

September 1971

1. Village Hall. As stated last March in Chronicle No. 69, Mr. Styles wishes to retire from being Secretary of the Village Hall, so that he can give more time to his professional duties. No-one has volunteered! Surely some lady or gentleman will come forward to relieve Mr. Styles?
2. Best Kept Village. Lidgate has won the Competition this year. So the Fison Trophy, after being displayed on Tostock Green for eight years, has been removed. It was high time that it should leave us, for Tostock, owing to the ravages of the sewerage installation, was in no condition to compete in the Competition. Even the Trophy itself needed a face-lift. Standing there on our village Green it was a travesty. Now it has been repainted and proudly stands in Lidgate, who well deserve the honour.
3. Church News.
 - a. Family Service. A Special Service for parents and children will be held on the first Sunday in every month. Concerning this the Rector sends the following message to the people of Tostock:-

"It is sincerely hoped that this Service will be, in a true sense, a Family Service. In these modern times 'Mum and Dad' lead busy lives. Therefore a shorter form of Morning Prayer will perhaps make it possible for them to come with their children once a month. The Service will start at 10 a.m. and, as it lasts only forty minutes, it should permit of parents reaching home in time to prepare the Sunday lunch.

"It is hoped that as many families as possible will accept the real welcome that the Service extends to them, and worship God in the full fellowship of the family. Remember the wise saying - 'The family that prays together, stays together'. Come and make the Family Service the warm, friendly, family affair it ought to be".
 - b. Churchyard Caretaker. Mr. V.M. Huffey, who for many years has taken great pride in maintaining the Churchyard in an exemplary state, now wishes to retire. The Church Council would be grateful if someone would come forward to assume the duties of Caretaker. The salary is £46 per annum. Anyone who is willing to do this good service is asked to inform the Churchwardens, either Mr. G. Woodley or Mr. R.I. Mulley.
 - c. Harvest Festival. Sunday 10th October - 10 a.m. Holy Communion
6.30 p.m. Evensong
 - d. Remembrance Sunday. 14th November. 10 a.m. Armistice Service.
 - e. Church Fayre. The usual annual Sale, to raise funds for the Church, will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 20th November commencing at 2.45 p.m. The Church Council will meet in the Village Hall on Tuesday 18th October to arrange details for the Fayre.
4. Chapel News The Harvest Festival Service will be held on Sunday 10th October.
Salvage Collection. Mrs. Quilley is grateful to all who brought their waste paper to her garage for sale in aid of Chapel Funds. The sum raised so far is £6.40.
5. Coal Charity. IMPORTANT. Those entitled to the coal are reminded they must make application, in writing, before 31st October. The applications are not now made to Mr. Sherwood, but to the Rector. To do this applicants are asked to place their letters on the table just inside the Church. The Rector will collect them from there.
6. Tostock Community Council.
 - a. Bonfire Night Party. It is hoped that the successful firework display of the past two years will be repeated this year on Friday 5th November. Families who intend coming along will be asked to contribute one or two large fireworks; or, better still, a donation towards the cost of large fireworks. Details will be circularised in a few weeks time.
 - b. Junior Social Club. Gatherings have been resumed on Friday evenings, 7.45 to 9.45, in the Village Hall. Those over twelve years old are welcome

7. Brownies. The Brownies send best wishes to Karen Davey, Melanie Spencer and Leila Parkhurst who have all left the Brownies to go on to Norton Guides. Plans for the Autumn include a day's outing to London, to visit the Royal Mews and the Guide Headquarters. A 'Pack Holiday' evening will be held of all helpers following the Pack's recent successful holiday at Brettenham Park, to show all the Brownies photographs, charts, etc. Both events will be held after the return of our "Tawny", Mrs. Andrews, who it is hoped is having a lovely holiday in Rhodesia. Nearer Christmas, a Brownie Mini-Market will be staged again, in aid of our adopted leper boy and funds.

8. Phoenix Players/T.O.A.D.S. Rehearsals start in earnest this month for the pantomime "Puss in Boots", to be produced at Beyton Modern School on Friday and Saturday, 14th and 15th January 1972. Book these dates now for the New Year. New members are still needed for all the many jobs involved in pantomime. Anyone interested please contact Mrs. Millman, "Avonlake", Norton Road, Tostock. Telephone Beyton 209.

9. Police and Fire Brigade. A resident has been enquiring about the quickest way to call the Police and Fire Brigade in an emergency. Of course everyone knows one can dial 999, but that is not the quickest method.

The Police Officer in charge of Tostock is Pc Ridgen. He lives at Beyton; his telephone number is Beyton 211. He says that if he should be out one should telephone Bury St. Edmunds 2992. - 9. 2992

The nearest Fire Station is at Elmswell; telephone Elmswell 306. 992-306

10. Bus Shelter. The Bus Shelter is being erected on Saturday next 25th September 1971. Helpers are urgently required and are asked to report to Mr. Laynge, at the site on the A45, at 10 a.m. on that day.

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