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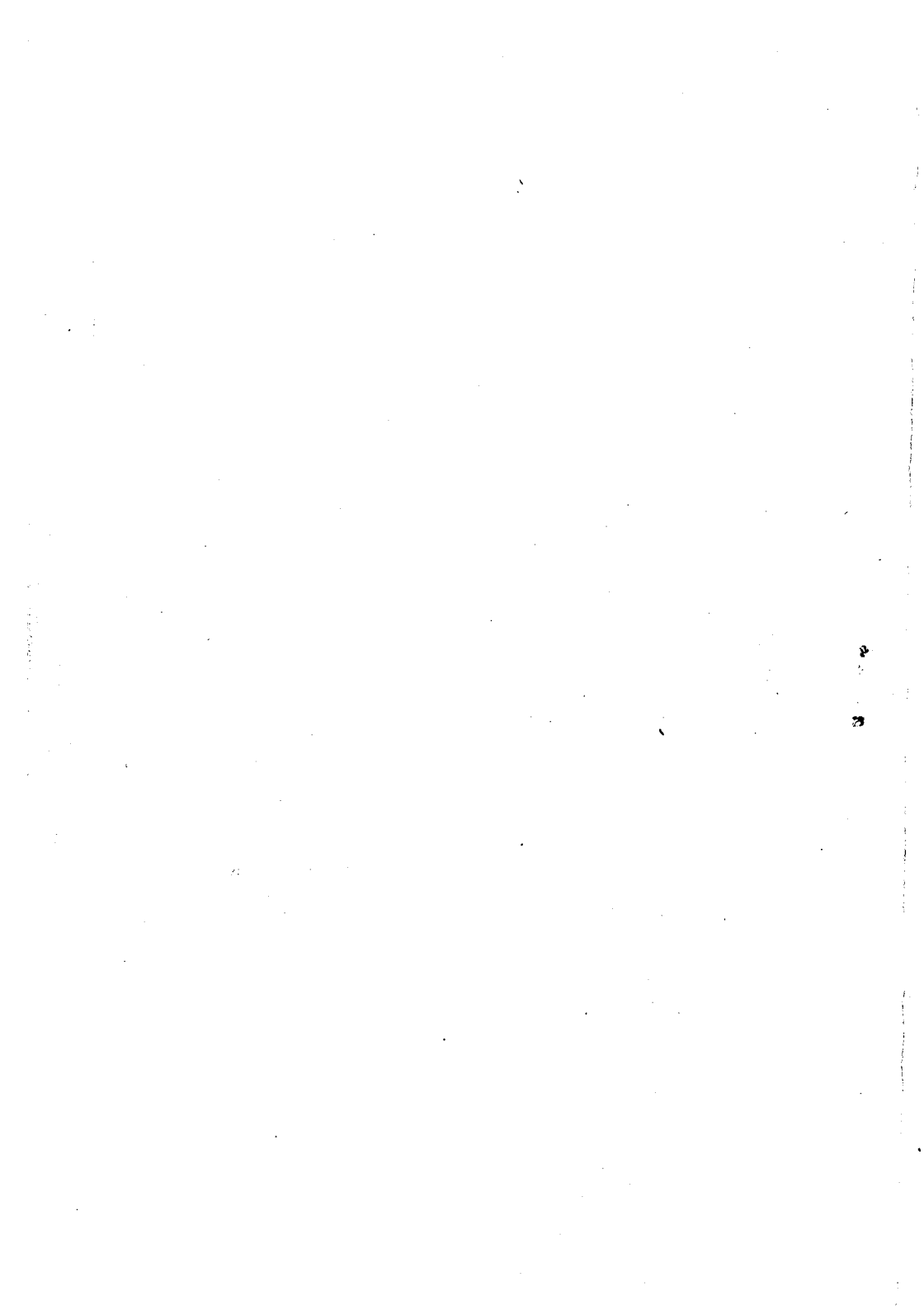
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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS.

We begin this month with an advance apology. Margaret STOWELL who as you know photocopies this magazine, is taking a well deserved holiday and has left the task to us. We don't mind at all but Big Ed, particularly, is not a child of the "mechanised age". I anticipate being completely baffled when it comes to sorting out the order of pages so if there are any mistakes please bear with us for this month. Normal service will be resumed as soon as possible.

