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Child Welfare Clinics: 2nd and 4th Tues. in the month 2.00 - 4.00.p.m. at Gardiner Temorial Hall

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# OUT OF REACH

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#### EDITORIAL

One of the difficulties with a publication like ours which has a small circulation, limited scope for news and features and an untrained editor, is that the format and content become too predictable. To maintain its appeal the magazine must remain lively and informative; it should also be regularly used as a medium for discussion of local events and changes, so I am delighted that this month we have a strongly presented reaction to the recent Village Questionnaire results.

Perhpas I will stimulate more letters by saying, in response to Mr. Woollard, that if we value local services we must be prepared for rate increases. With costs rising generally we cannot expect rates to do otherwise. That is not to say that I give blanket approval to the ways in which all the money is spent. Indeed, having perused the results of the above mentioned questionnaire, it seems to me that one of the main problems is the divided opinion about priorities. How is it possible to budget strictly when there are so many priorities?

Having considered the health of 'Out of Reach' whilst writing the first paragraph and now having probably trodden on the toes of many readers in writing the second, reminds me that I mentioned to the magazine Committee in October the advisability of my retirement as editor. A regular change in the direction of the magazine would bring in new ideas and surely be beneficial. The Committee would be very pleased to hear from anyone interested in taking over, or even sharing, editorship.

J. J.

P.S. I hope you all read our April article delivered by special satellite from the Ancient Kingdom of Galactic Nebulae, with due regard to the date on which it should, in theory, have arrived through your letter boxes.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Rust of 'Sea Rivers' on the birth of their daughter, Susannah Lesley (7.3.79)

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REACH SPORTS DAY - MAY 28th commencing at 2.00 p.m.

## REACH VILLACE CENTRE PRESENTS A FANTASTIC

### COUNTRY AND WESTERN EVENING

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8.00.P.M. on Saturday, 5th May

Tickets £1.75 ea.

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#### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

During the April meeting, concern was expressed at the number of dogs allowed to roam the vollage, both during the day and night. Your attention is drawn to the special notice printed below.

As you will know, April was the month for the Annual General Meeting. On this occasion seven members of the public attended. The Chairman gave a comprehensive report of last year's activities and the Financial Report for 1978/79 was adopted.

Mrs. Cook, District Councillor, reported that she had been returned, unoppossed, and would continue to represent the interests of Reach. In her annual report she made particular reference to the aged and lonely persons and the need for the more able-bodied to he aware of their situation. Perhaps one could find time to just 'pop in' and have a casual chat - there is much to be learnt from such conversations with the older generation.

Mr. Woollard, County Councillor, chose to speak about the Easter present most of us received on Good Friday (!) - rates. He informed the meeting of the new rate, a rise to 87 pence in the £. He also emphasised that we must not sit back and complacently accept these regular large increases.

#### NOTICE

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF DOGS ARE BEING ALLOWED TO ROAM IN THE VILLAGE, CAUSING A NUISANCE, BOTH DURING THE DAY AND NIGHT. YOU ARE REMINDED THAT THIS IS ILLEGAL AND IS PUNISHABLE BY LAW.

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AGE CONCERN CAMBRIDGESHIRE

(The Cambridgeshire Old People's Welfare Council)

Great Eastern House, Tenison Road, Cambridge. CBl 2DU.

Age Concern, a voluntary organisation concerned with the welfare of elderly people is launching a Mobile Over 60's Club Scheme.

The vehicle, a motorised caravan will visit villages where there is no existing Club, and will provide an opportunity for pensioners to meet together over a cup of tea or coffeee The caravan has comfortable seating, is well heated, and we hope to offer the same facilities as an Over 60's Club. Information will be available on Welfare Rights; there will be books on loan and volunteers will be available to answer any questions.

We shall be visiting your village once a fortnight from WEDNESDAY 2nd MAY at 2.00p.m. - 4.00 p.m. and will be standing ON THE GREEN NEAR POST OFFICE.

We hope very much that you will be able to come and join us.

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#### Parents and Friends of Swaffham Prior Community Primary School

We would like to thank the kind friends who donated Easter Eggs so generously towards our Easter Egg Bingo. It was a very pleasant, enjoyable evening and we thank Mr. Macaulay who, once more, acted as our caller in his usual imaginative way!

