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For some years now one of the most popular entries in LINK has been "Gardening Notes" written under the nom de plume "L.G.". It has been quite obvious that all the knowledge contained in those articles could only have been provided by someone with a great many years of practical experience of the subject about which he wrote so concisely and authoritatively for the benefit of we amateur gardeners.

The time has now come to reveal that "L.G." is none other than octogenarian Steve Billingham whose failing health has unfortunately made it necessary for him to "hang up" his trowel and his fork and bring his series of informative articles to a close.

LINK readers as a whole and those of you who are gardeners, in particular, will wish to thank Mr Billingham most sincerely for the trouble he has been to in making available his priceless knowledge over the years, and express the hope of us all that he may enjoy continually improving health in the future.

Continuing Saga of Crime

We offer no apology for again referring to crime in the village. This appears to be a continuing saga. Information gleaned recently reports that four cars in a lay-by in the village had their windscreens smashed and a car parked in the West End was jacked up and had two wheels removed. Add these "incidents" to several recent break-ins and the situation gets worse by the day – with no information that any perpetrator has been apprehended. Although, admittedly one could determine a more frequent police presence in the village, elderly people (and some not so elderly) are very apprehensive of going out after dark.

The Parish Council have already voiced their concern to the Chief Constable. LINK shares the concern of all residents and sympathises with the view expressed by some that the time may be rapidly approaching when an open village meeting might be called to discuss any practical steps that could be taken to help restore confidence.

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Parish Council meetings December 1991 and January 1992

The meeting in January produced an historic occasion. For the first time in its history the Parish Council adopted Standing Orders to govern their procedures. Whilst perhaps not in the same league as the Magna Carta, it is nonetheless a momentous decision. Having got along (relatively) happily without them for so many years it was understandable that there should be a little unease over what could be seen as a strait-jacket for proceedings. However, there has been a flood of legislation over the past few years regulating the operation of all local authorities and this could not be ignored indefinitely. For example, the law requires that business to be transacted at a Parish Council meeting must be specified on the agenda. Strictly speaking anything not so specified cannot be discussed or decided, even if it is regarded as a matter of urgency. As many of the Parish Council's decisions tend to have "emerged" – often as "any other business" we may not have been complying with the law. Members were assured, however, that a method would be found to enable them to raise matters of report so that if, for example, they fell down a pot-hole on their way to a meeting, this could be reported and taken up with the appropriate authority immediately rather than waiting a month for the next meeting. Members of the public were also assured that the ten minutes public question time would be retained. The new rules will take effect in the Spring but in the meantime a dummy run will be in operation. Watch this space!

Continuing the theme of legislation affecting local government; South Northamptonshire District Council are obviously very worried about their future in the light of the Government's proposals for unitary authorities i.e. one council instead of the existing two tier system. At present we have Counties with responsibilities for Highways, Education, Police, Social Services, Libraries etc; and Districts responsible for Housing, Environmental Health, Planning etc. Not only have South Northamptonshire dropped the word "District" from their title but they are actively wooing Parish Councils, whose views may be sought upon the best form of unitary authority, and they have even produced a booklet which seems to suggest that they could absorb all the responsibilities of the County Council, who provide 85% of the existing services, without increasing their current staffing levels. They have obviously discovered the secret of Dr. Who's Tardis which, for the uninitiated, is much larger on the inside than appears physically possible

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from the outside. On a more parochial note, it is possible that a reorganisation of local government could give enhanced powers to Parish Councils. Let us hope that this inspires more enthusiasm for local affairs than at present. At the last Parish Council elections Bugbrooke, with a population around 3000 and an entitlement to 15 places, could muster only 14 candidates.

Once again Sue Pace enthusiastically took on extra duties. Not only is she again co-ordinating the village's clean-up operation (another go at KD9 for me please Sue) but she is taking on the possibly onerous task of liaison between the Parish Council and the Electricity Board. During the discussion on this item I learned that we also have a liaison officer for the Arts, The Revd Canon Tim Partridge. What with Tree Wardens John Curtis and the ubiquitous Sue Pace and Snowmen Ken Gardner and myself, we seem to have covered a wide spectrum of interests and situations.

Dr. Dipak Dutta was concerned about poor street lighting throughout the village. The Parish Council had already agreed a rolling programme of repairs and improvements to existing lights and it was thought that this should improve the position. However, whilst it was accepted that it would not be appropriate for a village to be lit like a town, it was agreed that the situation should be carefully monitored. A major factor of course is the cost – it already costs the village £6000 p.a. simply to maintain the existing level of provision. This easily represents the largest single item of expenditure.

Estimates for 1992/3 were discussed. It was agreed that, taking into account the intention to carry out a rolling programme of repair and replacement of street lights, a precept of £13000 should be sought through South Northamptonshire (don't call us District) Council. It was also suggested that consideration should be given to obtaining the best possible interest on money held by the Parish Council. Peter Bignell, Dr Dutta and Clerk Harry Gilkes are to investigate.

