this year on Saturday, 5th December 11 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. We hope to have one or two surprise items, in addition to the usual bulbs, cards, cakes, and of course hot lunches.

TOSTOCK PLAYGROUP

Our Jumble Sale held on 19th September raised approx. £85.00 for our Playgroup Funds. We wish to thank all those in the village who donated jumble and who came along to the Sale. Our special thanks to Derek and Maureen Beales, Peter and Josie McNiell, Doreen Buckle and Janet Largent who came along and helped us man the stalls.

We are having a stall on Bury Market on Wednesday 4th November when we will be selling crafts, cakes, jams, chutneys etc.

For the past few years parents and friends of the Playgroup have been out carol singing round the Village at Christmas time in aid of charity. This year, being the International Year of the Disabled, we wish to make a special effort to raise money. We are organising a Carol Concert in the Village Hall on the evening of Friday 11th December and the proceeds will go to the Spastics Society Unit, Shakers Lane, Bury St. Edmunds. There will be items by the young people of the Village, e.g. the Brownies and the Junior T.O.A.D.S. The Rev. Addington has agreed to be M.C. for the evening.

We will be having tea and mince pies and we hope everyone will come along and join in the carol singing.

#### THE BRITISH LEGION DIAMOND JUBILEE POPPY APPEAL 1981:

"Some years ago I was sitting at the back of Monty's Box at the first British Legion Reunion at the Albert Hall when a Sergeant touched me on the shoulder and said, "Colonel, there are several of your men here who would much like to have a word with you. I followed him to a Box where there were about 18-20 N.C.O.'s, and as I entered I noticed a Bombadier whom I knew well being awkwardly thrust forward. I sat and chatted to them all - all Horse Artillery men and Gunners who had served with me.

When I rose to leave I noticed that the Sergeant who had brought me took the hand of one of his companions and guided it into my hand in farewell.

It was not until I sat again in my Box that the "penny dropped" and I realised that all these good men of mine had been blinded. Not a man had told me of his wounds, or asked for my sympathy, and the kindness and thoughtfulness each man had for his neighbour was beyond my comprehension.

All these men had been ursed and cared for by YOUR GENEROSITY over the years in the Poppy Day Appeal of Earl Haig's Fund. I ask you for nothing. I know what you have given in the past, but maybe when you buy your Poppy this year it surely must be worth more than a packet of cigarettes for who knows, it might well have been you or me".

Robert Daniels

The House to House Collection will commence on 31st October.

TOSTOCK CRICKET CLUB

1981 RESULTS:

Matches Played	24
Matches Won	13
Matches Lost	7
Matches Drawn	4

The A.G.M. will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 22nd October in the Village Hall. All cricket supporters are cordially invited to attend.