

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Dont forget the important Annual Parish Meeting at the Village Hall on Monday, 5th April at 7.45 p.m. We have a speaker from the Anglia Water Authority Finance Dept., and our own County Councillor, so do come along with your questions.

Parish Council Election on 6th May. NOMINATION PAPERS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE PARISH CLERK at Ferndale, Norton Rd., Tostock OR from the MID SUFFOLK COUNCIL OFFICES: but they must be returned BY NOON ON 8th APRIL.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The date for the Annual General Meeting has not yet been announced. This should be before the next issue of the Chronicle and will be advertised.

TOSTOCK VILLAGE HALL.

The Secretary to the Village Hall Committee, Mrs Evelyn Nunn has formally resigned and the post has been taken up by Mr M.W. O'Reilly of "Rookwood", New Road. Special thanks are extended to Mrs Nunn for all the exacting work that she has carried out, particularly during the purchase negotiations for the new hall.

A draft specification has been drawn up by the special Sub-Committee for the storage extension to the hall. The proposals have been accepted in principle by the Committee and costs are being investigated. The extractor fans mentioned in the last Chronicle have now been installed and, although incomplete, are usable.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Hall on Friday, 30th April at 8 p.m. Your support is anticipated.

TOSTOCK FESTIVAL. Summer 1976.

The following is the suggested programme of events for the Week of Victoriana, in conjunction with the Festival of Flowers in the church. We do hope that everyone will enter into the festivities and have a happy and enjoyable week.

<u>Friday, 25th June</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Organised by</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
All day	Festival of Flowers.	P.C.C.	Church
Afternoon	Victorian Teas, Cake and Plant Stalls	W.I.	V.Hall
Evening at 7 p.m.	Procession of organisations, possibly with floats: everybody round the village, headed by Salvation Army Band	Sub-Comm.	Assemble at V.H.
	Return to playing field for hot pies and cordials.		
	Darts Tournament (Provisional)	Darts Club	V.Hall
<u>Sat. 26 June</u>			
All day	Festival of Flowers	P.C.C.	Church
Evening at 7.30 p.m.	Concert.	P.C.C.	Church
Afternoon	*Exhibition of Victoriana - and Teas (if permission granted)	Over 60's & Chapel	Croft C. Room

\*If anyone has any Victoriana they would be willing to lend for this one afternoon, we would be very grateful if you could please tell Mr Sage, Gweek Cottage, Leys Rd. Great care would be taken of these articles and security planned accordingly.

<u>Sun. 27th June.</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Organised By</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
All day	Festival of Flowers	P.C.C.	Church
Afternoon	Display of Paintings by artists in the village. (Mrs.Lightfoot, Mrs.Rochford, Mrs.Mitchell and others.)		V.H.
"	Comic Victorian Cricket Match Ladies v Gentlemen.	-Football Club.	P/Field
"	Victorian Teas, Cake and Plant Stalls	W.I.	V.H.
Evening at 6.30 p.m.	Evensong. Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.	P.C.C.	Church
<u>Tues.29th June.</u> )	True Love - or the Bloomer.		V.H.
<u>Wed.20th June.</u> )	Mid-Victorian Comedy.	TOADS	V.H.
<u>Thurs. 1st July.</u>	Special Whist Drive	Bridge Club	V.H.
<u>Fri. 2nd July.</u>	Victorian Music Hall with supper and dancing. It is hoped all will enter into the fun of the evening and dress up.	Comm-unity Council	V.H.
<u>Sat. 3rd July.</u>	Childrens' Day. Punch & Judy, Maypole Dancing, Model Steam Engine, Tug-of-War, Competitions, Fancy Dress, Entertainments, Pony Rides etc.	Brownies, Junior Church TOADS, Youth Club.	Playing Field.
Afternoon	Event to be decided	Youth Club.	V.H.
Evening			
Sub-Committee	: Mr. R. Mulley, Mrs Millman, Mrs Spencer and Mrs P. Reynold for the Parochial Church Council.		
N.B.	Any further ideas or suggestions will be welcomed by the above members.		

THE CHURCH OF ST.ANDREW, TOSTOCK.

Easter will soon be here and on Thursday, 15th April there will be a service of Holy Communion at 11.45 p.m. On Good Friday, 16th April, there will be a Devotional Hour at 12 noon. On Easter Sunday, 18th April, there will be a series of services: Holy Communion at 9 a.m., Family Mattins at 11 a.m. and Full Evensong at 3.30 p.m.

In connection with the Festival of Flowers, there will be an opening service on Friday, 25th June at 7.30 p.m., a concert in the church on Saturday, 26th June at 7.30 p.m., and on Sunday, 27th June, Evensong at which the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich will be present.

The annual Church Appeal will be made towards the end of May and we look forward to as heartening a response as we had last year.

We are told that the churchyard gate is not new but was repaired. It is a very welcome improvement, for it looks as good as new.

TOSTOCK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Congratulations to Mrs. Rochford who has been awarded the Lady Blake Cup for her design for a Federation table frontal. The drawings for this may be seen at the April W.I. meeting.

Date to remember: May 4th. Coffee Morning at Hermitage Green House at 10.30 a.m.

#### TOSTOCK YOUTH CLUB.

Teams from Tostock Youth Club will be representing the village in the Suffolk Association Sports Competition being held at Ipswich on 4th April. Teams will be competing in Table Tennis, Netball, Boys' five a side and Girls' five a side Football.