The Parish Council also considered the need for a Local Plan, surface water problems at Pound Lane, an apparently exorbitant bill from the Electricity Board, the missing litter bin at the Green opposite the Primary School and the desperate need for a police presence in the village.

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Church Floodlighting

We hope to have permission to floodlight the church during the next few weeks and we are aiming to have the floodlights in place for Easter. We are seeking individuals, groups or even firms to sponsor the floodlighting costs for a week at a time, the cost of which will be £5. If you are interested please contact Sue Pace on 832516.

Welcoming newcomers to the village

The Church Pastoral Committee have produced a Welcome leaflet about our Church activities which Church members can give to those who move to Bugbrooke. We are asking every Church member to look out for people moving in and to take a welcome leaflet to them. Leaflets are available in church or from Tim Partridge or Alan Kent.

New leaflet about the church building

Our thanks to Peter Clarke for revising and renewing the format of our leaflet about the church building. Copies of the new leaflet are now available in church at a cost of 10p.

Lent, Holy Week and Easter

This is a time of taking stock of our Christian life and making new resolutions to deepen our spiritual life. During Lent we shall be running our usual house groups, our theme being 'Relationships' to fit in with our Parish Three Year Plan. There will be groups on most weekday evenings, do contact Tim Partridge if you would like to join a group, it is a subject of which we all have experience. In Holy Week we make a special effort to focus on all that God has given us in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. On Palm Sunday we shall collect our Palm Crosses and at the 10 am service we shall process round the outside of the church, to remember that first Palm Sunday. At 6.30 pm the Watling Singers will sing the Crucifixion by Stainer as we begin to look forward to Good Friday. There will be services each evening in Holy Week culminating in the Maunday Thursday Communion and on Good Friday we hope to have a Children's Workshop at 10 am and Devotional Services at 2 pm and 7.30 pm. Our rejoicing comes to a climax on Easter Day. At 8 am there is a said Holy Communion, at 10 am the Easter Parish Communion when we light the Easter Candle and renew

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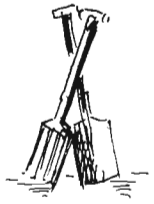

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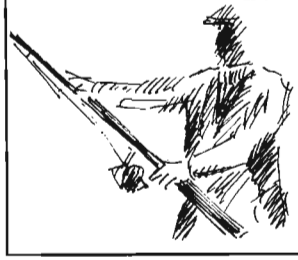

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our baptismal vows and at 6.30 pm we have Festival Evensong ending with Communion. Easter is the day when everyone who is confirmed is expected to make their communion, if you are ill or otherwise prevented from coming to church on that day contact Tim Partridge who will arrange for you to receive communion at home.
Tim Partridge 830373

IN FOCUS

Profile of Canon Tim Partridge

Don Prime asks the questions – Tim Partridge answers them.

Where were you born?

A small village outside of Doncaster – as the family moved to Northamptonshire when I was only 9 months old I consider myself Yorkshire born but Northamptonshire bred.

When did you realise that you wanted to become a member of the Church?

When I was 18 years old and going to university. I had not really made up my mind what I would do – then my mother-in-law said why not become a minister and here I am today.

Where were you ordained?

1962 in Gloucester Cathedral.

How did you come to Bugbrooke?

Cannon Harrison was saying to my father-in-law that he was looking for somebody to take his place at Bugbrooke, as I had spent the last 9 years in Lincolnshire it was an opportunity to move on to a different parish and also return to Northamptonshire.

After ordination where did you serve?

3 years at St. Catherine's in Gloucester – a very mixed parish.
9 years with a group of villages in South Lincolnshire.

How and when did you meet Esther?

At a church social in 1955. We were married at Kettering Parish Church in 1962, Esther being the daughter of the rector and I being the son of the Headmaster of the Parish School.

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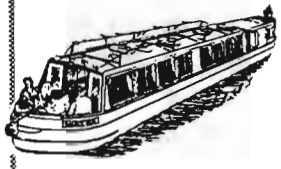

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Which is your favourite part of Great Britain?

Enjoy most of it for different reasons, but Norfolk and the Derbyshire Dales are soft spots.

Your greatest fear?

Going up ladders and looking over sides of buildings where the ground slopes away.

If you could take 3 books and 3 pieces of music to a desert island what would they be?

Lord of the Rings
The Bible
Oxford Book of Poetry
Beatles Albums
Nutcracker Suite
Peterborough Cathedral Choir

Favourite food and drink?

Rice Pudding
Lemon & lime – very refreshing

What are your ambitions?

To enjoy my retirement.

Do you have any regrets?

Not to have done more cycling particularly competitive cycling.

What talent would you have liked most of all?

To have been good enough to have played rugby for England.

What single thing would improve your quality of life in general?

48 hours in a day so I could have more time to do everything I would like.

Who do you admire the most?

