

Dear Friends,

Since our previous newsletter we have a new Committee,

Freddie Litschi is now your Chairman, telephone - 83
 Gwen Loveland is your Vice Chairman, " - 83
 Valerie Freegarde is your Secretary, " - 83
 Ernest Saunders is your Treasurer, " - 83

and they are supported by -

Joyce Litschi, telephone 83
 Gladys Robinson

Lawrence Ingham, telephone - 83
 Lisle McEachern, " - 83
 Graham Wanklin, " - 83

Briefly, the objects of the Society are - to maintain and improve the natural beauty of the village. To liaise with like-minded bodies to protect the area from unnecessary and ugly development. Within that context, if you have any suggestions please do not hesitate to let a committee member know. We are keen to keep the village "live", and to do this we need the active participation of all who live here.

NEW MEMBERS - we welcome Mr & Mrs Wilkinson, Mr & Mrs Bathurst, Mr & Mrs Wright, Mr & Mrs King and their families. May they long enjoy life in Sutton Poyntz.

CONGRATULATIONS - to Mrs Bailey, who has had a successful operation. No mean achievement at her age. What a wonderful person she is.

COMING EVENTS - please put the following dates in your diary and come along with your friends. You'll certainly enjoy yourself - much better than vegetating by the "telly".

Tuesday 16th October 1979 - 7.30pm at the Mission Hall. Film and talk - COASTGUARD. The guest speaker is Mr Norman Shouls, Station Officer, Portland Coastguard. He has a wealth of nautical knowledge and, having been an instructor at Britannia Naval College, Dartmouth he knows how to put his subject over. Coffee and biscuits served.

Saturday 17th November 1979 - 8.0pm at the Scutt Hall. PIRATES NIGHT. Dancing and jollities. The Markward Trio with delectable vocalist Miss Iren Margaret. Grog and Vict'ls (bar and refreshments if you prefer, madam). Come in your most fiendish pirate rig, or suitably garbed as frightened female. Those "not in the rig" will walk the plank. Tickets, strictly limited, £1.30 including vict'ls, so apply now to any committee member.

Trips to Salisbury Theatre - about once a month through the winter. Contact John Joy on 83 or 83.

The Sutton Poyntz Players - it is whispered that they are madly rehearsing yet another stupendous production (prior to Broadway). Undoubtedly a most enjoyable evening for their audience is in the offing.

Carols round the Village - Keep an eye on the SPS notice boards for dates
Children's Party - and details.

We are missing out the Bonfire this year. Reasons - several other firework parties around for children to attend; shortage of timber (and can it not be put to better use?); our helpers need a rest; so does Mr Saunders' field; so does Mr Saunders - to whom we owe a considerable debt of

of gratitude for his past help and indulgence. By the way, last year we lost £13 on the event.

For even more future events - keep a beady eye for notices, which will be exhibited at the Cartshed, Springhead, Preston Post Office, Plaisters Lane/Sutton Court Lawns.

RECENT EVENTS - a recap mainly for those who missed very enjoyable occasions.

Mr Saunders' walk - was a delightful ramble through the meadows to the Sunray at Osmington. As always, it was a perfect summer evening - how does he arrange it?

Sutton Poyntz Waterworks & Museum - what an interesting visit that was, and how kind and hospitable the waterworks staff, who showed us round with justifiable pride. Magnificent refreshments, too.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND NEWS

Greetings Cards- with sketches of the village. A lot are being printed.

Electricity Cable - a proposal for another overhead cable across the skyline to Northdown Reservoir nearly gave us communal apoplexy. However, at a meeting with the Electricity Board we learned that the proposal had been withdrawn. We breathe again.

Waterworks Chimney - is to come down. We shall all miss the dear old monstrosity. Unfortunately demolition must be brick by brick and not with a glorious rush followed by instant re-erection - on film.

Overhead Wires - we are trying to influence the Electricity and Telephone people to tidy these up. But it isnt easy when public authorities are under strict orders to restrict spending.

Attractive Gardens - we would congratulate the vast majority of you on the care with which you have tended your gardens. I reckon it can truly be said that our village looks pretty good.

Planning Applications - we have a satisfactory relationship with Weymouth Council and our view on a number of planning proposals has been accepted. While protecting our village, we dont want to be obstructive or negative.

Double Yellow Lines - extension opposite the Ship. Our earlier request was refused, but we are returning to the charge.

Subscriptions - gentle reminder, dear reader, have you paid your sub yet? Indeed, are you a member of SPS? If not, please do contact any committee member. Its only 50 pence a house. Where else can you get better value? Dont tell me.

We hope you had as good a summer as the weather allowed, and that our programme will help the winter along.

With the good wishes of the Sutton Poyntz Society Committee -

Reginald H. Littlewood
Chairman.