

WRENINGHAM

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From Your Chairman,

After the past couple of days of cold weather it looks like being warmer for the bank holiday week-end. I hope it is for all those people who have made plans, being it an outing or time working in the garden. The only concern is the threat of frost, and I am sure that the 13 families who have offered to open their gardens on 29th June don't want any more frosts. On page 2 there are details of the Open Gardens and if you would like any posters contact Roger Kingwell.

I would also remind you that if you have a prize suitable for the Grand Draw or would like a bundle of tickets to sell you should contact me on 01953 602754. Please tell all your friends about the day and help to make this as successful as the previous ones.

On the whole things are quiet on the village hall front at last! But for how long? Over the next week or two we should have the front guttering replaced and a firm of contractors should be giving the inside a thorough spring clean

Christine Minns

VILLAGE GARDENS OPEN DAY - 29th June 1997

Once again there is feverish activity around the village in those gardens which will be open to view on 29th June.

This year's event, which is the fourth, promises to be the great success of previous occasions and there will be thirteen gardens open.

In addition Charles Henderson and Ray Loose from Radio Norfolk will be with us for the day to answer your gardening questions. They will be at "Applewood" on Wymondham Road - please call in and see them.

The gardens which will be open are :-

1. Orchard House, off Toprow - Afternoon Teas
2. The Grange, off Toprow
3. The Birches, Toprow - Plants for sale
4. Nanebbie View, Hethel Road
5. Firgrove Cottage, Hethel Road (display of Bonsai trees in front garden only - ice creams)
6. Burley Place, Hethel Road
7. Knowle, Church Road
8. Porthowan, Ashwellthorpe Road
9. Lowther Cottage, Wymondham Road - Afternoon Teas
10. Applewood, Wymondham Road - Radio Norfolk Gardeners
11. Longacre, Wymondham Road
12. The Conifers, Wymondham Road - Plants for sale
13. Holly Cottage, Wymondham Road - Afternoon Teas

The Village Hall will be open all day for toilets. Ploughman's lunches will be available in the Hall at lunchtime and the bar will be open at the same time and again at the end of the afternoon when the Grand Draw will take place. Please buy lots of draw tickets - 1st prize £100 - as this is our insurance against bad weather.

Further details from Roger Kingwell - Tel. 01508 489757



Regular events in the Village Hall

BINGO - cash bingo will be played on Mondays 9th and 23rd
June, 14th and 28th July

WHIST - takes place in the Margaret Preston Room at 8 p.m.
on Mondays 16th June and 21st July.

BALLROOM - dancing to C.D's at 8 p.m. on Fridays 20th
June, 4th and 18th July.

LINE DANCING - on 7.30 p.m. on Fridays BUT check the
posters to see the dates!!

COUNTRY - dancing to:
Saturday 14th June - Tony Bryant
Saturday 12th July - Clancy

FLOWER CLUB - Thursday 3rd July, doors open at 1.30 p.m.
for a 2 p.m. start. Mrs Pat Potter from
Brightlingsea is the demonstrator. Visitors
welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL - next meeting Tuesday 15th July.

60's DANCE - dancing to Sequel on Saturday 19th July.

CEILIDH - Sat. 28th June 7.30 p.m. dancing to "Pendragon"

OPEN GARDENS - Sunday 29th June. BE THERE.

Social Club Report

You should receive with this copy of the Mardle the future events planned by the Social Club for the coming year.

Although not shown on the poster, the regular LINE DANCING is carrying on, however, the instructor is on holiday during June and if she can't find a 'stand in' it will resume on her return. Look out for posters confirming the dates. It is very popular, you don't need a partner and it is only £2.00 a lesson.

You will note that the events planned are subject to confirmation and indeed the CABARET EVENING, is being re-arranged due to the unavailability of the acts. Look out for revised posters.

A couple of the events have already taken place. The Irish night was positively packed out and we didn't think we would better last year. Was it the cheap beer, the baked spuds or the naughty limericks? I wonder!

Look out for our popular Summer Barbecue on 14th June and we welcome "Pendragon" back on June 28th at 7.30 for a Ceilidh - admission £3.50.

Another theme night is planned for 4th July in the Social Club, this time its USA - if its anything like the Irish night!
Exercise your tonsils at the Karaoke on July 25th.

Don't forget that the bar is open each evening Thur - Sun.
Membership is only £1.00 per year for adults and 50p juniors.
Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Social Club cont.....

STOP PRESS. - GUEST REAL ALES - WOODFORDES AND MAULDONS AS WELL AS THE REGULAR GREENE KING I.P.A. - LOOK OUT FOR MORE GUEST ALES IN THE FUTURE WEEKS.