On consideration I think the Queen – forever in the public eye and appearing to cope with the pressures that must incur – and able to cope in a calm and relaxed manner.

What do you do in your spare time?

Watching most sports – chess – reading – walking – family histories and local history – this is where the 48 hour day would be useful.

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Most embarrassing moment?

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How would you like to be remembered?

Kindly and as a happy optimist.

What do you like/dislike about Bugbrooke?

LIKE the friendliness and enthusiasm and the rich variety of people that make up the village.
DISLIKE lack of facilities and old persons homes for older residents to remain in the village and not being sent away.

What are your dislikes?

No violent dislikes only cinammon on toast (ugh)!

What message do you have for the future?

That nations and individuals should learn to live together and appreciate what each has to offer one another.

When do you write your sermons?

They are not written down as such – having selected the readings the events of the week seem to fit into the readings and by Sunday morning I usually know what I am going to say.

(I would like to express my thanks to Canon Tim Partridge for allowing me the time to ask these questions. Don Prime)

Nature Notes by Bill Lantsbery

On November 29th I received a letter from the U.S.A. It was from Christine Snyder. I used to know her forty years ago as Christine Shelton, her mum lives at 14 Spencer Close. The sentence I liked in her letter was 'I do so enjoy reading the Link that mum sends me'. Well done Link!

My word there is a lot to write about this time.

One television programme has really set me thinking. It was David Attenborough talking about the mink. This creature seems to be killing everything within sight, fish, birds, lambs, moles, rabbits. Nothing near

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water will survive. The two fishermen got my back up when they were playing with a mink, offering it a fish on a line! Surely there will be a national campaign soon to trap and exterminate this pest. There will be no Kingfishers, no wild ducks, just this black humbug that should never be in the country.

On to something pleasant – the weather! We had a spot of rain about the 9th January. A month's rain in one day. The meadows flooded by the river, that was a change. The fog, frost and black ice have been nasty and we actually saw some snow. One frost about December 12th went down to –12°C and that did not do a lot of good to some of the spring vegetables in the garden. Funnily enough, as I write this on January 22nd the weather man is starting to talk about –11°C tonight. Roll on summer.

Mrs Nicholls from Quaker Close rang me around mid-day one Sunday and said a fox had just walked casually along her road. Someone working next door put one up one afternoon and it just trotted off across my garden. There must be a lot of foxes about. Esther don't forget to tuck them in carefully at night!!

I had gone to Margot's one day for a haircut and she asked me if I had seen the programme on badgers. I said I had missed it but I had seen a programme on chimpanzees and I didn't realize they ate other monkeys. A lady in a chair nearby said she thought they only drank tea!

Our son David called in one day and said he had an item for the Link. He said he had never known wasps to be such a nuisance in stealing honey from the bee hives. He had actually seen a wasp going into a hive on January 1st for a quick steal. That would indicate that there was a wasp's nest still active in January.

I have had two good bird sightings in the garden. A blackcap and a lesser spotted woodpecker. I have never seen one of these small woodpeckers before. I saw two herons winging their way steadily towards the West End. I hope they were not visiting garden ponds for goldfish. On several occasions I have seen a wagtail in the brook, near the Sunday School. It was not the black and white one. It was the grey wagtail.

I went to see Eve and Steve in the Co-op house the other day and I heard a good hedgehog story. Eve said they have had three young hedgehogs living in the outhouse. She has fed them on bread and milk and cat food and they have done quite well. One was out in the yard having a look round just after Christmas. I wonder if they will survive this present cold spell.

A couple of days ago, 24th January, I went with Jim to Banbury and

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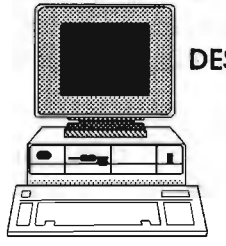

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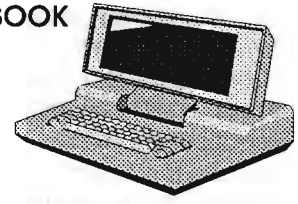

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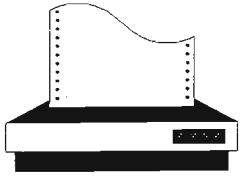

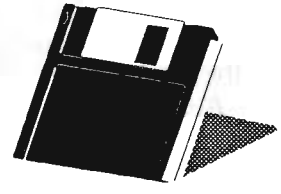

Bicester. It was one of the frosty mornings and I thought the wild life was very interesting to look at. The fieldfares were searching every hedge to see if they could find a few more berries. The pigeons, in their flocks, could not eat the crops because they were frozen solid. The covey of ten partridges just sat. I would think the birds have had a tough spell.

Last night it rained heavily, what a good job it was mild enough to keep the white stuff away or this morning we should all have been out doing a brush and shovel!

Operation Springclean

County Council Operation Springclean is 3rd to 12th April this year and once again yours truly has (been) volunteered to organise the village's efforts!