Kate and Shella.

APRIL ISSUE.

****DEADLINE 20th MARCH****

Would any kind person - adult or child - like to produce a Spring cover for our April Issue? Please leave your entries at the shop or give to either Kate or Shella. A small prize awaits.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES.

Birthdays

- 5th Leon NAISH (10)
- 7th Mrs CHAPPELL
- 8th Jeremy OSBOURN
- 16th Angle CARPENTER
- 17th Lee STAPLES
- 18th Quinton STOWELL
- 27th Amy BYE

Anniversaries

- 17th Brian and Juliet STOWELL
- 31st Sam and Ruth DYER

NAISH'S NOTES.

BURGLARIES.

There has been a spate of break-ins in the village during the last few weeks. If anyone sees anything odd or strangers hanging around locally, be on your guard and report anything suspicious. Keep your doors and windows locked.

STATELYASA GALLEON.

We have an offer from a villager prepared to teach ballroom dancing etc. Can we have an idea of people who would be interested? Little and Big Eds are raring to go and so is the Postmistress. We'd prefer not to dance "bust to bust" as in the song, so come on lads as well as lasses. Let Kate or Shella know soon.

CONGRATULATIONS.

We send our sincere congratulations to Helen, Lou SUMMERELL'S daughter, on the

safe arrival of her baby girl.

SICK LIST.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs CHAPPELL is unwell and wish her a speedy recovery.

SPOONERISM.

I asked a local farmer's wife for which charity the skittles match she'd attended was raising funds - only to be told "THE BLIND DOGS FOR THE GUIDES"!!...must be a new one. This could be a regular feature, please send in your favourites.

AS PURE AS THE DRIVEN?

Q: Which Editor was asked "Is that a vest you're wearing or is your skin really that white?"

A: "Not met.....Her!"

(Note: Unlike some, I do not wear vests.....It was all me!)

HAPPINESS IS.....

Who's new husband has been spied out twice in his slippers at a local hostelry? Very nice tartan one's too!

THE GULF WAR.

I have been asked to appeal to our villagers on behalf of the Mine/Bomb Disposal Unit serving in the Gulf, for fingerless gloves in a dark colour and thermal socks. If anyone would be kind enough to knit the gloves or has any socks to spare, I will be delighted to have them.

Our lads are finding that the desert temperatures drop well below freezing at night and are desperate for gloves and socks.

I am also going to send parcels of things that they are in need of when I have collected enough. This is the list I have been given:

BIC RAZORS....SWEETS

TALC.....TOILETRIES

TOILET ROLLS..BISCUITS

OPTREX.....CRISPS

CUP-A-SOUP....CHOCOLATE

PEGS.....OXO CUBES

SHAVING SOAP..CIGARETTES

PUZZLE BOOKS..GREETING CARDS

CARDS.....MENS UMBRELLAS

The men on the front line have few comforts, social activities or access to facilities that

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enable them to stock up. These parcels are eagerly awaited. They do get their mail, if anyone would like to donate any of the above items I would be pleased to collect them. The parcels will be sent from Kenn News and Views readers. So come on, dig deep, turn out your cupboards and let's see what we can do.

Tel. Sheila NAISH on Yatton 838357.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTION.

Ray NAISH has asked us to tell you that he is no longer able to collect your waste paper as those who collect it from Ray are unable to continue due to the introduction of charges.

SNIPPETS.

WINTER WEATHER.

In common with most parts of the country, Kenn suffered a spell of really cold weather with hard frosts and snow. However, thanks to adequate gritting and salting, the main road through the village was kept open, although side roads were a little icy - as some cars which ended up in various ditches found to their cost. As always happens in Kenn, good neighbours were very helpful to those who were unable to venture out of doors.

CHRISTENING.

Our flag flew on 3rd February to celebrate the christening of Joshua - son of Nigel and Tina - and grandson of Barbara MIDDLETON.

IN MEMORY.

Our flag flew at half mast on 14th February following the sudden passing of Mr John INGS.

