

December 1971

- 1 Women's Institute. The Annual Meeting of the Institute took place on 17th November. The following were elected:-

President	Mrs. Lloyd-Ward.
Vice-Presidents	Mrs. Errington.
	Mrs. Sweny.
Secretary	Mrs. Jay.
Treasurer	Mrs. Walters.
Committee	Mrs. Sulman . Mrs. Scott.
	Mrs. Pritchard . Mrs. Andrews.
	Mrs. Moore. Lady Currie

Mrs. Lloyd-Ward proposed a vote of thanks on behalf of the members to Mrs. Reynolds who was retiring as President due to family commitments.

2. Tostock Community Council. The Whist Drive for Council funds, organised by Mrs. Scott, will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 8th December.
3. Darby & Joan Club (Over 60's). The evening party for members of the Club will take place in The Villags Hall on Saturday 15th January 1972. 5 to 10 p.m.  
Mr. Christopher Buxton has kindly volunteered to provide transport for those members who otherwise would be unable to attend.
4. Church News. Please remember the Christmas Services, advertised in Chronicle No.72, including the Carol Service to be performed by children of the Sunday School. The collection will be divided equally between Church Expenses and the Sunday School.
5. Care of Elderly People; This year's Annual Report of the Suffolk Rural Community Council has in it an interesting article about the Social Services that have been organised in order to help and care for elderly people, particularly those who are invalids and those who live alone. Clubs have been formed in towns and villages which have provided companionship for elderly people, who without them would lead a very lonely existence. It is suggested that a small welfare sub-committee of interested people should be attached to each Club; these kind people would keep an eye on all the elderly people in the village, and ensure that the more material things, such as clearing snow from pathways, shopping, getting to church or chapel, or the occasional visit to the local town, etc., are catered for .

Young people could give valuable help in some of these requirements

Another activity that has been voluntarily started is called The Day Centre . This is chiefly for invalide; it provides a weekly visit to the Community Centre on the Howard Estate in Bury St. Edmunds.

We in Tostock have our Darby and Joan Club, efficiently managed by Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Fuller. Bu what the Rural Community Council refers to is on a larger scale. It would have to be organised by someone in Tostock who could give the time and thought to it. Is anyone prepared to undertake this splendid work?

If so Captain Errington will give them full particulars and put them in touch with Mr. R.G. Payton who is the full time organiser for West Suffolk and whose office is in the Shire Hall.