Events planned for next term include: -

Beetle Drive (May 18th) School Fair (June 30th) Barn Dance (July 14th)

We hope you will be able to support us at these events to make them as enjoyable and successful as usual.

\*Next Committee Meeting - June 7th

#### BOTTISHAM VILLAGE COLLEGE MUSIC SOCIETY

This new Society was launched in January 1979 and has a growing membership Details of membership can be obtained from Angela Humphreys, Cambridge 811598. The Society aims to hold 8 concerts a year, including at least one celebrity concert. Non-members are welcome to all concerts.

#### DATES FOR THE SUMMBER TERM

FRIDAY 18th MAY 8.00.p.m. at the Village College

HELEN CROWN (Flute) LUCY CAROLAN (Piano)

- Helen Crown is a Distinguished pupil of James Galway

Admission: Non-Members Adults 60p. Students 30p.

Adults 50p. Students 25p. Members

FRIDAY, 8th JUNE 8.00.p.m. at the Village College CELEBRITY CONCERT - THE INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS ALBERNI STRING QUARTET

Programme - Works by Haydn, Britten and Brahms.

Non-Members Adults £1.75p and £1.25p. Tickets:

Students £1. and 75p.

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Students 85p. and 60p.

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### Centenary

You may like to have the arrangements for the 10th Centenary in good time. We shall be celebrating it on Sunday, 3rd June with a Eucharist at 10.00.a.m. and Evensong at 6.30 in St. Mary's. The Bishop will be our Preacher at the Eucharist and will bless the glass screen, which we hope will be in position by then in the nave arch. I hope you will feel it is a real addition to the beauty as well as the comfort of the place.

At the request of the other clergy of the Deanery we are inviting the congregations of all its parishes to join us at 10.00.a.m so it is likely to be a fairly big occasion, and I ask you to do your best to make our visitors welcome. Light refreshments will be served in the Village Hall afterwards.

At Evensong we shall be joined by the choir and a number of the congregation of St. Augustine's, Wisbech, and my predecessor, Robin Ellis, has very kindly agreed to be the Preacher. We shall be entertaining them beforehand, at about 4.00.p.m. in the Village Hall. You are very welcome to join us but in view of the high cost of refreshments, these days, it would be appreciated if you would bring along a small offering of cakes or biscuits for the occasion.

#### Deanery Evensongs

These have proved enjoyable occasions over the past three years, even inspiring, and certainly an appropriate and sensible way of expressing and fostering the common life of the Deanery. Three have been arranged for the coming Summer: at Kennett on May 13th, at which the Preacher will be Deaconess Gill Lurie; June 10th at Isleham, this particular occasion being observed as our Deanery Choir Festival; and at Swaffham Bulbeck on July 8th at 6.30.p.m. in each case.

#### Quiet Day

The students of Ridley Hall in Cambridge will be repeating their experiment of two years ago, of keeping a Quiet Day here with their wives and families on Sunday June 10th. They will be eating in the Village Hall, and using both Churches for prayer, addresses and quietness from 11.00 till 4.00.p.m. Again, I hope you will make them feel welcome if you meet them.

#### Finance

We have just been obliged to withdraw £250 from our reserves in order to meet insurance premiums and a fresh supply of heating oil. In addition our diocesan Quota has risen from £476 to £566, no small sum for a tiny congregation. On the other hand, I feel it only right to explain what most parishionersare unaware of, the fact that the parish receives back just over £2500 for

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the upkeep of the clergy and the vicarage. So I must ask you once again to review your giving in the light of all circumstances, and to make sure it is as generous as conscience dictates. Iam very grateful for your generosity in meeting our needs so far, and particularly for an anonymous gift of £50 to our funds just before Easter.

#### The Churchyard

In view of the fact that all those who look after this fairly extensive piece of ground are now on the threshold of the thrombosis age, we have felt it right to raid our reserves still further to purchase a self-propelled rotary cutter; so if you feel you could let us have a donation for the preservation of this village amenity, we should indeed by grateful.

