

# TOSTOCK CHRONICLE

240

JUNE - JULY 2000

## PARISH COUNCIL

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AT 7.00pm ON TUESDAY 27th JUNE  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL A PRESENTATION  
WILL BE MADE TO MR.A.VILLAR IN  
RECOGNITION OF HIS 34 YEARS AS A  
PARISH COUNCILLOR AND FOR MOST  
OF WHICH TIME HE SERVED AS  
CHAIRMAN. A WARM WELCOME IS  
EXTENDED TO ANYONE IN THE VILLAGE  
WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN THIS  
SHORT CEREMONY.

At the Annual Parish Council Meeting Mr.A.Bauly was re-elected  
Chairman with Mr.A.Buxton Vice Chairman. Mr.D.Livingston continues  
as the R.F.O. (Treasurer)

Two planning applications were discussed - one being the erection  
of a single storey dwelling and garage at land at the Rosary, Leys Road,  
and the erection of a two storey extension to the north west elevation  
of the Mushroom, New Road. No objections were raised in either case.  
Requests were made for payment of cheques for insurance, paper for  
printing the Chronicle, control of moles on The Leys and an interest  
free 12 month loan to the Past & Present Society towards the cost of  
their book. All agreed. The precept has been received and also a  
donation from the V.H.M.C. together with a fee for advertising in the  
Chronicle and interest from Consol Stocks.

A reply from the councils complaint to the Environmental Health dept.  
regarding the disturbance in the village from the constant 'popping'  
of the gun club we have been informed that residents should contact  
the department on their direct line 01449 727322.

The Annual Parish Meeting was chaired by Mr.A.Bauly 14 residents  
were present, County Councillor Mrs.S.Sida Lockett, District Councillor  
Mr.Chris Glass, P.C.Mick Spencer, Mrs.S.Gage an officer from the  
Suffolk County Councils Traffic Department and six Parish Councillors.  
Apologies were received from Mrs.J.Inskip, Messrs.Armstrong and O'Reilly.  
Mrs.Sida Lockett gave a brief report as to how the County's various  
budgets were spent and answered questions from the audience.  
Chris Glass said he had only been a district councillor for nine months  
having been elected following the death of Bernard Siffleet and was  
still learning! He also outlined the finances of the district council  
There is a proposed major shake up of the electrol wards so Tostock  
may be changed. He pledged to do all he could for this village whilst  
he was our councillor and could be contacted at any time.  
Mrs.Gage attended the meeting at the request of the Parish Council in  
order to discuss lorry traffic through the village. She gave a report  
of surveys so far carried out especially relating to New Road and it  
was discovered that on average traffic is on par with other villages  
around the area. She also answered questions from the audience and  
agreed to look into the possibility of additional signing with an effort  
to keep lorries from using a short cut through the village.

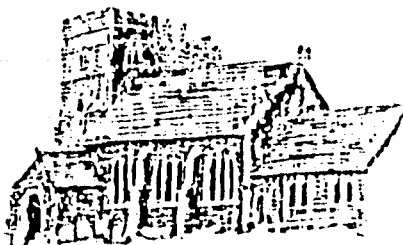
P.C.Spencer said another officer had been appointed so that he was now responsible for ten villages instead of seventeen. Happily he still had Tostock. Both he and the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator expressed the need for vigilance in locking sheds and garages in view of the fact that valuable tools and equipment could be kept inside and would be expensive to replace should anything be stolen. Also it was important that if anyone should see or suspect anything suspicious to contact their co-ordinator or the police immediately. They would rather investigate a false alarm than miss a crime. Reports were then given by the chairman on the past years work of the Parish Council. The meetings have dealt mainly with the ongoing saga of the Drinkstone Piggeries, the problems of traffic in Flatts Lane caused by the activities at the Stables, the setting up of the controlled management of The Leys through the Countryside Commission and M.A.F.F. He thanked Carl Buckle who had done much work towards this. He also thanked the councillors and officers for their help and work done by them throughout the year. Thanks were expressed to Mr.L.Flatman for cutting The Leys, Mr.& Mrs.J.Barker for litter picking and a special thanks to Simon Reynolds for cutting The Green and playing fields and for maintaining the mower, tractor and cutting equipment.

