

The Palgrave Star

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

One of the main items of interest that got the otherwise fairly routine Parish Council Meeting off to a good start was the splendid news that the County Council are PROPOSING a speed limit through Palgrave. Traffic on the main road from the police house to just past the council houses will be restricted to 40 mph whilst on all the other Palgrave roads (except Millway Lane) the limit will be 30 mph. This surprising news came out of the blue. The Parish Council having been told in the past that our accidents have not been serious enough or that staff were not available for a detailed survey, had more or less resigned itself to an unending delay. The Council has welcomed the news and will be eagerly awaiting the arrival of the signs. We must all remember that at the moment this is only a proposal but things are certainly moving in the right direction.

Another subject that 'Palgrave Star' readers will remember is the problem of people persisting in exercising their dogs on the Palgrave Playing Field. As the 'Star' article explained, the Playing Field Committee, Parish Council and the education authorities are in a dilemma. If a minority insist on allowing their dogs to foul the field then the grass will not be cut and we simply cannot afford to cut it regularly ourselves. It has been said that some people come to Palgrave by car or on foot up the Lows to exercise their pets. For the benefit of these people it is hoped to put up a sign but just in case you notice someone, the council will be pleased to know who they should write to.

The Parish Council hope to plant a copper beech tree in the Parish to commemorate the Queen Mother's birthday of last year. They are also seeking replacements for the newly planted, only recently vandalised, trees.

Nothing definite has been decided yet with regard to purchasing the green but the Parish Council are taking advice and are pressing on. It was also said at the meeting that if someone could scatter some of

the sand and salt mixture over the road when there is ice about then lots of people, including parishioners, would be grateful. The piles will be renewed if used up.

Details of planning applications were mentioned with various results but the Council were unanimous in condemning the arrival of scrap cars halfway down the hill. The County Council have been informed and have been urged to act promptly and vigorously to stop this change of usage of the land. After deciding on parochial estimates for 1981/82 the chairman closed the meeting. There was one member of the public present.

'PALGRAVE STAR' WINE & CHEESE EVENING

As mentioned in the previous issue a Wine & Cheese Evening is going to be held to raise money towards the cost of producing the Palgrave Star. The date chosen is Saturday 14 March and it will be at Home Farm, Thrandeston from 7.30pm.

It has been decided to have a Books and Bygones Stall as well and even if you can't attend the Cheese & Wine evening your contribution for the stall will be very welcome.

Tickets will be on sale at Palgrave Post Office until the Wednesday before the event and numbers will be limited. The price will be £2.00 for adults and £1.00 for children and soft drinks will be available for them. It should be a very enjoyable evening, so please come along.

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BRESSINGHAM GARDENS

We have been asked to provide personnel for car parking and gate admission duties on the following dates - Monday 4 May, Sunday 28 June and Sunday 23 August. We shall need at least 16 or 18 volunteers to help to either park the cars or collect admission money at the gate. The job lasts about 4 hours after which helpers are free to look round the gardens and incidentally purchase plants from the plant stall at a discount. By providing a reliable team of helpers last year our funds were boosted to the tune of £255. If anyone can help on any of the above dates, please contact either Mr C White, Crest-a-lea, Lion Road, Palgrave (Diss 3132) or Mr Cartwright at The Post Office, Palgrave for details. Please join in and help us. It is a nice afternoon out.

C White

OUTING 1981

Following enquiries about the trip to the Dutch Bulb Fields, a date has now been fixed for 24 April and more details are also available. We depart from Felixstowe on Friday evening at about 10.30 pm arriving at Zeebrugge around 7.00 am Saturday morning. We then travel by coach to The Hague, visiting several beauty spots. After lunch we go on to Keukenhof Park where there is a flower parade during the afternoon. After an evening meal we then do more sight seeing before going to Zeebrugge for the night ferry back. We arrive at Felixstowe around 7.00 am. Coaches will be going from our three villages to take us to and from Felixstowe. The cost is £36.00 each adult plus an additional charge for the coach fare to and from Felixstowe. There is a small reduction for children up to the age of 14. Optional extras i.e a cabin (2 or 4 berth) or reclining chair will be available to all. PLEASE give your names to Mr Cartwright or to Mrs Prior if you want to go as a lot of paper work has to be completed and sent in 30 days before the actual weekend.

