GRAPEVINE

GREAT HINTON VILLAGE NEWS

VILLAGE VENTURE COMPETITION

FURTHER HONOUR FOR GREAT HINTON.

I am sure you will all be pleased to know that Great Hinton received a further accolade for the 'Grapevine' village magazine in the 1988 'Village Venture Competition'. It is fair to say this is a worthy achievement, recognising we are about the smallest village in the County and we were one a some sixty entrants with projects including complete refurbishing of village halls, building adventure playgrounds, indoor bowling green etc. It was just one year ago we were recognised in the same competition for the refurbishment of our village hall.

The presentation was held at Box on Friday 28th October, where the hall was packed with the various village representatives. There were eight of us representing our village, including Anne and Michael Truman, who together initiated the idea of the 'Grapevine' and have been responsible for it's introduction and very high quality standards in presentation. The awards were presented by the Dowager Countess of Radnor, President of the Community Council Wiltshire, and Mike received the award on behalf of the village, which was a mounted certificate and is now on view with our other awards, in the village hall.

We must also recognise the 'Grapevine' was selected for special mention due to the varied and interesting articles as provided by many of our parishioners, so a further 'well done' to those who have contributed. To maintain this standard of excellence, it is necessary to continuously provide the Editor with more of these most interesting and entertaining items, so please get involved and put pen to paper, it can be good fun and give alot of pleasure to us all.

Victor A. Bush. (Chairman, Village Hall Committee).

NEWMAN TRUST

Larkrise School Hydrotherapy Pool - was opened on Wednesday, 19th October and a group of people from the village were invited by Marylyn Newman to see the finished pool and watch her daughter Lisa break the ice. Break-the-ice you will appreciate is a figure of speech, the temperature was sufficient to have got me in but is was not up to the 90 degrees which will be the normal operating warmth. This was a great day for the Newman Trust and the provision of the pool bringing help and enjoyment for many others. The pool is built up from the floor to a height of about three feet making it easy to lift people into the water and also for children to watch in safety whilst waiting their turn. There was no doubt about Lisa's enjoyment and when the air was pumped into the water creating the equivalent of about a force six at sea she didn't bat an eyelid. Like all good projects this opening was to bring the pool into use - the grand opening will take place probably in May 1989 when there will be a clear record of the good it is doing. Mr. Mark Brotherton, the headmaster of the school, extends an invitation to anyone in Great Hinton who is interested, to visit the school at any time to see the pool.

Bill Barker.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The 'Hoe Down' Dance held at Steeple Ashton on 14th October was very successful and everyone who came thoroughly enjoyed themselves - someone even asked if we could organise another dance before Christmas! The good news is the hall is booked again for next October, so that's something to look forward to!

Meanwhile - there are still some tickets for the 'Hangover' Party in our village hall on Friday 13th January. It was great fun last year, so come along and let your hair down!! Tickets available from Jean Hallam on 870524, £2,00 each, bring your own drinks and we'll provide a light supper. Lots of prizes to be won!!

The Whist Drives continue to be well supported and much enjoyed. There were over ten tables for the bumper Christmas Whist when mincepies were served in the interval. A huge raffle was held as well as lots of extra prizes being given out for the whist. We look forward to another successful year in 1989 so keep supporting us.

We shall be entering the Best Kept Village competition again this year, so start planning your gardening now!! We must get the trophy back again!

100 Club.

Lots of villagers and friends have been lucky enough to win one, or two, prizes in the 100 Club this year and Min Squibbs our organiser is hoping you will all join again in 1989 and we would like to welcome any new members to join us. The membership for the 100 CLUB is £12 for the year payable during the first fortnight in January, 1989: this puts you in a monthly draw throughout 1989 and, over the year, half of the money is paid out in prizes and half goes to Hall & Community Funds. List of prize winners is posted in the Hall every month after the draw which takes place before the Whist Drive on the last Tuesday in the month. There is an extra prize every three months and a special Christmas bonus prize, so it is well worth taking part. Min can be contacted on 870634 and lives at Hillview Croft, Back Lane (the old Pig Farm).

Anne Truman.

MURRUMBIDGEE CAKE - A delicious Yorkshire Speciality.

7 oz. whole Brazil nuts.

5 ozs. Walnuts.

3 oz. raisins.

3 oz. glace pineapple.

Grated rind of 1 lemon.

3 oz. plain flour.

8 ox. stoned dates.

3 oz. candied peel.

4 oz. glace cherries.

3 oz. apricots.

5 oz. prati 21

2 teaspoon salt.