The Jumble Sale held on 14th Feb. was a tremendous success. We would like to thank the people of Tostock for their generosity in giving produce, jumble etc. and donations, as also for their support in attending the sale. A profit of £80 was made and this enabled the Club to buy a snooker table.

The Youth Club still needs adults to help with the snack bar and general supervision. If you would like to help once a month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday evenings, the organisers would be very grateful.

A party of Youth Club members visited the new indoor swimming pool at Bury on 7th March. This was an enjoyable outing and it is hoped to make this a feature of our summer activities.

#### TOSTOCK BROWNIES.

The Brownies were delighted to present the special Guide Thanks Badge to Captain and Mrs Errington at Tostock Old Hall recently. This is in recognition of their kindness to the Brownies during many years and particularly for the loan of their hut as a summer home for the pack.

An Ipswich Brownie Pack will be spending part of the Easter holiday at Tostock Village Hall on a Pack Holiday for five days and Tostock Brownies hope to join forces with them one afternoon.

One day in the Easter holidays will be spent on a 'litter clear up' in the village, followed by a 'cook up'.

#### CUB AND SCOUT JOB WEEK.

During the Easter holidays Cubs and Scouts all over the country will be working for "Job Week". Each Pack and Troop has to pay £1-50 per head for every boy and leader, to cover the annual cost of running the Scout Movement both at national and county level. For a young timid boy especially it can be quite an ordeal to knock on a door and ask if there is a job he can do. This is why the boys usually work in pairs. Although uniform should be worn, wellingtons and old clothes can quickly be put on for car washing etc. and all the boys carry official cards to be signed. People have been very kind in the past and I hope that this year the response will be equally cheering. So please try to save some of those odd jobs until the Easter holidays.

1976 is the Diamond Jubilee for Cubs. As part of the celebrations we are working for the Conservation Badge, quite a difficult one to earn as it involves many projects. Tostock Cubs have started a litter campaign as part of this work. Anyone in Norton Road last Saturday morning would have witnessed disaster, for the wet litter caused the bottom to fall out of a cardboard box! I should therefore be grateful for any polythene sacks which may no longer be required.

Thurston Cubs recently divided into two groups, one still meeting at Thurston, the other at Norton - both meetings on Thursday evenings. The Thurston Scout Troop was reformed last November and meets at Thurston Upper School on Thursday evenings. If anyone would like more information I will try to help them. My telephone number is Beyton 631.

Mrs P. Hopkins.

#### TOSTOCK OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY (T.O.A.D.S.)

The T.O.A.D.S. are holding a special Supper Dance in the Village Hall on Friday, 23rd April from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in honour of St. George, the oft-neglected patron saint of England. (Why should St. Patrick have all the fun?) An enjoyable menu is being planned by the

ladies of the Committee, and music for dancing will be provided by the popular "FIESTA SHOWBAND". Decorations in the traditional scarlet and white, and a licensed bar will add to the festivities. Tickets from Mrs. Millman (Tel. Beyton 209) or from any member - PRICE £1-70. (Limit of 120 so book quickly please!)

Rehearsals are already in progress for the Victorian comedy "TRUE LOVE - OR THE BLOOMER" to be presented in the Village Hall during the "Week of Victoriana" Festival in June; and younger members are providing lively musical entertainment for the Victorian Music Hall and Supper Dance taking place later in the same week. It's not too late to join in the fun. Just ring Beyton 209 for details.

#### OVER 60's CLUB.

In late January a Christmas Party was held in the Village Hall with a salad meal kindly prepared by Mrs. Eileen Fuller and her family. We were able to welcome our President, Mr. Armstrong and three members from Norton Club who were present.

This year we look forward to one or two outings, but it is agreed that a meal at a restaurant will be too costly at today's high prices.

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### SPORTING NOTES

#### FOOTBALL CLUB

Tostock are through to the final of the Bury Sunday League Knock-out Cup. The League have yet to announce the pitch, but it is expected to be played on April the 4th, at Bury Football Club's ground in Kings Road, Bury St. Edmunds. Kick off at 2.30 pm. and our opponents are Cockfield Football Club.

This should prove to be an exciting Cup Final, so please try to be in Bury on Sunday the 4th and support your local team.

The latest league position is:-

Played 16    Won 7    Lost 9    Goals for 45    Goals against 51

This years end of season Married's v Singles match has been fixed for the afternoon of Sunday the 25th of April. Would budding football stars please contact Colin Buckle (if single), or Roy Richards (if married). Please note that the age limit for single persons is 98, married 's are allowed to be a little older!

#### DARTS CLUB.

Tostock are leading the Greene King League again this season and with just 4 matches left seem sure of at least a high final position. In the Wetherden League the younger players have climbed the table and are now approximately at the half way position.

Tostock recently played a Bury team from the "Dove" in the All Suffolk Championship. The Bury team arrived at the Gardeners Arms with a coach load of supporters who cheered nearly every Dove dart. Despite this very strong support, and a team of extremely good players, Tostock won by 8 games to 7 after a very close and exciting finish.

#### QUOITS CLUB.

The Quoits season begins again in April, and Tostock have again entered a team. Will those interested please look out for fixture notices soon.