

TOSTOCK CHRONICLE

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1. Local Government Elections

County Council. On 11th April Mr. J. Sheerin was elected as representative for the district which includes Tostock.

Rural District Council. Mr. F. G. Armstrong was unopposed and has been re-elected as our representative.

Parish Council. There will be no election and Tostock is therefore saved considerable expense. The following have been elected unopposed.

F. G. Armstrong
A. Cutting
J. B. Glendinning
A. S. Laying
L. Moore
R. I. Mulley
A. S. R. Villar
Mrs. G. Waylett
E. J. Woodcock

A. E. Henderson is Parish Clerk.

2. Best Kept Village. There is no Competition this year for villages of our size. Nevertheless, so long as the Trophy stands on Tostock Green it is important to keep up the high standard which won us the award. The Committee is therefore holding a meeting at Tostock Old Hall on Wednesday 29th April at 7 p.m. to consider arrangements for maintaining the good appearance of the village during 1964. The Fund raised in 1963 has a balance in hand of £20. 14. 9.

Litter is always a problem. The good work of Mr. S. Allen and the Litter Wardens has made a noticeable improvement, and there are some good people who help unobtrusively. Of course it is not always Tostock residents who throw bits of paper on the ground; passing motorists are among the offenders. But sometimes it is Tostock people; for instance, there are often empty Woodbine packets in the ditch opposite the Church gate, always in the same place, and that makes work for the Mobile Litter Bin.

3. Songs of Praise Many Television viewers have watched with pleasure the B.B.C. programme of Songs of Praise on Sundays. They have seen congregations in Churches of all denominations, in England, Scotland and Ireland. The services were attended by young and old; the singing has been a pleasure to hear and was obviously enjoyed by all taking part.

The Rector is holding such a Service in Tostock Church at 3.30 in the afternoon of Sunday 10th May. It will mainly consist of hymns, some special ones being sung by the Church Choir and members of the Womens' Institute. A solo will be sung by Mrs. Westbrook. The Service will be undenominational and some of the hymns will be accompanied by the band of the Salvation Army.

4. The T.O.A.D.S. The Junior Drama Group will be meeting every Thursday at 6.30 p.m. in the Village Hall to prepare for the performance of a short play called "Western Interlude" which will be given at the Tostock Fete on Saturday 25th July. The first rehearsal was held on Thursday 23rd April.

5. British Legion. The Beyton, Hessett and Tostock Branch is holding a Fair in Tostock Village Hall on Saturday 2nd May at 2.30 p.m.

6. Village Hall. The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on Thursday 7th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. This is AN IMPORTANT MEETING at which THE NEW COMMITTEE will be elected. Many residents will wish to hear the progress that the retiring Committee has made towards the improvement of the Hall. The financial state is

Current Account Balance £30. 18. 8.
Deposit Account (for Improvements) £237. 9. 7.

By kind permission of Mr Henderson a Fete will be held in the park of Tostock Place on Saturday 25th July. A Clay Pigeon Shoot is being organised by Mr. Stephen Guylas to take place on Saturday 18th July. The proceeds of both events will be given to the Village Hall Improvement Fund.

7. Darby and Joan Club. The Sale organised by Mrs. Scott with the valuable help of many kind ladies on Saturday 4th April for the benefit of the Club realised £28. 16. 0.

8. Drama Club. The Club has staged their fifth production which was well supported by Tostock. The next production is in the hands of Mr. John Procter, and will be presented early in December. Rehearsals will commence at the end of September.

The Club is still in need of actors, particularly young men. Any resident of Tostock is eligible to join the Secretary Mrs. Spencer of Bosmere, Perkins Way, will be pleased to supply details to anyone interested.

9. Coal Charity. The Trustees at a meeting held 30th January last agreed to rescind the resolution referring to payment of rents in advance, as published in Tostock Chronicle No. 27. A resolution was then passed that rents would be collected for each past year on 31st October.

10. Postal Information. Owing to the sickness of our regular Postman several different postmen are being supplied by the Head Office. They are finding considerable difficulty in delivering mail at many residences due to the lack of letter boxes in doorways. Very frequently letters are brought back to Tostock Post Office for instructions, thus causing delay in delivery. All residents who have not got letter boxes let into their front doors are earnestly requested to have them fitted as soon as possible or to provide a box at the doorway for letters.

It would also greatly assist if residents would ask their correspondents to use their full names and addresses on letters. For instance "Mr. Tostock" may be one of several persons.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

TOSTOCK

The parochial Church Council is now making the annual Appeal to all residents for a subscription towards paying for the maintenance of our Parish Church.

Owing to the generosity of Tostock people a great deal has been done during the past four years. £1,645 has been raised and spent on structural repairs. The Church bells are still on the floor of the nave and it is desirable that one or all should be re-hung. And funds are still required for heating the Church by electricity, towards which some generous sums have already been given.

WILL YOU PLEASE GIVE AS MUCH AS YOU CAN AGAIN.

A member of the P. C. C. will call on you about the middle of May. All contributions will be confidential and very gratefully received.

May 1965

R.H.Errington }
R.I.Mulley } Churchwardens.
H.W.T.Sherwood. } Hon. Secretary.