RETURN TO SOMERSET.

The committee for the Return to Somerset is working to obtain thousands of signatures to support our effort for the abolition of Avon and a return to our true County of Somerset. The forms will be available in the village.

RMD

KENN NEW YEAR PARTY.

The village family New Year Party went ahead on 9th February in spite of terrible weather conditions and more people were there than were at last year's party.

The highlight of the evening was the children's Fancy Dress Competition which had various age groups and as usual there was a large number of entries. The winners were:

John GEORGE - Bonfire

Vanessa NAISH - Care Bear

Elizabeth DYER - Red Devil

Phillippa JENKINS - Cheerleader

Charlotte GEORGE - Ice Cream

Anna EDWARDS - Miss Muffet

Jerry NAISH - Victorian Lady

Leon NAISH - Desperate Dan

Elizabeth DARK - Madam Butterfly

Mark PASCOE - Big Black Devil

Rebecca BRAIN - Heidi

Emily BURSTOW - Cinderella

Kelly BURSTOW - and the

Sarah PARRISH - Juggy Sisters

The organisers were very grateful to David and Mary HOLMES for coming down from Yatton in such bad road conditions to judge the competition. Also to Robin MACKAY for organising the games.

The excellent refreshments were provided by members of the committee and local community.

RVN

JUMBLE SALE.

The Social Committee Jumble Sale at Kenn Village Hall will now be held on Saturday 2nd March at 2pm. All offers of items for sale and help on the day will be gratefully received. Please contact any committee member. They are: Margaret STOWELL, Jean FENWICK, Sheila NAISH, Grace GRIFFIN, Kate DENMEAD, Irene STOWELL, Avril GAUNT, John GRIFFIN and Ray NAISH.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS.

Dear Editors,

I was most disappointed to hear today that all further disco's are to be banned from the Village Hall.

It seems such a shame that in a small village such as Kenn the younger element has to look outside the village to have their celebration parties etc..

Surely a VILLAGE HALL is meant to be the heart of a village community, thereby all ages in the village can enjoy the facilities the Hall offers.

May I also with respect draw attention to the fact that some of the monies raised at charity

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events in the Hall have helped improve the facilities at the Hall, besides sending money to hospitals etc.. Most of the functions have been for a charitable fund.

Can we not therefore ask the committee to consider having say four or five occasions during the year that disco's could be permitted thereby keeping the unity of the village community. Also in the present economic climate the monies that are raised by the facility of the bar are also helping the village pub's upkeep.

LET'S HOPE THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY CAN RESOLVE THIS SITUATION AMICABLY.

Lucille SUMMERELL.

BACKGROUND.

Two Birthday Parties which were to have had disco music have been cancelled - one a 21st and one a 40th.

Miss Baker's solicitor has informed the Hall Committee that she is quite happy for four disco's a year to take place, provided that a governor or similar piece of equipment is installed to control the sound level. However, they believe that the Hall is unsuitable for amplified music and Miss BAKER therefore reserves the right to take further action should she think fit. If the installation of a governor does not resolve the problem.

COMMENT.

Whilst there is a risk of further legal action hanging over any function with amplified music that may be deemed to be too noisy, we feel that we would not be able to enjoy our family party and to this end, we have sadly decided not to proceed with Miles' 40th birthday party at the Village Hall after all.

Sheila NAISH

LETTER TO THE EDITORS.

It would appear that the disco's are no longer allowed in the Kenn Village Hall: WHY?

Bad for your health?

allow young people to enjoy themselves!

cause the real community spirit!

make the young feel part of the village!

cause neglect of older villagers?

raise money for people worse off than ourselves!

It is very disappointing to see the decline of the village. There is enough strife in this world without having it on our own doorstep. If we don't use the village hall, the post office

could be next!

KENN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Mrs BUBB chaired the February meeting. Our speaker, Mr Chris SPERRING, was unable to come and give his talk on owls as he was busy cleaning birds because of the oil slick along the coast from Portishead.

A warm welcome was given to Mrs HARRISON who kindly bridged the gap with a most enchanting display and talk on buttons, taking us through many ages.