As the daffodils and trees donated by the council begin to bloom, let's tidy up the litter spots in the village and make it all look lovely! AND KEEP IT THAT WAY?!

Saturday April 11th is Bugbrooke's Day – meet at my house for gloves, bags etc at 10 am (1 Church Lane). The more the merrier!

Sue Pace

Darby & Joan Club

We unfortunately started the New Year on a sad note. Two of our members passed away. Firstly Mrs Avis of Kislingbury Rd at the end of December and then in January Mr Cecil Cockerill at Boniface House where he had been for the past 5 years. Our thoughts and sympathies go to both families.

As we look forward to spring we have our fish & chip supper on Monday March 9th, always an enjoyable evening. On April 11th (Saturday) we have our Spring Jumble Sale. So yet again may I ask for not only your support on the day but any clean Jumble or items of bric-a-brac. If anyone has some could you please contact any member of the club or committee and we will arrange for collection. Or call me on 830725. We shall also have a spring outing yet to be decided on.

We welcome 2 new members to our club Mrs Bird and Mrs Cliffe. I hope they will enjoy our meetings and meet some new as well as old

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Bugbrooke Women's Institute

It was Laura Rose, a dairying instructress who started the second W.I. in Canada in 1897, who thought up the movement's motto: "For Home and Country". Perhaps this may seem a little old-fashioned to us now, but the sentiments it echoes are surely evergreen: a warm and welcoming home is still vital in this modern and fast-moving world, and every working woman contributes towards the continuing prosperity of this country of ours. In both these ways, we are helping to safeguard the future for our children.

In March 1919, the W.I. in Britain launched its own national magazine which it entitled "Home and Country", its first issue running to 3,000 copies. The formula could hardly fail: on the front cover was a picture of Queen Mary and Princess Mary; there were seven pages of recipes, reports from local W.I.s and a poem. Three months later, the circulation had doubled, and since that first issue, not a month has gone by in which the magazine has not appeared. By 1927, circulation was 50,000; in 1946 it was 100,000, and it reached 150,000 copies in 1964. Even in the worst year of the slump in 1931–32, when many advertisers cancelled, Home and Country was able to hand over a profit of £550 to the National Federation. Today, the magazine reaches over 350,000 readers countrywide.

The magazine has had its share of well-known contributors, but one of its greatest claims to fame is that it was once used to give Albert Schweitzer lessons in English! Its articles have always been wide-ranging (from housekeeping among the head-hunters of Papua to pig marketing and the Law of Property Bill!), and nowadays it gives valuable advice on money-matters, updates on health and environmental issues, and holiday offers, as well as the traditional crossword, recipes and craft patterns. A very good read for only 53p per month!

The beginning of the New Year always brings our Birthday Party, which this year was celebrated in style with a Barn Dance, with our guests-of-honour Worzel Gummidge and Aunt Sally joining in every dance! Our forward programme includes a talk on the Work of an

Optician by Mr. Sheinman on Monday 2nd March, a demonstration of Indian Cookery by Mrs. Sagoo on Monday 6th April, and our Craft Evening on Monday 27th April (this replaces our May Meeting, which falls on the May Day holiday). You are welcome to join us for any of these meetings, and we look forward to seeing you.

Royal British Legion – Womens Section

Our dinner at Christmas was a great success, food provided by Mrs North and helpers was delicious and entertainment by Bugbrooke Children from Chaplins Stage School was excellent, these kids and their mothers had practised many hours to put the show together and we thank them all (Dads too).

January was a remarkable meeting as Mr Anthony Kemp from Milton Malsor took us to Moscow with slides, music and talk. The Kremlin, Lenin's tomb, Red Square, Veterans day, museums and shops were all brought to us and I hope our "very few" guests also enjoyed the evening.

February will be holiday slides by Carefree Holidays. We would welcome very much anyone willing to talk to us or to demonstrate any crafts or cooking etc. and would love to have some new members. Third Monday in the month 7.30 pm S.S.

Enid Pell
Hon. Chairman
830694

Bugbrooke Flower Society

Our Annual General Meeting was held on January 27th, a terrible cold and foggy evening so not many turned up. Reports were read from the Secretary, Treasurer and the Chairman, who in the course of her report presented a cheque for £175.00 to Sue Banner from the Motor Neurone Society.

During the year we shall be trying to raise money from various activities, our Arrangers cost so much.

The Committee were returned en bloc with the addition of Mrs M. Terry. On March 24th members will travel to Royal Leamington Spa for a demonstration to celebrate the Pearl Anniversary of our Area of

NAFAS. If you would like to go to Heyford, transport will be available. Please ring Maureen Wright – 940789 or Veronica Chambers – 832179.
B.E. Bell

The National Childbirth Trust

Towcester and District Branch

January 1992

Monday 6 January saw the launch of 'MONDAY MUMS' in Towcester's Chantry House. Open every Monday between 10.30 and 11.30 a.m., this venture was launched particularly with the needs of mums with babies and toddlers in mind.

