

# Season's Greetings



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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN,

In the last issue I talked of supporting the Social Club now that it meets in the lounge. Things are going well with an increasing number of you making use of the facilities on the 4 evenings it is open, (Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday). The chairman, Mr. Gary Mutton and his committee are working very hard to provide a variety of events.

Do join in the various events listed elsewhere in this issue. My own "plug" is for "Pip's Xmas Bingo" on Monday 20th December at 7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m. Bring the children too - there are special prizes for them. Many of the prizes are donated by the regular players at Bert & Peggy New's fortnightly bingo. Money raised at the Xmas Bingo will go towards the hall expenses.

Perhaps a little in advance - but "A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all" on behalf of the Management Committee and myself.

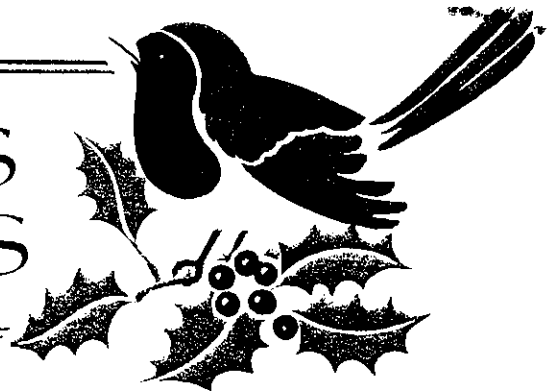
P. J. Wilkinson  
(Chairman)

PLEASE DON'T FORGET The Annual General Meeting of the Hall Management Committee will take place in the hall on Tuesday 7th December 1993 at 7.30p.m. To elect representatives of the village on to the committee for 1994. This is also an opportunity to express views and suggestions for future activities and events.





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## LOAN BOND DRAW

The winners of the draw on 1st October were Mrs Jenny Harvey, Mrs Diane Fetherston and Mr. Pip Wilkinson. The next draw takes place on 1st January and quarterly after that. There are still a few bonds available at £20.00 each if you would like one. How about buying the children or grandchildren a bond!

TALKING OF CHILDREN - The Social Club were very pleased to see so many people at the bonfire and firework evening. This is normally one of the events which the club has to greatly subsidise but due to the good turnout the sum they had to find was less than £50.00. Our thanks to Mr. Chris. Brighton for allowing us the use of Pear Tree Farm.

VILLAGE HALL ALARM - Should you hear this ringing, the person to contact is Mr. Denis Nudd as he, as licensee, holds the key, at Fir Grove Cottage, Hethel Road, Wreningham. Tel: 680.

## WRENINGHAM "ALL SAINTS"

THE CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE. This year was most successful. Six cyclists 'pedalled' and between them raised £277.22 of which half will come to the church. The other half goes to the Churches Trust. Our sincere thanks to Mr & Mrs Bilham plus their 2 children who were pillion passengers, also to Chris Harris, Alex Brighton, Neil McQueen and Gary Bunting. A wonderful effort.

GIFT DAY - The envelope appeal for the church realised £180.00. thank you to those who gave so generously.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Although the weather was not very kind it was an enjoyable afternoon and on behalf of the Church Council "thank you" to everyone who came and 'dug' into their purses and helped to raise the £325.00. To all those who gave cakes, plants, groceries, prizes and gifts and to all the helpers - thank you all.

Margaret Wilkinson





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## EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

Fri. 3rd - Ballroom, Latin & Sequence dancing to records with Frank & Jean. 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. admission £1.50

Sun. 5th - There will be a "Songs of Praise" in the village hall at 6.30 p.m. Do come along and sing your favourite hymns and advent carols. Let Mr. Hanton or Mr Long know your choice. Refreshments will be available.

Tues. 7th - Village Hall A.G.M. - details on front page.

Wed 8th & ) Wreningham First School are holding two performances  
Fri 10th ) of their Christmas Play "Why Choose an Angel" at the village hall on Wed. 8th Dec. at 10 a.m. and on Fri. 10th Dec. at 6.30 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Fri. 10th Social Club is holding a quiz evening do come at 8 p.m.

Sat. 11th Country Club with "Country Boys" - the hall will be decorated for Christmas and we would love to see more of the village people there.

Mon. 13th Bert & Peggy's Bingo

Sat. <sup>18</sup>20th Christmas Ballroom Dance, to include Latin and Sequence, dancing to records with Frank & Jean. Light buffet. Tickets in advance at £1.50 from Christine Minns (Church Farm, Wreningham or tel: Wymondham 602754).

Mon. ~~20th~~ "pip's Xmas Bingo" - details on front page.

Wed. 22nd CHRISTMAS MUSIC EVENING - Mike Butcher has again arranged an informal evening of music with a Christmas flavour, provided by his family and friends. 7.30 p.m. - Admission £1.00. Mince Pies will be provided and the bar will be open.