5 oz. sugar.

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3 beaten eggs.

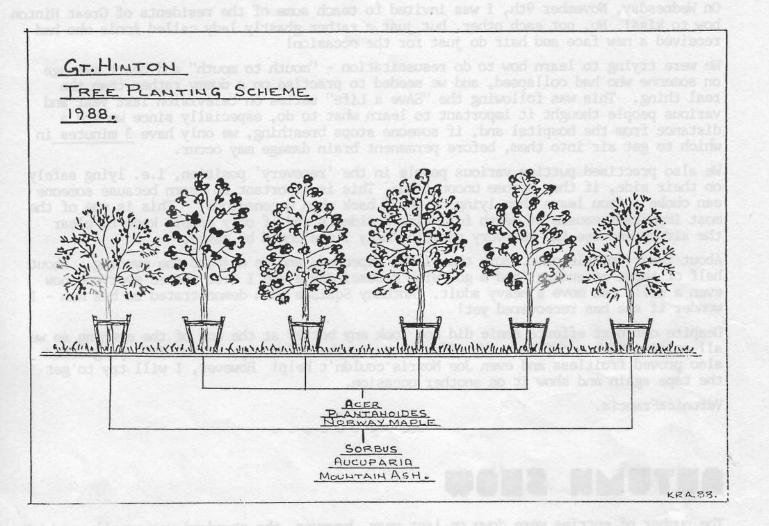
l teaspoon vanilla essence.

Line a loaf tin or square tin with greaseproof paper. Put fruit and nuts into a large bowl. Mix well. Add flour, salt, sugar, baking powder. Mix. Beat eggs and vanilla essence and add to bowl. Mix. Press into tin and bake $1\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 hours. 300° F

Wrap cake when cold in foil and put in frig. optional extra: pour 2 tablespoons of whisy or brandy at intervals over cake - while it lasts! Joan Barker.

CONGRATULATIONS to Vicky Newman and John Hallam on their recent engagement with best wishes for their future together.

TREE PLANTING PROJECT



The original proposal which included trees of some stature in maturity and decorative trees which were intended to provide a contrast of colour was carefully considered by the Wiltshire County Council Property Services Department and the Highways authority, with respect to the location and proximity to the road.

Although trees had been selected from lists made available from the W.C.C. for various reasons, the majority were not acceptable.

It was agreed, however, that the Norway Maple and Mountain Ash would be acceptable.

Although this arrangement of trees will not, in years to come, have the grandness and stature at first visualised, it should provide a pleasant feature for our village.

The best price for supplying and planting the trees was provided by the W.C.C.Property Services Department and was used for our application for a grant. I am pleased to report our application has been accepted and planting should be completed within the year.

The scheme costing £301.00 is being financed out of the village funds, has qualified for a grant from the W.C.C. Tree Planting Scheme and for a contribution from the Grants Committee of the Council for the Protection of Rural England. A number of competitive tenders were received for carrying out the work. The Order has been placed with the Property Services Department of the W.C.C. who submitted the besttender for the work and have included for maintenance and replacement of any losses within the first twelve months.

K.R. Ainger.

SAVE A LIFE

On Wednesday, November 9th, I was invited to teach some of the residents of Great Hinton how to kiss! No, not each other, but just a rather ghastly lady called Annie who had received a new face and hair do just for the occasion!

We were trying to learn how to do resuscitation - "mouth to mouth" and heart massage on someone who had collapsed, and we needed to practise on a dummy rather than the real thing. This was following the "SAve a Life" series on television last year and various people thought it important to learn what to do, especially since we are a distance from the hospital and, if someone stops breathing, we only have 3 minutes in which to get air into them, before permanent brain damage may occur.

We also practised putting various people in the 'recovery' position, i.e. lying safely on their side, if they become unconscious. This is important to learn because someone can choke if you leave them lying on their back when unconscious. This is one of the most important causes of death following accidents and if only people knew to clear the airway and use the recovery position many lives could be saved.

About twenty people came, more than I had expected, and we enjoyed the evening. About half of those attending 'had a go' with Resusci-Annie and I also showed everyone how even a child can move a heavy adult. Anthony Squibbs then demonstrated on his mum - I wonder if she has receovered yet!

Despite our best efforts Annie did not look any better at the end of the evening so we all relaxed with a coffee. My efforts to run the video tape of the T.V. programmes also proved fruitless and even Joe Norris couldn't help! However, I will try to get the tape again and show it on another occasion.

VeronicaFrancis.