The Clerk reported on eleven meetings with an average attendance of eight councillors. 13 Planning applications had been discussed and all other matters had been covered by the chairman. The R.F.O. reported on the as yet un audited accounts. He pointed out that there had been a very big turnover of monies during the year compared with the past. The very high cost of the local election, the purchase of a replacement tripple cut mower and high audit fees would be covered by a larger precept fpr 2000/2001. Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2000 were £7,154.74 and the total payments amounted to £10,258.01 leaving a balance in hand of £254.64 in the current account and £565.43 in the Business Reserve account. Mrs.O'Reilly presented The Poors Estate Charity balance which opened the year with £552.28 Interest and allotment rent receipts brought the total to £719.76. Nine residents were paid £20 each leaving a balance of £539.76. A new hedge is to be planted along the northern boundary of the allotments and thanks were expressed to the M.S.D.C. who were financing the project. Mr.D.Livingston gave a report for the V.H.M.C. There were no other reports received.

A.O.B.

Mrs.Evans reported that Footpath No.3 had not been re-instated after ploughing and needed investigation as it was impossible to walk. Councils Footpath Officer will deal with this.

AN UP DATED INFORMATION SHEET IS DISTRIBUTED WITH THIS ISSUE OF THE CHRONICLE. PLEASE KEEP THIS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.



**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**  
**CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE AND JULY 2000**

**June**

4th	9.30 a.m.	Joint Benefice Communion Service at <u>Tostock</u>
11th	11.15 a.m.	Family Service
18th	9.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	Holy Communion [B.C.P.] Open Door - Informal Service at Pakenham
25th	9.30 a.m.	Morning Praise

**July**

2nd	9.30 a.m.	Joint Benefice Communion Service at <u>Pakenham</u>
9th	3.30 p.m.	Songs of Praise on the Village Green
16th	9.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	Holy Communion Open Door - Informal Service at Pakenham
23rd	9.30 a.m.	Morning Praise
30th	9.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer

As part of our celebrations for the year 2000 we will be holding a Songs of Praise on the Village Green at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday, 9th July, and a warm invitation to join us is extended to all. Refreshments will be available after the service. If it is wet we will meet in the Village Hall.

**Ian Hooper**  
**Rector**

**CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

We shall be providing our usual refreshments for the Art Show at the Church.

Saturday 17th June 11.00am to 5-00pm  
Sunday 18th June 2.00pm to 5.00pm

We hope to see many of you over these two days.

There will be an afternoon tea on TUESDAY 4th JULY in aid of St. Nicholas Hospice. It will be held at Meadow House, Flatts Lane from 3.00pm until 5.00pm.

If wet we shall be at the Village Hall.

THERE WILL BE OUR USUAL STALL PLUS A RAFFLE

## BOGUS CALLERS



There's a knock at the door...he asks to come in...This is the moment you ask for their identity card. Have a good look at it, is the company listed in the phone book? Never use the number he gives you. All officials from the service companies will have ID cards. If he doesn't ask him to leave. He may be very pleasant but he may be a BOGUS CALLER. **DON'T LET THEM IN.**

### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

POLICE 999  
ANGLIAN WATER 0800 145 145  
BRITISH TELECOM 0800 455 455  
GAS 0800 393 499  
EASTERN ELECTRICITY 0800 374 293

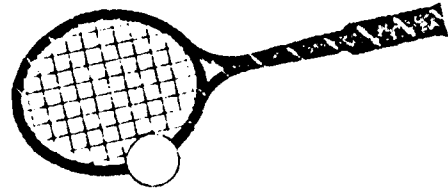
By Roger Harrison, Stowmarket Neighbourhood watch Co-ordinator

## TOSTOCK TENNIS CLUB

Tostock Tennis Club has been successful in obtaining funding for the resurfacing of the court and work is scheduled to commence during the last week in August. All tennis club members will be notified of the date when resurfacing will commence and for what period the court is not to be used.

The committee would like to remind all members that yearly fees for the use of the tennis court are now due and these are:-

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| - Family membership   | £25 |
| - Adults              | £12 |
| - Students            | £ 6 |
| - Children (under 16) | £ 5 |



There is a charge of £1 for the padlock key.

All fees to the club's treasurer/membership secretary, Elizabeth Dunn, Bramblewick Cottage, The Green, Tostock.

If anyone would like further information about the tennis court facility in Tostock please contact the secretary, Diane Plester, on 01359 271652.

Is your garden  
a jungle ?

Call Jane Hamblin

Tel: 01359 270644

LAND ARMY DESIGNS  
Garden design and build

## Tostock Past and Present Society

We should like to thank everyone for their interest and support at the launch of our new book TOSTOCK PAST AND PRESENT on Wednesday 24th May. We were delighted to see so many people there. Many Tostockians, past and present met up again for a happy evening with delicious refreshments, kindly supplied by our own members. Sales of the book went very well but copies are still available from either Heather Spencer, Bosmere, Perkins Way, or Jeanne O'Reilly, Rookwood, New Road (price £8.50).