Do come along and enjoy the varied programme, which will include one or two carols for all to sing.

Thur. 23rd The Social club draw will take place in the lounge.





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## WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE?

There will be a party at the village hall. The disco is booked, the ballons and party poppers organised. A buffet is in hand and those with ideas for party games have been told to stand by.

Tickets in advance (as early as possible for catering reasons), from Social Club committee members or the club bar at £5.00 each

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CALLING ALL SENIOR CITIZENS - you are warmly invited to visit the school on Monday 13th December at 2.0 p.m. to join the children for carols and mincepies.

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CAROLS SERVICE AT "ALL SAINTS" CHURCH - Tuesday 23rd December at 7.0 p.m. Everybody is welcome at this service of carols and readings, and we look forward to seeing you.

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AFTER THE BUSY PERIOD OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR THERE WILL STILL BE EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL IN JANUARY:

- Sat. 8th Country Club with "Gold Country"
- Mon. 10th Bingo with Bert & Peggy
- Mon. 17th Whist Drive - this is a belated Christmas Drive.
- Tues. 18th Parish Council Meeting
- Fri. 21st Fortnightly Ballroom, Latin & Sequence.
- Mon. 24th Bingo with Bert and Peggy
- Fri. 28th A Film Archives evening - previous ones have been very interesting so do put the date in your diary.

REMEMBER - SOCIAL CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS  
DUE 1ST JAN £1.00





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POPPY APPEAL - Mr Barney Howes would like to thank those who collected and those who gave. The totals were: Mrs Wilkinson £18.22, Mrs Hanton £57.15, Miss Gooch £23.93, Mrs Martin £20.55, Mr. Howes £17.25, The Bird-in-Hand £4.54, Wreningham Church £15.64, Social club still to be counted - total to date £157.28p  
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WRENINGHAM CRICKET CLUB recently held their annual Dinner and Presentation at the Bird in Hand. Club Chairman and Captain Barney Howes recollects the highlights of a fairly successful season and also thanked the groundman, scorers and tea ladies for their invaluable assistance.

The Player of the Year award was presented to Kevin Ready whose momentous form with the bat gave him an average of 57 and included four centuries. Most Improved Player went to youngster Steven Eagling for his bowling. Senior player Alan Browne paid tribute to Skipper Barney Howes who was voted Clubman of the Year for his sterling work in running the club over the past five years.

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## REPORT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has always been concerned about drainage and the removal of surface water from the roads. The recent heavy rain has highlighted this problem on sections for several days.

The Council, at the November meeting, discussed the matter in depth and several areas of responsibility were indicated and a plan of action was decided.

In addition to the Norfolk County Council Highways, adjoining landowners - farmers and private householders - are required to keep ditches clear. The Parish Council is seeking an urgent meeting with NCC Highways to jointly inspect the problem areas and then to take early action.

Vandalism in the Village is causing concern. The Playing Field cricket pavilion has once again been damaged. This is quite unnecessary and pointless. The repairs are a waste of time and resources. Should anybody have any knowledge of who has committed this damage would they please tell their parents in order that, hopefully, it will not occur again.





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## WRENINGHAM WOODS

The Forestry Authority has approved the planting of 40 acres of broadleaved woodland at Fir Grove, Wreningham. The site is bounded on the west by Wymondham road with access near the Little Wood (Bluebell Wood), and on the north by the public footpath which leads from Penny's Green to High Common. This path connects with others from Wreningham village.

Tree species to be planted are Oak, Ash, Sweet Chestnut, Alder, Hornbeam, Wild Cherry, Field Maple and other woodland shrubs. Work is to commence shortly and should be completed by early spring next year.

This is to be an amenity Woodland, which means it is available for public walking by residents of Wreningham and the surrounding area. Also, local organisations can be involved in the development of the woods. In fact the local schoolchildren have already visited the site and shown great interest. They wish to do some planting and revisit regularly. I hope to arrange an opening day next year to complete the project.

Anybody who would like to view the site please contact me at Fir Grove or on Fundenhall 24.

Dennis Long

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"Norfolk Money Advice" part of the Citizens Advice Bureaux network, has started a new telephone service for people worried about debt. Norfolk Debtline makes money advice available to people who cannot easily visit a Citizens Advice Bureau due to disability or transport problems or who prefer to use the phone. The service is free, independent and completely confidential. It is available to everyone living in Norfolk. All callers will be helped to sort out their budget and come to an agreement with those they owe money. Anyone wanting help should ring the Debtline on Norwich 763980. They can ring you back to save your telephone bill. Opening hours are Monday and Wednesday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. At other times callers can leave a message on the answerphone.

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Because of all the material I have been given this edition has turned out to be extra large and still it doesn't leave me space. I would like to thank all who have contributed during 1993 and those who have delivered your Mardles each bi-monthly.

I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a healthy, prosperous 1994.

Christine Minns, Editor.