The aim is to offer somewhere in Towcester where mums with young children in tow are welcome for a cup of coffee and a chat, while their offspring can entertain themselves with the various toys available. For many this provides a pleasant start to the week, a break from shopping, and an opportunity for new mums to meet other people. Although aimed largely at mums, we are always pleased to see any other member of the community.

Monday Mums was set up by the Towcester Branch of the National Childbirth Trust, a charity offering support and information in pregnancy, childbirth and early parenthood.

Do drop in to meet us any Monday, or if you would like any more information, call Sara on 857128.

Issued by Alison Foxton, Publicity Co-ordinator
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The Northampton Breast Screening Service Mobile Centre will be visiting Bugbrooke in May 1992 to screen women aged between 50 and 64 years, who are registered with general practitioners in Bugbrooke.

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The mobile unit will be parked at the Levitts Road Health Centre.

Every appointment for screening will come with a leaflet explaining more about the service.

Breast screening is designed to discover breast cancer in its early stages, when there is a very good chance of making a full recovery.

Playgroup

Many of you will know that Playgroup is now housed in the Sunday School. Our thanks go to all those whose hard work contributed to a successful move and to Esther and Tim and other Sunday School users for accommodating us.

At present playgroup opens from 9.15 – 11.45 am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays during term time. There are still one or two places available on each day so if you would like your child to join, you are welcome to come down one morning when Playgroup is in progress and talk to the supervisor. Alternatively you could ring the committee chairman, Mrs T. Garlick, on 832433 or me, the Secretary, on 831586.

The New Children's Act came into force in October – its stricter standards meaning more expense for Playgroup. Our fees only just cover day-to-day expenditure, so we are holding a *Nearly New Sale* on 21st March to raise extra funds – We are relying on you for your support. If anyone wuld like to donate any nearly new items, please contact Mrs J. Boys on 830378.

Our annual *Easter Bonnet Parade* will take place on Wednesday 22nd April. The hats (usually very imaginative) will be judged and various prizes awarded. Any child of playgroup age and above can enter. The entrance fee (of about 50p) will include a cardboard hat-shape for you to decorate beforehand. This event is normally very well attended, so we shall be renting out table tops at £5 each, for anybody who would like to have their own stalls. Please come along for an enjoyable morning and help your Playgroup at the same time!

Kathryn Hill

1st Bugbrooke Beaver Scout Colony

With the dark evenings, Beaver Scout Activities are restricted to indoor games and interests. One exception was the visit to Mere Way Fire Station. Fourteen boys (and one stowaway sister!) were split into two parties, each supervised by one fire officer of blue watch. The boys were shown a fire tender and a rescue tender and given an explanation of all the equipment carried. Some of the older boys were asking all sorts of penetrating questions, so the fire officers could see they had the boys' interest.

Before Christmas the boys took part in the Scout Group Christmas Party at the Primary School, their party piece was a rendition of several Christmas songs, leading everyone with "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer".

The boys look forward to the lighter evenings to take part in some outdoor activities for a change.

Martin Dovey

Bugbrooke Girl Guides

An action packed programme of events has kept the guides occupied since last October. Halloween fell on a guide night so we invited a lady to come and speak on the fascinating subject of bats. Our attention was held from the minute she put her hand down her jumper(!) and unpinned a sock from her blouse, from which she produced: in true Paul Daniel's style – a bat. This bat had been hurt by cats, a frequent cause of injury to bats and subsequently was unable to fly. Not that this stopped it trying! I think we all went home determined to do more to help conserve our ever decreasing bat population.

Ever ones to keep fit, we headed over to Newnham guides one evening to participate in their aerobics session, and just before Christmas went swimming at Danes Camp.

Thank you to the parents who came and shivered with us on our stall outside Waitrose in Daventry. £60 was made which we donated to Cancer Relief. Well done also to the group of guides who participated in Suntrek and a thank you to all guides who attended the Remembrance Day parade & service.

Christmas started in November with a Christmas craft week end at MacQueen House, Twywell. A thoroughly enjoyable w/e was had by all.

We made plastic canvas Father Christmases, earrings, badges and keyrings from a shrinking plastic, & Christmas tree decorations from dough. Lots of cooking was attempted with the emphasis on the type of food not easily cooked at camp. Consequently we dined well on pizzas, homemade biscuits and cakes. Our culinary skills culminated in a three course Christmas meal, including turkey and accompaniments. This was eaten by candle light at tables decorated with flower arrangements, menus and napkin rings "made earlier"! Finally, a walk initially walked and prepared in the warm, hazy and light days of summer, became a very different state of affairs when walked on a muddy, dark November night, whilst games of hide & seek became, in the dark, exercises in stealth and listening skills.

Back at guides, Christmas continued. In keeping with tradition we made decorations for the hospital which were well received, and sewed mini felt Christmas puddings for our own trees. So many games were planned for the Christmas party that it had to be extended into the New Year. Consequently our first meeting back in January was an evening of games and fun. We hope the fun and enjoyment will continue into our New Year programme.

