

May - 1966.

1. Best Kept Village Competition. The Parish Council has entered for the Thedwastre Rural District Competition which is the only one Tostock can compete in this year. The prize, as before, is £25. Judging will take place between 4th and 8th July.
An open meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 20th May at 7.30. p.m. to elect a Committee and to discuss matters in connection with preparing for the Competition. Tostock's Best Kept Village Fund has a balance in hand of £35.14.2d.

2. Village Hall. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 3rd June at 7.30. p.m. A Management Committee for the coming year will be elected. All residents above the age of 18 are entitled to vote.

At a Parish Meeting on 23rd March 1966 it was resolved that £210, which the Management Committee had paid to the Parish Council, should be paid back to the Management Committee and used for improving the existing Village Hall. The current account of the Village Hall Fund has (4th May) a balance in hand of £16. 8. 1d.

3. Drama Club. The Club is breaking new ground for its next production in that it will be staged at Beyton Modern School. By affiliating with the Beyton Evening Centre, the hall and stage facilities give more scope to the Club to develop stage craft and to entertain a larger audience. It was with mixed feelings that the Club decided to move to Beyton, for they enjoyed staging their productions in the Village Hall. The next production, "REBECCA" by Daphne Du Maurier, will be presented in July.

Twenty members and friends attended an excellent professional production of "My Fair Lady" at Norwich Theatre Royal on 18th March. The next theatre visit will be to the Royal Shakespeare Theatre at Stratford-upon-Avon on 21st May to see "Henry IV - Part 1". One or two seats are still available and if anyone is interested, please contact either Mrs. Proctor, Mrs. Russell or Mrs. Spencer.

A "Coffee Morning" will be held on Sunday 15th May, 10.30 to Noon, for all members and friends of the Club at "Bosmere", Perkins Way. Tickets are available from Mrs. Spencer.

It is hoped to continue regular visits to theatres in the area and further "Coffee Mornings". New social members are very welcome.

4. Darby and Joan Club. A Sale to raise funds for the Club will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 21st May at 2.30 p.m. (not on 14th May as previously arranged.)
The Club Outing to Felixstowe will take place on Tuesday 14th June. Some spare seats in the bus are available.
5. Church News. The Sale to raise funds for the Sunday School, which was to have been held on 30th April, was cancelled. Instead the Rector is planning to hold two Family Services during the summer, at which the collections will be for the Sunday School.
The Church roof timbers still have traces of woodworm and will soon be having another spraying at a cost of £50.
Services. Ascension Day. Thursday 19th May. Holy Communion at 10.30.a.m.
Whit Sunday. 29th May. Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and 10a.m.
6. Chapel News. A Sale will be held to raise funds in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th June at 2.45 p.m.
7. Registration of Common Lands. The East Anglian Daily Times announced on 5th April that "a major publicity campaign for the registration and preservation of common land" has been launched. Booklets explaining the Commons Registration Act 1965 are being distributed. The Ministry of Land and Natural Resources states "Many people will need to apply under the Act for claims to be registered". This will clear up the confusion concerning Manorial Rights. Tostock Parish Council, being Lord of the Manor of our common lands, is taking the necessary action.
8. Womens' Institute. Tostock Institute is celebrating its forty fourth birthday this month. The Drama Section is putting on a little play for members and their friends in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th May at 7.30 p.m.

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