AUTUMN SHOW

The number of entries were down on last year, however, the standard was equally as high. Both competitors and visitors treated it as a cosial occasion and took advantage to chat with other local people.

Many thanks to the Judges who gave their time and expertise to enable us to have a Show at all. Mr. Vesey assisted by Mr. Bond of Steeple Ashton for the Classes 1 - 17. Mrs. Dew for the Flower Arranging classes. Mrs. Doig and assistant of Seend Cleeve for the Domestic Section. Thanks also to Mrs. H. Davies for judging the HandicraftSection.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who took the trouble to enter this small show. There are a number of alterations I think we can make for next year which hopefully will tempt more people to enter.

Anyone wishing to see a complete list of winners please get in touch with me.
Rosemary Mudd.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There have been reports of cars being broken into over the holiday period in Great Hinton. Please take extra care in protecting your own and your neighbours property, by being extra vigilant and report any suspicious circumstances to me as your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, or if unavailable, make a direct call to the Police.

Sandy Salmon

LADIES CLUB

We started our Autumn meetings with the annual Bring and Buy ably conducted by Jessie Bush. In October we had a most interesting speaker from Lackham College of Agriculture and November a lady from the Dorothy House talked on all spects of running a hospice.

The Jumble sale in October was a huge success and saw a long queue forming ages before the opening! We were grateful to Eddie Knight for being our doorman and were delighted to make £86.00 in just over an hour! Of this £40.00 was donated to The Dorothy House and the remainder went towards refreshments and sparklers for the Bonfire Night. This was great fun this year and it seemed as if all the village had turned out on a beautiful evening; there was ahuge bonfire, plenty of food for everyone, lots of sparklers and the rockets were superb. Thanks to those who helped and to the children who made the six splendid guys.

Twenty ladies enjoyed a lovely Christmas dinner at The Linnet on 14th December, thanks to Bill and his staff.

A good crowd turned up for the carol singing on Monday 19th December and we were especially pleased to be accompanied by Vicky and Alex Winterburn on their recorders. Several small children helped with the singing and am sure the villagers thoroughly enjoyed our efforts. Thanks too to Audrey and Rosemary Newall for much welcome refreshment en route! We raised £76.00 for the Great Ormond Street Wishing Well Appeal. Well done, everyone!.

Our January meeting in the hall is on the 18th when Sandra Crumpler will demonstrate the art of sugar-craft. Any new members most welcome, come along and help us make 1989 as successful and interesting as 1988.

Anne Truman.

GENERAL

Our Mobile Library calls fortnightly on Tuesdays at 2.45p.m. to supply us with library books, cassettes, and large print books, and we have been asked to give them some publicity with a view to more support please! This service is entirely free, freeto join, free to take out as many books as one wants in a fortnight, and no fines if one misses a fortnight for renewal or replacement.

For a modest fee of 25 pence one can order a book required or a new book recently reviewed, which it seems to me appear very quickly. Why not support the Mobile LIbrary in 1989 - the service is friendly and efficient. Sometimes these wonderful free services disappear with lack of support - heaven forbid!

Joan Barker.

We would like to thank all the people who sponsored the paperchain for Great Ormond Street this year at the Agony Run. We raised a total of £30. for Great Ormond Street and £5. for the Agony Run charity. We would alos like to thank Mrs. Goodenough for the use of her garden until 5 o'clock. It was 235M long. Thank you. Russell Crumpler and friends.

Child Minder needed for seven year old girl on Mondays, Thursday and Fridays during school holidays. If you can help please ring Ann on 870963.

THE POPPY APPEAL this year in the village made £52.60. Diane Norris.

EX VILLAGERS TO BECOME PUBLICANS.

Those of you who remember Sal and Rod Evans, who left the village in August last year after five years at Thornhill Cottage and the lounge bar of the Linnet, will be pleased to learn that they are taking over the Horse and Groom at Westbury on the 1st February.

They loved the village life and Great Hinton in particular and are looking forward to opening the 'new home' to the local community. I am told that they will organise a full calendar of entertainments and intend to introduce a varied and interesting menu. Sally assures me that she will not be doing the cooking; no doubt thoroughly appreciated by any of you who were unlucky enough to be invited to one of the Evans' dinner parties!!!

Sally is determined to continue with her keep fit campaign and will be running weekly aerobics classes in the pub's skittle alley (No doubt Rod will concentrate his efforts on drinking the profits).

There's going to be a grand opening night on the 10th February - should be fun if its anything like the old Thornhill parties.

Mike Truman (With Rod's Approval)