Rachel.

Betty's Pantry

Salmon Mousse. Serves 4 people.

4 level tsp gelatine dissolved in 3 tbs hot water
1 tin 7½oz red salmon
1 tbs vinegar or lemon juice
¼pt mayonnaise
¼pt double cream
Salt – pepper

Method: Remove skin & bone from salmon, mash in its own juice. Season to taste. Whip cream, fold into mixture with mayonnaise. Add gelatine, lemon juice or vinegar. Wet moulds, pour in mixture. Chill to set. Serve on bed of green salad with a twist of lemon on top.

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1 tsp dry mustard
1 onion – finely chopped

Place chicken breasts in greased shallow dish – brush with oil and season. Sprinkle over chopped onion & garlic. Cook for about 30 mins at 400°.
Mix all other ingredients, pour over chicken – do not cover.
Bake in oven for about another 45 mins.
Serve with creamed or new potatoes and vegetables of your choice.

Gingered Orange & Kiwi Fruit. 4 servings

2 oranges
4 large kiwi fruit
3 level tbsp sugar
3 tbsp water
2 level tbsp crystallised ginger
¾tsp vanilla essence

Put sugar, water and ginger in saucepan, bring to the boil, stirring constantly, then boil for 3 mins until it becomes a thin syrup. Remove from heat, stir in vanilla essence, leave to cool. Peel & slice kiwi fruit. Remove peel & pith from oranges and segment them. Pour syrup in dish, add fruit and stir to mix well. Chill thoroughly.

The Five Bells

Easter Monday at the "Five Bells" once again we shall be holding our great Easter Egg Hunt on "Easter Monday".

The hunt is open to all children under the age of 12 years and will start at 11 am prompt. There is no charge, but please could we ask for adult supervision to prevent any mishaps. Our Easter festivities start at 10 am with a car boot sale, refreshments will be available and there will be a bouncy castle, bar-b-que weather permitting.

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Bugbrooke & District Choral Society

This term we are rehearsing Olivet to Calvary by J.H. Maunder. We shall be performing this work at Duston on April 5th and at Nether Heyford on April 12th. Anyone who would like to join us on Thursday evenings at 8 pm in Campion School would be most welcome.
J.M. Hanley

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Sue Pace

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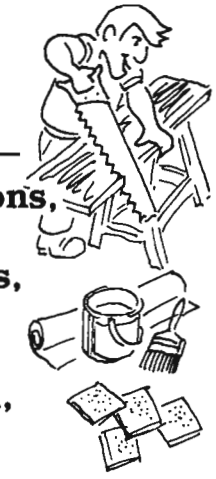

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CURTIS

Happy 10th Birthday Becky on March 6th. Have a super day. Lots of love from Nan, Pap and Auntie Barb. xxxx

TYSON

Happy Birthday Nanny on 16th March. Big hugs and kisses from H and Ben xxx

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Wishing you a great birthday on 19th April Ben. With love Mummy, Daddy and Harrie. xxx

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PELL

Jessica and Felicity. Have a lovely 6th birthday, girls, on March 21st and Happy 16th birthday to big brother Gavin on March 15th and Good Luck in any auditions. Lots of love Nan, Pap and Auntie Barb.
xxx

ENGAGEMENT

MASON – Lee Mason of Moores Close became engaged to Kelly Grainger of Thornbury, Avon, on Christmas Day and would like all his friends to know!

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Bugbrooke Playing Fields Association

The icy weather has proved a problem over the last few months both to clubs who have had matches postponed and to the committee who have had to deal with frozen and burst pipes! This is a particular problem with the intermittent usage when it is required every other day and not enough to keep the heating or water turned on! However when it is off and drained down it's even more annoying to find you can't turn it back on because the stop cock is frozen solid!

Outside, the toddler's playground and pathways are now complete thanks largely to John Bowen, Graham Brittain and the gang they dragged from their beds with the promise of a few blisters and a bacon sandwich! The only remaining item to be done is to revamp the rocket and take the booster off it so that the timid amongst us do not get launched over the clubhouse roof! As some of our 'friends' would perhaps like!

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 30th April 1992 at 8 pm at the playing fields and this year we shall be looking in particular for a treasurer since Judy Cooper is this year standing down after serving the Association admirably since May 1987. During this time the Association has raised sufficient funds to build both new social and changing facilities, created the toddlers play area and purchased several important capital items including the new tractor and equipment. This surely is a good indication of the dedication and perseverence of our Jude! Well done and thanks! Any volunteers to follow in Judy's footsteps and take us forward into the future please ring myself or Jude (830955) if you want the real lowdown on what's involved.

Annual Fete – Chariot Races

It may seem early to be thinking about the village fete, which will be on Sunday 5th July 1992, but potential chariot racers need time to design and build their 'Hi Tech' machines. This year by popular request we are having a junior section and there will be some changes to the rules and track layout to improve the races for spectators and contestants. Full details will be sent out from the end of February.