#### Children

Mrs. Houston's letter in our last issue raises a question which has been much on our mind for a long time, namely the lack of proper provision for childrens worship. In the light of it, therefore, you may wish to know that Miss Whitehead, the former Postmistress of Reach, runs a small Sunday School in the church there each Sunday at 10.30 for half an hour. It is not generally realised that our two villages are now regarded as a single parish by the diocesan authorities, and it would be good if, wherever possible, we could think and act like one. My point is that if it is natural for children to travel every day from Reach to school in Swaffham Prior, there should be no difficulty in young children wishing to worship being taken to Reach on a Sunday morning. Incidentally, the little church there has the great advantage of being small, homely, informal, and much more heatable than St. Mary's, in fact ideal for the kind of teaching and worship children need; and we are very grateful indeed to Miss Whitehead for this valuable service she performs. She asks me to say she does not regard her work as a monopoly and would welcome help from any teenager or adult who feels called to this kind of service to Christ.

I realise that this is not what some of you with young children actually have in mind, however, so we shall go on thinking round the problem, in the hope of reaching some solution.

#### Tuesday Club

Would you please note that the old Monday Club which met in the Village Hall on Monday evenings has now moved its night to Tuesday, and its place of meeting to the School, through the kindness of Mrs. Booton. It has also been split into two groups, children up to 11 meeting from 6.15-7.15.p.m. and over 11s from 7.30.-9.00.p.m.

J.K.B.

7.30 a.m. - 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday

#### FROM THE CHURCHES

#### St. MARY'S AND REACH

Worship in May

#### 6th EASTER III

8.00.a.m Holy Communion (Reach)

9.30.a.m. Matins & Eucharist (St. Mary's)

6.30.p.m. Evensong (Reach)

#### 13th EASTER IV

9.30.a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)

11.00.a.m. Family Communion (Reach)

6.30.p.m. Evensong for Deanery (Kennett)

#### 20th ROGATION SUNDAY

9.30.a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)

11.00.a.m. Family Communion (Reach)

6.30.p.m. Evensong and Procession to the fields (Reach)

#### 24th ASCENSION DAY

7.30.p.m. Holy Communion (St. Mary's)

#### 27th SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION-

9.30.a.m. Parish Communion (St. Mary's)

11.00.a.m. Family Communion (Reach)

6.30.p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's)

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#### QUEENS COURT BOTTISHAM

The DAY CENTRE at Queens Court on Tuesdays has started off very well indeed, with people coming in from Quy, Lode and the Wilbrahams and Bottisham. We hope shortly to start on Thursdays as well, possibly next month, bringing in people from the Swaffhams and Burwell.

We have been lucky enough to get volunteers to help on Tuesdays, but we shall need more for Thursdays. Later in the year, when our ambulance arrives, we shall extend this to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays also. Could anyone who feel they could do a day, or even a few hours between 10.00 and 3.00 on any of these days, please get in touch with Mrs. Elsie Taylor, 123A Lode Road, Bottisham, Tel: 811558. She is going to act as our coordinator of volunteers. It is very worthwhile to help these housebound people to have at least one day a week out enjoying the company of others and joining in the activities we hope to arrange for them, or just having a chat and watching what's going on.

Yours sincerely,
Doris Walker (Matron)

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Ness Road, Garage, Burwell.

Tel: Newmarket 741228

Queens Court, Bottisham - Continued.

P.S. Volunteers will get a lift there at 9.30 and back at 3.00.p.m.

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#### SHIRE HALL TITBITS

Occasionally - very occasionally - a nonsensical idea emerges from Shire Hall, and I want to comment on one such in this month's Out of Reach.

In order to tidy up or rationalise fire cover in this area, it is proposed to build a new Fire Station at Burwell costing at least £80,000, excluding running and manning expenses. As most residents of Reach will probably know, we are at present cowered by the volunteers based at Swaffham Bulbeck Fire Station at night and Messrs. Tillotsons Corrugated Cases Ltd. during the day, backed up by the full-time firemen from Cambridge and Newmarket. This arrangement is certainly unusual and, Iunderstand, unique in our County, but most importantly of all, it works and works well. I therefore wish to see no change in our present happy arrangements, and from discussions that I have had with Fire Sub-Officer Alan Irons, the management of Messrs. Tillotsons and a very senior official of the Fire Brigades Union, it would seem that my view commands unanimous support. I hope, therefore, that when residents of Reach hear any more of this idea which smacks of spending for spending's sake, they will make their views known in no uncertain terms to both me and higher authorities in the Fire and Rescue Services. We have good cause in this locality to be grateful for the generous co-operation between industry and community that has provided us with such excellent security over the years. I might add that Mr. Irons recently received a long service and good conduct medal for twenty years exemplary service as a volunteer fireman.