Our next monthly meeting will be on Monday evening, June 5th at 8 pm when the speaker will be Joy Lodey, talking about LIFE IN THE WORKHOUSE, a subject covered in the new book by Jeanne O'Reilly with our own Tostock Workhouse. This should be a very interesting talk, as Joy Lodey has studied this subject extensively.

On 24th June - Midsummer Day, members of the Society will be up-dating our Village Survey, originally carried out in 1989. This will mean each house will be photographed and we hope occupiers will be willing to come out and be photographed in front of their homes to make a complete record of the village in this year 2000. If anyone has objections to their property being photographed please contact the secretary Heather Spencer 270395 and we will respect their wishes.

On Wednesday 16th August, there will be an evening visit to Stanford Battle Area. The coach will depart from the village hall at 5.30 p.m. to arrive at West Tofts by 6.30 p.m. for a conducted tour (on the coach) of the area which consists of deserted villages used by the Army for training and used for filming Dads Army. We have been waiting 3 years to do this outing, as it does get very booked. All welcome to join us, but please book with secretary if interested.

Please note there is no meeting in July.

## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Ten people attended the AGM held in the Hall on 25<sup>th</sup> April.

The drainage problem with the new basketball court has been solved and the Committee hope that the young members of the community will start to make use of this facility. A grant of £2619 has been made by Mid Suffolk towards the cost of resurfacing our Tennis Court.

It was suggested that the children's play area be fenced off to solve the persistent problem of 'dog fouling'. The costs will be evaluated.

The plans to divert the footpaths are progressing and, so far, no serious problems have been encountered.

An outline plan for new changing rooms on the east side of the Hall have been prepared by Mid Suffolk Architects Department and a feasibility study is being written so that grant applications can be submitted.

The existing Committee were re-elected with no changes.

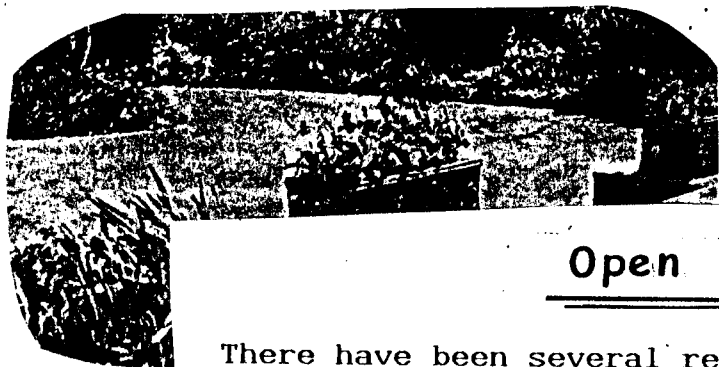
# Tostock Garden Club



Members are reminded of our visit to Mrs Thompson's garden at SUN HOUSE, LONG MELFORD on the evening of Tuesday June 20th.

It is suggested that we meet in the Village Hall car park at 6.30 pm. to make up cars for the journey, hopefully arriving at around 7 o'clock.

However, those who wish may of course make their own way.



## Open Gardens

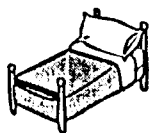
There have been several requests for another 'Open Gardens' event and therefore on Wednesday July 5th from 6.30 pm onwards you are invited to view the gardens of :

- Hazlewood, The Green.                      courtesy of Mrs J. Muir.  
Reynolds House, Church Road              courtesy of Mrs S. Jarvis  
2 Errington Way                      courtesy of Mrs S. Oldroyd  
Tostock House                      courtesy of Mrs J. Inskip

We are delighted to have this opportunity and are most grateful to these kind volunteers who deserve the support of all in the village who enjoy gardening.

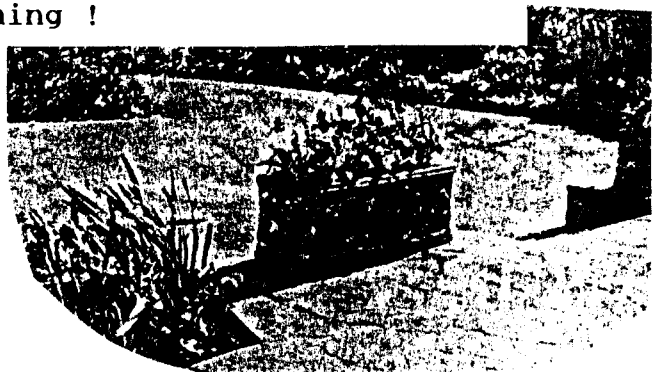
Let us hope and pray for a fine evening !