If you wish to enter a team (4 horses and a charioteer) then give Dick Jones (832210) or myself (832244) a ring. If you can't manage a team but would like to join in the fun why not let us put you in contact with other odd bods or perhaps you could be a marshall and help us in running the races. Just phone and find out! *Brian Curtis 832244*

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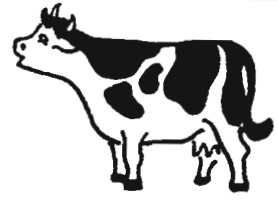

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Sports News

Bugbrooke Cricket Club

The Club holds its A.G.M. on Feb. 13 and all interested parties are welcome. Tony Pont and David Birch will be seeking re-election as Sunday and Saturday captains. The Club will also be seeking a NEW CHAIRMAN following the resignation of Winston Wincott, and importantly a NEW TREASURER to replace Terry Saville who has kept a tight rein on Club Finances. Playing strength will benefit from the return of Peter Salmons and Andy Butler, and an excellent fixture list has been arranged. Fund raising will include a Sponsored Swim and Run, plus a quiz evening.

P. Minney

Boyson Netball Team

A team of Bugbrooke Girls sponsored by Boyson Construction, a local building company

The future looks good for our local team of ladies. We are currently in second place in the Daventry & District Netball league. Having only dropped one game this season, we feel the league title is well in our grasp.

Our team feels fairly settled now and hopefully few changes will occur throughout the remainder of the season. Our defending has been tight with some fine play from two Bugbrooke girls Jo Garner & Becky Brewer. Also some strong shooting from Margôt Humphries has helped to maintain our dominating style of play.

Hopefully by the time you read this report we will have reached pole position. Who knows?

Louise Pattle

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The three senior sides are having varied fortunes/misfortunes, but generally holding their own, whilst this seasons newcomers, our Colts XV, are setting an example for all to follow.

The following résumés of the individual teams performances to date give a good indication of how far the Club has come in its short life, since inception in 1977.

1st XV

The 1st XV currently stand joint third in East Midlands Division 2, two points behind leaders Rushden & Higham, but with a game in hand.

The league is again tight this season, however with five games remaining, including Rushden, the Club stands a reasonable chance of gaining promotion, subject to mishaps of course!

Prior to Christmas the 1st XV reached the semi-final of the Northamptonshire & Distict Alliance Cup, but unfortunately lost to Mens Own despite a spirited display.

The seasons second competition, the Lewis Shield, commences on 2nd February 1992, when the Club will play host to Northampton Old Scouts. Hopefully we will get it right this time!

The annual Boxing Day morning fixture against a Presidents select XV again produced a close encounter, despite the surpluses of the previous day.

The Presidents XV, represented by players from seven other clubs, including Jersey, ran out winners 12–4 to regain the Neil 'Sep' Kingston Memorial Tankard.

Playing record to date:-

P 18	W 12	D 0	L 6
(P 5	W 4	D 0	L 1 League games)

2nd XV

The 2nd XV is proving to be a great source of players for the 1st XV this season, with many players in direct competition for places.

Captain, Jason Edmonds, has assembled a strong squad of players around him, resulting in an excellent recent string of results.

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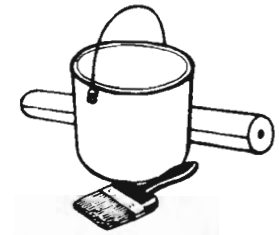

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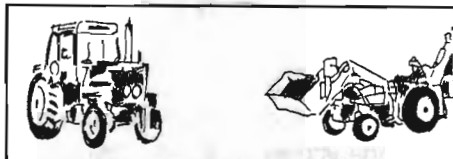

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The strength in depth now being provided by the 2nd XV will be a key element in the Club's progress especially if promotion is gained to Division One.

Playing record to date:-

P 17	W 9	D 0	L 8

3rd XV

As with all clubs the lowest side always has more than its fair share of changes.

On odd occasions the team struggled to field a full side, but always puts in a spirited performance, despite often having players out of position.

However on the positive side there are times when the 3rd XV has eighteen players or more available. Hopefully a small matter of fine tuning will ensure that the balance is put right.

The 3rd XV captain, Darren Price, and the Club in general, would welcome all new (and old) players, in order to help stabilize these number variations.

Playing record to date:-

P 14	W 5	D 0	L 9

Colts XV

The Colts XV, ably skippered by James Bradbury and coached by David Pope is proving the success of the season so far.

With a small squad of nineteen players, the Colts have established themselves very quickly in their first season with the Club, and have taken some notable scalps.

It is this youth rugby and the Club's planned expansion of it, that will provide the players and the teams of the future, and is therefore very necessary to encourage now.

Having beaten Kettering in the 1st round of the East Midlands Referees Cup they have now been drawn away to Northampton Old Scouts (date to be confirmed). With two games against Old Scouts this season already (one win, one loss), the cup game promises to be a good test of character.