I know that Parish Council Elections are almost tupon us, and I mustn't be seen to favour one Candidate or another, but I would like to express sincere gratitude to all members of your outgoing Parish Council for their kind cooperation and continuing friendship towards me as your County Councillor. It is sometimes alleged that the various tiers of Local Government are at one another's throats. I can state with the utmost certainty that as far as our locality is concerned, we all work together in constructive harmony.

Geoffrey Woollard, County Councillor.

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#### THE FORUM

The Editor invites correspondent's opinions, with a view to publication in 'Out of Reach'. Publication in this column does not mean of course that the views expressed are those of the Management and Editorial Staff. It enables the individual writer to express his or her views in a public forum.

### "The Reach Survey - the Follow-up"

A large majority of the people living in Reach wish the members of the Parish Council to carry out their clearly expressed wishes as shown in the Reach Survey. Therefore, what have the Councillors in particular to do in terms of themajority views expressed in that report?

#### For "Immediate Action"

- 1. Arrange a programme of frequent grass cutting on the green, and rubbish clearance with the District Council.
- 2. Without delay arrange the fitting of traffic mirrors and a one-way traffic signal at Bull Cottage Corner.
- 3. At once arrange the restricted access of lorries into the village except for delivery or collection.
- 4. This Spring, plant more trees, especially along the roads into the village.
- 5. By the summer have a senior citizens seat and shade tree on the green.

#### Principles for the future coduct of Affairs

- A. No implementation of schemes without full consultation of one and all.
- .B. Members of the Parish Council must always obtain the majority view and not just their own, plus what they think everyone else wants, or what in their view is good for people.
- C. Their duty is to maintain the village, and its quality, as expressed by the people, in face of the District and County Councils.
- D. Preserve the open spaces, footpaths, trees and rural amenities of the village.
- E. Improve the roads and pavements.

#### In NO Way!

The people of Reach must impress on the Parish Council they do not want:-

- 1. The projected road across the green from opposite the Senior Citizens Cottages.
- 2. The closure of the road bisecting the green.
- 3. So many and unnecessary signs around the village.
- 4. Sunday Markets.

This should be enough for the Councillors to get on with, but just in case they ignore it all, also they should be re-testing public opinion and be cont....

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Fernleigh, Reach Makes individual pieces of furniture, specialising in copies of carved period pieces.

Commissions taken in oils.

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preparing to provide a tap on the green, a village sign, camouflage for the sewage plant and lobbying Swaffham Prior for the extension of the provision of North Sea Gas. All this is, if they believe in democratio government, by and for the People?

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#### SWAFFHAM PRIOR FEAST

It has been decided that an attempt should bemade to revive Swaffham Prior Feast which was traditionally held one week after Reach Fair. The village men, or sometimes children with blackened faces, used to pull their ploughs from door to door collecting money to spend in the public houses and/or at the fair which moved on to Swaffham Prior from Reach.

This year the Feast Day falls on Saturday, 26th May. It is hoped to make this effort a Village Party divided into two parts - an afternoon entertainment and an evening entertainment.

The AFTERNOON ENTERTAINMENT will commence at 2.00.p.m. and will consist of:-

Music by the Wicken Coronation Band

Maypole Dancing

Various stalls (including Cake & Bottle Stalls)

Demonstration by Sword of Asgard (Jousting)

Revevant village extracts from the Cambridge Collection

Children's Fancy Dress Competition

Price of admission for ALL CLASSES will be 25p. which will include entrance to all entertainments but NOT teas.

The EVENING ENTERTAINMENT will take the form of a Village Party and will commence at 7.30.p.m. The theme will be "Victorian Times" and Fancy Dress Costumes will be judged at 8.00.p.m. This will be followed by a Barbecue whole roasted lamb - Community Singing following from 9.00.p.m. onwards. Bar will be available for those desirous of 'wetting their whistle'. Prices of admission to the Evening Entertainment will be Adulst - 75p. Children under 10 years of age - 40p.