## Waste Collection



A charge for the collection of large domestic household items has been introduced by Mid Suffolk District Council. This includes items such as fridges, beds and three piece suites.

The charge is £11.75 (£10.00 + VAT) and came into effect from 1 APRIL 2000. There will be no charge to residents who receive Housing or Council Tax Benefits. For further information please contact Tim Swain, (01449) 727382.





Our band of ringers are practising every Monday, and we now have four young members who are doing very well. We are always pleased to see anyone who would like to come on Monday evening and find out what ringing is all about.

On Saturday 3rd June we are hosting a "Training Day" organised by the Ladies Guild of the Suffolk Ringers. This takes place from 2pm - 5pm and will be led by Betty Baines, the wife of our bell hanger Tony.

Then on Saturday 10th June, the Technical Officers of the Suffolk Guild are coming to Tostock to ring after their A.G.M., probably in the late afternoon.

The next supply of Tostock Yellow Roses will be available very soon. We apologise for the delay, but Mr. Dickings, the propagator, has been very busy and could not get them all 'potted on' in time. Some of the roses which arrived before Christmas are now in bud and about to flower, so please be patient if you are still waiting - they are well worth waiting for!

## A L L O T M E N T      C H A R I T Y

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The Trustees of the Poors Estate wish to thank Mr. F. Armstrong for his years of service to the Charity, and following his resignation, Carl Buckle has been appointed as a Trustee representing the Parish Council. The Trustees have decided to plant a hedge for wildlife along the northern boundary of the allotments.

*St. Andrew's Church, Tostock*  
Please come and join us at our

**SHORT PRE-SCHOOL SERVICE  
FOR  
BABIES, TODDLERS AND THEIR  
MUMS**

**MONDAY 5th JUNE**

11 a.m.



There will be a short informal  
time together followed by  
refreshments and fellowship.

See you there!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

RED CROSS COLLECTION The total raised was £142.00.

Grateful thanks to all who helped this worthy cause.

Cynthia Dean  
Red Cross Representative

CONSERVATION SUNDAY

Come and see conservation in action in BEYTON CHURCHYARD.

There will be a display, lots of information, and activities for children about the importance of un-cut grasses and wild flowers in our landscape.

It's BEAUTIFUL, it's BENEFICIAL, and it's contributing to our local BIO-DIVERSITY.

This is part of the Half a Mow project run by Mid Suffolk District Council and the Wildlife and Countryside Group, with local support and involvement.

For further information ring:-

Cathy Cass 01359 270785

COME AND HAVE A WILD TIME!!!!

LINE DANCING

We shall be starting a class in SEPTEMBER.

It will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENINGS from 7-30pm until 8-20pm

The cost will be £2.00 per head per session.



Annual Art Exhibition

OF PAINTINGS BY EAST ANGLIAN ARTISTS

in TOSTOCK CHURCH

SATURDAY 17th June 11.00am - 9.00pm  
SUNDAY 18th June 11.00am - 9.00pm  
MONDAY 19th June 11.00am - 5.00pm

Refreshments available

All profits shared by Tostock Church  
and Village Hall

# Tostock

## COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Mrs. S. Sida Lockett, Poplar Farm, Dandy Corner  
Cotton, Nr. Stowmarket. IP14 40X 01449 781327

## DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Mr. Chris Glass, Alwyd, The Street  
Hesett IP30 9AZ 270736

## PARISH COUNCIL

Mr. A. Baully - Chairman 270214  
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## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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Village Co-ordinator - Mr. J. Walker 271609

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270460

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## GARDEN CLUB

Secretary - Mr. D. Copeland 271591

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Secretary - Mrs. D. Plester 271652  
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SUNDAY CLUB held at Norton

Contact - Mrs. J. Harrison 270247

BROWNIES - Mrs. Schofield 241430

## TOSTOCK YOUTH SPORTS CLUB

Contact - Mr. P. Mathews 270317

LADIES CLUB Contact Mrs. M. Rouse 270554  
or Mrs. J. Moody 271191

YOGA Contact Mrs. J. Shaw 271103

RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE Mrs. C. Dean 270511

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240298

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