

The Palgrave Star

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PALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

The Palgrave Parish Council meeting held in The School on the 7 July was a fairly routine affair. After noting increased electricity charges from August 1 something which the council cannot control, the conservation project was discussed. It appeared that although funds had been raised to pay for a lot of work in the parish the volunteer workers could only allow 3 days due to other commitments in the district. It was decided that if this work was satisfactory the council should try to book the workers for next year. The Parish Council are proposing that Palgrave should press for the delayed new school to be built as soon as possible and suggest that it should be sited between the playing field and the Lows. The village green was again a subject for discussion. As the Lord of the Manor's executors claim ownership of the timber they are being asked to clear the felled trees from the green. A map showing the siting of the new trees to be planted in the Autumn will soon be displayed on the notice board. The Parish Council are once again to try to persuade the executors to transfer ownership of the green to the village but as they have been rather unhelpful in the past the Council are not too optimistic. In the meantime Councillors and villagers are asked to prune round the base of some of the trees as they are becoming a hazard to schoolchildren crossing the road. In case the Nuclear Deterrent should fail to deter, the Chairman has a copy of the Government's booklet "Protect & Survive" which tells you how

to survive a nuclear attack and it can be borrowed from him. You don't need much more than the four minutes to read it. Soon after this the session closed having been told that the next meetings will be on Sept.2. Nov.3. and Jan.5. Four members of the public attended.

A VISIT TO BLOOM'S NURSERY AT BRESSINGHAM.

Arrangements have been made for a party to be taken on a guided tour around the Nursery at Bressingham Gardens on Thursday August 21st at 7 p.m. The group will be limited to forty people and those interested in going along should contact Mr. White as soon as possible. This may be a popular visit so give your names in quickly to avoid disappointment. (Tel. Diss 3132.) People should make their own transport arrangements to get to Bressingham.

CAR PARKING DUTIES.

A few more volunteers are needed to help with the car parking duties at Bressingham on 31 Aug. Please contact Mr. C.White at Crestalea, Palgrave.

MEN WANTED?

Palgrave needs eight strong volunteers for the tug-of-war team in the Thrandeston Fete Sept.13. Names to Palgrave Star.

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SENIOR CITIZENS' MYSTERY TOUR.

A party of thirtysix from Palgrave plus two from Thrandeston set out by coach for the Senior Citizens' Mystery tour on Wed.16 July. After leaving Palgrave Post Office at 2 p.m. they proceeded to Thrandeston where the remainder of the party boarded. From then on there was much speculation regarding the final destination. However, after a very pleasant ride via Oakley, Hoxne, Stradbroke, Laxfield and Dennington, Framlingham Castle could be seen from the coach windows. "I expect we are going to have a look round the castle ruins" someone remarked but no, the coach carried straight on to Parham, through Hacheston across the A 12 to Campse Ash and a bit further when, approaching a more built up area the driver pulled up, got out of the coach and disappeared down the road. "I reckon we're lost altogether now" was heard. After a few minutes the driver returned, took his seat behind the wheel and drove the coach to a car park in Woodbridge. It was now about 4 p.m. The party were asked to remain on the coach while the driver accompanied by Mr. White, went to spy out the whereabouts of a place of refreshment; after a few minutes the driver came back, boarded the coach and the party was on the move again, eventually halting outside the Deben Tea Rooms where Mr. White was standing. The party alighted and entered the tea rooms where a nice tea was served and enjoyed by all. After tea the party walked back to the coach on the car park - the street corners in Woodbridge are much easier to negotiate on

foot - the distance was only about 100 yards. The return journey was by a different route, leaving Woodbridge via the railway station end, skirting Martlesham, passing through Kesgrave to the Valley Road Ipswich, on to the A.140 through Thrandeston and home, arriving about 6.30 p.m. The outing was thoroughly enjoyed by all, the weather was ideal and the scenery of that part of Suffolk very pleasing to the eye.

A raffle, organised by Mr. White was run during the return trip. We would like to thank the donors of the prizes for this event. The Sub-Committee are to be comended for organizing the outing, especially Mrs. Atkinson and Mr. White who accompanied the party and did their bit on the day.

Who was the fellow who saw the party off the coach but left his own anorak behind ?

S.F.C.