The Colts are also in the Alliance Oceanic Cup and are due to play away at Old Northamptonians on 16th February 1992.

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For any information with regard to Club matters please feel free to contact the Chairman Bev Dinsey (830198), Secretary James Peel (587327) or Club Captain Adam Ogden (832010) – and former or older players who would be interested in playing in an occasional Veterans team contact Terry Newcombe on 831806.

J. PEEL

Christmas Quizzes

We hope you enjoyed doing the quizzes over the Christmas period. Here are the answers to put you out of your misery in case you only had one or two to get!

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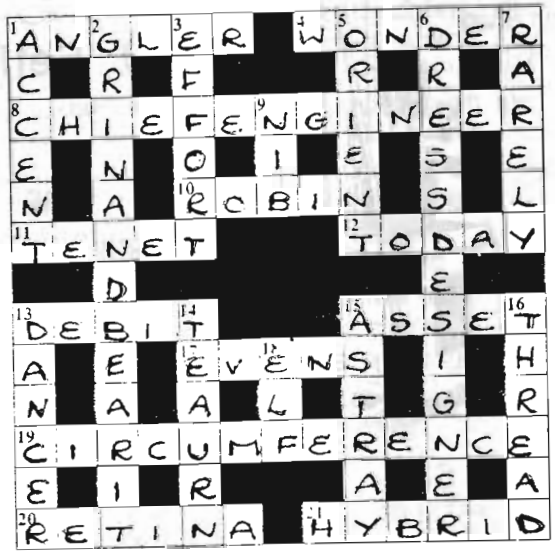

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6. Vic Reeves and the Wonder Stuff
7. Madonna
8. 2 Unlimited
9. Keith Washington
10. U2

TV programmes

1. Paul Daniels
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3. Nicholas Parsons
4. Bruce Forsyth/Larry Grayson
5. Michael Aspel
6. Terry Wogan/Les Dawson
7. David Hamilton
8. Bamber Gascoigne
9. Jimmy Tarbuck
10. Nicky Campbell
11. Gordon Burns
12. Bernie Winters
13. Robert Robinson
14. Bruce Forsyth
15. Henry Kelly
16. Derek Batey
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18. Richard Whiteley
19. Matthew Kelly
20. Bob Monkhouse
21. Andrew O'Connor
22. Rory McGrath

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The Village Diary

Feb	23	7.30–11pm	"Karaoke Night"	Five Bells
	24	8pm	Flower Society: Growing & Drying	S.S.
	29	2pm	M.U. Jumble Sale	S.S.
	29	7.30pm	Music Society – Lawrence Lloyd Concert	Church
March	2	7.30pm	W.I. – "Work of an Optician" – Mr Sheinman	S.S.
	4	7pm	Ash Wednesday Communion	Church
	9	6.15pm	Darby & Joan Fish & Chip Supper	S.S.
	11	2.15pm	Darby & Joan	S.S.
	12	2.30pm	M.U. Rev. Broadbent talk	S.S.
	14	10am–10pm	Feast of Music	S.S.
	16	7.30pm	R. Brit. Legion (Wms)meeting	S.S.
	21	2.30pm	Playgroup – Nearly New Sale	S.S.
	23	8pm	Flower Society: Flower Song	Heyford Village Hall
	25	2.15pm	Darby & Joan	S.S.
	25	7.30pm	M.U. Lady Day Service	Flore Church
	29	10am	Mothering Sunday Communion	Church
April	4		Music Society outing to H.M.S. Pinafore	Derngate
	6	7.30pm	W.I. – Indian Cookery with Mrs Sagoo	S.S.
	8	2.15pm	Darby & Joan	S.S.
	9	2.30pm	M.U. Mrs Houston – Talk on India	S.S.
	11	10am	"Operation Springclean"	1 Church Lane
	11	2.00pm	Darby & Joan Jumble Sale	S.S.
	12	10am	Palm Procession & Communion	Church
	12	6.30pm	Stainer's 'Crucifixion'	Church
	16	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Communion	Church
	17		Good Friday	
	19th		Easter Day Services at 8, 10, 6.30	
	20	11am	"Great Easter Egg Hunt" – free to all children under 12 yrs (must be accompanied by adult)	Five Bells Garden
	22	10.30am	Playgroup Easter Bonnet Parade	S.S.
	22	2.15pm	Darby & Joan	S.S.
	27	8pm	Flower Society: Gardens & Flowers – Mrs F. Bickley	S.S.
	27	7.30pm	W.I. – Craft evening	S.S.
	29	7.30pm	M.U. Evening Meal	
	30	8pm	Playing Fields AGM	Playing Fields
	30		Bugbrooke Amateur Dramatics Spring Play	
May	1		"Don't Misunderstand Me" –	
	2		A comedy by Patrick Carghill	C.S.
	8–10		Flower Festival	Church

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