Social Club polo shirts and sweatshirts are now available embroidered with our logo - they come in a variety of colours - order at the bar - shirts £10.00, sweatshirts £15.00

Gary Mutton, Social Club Chairman.

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LOAN BONDS

The winners in the April Loan Bond Draw were:

59 Miss Sarah Butcher

192 Mr. J. Collins

287 Mrs M. Wilkinson.

Congratulations to you all.

The next draw takes place on 1st July.

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WANTED: Any old table knives to replace those borrowed from the draw in the kitchen at the village hall, which somebody has forgotten to return. If you have any odd knives to spare we would find them very useful. Please let any committee member have them. We also find that metal tea-spoons (which are much better to use than plastic), get magiced away so if you have any of those to spare we could use them.

FOR SALE: A small upright freezer, which will fit under a work surface, about 2 years old in clean condition. Asking price £50.00, and can be seen working by telephoning 01508 488229.

## Wreningham "All Saints"

### Zimbabwe Visit

Wreningham "All Saints" church has over the past 8 years helped to raise money for the "All Saints" mission church in Zimbabwe, which was founded in 1892 by the Rev. James Hay Upcher who was born in Wreningham. A new church was being built and our contributions paid for the roofing. At last we heard that it was finished and was to be dedicated by the Bishop of Harare on 13th April.

As Churchwardens, Mr. Long and myself were eager to see for ourselves the new church and meet the people. We received an invitation from the Bishop of Harare to attend the Dedication Service and we didn't need to be asked twice!

Together with My husband, Dennis' daughter Rachel and Miss Olga Ward, a great niece of Rev. Upcher, on 8th April we flew from Norwich Airport to Amsterdam and on to Harare, the capital of Zimbabwe, a 13 hour overnight flight. We arrived tired but excited and stayed 5 days near Harare and travelled by car on Sunday 13th to the mission about 130 miles, the last part on an unmade rocky road. We reached the village at 9 a.m. ready for the service at 9.30. The welcome given us by the large crowd was overwhelming, singing and dancing, and everyone wanting to shake our hands, even the smallest children, and all so happy.

It was good to see the new church, which is quite large, light and airy, and simple in design, but how proud everyone was of it. The Service of Dedication was a very joyous one, and their Bishop a delightful and jovial man. Crowds gathered outside the church and listened to the service. It was a really wonderful day and the people are so grateful - not only for the help we have given them, but for our friendship. A record of this was made on film and we hope to show it to you all.

Mrs Margaret Wilkinson

# WRENINGHAM CRICKET CLUB

The cricket season is under way and the fixtures for the next few weeks are:

|      |            |              |                       |
|------|------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| June | Sun 1st    | Saxlingham   | away                  |
|      | Sun 8th    | Sprowston    | at home               |
|      | Sun 15th   | Anglia T.V.  | at home               |
|      | Sat. 21st  | Hethersett   | Away                  |
|      | Sun. 22nd  | Beccles      | Away                  |
|      | Sun. 29th  | Swardeston   | Re-arranged<br>venue. |
| July | Sun. 6th   | Saxlingham   | at home               |
|      | Thurs 10th | Cokenhatch   | at home               |
|      | Sun. 13th  | Mulbarton    | at home               |
|      | Sun. 20th  | Costessey    | at home               |
|      | Sun. 27th  | Pilling Park | at home.              |

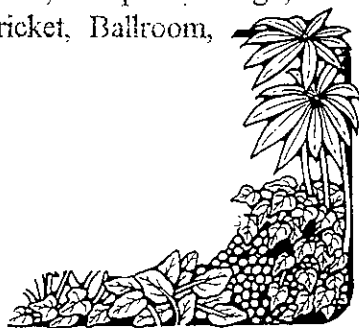
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DON'T FORGET

OPEN GARDENS - Sunday 29th June 1997

Dance to 60's music in aid of hall funds on Saturday 19th July, dancing to SEQUEL, and Country Music on 14th June "Tony Bryant" and 12th July "Clancy"

Support the other local events - Social Club, Keep-Fit, Bingo, Line Dancing, Whist, Flower Club, Cricket, Ballroom,





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# VILLAGE GARDENS

*Open Day*

Sunday 29 June 1997

11AM-5PM

meet Charles Henderson & Ray Loose,  
*Radio Norfolk* garden experts

Lunches, teas, bar, stalls,  
Grand Draw

**Admission (all gardens): Adults £2 Children £1**  
available at any of the participating gardens - look for the Wren sign.

Proceeds to Wreningham Village Hall (Reg. Charity No. 284991)