Results of Best kept Garden Competition 1980.

- 1st Mr. David Knights
Bridge Farm Cottages.
- 2nd Mr. G. Cartwright
The Post Office Stores.
- 3rd Mr. Mossman
Priory Close.

The Priory Trophy and prizes will be presented at a later date, details in The Star.

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OUR TRIP TO MINSMERE.
26th JUNE 1980.

Yesterday we went to Minsmere with the School. First we went to the beach where lots of terns were nesting and one scolded Paul. I found an amber by the stones so I put it in my collection bag but I dropped it and I could not find it when we went on the sand. We had to do some answers to questions. I went to a pipe where the fresh water was being pumped into the sea. That was interesting because Joanna found a peacock crab and I found some sea goosberrys and a deep sea jelly fish and there were lots of mussels and limpets, lots of types of seaweeds, sea lettuce and bladder wort. Further along the beach was a crystal that I found which was red and sparkled in the light. My group (group 5) was the only group to find cuttle bone. Lots of people found a whelk egg case. Then we went back for lunch. When we had our lunch we had a paddle (no one got nipped by a crab.) On the way back we went in the bird hide. We did not have to wait because no one was in there. There were lots and lots of birds like avocet, shell duck, herons but no kingfishers.

Jason Lye.

MARKET STALL.

Thanks to all those of you who supported the market stall in July. £38 was raised for C.C. funds.

CHILDRENS' FREE OUTING TO EASTON FARM PARK 19 AUGUST

All children wishing to go on the outing should book now at the Post Office. The bus will leave Palgrave School at 1.30 pm and return at 6.30 pm. and the outing includes a picnic tea. If you feel that you can contribute something for the picnic we should be very grateful. Please contact Joan Prior if you can help (tel. Eye 732.) Adult fares will be £1.25 and we hope that several will come along to help with the supervision of small groups of children. Please remember that under fives will have to be accompanied by an adult.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Thrandeston fete, barbeque and Barn dance.
Saturday September 13th.
Full details in September "Star"

I remember

I remember - the pond near the village school, in winter a scene from a Dickens novel. Laughing children muffled against the cold and running in long lines to keep the pot a'boiling as they slid over the ice on their hob-nailed boots. In summer, the dragonflies hovering in blue-green translucence over flowering water plants. The sheer delight at watching Charlie Coleman drive his horse drawn water cart into the middle of the pond and with much splashing and commotion fill the cart to the brim and take it lurching and spilling on the dusty road to water his thirsty cattle.

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DRAW WINNERS FOR JUNE.

Week ending 7 June

Mrs. Bloomfield
Mr. Mole
Mrs. T.Ford

Week ending 14 June

Mr. Baldwin
Mr. Baker
Mrs. J.Brindly

Week ending 21 June

Mrs. Batrum
Mrs. Runacre
Mrs. J.M.Potter

Week ending 28 June

Mr. Eaton-Evans
Mrs. Rose
Mrs. Potter

Joan Prior Secretary.
Palgrave Community Council.

This is the fourth edition of the "Palgrave Star" which has proved very interesting to all our readers in all 3 villages, but readers, we need more news from Thrandeston & Stuston to make the paper evenly balanced. If you have news of interest to the Community or perhaps a point of view please let us hear about it and we will be pleased to print it, so let's hear from you. Send articles either to The Swan, Palgrave or call me on Eye 732. Last and not least a big thank you to our delivery boys & girls. You do a wonderful job.

DIARY

Wednesday 13 August

Day trip to Lowestoft

Tuesday 19 August

Childrens' outing to
Easton Farm Park

Thursday 21 August

A tour of Bressingham
Gardens Nursery 7 p.m.

Saturday 30 August

Garden Fete at Weavers
Mark. 3.00 p.m.

Sunday 31 August

Car parking duties at
Bressingham Gardens.

Saturday 13 September

Thrandeston Fete. Barbeque
and Barn Dance.

Saturday 4 October

Harvest supper at The
School.

Saturday 18 October

Market stall in Diss.

Garden Fete Saturday 30 August.

A garden fete is being held at Weaver's Mark on Saturday August 30 at 3 p.m. in aid of Church Funds. Mrs. Brindley will be running a White Elephant stall and any gifts for this will be gratefully received.