Outings Sub-Committee

BURGATE FESTIVAL CHOIR

Many of our readers will have heard the enthusiastic reports about the performance of Messiah by the Burgate Festival Choir in December. The demand for tickets was high and some were disappointed. On Saturday 7 March at 7.30 the choir will be singing the Passion Music from Messiah in Thrandeston Church. Tickets for the concert at £1.50 are available from Mrs Jean Carlisle, Abbey Farm, Thrandeston. Tel: Mellis 422 or from any member of the choir.

PALGRAVE WI

The January meeting was held in the school and Mrs Atkinson was in the chair. After a short business meeting in which plans for the group meeting competition and other small matters were discussed. Mrs Atkinson presented birthday posies to Mrs Sayer, Mrs Wright and Mrs Dorling. Mrs Atkinson then introduced the speaker, Mr Slater, who spoke to us about Hygiene in the Home. He stressed the need for absolute cleanliness in handling food and gave us a practical demonstration on how quickly germs can multiply. Mr Slater also made us think about whether we were really careful enough about thawing frozen food, especially meat, before cooking it.

Mrs M Jones thanked Mr Slater for his informative talk and endorsed the thoughts of us all by saying she had found it most interesting and helpful.

After the coffee interval we played at being 'Bisto Kids' a competition arranged by Mrs Jones, of twelve smells i.e. vick, garlic, etc. in small containers. Never have WIs been so loud with their sniffs. The competition was won by Mrs Hutton Williams who identified nine (there was no Bisto!)

The monthly competition for a toilet roll cover was won by Mrs White and the numbers competition by Mrs Hocking and Mrs Davey. The next meeting is on 12 February at 7.30pm at the School. The Speaker: Mr JGC Dick

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- The Veterinary Past and Present, do come along if you are interested.

WI Jumble Sale. 14 February. 3.00pm
Palgrave School

Mrs J Rolfe, Secretary

BRITISH LEGION

The Wortham & District Branch of the Royal British Legion meet on the first Monday of each month at The Dolphin Inn, Wortham. At present there are only a few members from Palgrave, Stuston and Thrandeston, villages which are included in the District of the Wortham Branch.

One of the main purposes of the Royal British Legion is to bring about the unity of all those men and women who have served at any time in the Services. Wortham Branch which has been established for many years welcomes any ex-servicemen or women or indeed any person who is interested in the aims and work of the Royal British Legion. Any person requiring any further information may contact any of the branch members or:

Chairman: Mr F W Carter, Finch Villa, Wortham
Mr C White of Crestalea, Palgrave
Telephone: Diss 3132
Mr M Sayer of Kinsale, Palgrave
Telephone: Diss 51147

Various functions are held throughout the year to raise funds for the continuation of the work of the RBL conducted both locally and nationally.

At Christmas 1980 for instance, ten provision parcels were distributed to ex-servicemen members in the district. May I take this opportunity through the columns of The

Palgrave Star to bring to the notice of its readers that a Jumble Sale is being held at the Wortham Village Hall on Saturday 4 April 1981 to raise funds for the local branch. Anybody who would like to donate items for this purpose please contact Mr C White or myself and collection will be arranged.

M Sayer

STUSTON FRIEND

To our Stuston friend who very kindly sent a donation to 'The Palgrave Star' we would like to say thank you for your kind words and your encouragement.

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We were also very pleased to get a donation from a friend in Palgrave who asked us not to mention any names but to whom we feel very grateful.

DIARY

Thursday 12 February

Palgrave WI
The School 7.30pm

Saturday 14 February

WI Jumble Sale
Palgrave School 3.00pm

Saturday 21 February

John Gummer MP Surgery
Leiston Town Council
Offices
10-12 noon

Thursday 5 March

Bingo
Palgrave School 7.30pm

Friday 6 March

John Gummer MP Surgery
Thorntree Day Centre
Stowmarket
5-7 pm

Saturday 7 March

Burgate Festival Choir
Messiah Passion Music
Thrandeston Church
7.30pm

Saturday 14 March

'Palgrave Star'
Wine & Cheese Evening
Home Farm, Thrandeston
7.30pm

This space reserved for your contribution

