

December 1972

1. Village Hall and Community Council. Mrs. Edward Nunn has most kindly volunteered to undertake the duties of Secretary of these two Committees. Her address is Pine Acre, Norton Road, Tostock. Telephone Beyton 457. Tostock is very grateful to her and it is hoped that all who can, will help her.
2. Brownies. Please remember the Brownies' Mini-Market to be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 9th December commencing 2.30 p.m.  
The Brownies were thrilled to receive a letter from the Queen's lady-in-waiting acknowledging the card they had made with pressed wild flowers and sequins for the Queen and Prince Philip on the occasion of their Silver Wedding.
3. Womens' Institute.
  - a. At the Annual Meeting in November the following officers were appointed for 1973:-

President	Mrs. Lloyds Ward.
Vice Presidents	Mrs. Swony and Mrs. Errington.
Treasurer	Mrs. Edward Nunn.
Secretary	Mrs. J. Walters.
  - b. It was decided to hold a Christmas Party in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th December commencing at 7 p.m. Invitations to the Party will be sent to all the most recent new-comers to Tostock.
4. Church News.
  - a. On Sunday 17th December a Carol Service, taken by the Rev.G.A.Ford of Norton, will be held at 3 p.m. It will include a story, about the Nativity, written by Mrs. Manning and read by Miss Sherwood, and children of the Sunday School, in costume, will take part in it.  
There will be a Christmas Tree and people are invited to give presents to put round the tree. These gifts will later be sent to the Children's Welfare Officer in Bury St. Edmunds.
  - b. Christmas Eve Service. A midnight service of Holy Communion will be held on Christmas Eve, 23th December.
  - c. Christmas Day. Holy Communion at 10 a.m. with Carols.
5. Chapel News. A United Carol Service will be held in the Chapel on Sunday 24th December at 2.45 p.m.
6. Darby and Joan Club (Over 60's)
  - a. The Christmas Party will be held in the Gardoners Arms on Saturday 16th December commencing at 6 p.m. Some members are unable to attend unless transport can be provided for them. Will some kind person please volunteer to provide this transport and inform Mrs. Scott, Telephone Boyton 286 ?
  - b. Care of Elderly People. It was reported in Chronicle No.73 that the Suffolk Rural Community Council were fostering a scheme to care for elderly people, particularly those who live alone. Mr. R.G.Payton was appointed to assist villages in the scheme. Mrs. Scott has obtained from Mr. Payton some pocket alarms which can be used in emergency and has issued them to some people. She also has some cards with the word HBLP which can be displayed in a front window.  
Miss Phillips is also helping Mr. Payton. Anyone wanting these devices should apply to Mrs. Scott or Miss Phillips.
7. Parish Council. The Council has decided to re-submit the scheme discussed at the Last Parish Meeting, for the Village Improvement Scheme run by Thodwastro R.D.C. namely low posts and chains round the corners of the Green, and some equipment for younger children on the Sports Field.  
It was also decided to present one of the lawn mowers won in the Best Kept Village Competition to the Church Council for use in the Churchyard.

8. Postal Information. Christmas deliveries and collections:-

Monday December 18 to 22	One delivery of letters and parcels daily Collection - normal.
Saturday December 23	One delivery as above One collection - 9.45 a.m.
Sunday December 24 to 26	No deliveries. No collections
Wednesday December 27	One delivery of letters and parcels. One collection - 9.45 a.m.

Note On Wednesday 27th December the Sub-Post Office counter will be closed.

9. Silver Paper Collection . The recent collection, made by residents, Brownies and children from Elmswold, raised a further £1 to be donated towards training Guide dogs for the Blind.
10. Poppy Day Collection. The sum collected was £25.70. The collectors were Mrs. Holo, Lady Currie and Mrs. Dahl.

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