

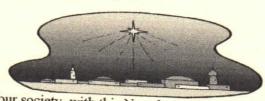
Sutton Poyntz Society

Affiliated to the Council for the Protection of Rural England

SUTTON POYNTZ SOCIETY - Newsletter No 100 November 2002

Another year draws to an end

The summer of 2002 has passed and is now just a memory together with this year's many activities including the very successful Jubilee picnic and the biennial Victorian Fayre.



Your society, with this Newsletter, is publishing number 100. In today's changing world, this shows the continued interest we all have in our delightful part of Dorset.

Forthcoming events

Quiz Night - Nov Christmas Coffee Morning - Dec Christmas Market - Dec Christmas Carols - Dec Society AGM - April 2003

Quiz Night ???

A Quiz Night is being arranged by the Mission Hall Trust on Saturday 23rd November at The Mission Hall. Teams of 4 will compete in various categories. Starting at 7.30, a fee of £5 per table will augment the hall funds. Contact S Emblen to reserve a table (832143).

Christmas Coffee Morning

This years Society Christmas Coffee Morning will be held on Thursday December 5th in the Mission Hall. Cost will be £1.00, as last year, for a coffee and mince pie - being served from 10.30 – and of course there will also be a raffle. We hope to see all of you there. Don't forget to bring any new neighbours with you.

Christmas Market

A Christmas Market is planned for Saturday 14th December by the Mission Hall Trust and will provide an opportunity to get cakes, pies and your final Christmas bits – and benefit the Hall funds. Tea and pies will be served from 2.00 with mulled wine and pies from 5.00 till 7.00.

Christmas Carols

We hope to have our normal carolling weather on Friday 20th December when we will once more be guided by the Reverend Tim West in open-air carol singing around the Christmas tree. A warming drink will be available afterwards in the mission hall.

Society AGM

A little early to get excited – but we like to give you notice in the November newsletter of the Society AGM – planned for 10th April 2003. Apart from reports from your current committee, your representatives for the next year will also be elected. We are also planning to arrange a short talk for us – more details in the next newsletter.

Keep your eyes on the Notice Boards for any changed details nearer the events.

Recent Activities and Events

Summer Walk

The summer walk was a fairly long walk led by Richard Backwell in lovely weather on the 30th July. Some 18 people enjoyed the countryside around the Hooke valley. We look forward to next year's walks.

Cream Teas

Some 80 to 90 villagers braved the unsettled weather on 3rd August with our first cream teas held in the orchard. Although I could not get back to Sutton Poyntz in time (I was hoping to bring a visitor from Australia), I am told that everyone enjoyed the afternoon which was organised by Julia Allen.

Victorian Street Fayre

The presentation evening was held on 12th September at the Waterworks. Donations were made of £4000 to the Mission Hall, £1800 to WaterAid and £1000 each to Diabetes UK, Motor Neurone Disease Association and the Special Baby Care Unit at Dorchester.

It was interesting to note that one of the Tea stalls contributed more to the Fayre revenues than the Society Tombola – we must do better next time!

Safari Supper

The Mission Hall Trust organised a second Safari supper on 19th October. Unfortunately I was not aware when putting the last newsletter together - so I hope no one missed out by not seeing the posters. Jill Caddy and Judy Backwell made the arrangements for some 34 villagers to share their dinners over the various homes and as in the previous supper everyone enjoyed themselves.

Mission Hall Trust AGM

The Mission Hall AGM was held on 30th October. Following the Chairman's and Treasurer's reports, the management committee were re-elected for a further 12 months

Sutton Poyntz - Neighbours

One of our members had an accident - nearly run down by a car on one of the bends in Plaisters Lane - but thankfully not seriously hurt. Please take care when driving through the village. It was noticed that hedges have been sprouting brambles into the road, forcing cyclists etc to move out into the road to avoid them. Please keep an eye open for dangerous shoots - and remove them.

We understand that Tim and Valerie leave the Springhead in November - we send our best wishes for their futures - as well as wishing the new licensee well.

Matters discussed by your committee

The following represent some of the items discussed by your committee since the August Newsletter:-

Planning Matters: Local applications reviewed since the last newsletter are -

"No comments" sent following applications for rear dormer windows in Sutton Road; Dormer windows in Plaisters Lane; Conservatory in Old Bincombe. Agreement note sent for wooden replacement windows in Sutton Road. Our general agreement was notified for a revised

application for 3 new houses in Sutton Road (reduced from 4 houses).

Your committee agreed with the resized rear carport at 113 Sutton Road.

Objection was sent to a revised application for further static caravans submitted by the Waterside Caravan site.

Wessex Water have completed their pruning of the group of trees on the south boundary of the

Waterworks - we think to general satisfaction. You may have noticed that the construction of the Waterworks cryptospiridium plant appears to have come to a halt having built the temporary road across the field (as used in 1993). I am awaiting a note from Bath on their delay but had not received it when I sent the Newsletter to print. Will advise later.

Doorstep Green: A further bench seat has been donated to the Mission Hall Orchard. We extend our thanks to James and Judy Willis. Wessex Water have agreed to donate £400 for a further seat - we look forward to receiving this donation after our carol singing.

With the many road works around Weymouth, the village roads are handling more traffic than is safe (see neighbours above). We have written to the Borough council requesting their advice to improve the safety of road users in the village.

Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE)

Peter Jones no longer formerly represents us within the CPRE (although he remains an active member of both groups). The AGM is on 16th November. Future events are listed on the Notice board and in the Village Diary.

Weymouth Civic Society (WCS)

Both Tony Bugler and Richard Meech keep in contact with WCS and represent our interest with this body. WCS activities are shown on the Village Diary on the Notice Board.

Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT)

Julia Allen represents us with the DWT with whom we are a member. Contact Julia for any details of the DWT meetings shown on the "Village Diary" on the Notice Board.

Future Diary

An "end of October" version of the Village Diary of local events is on the Notice board as a record for general use. If you wish to add any items to the listing please call me.

And Finally -the greenhouse pictured in the last newsletter was originally in the orchard, it was pictured in Puddledock en route to the allotments down the corner. No-one claimed the magnificent "prize" by telling Joyce at the Cream teas!!.

Your Committee Your committee are available for any items of interest or concern Julia Allen (832759) Tony Bugler (832953) Simon Emblen (Treasurer) (832143) David Emery (832907)

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