All proceeds from this effort will be in aid of Village Hall funds, so come along and support our 'Village Party.'

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#### RECIPE

#### SWEET AND SOUR HEART

Serves Two

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1 tsp. sugar

1 large chopped inion

1 tsp. curry powder

1 large clove garlic

pinch pepper

2 tbsp, tomato ketchup

juice of  $\frac{1}{2}$  lemon

2 tbsp. vinegar

½ pint stock

1 Tbsp. Soy sauce

1 tbsp. flour mixed to a paste with water

Cuthheart meat into small pieces and fry with onion and sliced garlic clove. Add stock and flavouring ingredients. Mix in flour paste and stir over gentle heat until thickened.

Serve with boiled rice.

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#### VILLAGE CENTRE NEWS

It is with yet a different cap on that I write in 'Out of Reach' this month. At our Annual General Meeting, held on April 12th, John Robinson resigned as Chairman of the Village Centre Management Committee. Every person on the Committee and also those who work for and support the Village Centre and its functions are sad that John has made such a decision. Commitments elsewhere forced John to make the move and so, on behalf of all the village, I would like to publicly thank him for all the work he has done in in the past leading a Committee which has transformed an 'unkempt white elephant' into a village centre that we can all be proud of and enjoy using.

Since all the basic work has been done on theold school the Management Committee will now be able to concentrate on their true role and make any future plans as needs arise and funds become available. So, with all this work done, I have been elected - pushed up the ladder some say - into the hot seat.

Our first job this year is the organisation of Reach Fair Week, now officially moved to May 7th. A full programme of events is published in the magazine this month. Please come along and enjoy yourselves.

Again, many thanks for the work accomplished, John.

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P.S. WASTE PAPER COLLECTION

Bundles will be collected on SUNDAY, 13th MAY at 10.30a.m. PLEASE PUT YOUR BUNDLES OUT.

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#### REACH FAIR 1979

### A TIMETABLE OF EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 4th May-OPEN DARTS TOURNAMENT 7.30p.m.

Bar and Refreshments

Saturday, 5th May -CYCLE RACE 10.30.A.M.

"COUNTRY AND WESTERN EVENING with 'ABLIENE'

Bar and Buffet

Tickets available from the Committee at £1.75 each.

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Monday, 7th May -GRAND OPENING OF FAIR by the Mayor of Cambridge at

12.00. NOON.

MAYPOLE DANCING

HORSE AND TACK SALE AT 2.00.P.M.

Bar and Refreshments

FAMILY SAUSAGE SUPPER at 7.30.P.M. - Bar.

Tuesday, 8th May -BINGO as usual

Wednesday, 9th May - OPEN TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT at 7.30.P.M. Refreshments

- EXEMPTION DOG SHOW at 1.30.P.M. Sunday, 13th May

Bar and Refreshments

PLEASE SUPPORT AS MANY OF THESE FUNCTIONS AS YOU CAN - THEY ARE ALL ORGANISED FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

## REACH SPORTS DAY MAY 28TH 1979 Organised by Reach Sports Club

Programme of events (an individual programme sheet will be delivered to your house during the month).

2.00 p.m. FANCY DRESS

Age group - up to 5 years

5 - 8 years inclusive

Any theme in either age group

2.30 p.m. SPORTS

The usual programme with one or two additions.

4.30 p.m. REACH\_VILLAGE\_CENTRE\_TEA

This is for all the village children but there is usually enough to feed everyone.

5.30 p.m. DECORATED PRAM RACE - 9 YEARS AND OVER

Two team members with a genuine new or used pram Prize for best turned out team Prize for Race winner More rules later.

6.00 p.m. VILLAGE GAMES

Musical chairs and pass the parcel for the youngstersorganised by "Ungle Bill".

6.30 p.m. REACH JUNIOR MARATHON

A new exciting course.

6.45 p.m. REACH SENIOR MARATHON

Over a new course open to allcommers.

FOLLOWED BY AN EVENING OF MUSIC IN THE HALL - ALL WELCOME.