

10th ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS:

It is appropriate to acknowledge the foresight, the endeavour and the sustained efforts of many people who over the past ten years have worked for the society. We trust that in accordance with the vision of its founders, the Sutton Poyntz Society is still seen to be effective in working for the general benefit of the village and its inhabitants.

EVENTS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER:

4th APRIL, 1978 - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Retiring members of the committee were gratefully thanked for their services and the new committee was elected as follows:-

Mr. John Allen (Chairman)	Springbank, Plaisters Lane	Tel:83
Dr. John Crisp (Vice Chairman)	21, Old Bincombe Lane	" 83
Mr. John Joy (Treasurer)	Rose Cottage, Silver Street	" 83
Mrs. Joyce Litschi (Minutes Secretary)	Camelot, Sutton Road	" 83
Mr. Richard Backwell	Dunelm, Puddledock Lane	" 83
Mrs. Shirley Bowden	Pilgrims Cottage, Plaisters Lane	" 83
Mr. Peter Diment	Puddledock Farm	" 83
Mrs. Valerie Freegarde	4, Sutton Court Lawns	" 83
Mrs. Gwen Loveland	Terremia, Plaisters Lane	" 83
Mr. E. Saunders	North Down Farm	" 83
Mr. Michael Smith	Bramble Patch, Plaisters Lane	" 83

Business concluded, the Dorchester Camera Club thrilled an audience of some forty people with a technically brilliant diaramic film production illustrating the life and work of Thomas Hardy and the beauty of his Dorset.

13th MAY, 1978 - SPRING SUPPER DANCE.

Over eighty people attended the dance held in the Scutt Hall - everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The food was by Marlborough Restaurant and the music by Denys Goodsell and his band. (Regrettably this will be his last engagement with us as he is leaving the area).

OTHER SOCIETY ACTIVITIES:

Planning Applications. These have continued to be given the committee's earnest attention in order that the interest of the community as a whole may be safeguarded.

The Village Pond. Its water supply, its trees, its protecting stones, its seats and its ducks are all things which we must not take for granted. Many society members have done a lot of unseen and unsung work to achieve this haven of beauty, of which we are all so fond. Thank you all very much.

Road Safety. The position of road signs and marking and the need of sight lines are items upon which the society has made effective representations to the council.

Tree Planting. In view of the wholesale losses of elm trees due to the dreaded disease, the society is concerning itself with their replacement by trees which we hope will not be similarly effected. To this end money is being raised and expert advice sought in preparation for a replanting scheme.

Legal Representation or Advice. The society endeavours to maintain adequate funds for Solicitor's fees should the need arise.

FUTURE EVENTS:

30th JUNE, 1978 ANNUAL MIDSUMMER WALK.

Mr. Saunders has again kindly agreed to be our leader - this year to Broadmayne. Walkers will leave the Springhead at 7p.m. and arrive at the Black Dog at approximately 9p.m. It is customary for walkers to be met there by relations or friends with cars and brought home in comfort.

12th JULY, 1978 VILLAGE FAYRE - SPRINGHEAD GARDENS.

- 6 - 7p.m. Pony rides and other attractions for young children
- 7p.m. Opening by the Mayor
- 7 - 9p.m. Stalls, sideshows and food
- 9 - 11p.m. Barn Dance

Proceeds are for the Society Funds which are currently needed for the village tree planting scheme. Do come and make this an enjoyable and successful event. Helpers are welcome in the afternoon and evening.

14th SEPTEMBER, 1978 SALISBURY PLAYHOUSE.

A coach has been booked to take us to see the Salisbury Players in "Under the Greenwood Tree" by Thomas Hardy. Anyone wishing to join the party should contact Mr. Joy, Rose Cottage, Silver Street. Tel: 83 .

The coach leaves at 6.10p.m. and the fare is £2., which includes the theatre ticket.

26th SEPTEMBER, 1978 TREE PLANTING - MISSION HALL 7.30p.m.

We are fortunate to have been able to book Mr. Saville (formerly Weymouth Parks Superintendent) to speak on the topical subject of tree planting. He is very familiar with the arboreal characteristics of the village and will advise on all aspects of private and communal tree planting.

28th OCTOBER, 1978 HALLOWEEN DANCE - SCUTT HALL 8p.m.

An entertaining evening with a special Halloween atmosphere is being planned. The Pete-Howell Duo have been booked and there will be a super supper.

4th NOVEMBER, 1978 BONFIRE NIGHT

The committee feel that preference these days is for the communal bonfire and fireworks. Mr. Saunders has given permission for us to use the field by the waterworks, where we are able to have a giant bonfire. Of course standard sized fireworks are dwarfed by a large fire, so we suggest that parents, instead of buying fireworks for their children, might like to make a contribution towards a manufacturers firework display costing £50 or so. If you think this is a good idea would you please pay your contribution (£1.?) to your nearest committee member as soon as possible please, so that we may know your wishes and if necessary place an order in time.

22nd DECEMBER, 1978 CAROL SINGING.

Last year £12. was collected for charity. Carol singers, young and old, come and join us. Assemble at the Springhead at 7p.m. and finish there later for hot refreshments.

20th FEBRUARY, 1979 DORSET COAST - MISSION HALL 7.30p.m.

Mr. Poole of the Dorset College of Higher Education, a well known authority and public speaker on environmental topics, will be showing his fabulous collection of colour slides of the Dorset Coast.

This event was planned for last March, but was postponed because of the heavy snow.

6th MARCH, 1979 SKITTLES - SPRINGHEAD 7.30p.m.

The Osmington Society have accepted our invitation to a fraternal skittles evening. Scratch team/s can be made up on the spot - so just turn up won't you?

3rd APRIL, 1979 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 7.30p.m. and SLIDE SHOW AND TALK IN MISSION HALL.

Mr. Brian Churchill of the Dorchester Camera Club has again agreed to entertain us after our meeting as he did last year.

This year he will show his "Diaparama No.1". This is a selection of his favourite slides put together to make an interesting programme with a background of recorded music. Those of us who saw his last programme will I am sure not want to miss his return visit.

POSTER NOTICES heralding future events at:-

The Cartshed

The Springhead

The Post Office

Plaisters Lane/Sutton Court Lawns

The Committee hope that you will be interested in at least some of the above events and looks forward to your company.

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FEE - 50p. per household.

A committee member will call upon you hoping for your support.