The competition for an owl was very well supported; the winners were: Gold - Mrs WALTERS, Joint Silver - Mrs AYRES and Mrs HARRIS, Joint Green - Mrs LAMB and Mrs MANN.

Felicity SNOOK was sent a congratulations card for her success at Crufts.

Members, husbands and friends are looking forward to a skittle evening at Kenn Valley Social Club.

A request for fingerless mittens, toiletries and packet soups was made for troops in the Gulf.

A team of four members has been entered in the village Quiz Competition.

The evening ended in the usual way with tea and biscuits.

SKITTLES-KENN W.I. V LOCKING GREEN W.I.

A very exciting and close match was played at the Spotted Horse, Congresbury. Looking Green, for many seasons, have been the Avon Federation winners, but this year at one time, it looked as if Kenn was going to beat them. Then one of their players scored a 16 spare towards the end of the match and that was the end of Kenn's hope for this season. Thank you for a very sporting evening.

REP

MR JOHN INGS.

John and Jean INGS came from Bristol to Mead Cottage, Duck Lane in 1955.

John was educated at Redland Hill House and was chairman of the Old Boy's Association.

Leaving school he was apprenticed to the motor industry with Windmill and Lewis Company. He was for some years a Rep. for a motor components firm and later, in this capacity, on his own account.

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During the latter part of his life he was engaged with the Cherry Orchard Elderly Persons Home in Clevedon, doing maintenance and keeping the gardens in good order. He was very highly thought of by staff and residents.

John took a keen interest in the village activities and particularly the Village Hall which he regularly painted and repainted as the need arose, also the youth recreations and skittles etc.. His hobbies were gardening, motor mechanics and caravanning. He was a gentle and kindly man, a wonderful neighbour, always pleasant and ready to give assistance; it was a great privilege to know him and his passing is a great loss to our community but affectionate memories will long remain. His son Stuart lives in Clevedon and daughter Jackie and son-in-law and little granddaughter Justine live in Theale.

To all the family, our sincere sympathy.

R.J. HAZELL

THE MATRON OF CHERRY ORCHARD WRITES:

John will be irreplaceable; nothing was too much trouble - very few men can work so well with twenty women and give them all such loyal service; to do this he was a very special man. In addition to the usual work he also collected their pensions, posted their letters and treated them ALL as his best friends. He worked here for fifteen years.

FUNERAL OF MR JOHN INGS.

The funeral of Mr John INGS took place at Kenn Church on Thursday February 21st 1991 when the service was conducted by the Reverend John RUFFLE.

The church was packed to capacity with his family, relations and friends; representatives from Kenn Parish Council, Kenn Village Hall Committee, Kenn Women's Institute, Kenn Church, neighbours from Kenn and friends from Cherry Orchard Home as well as many others from far afield.

Donations were given to the British Heart Foundation.

Our flag was flown at half mast.

RMD

QUIZ NIGHT IV.

Are you all swotted up then? Our team entry list has been full since the 12th February so

if you missed out this time, get your name down first next time around. I did warn you.

Just to recap on the details. We start at 8pm prompt on the 16th March. The cost is £5 per team and you are asked to bring your own drinks as there will be none on sale. Break at approximately 9-15 for supper. I should have contacted you by now if you require same. There will be a raffle - any volunteers for ticket selling? Little Ed and her IOU book can't come.

The proceeds from the evening will be going to the Comic Relief Fund but the Raffle profits are going towards making up a parcel for the troops in the Gulf, as mentioned earlier in Nalah's Notes.

A full list of the rules will be read out on the night. See you there.

Kate DENMEAD.

COMIC RELIEF.

Friday 15th March is COMIC RELIEF DAY 1991!! Many parents and youngsters have already been approached regarding a COMIC RELIEF RED NOSE FUN NITE at Kenn Village Hall at 7pm. We've had lots of offers of help and a few ideas of our own but the purpose is twofold.

1. To provide entertainment for 10-16 year olds
2. To raise money for COMIC RELIEF.

For those who don't know Comic Relief funds go to deserving causes both at home and abroad.

So come forward kids, time is creeping on. We can guess what you'd like to do, but we'd rather know first hand. Contact either Kate or Sheila now on 879747 or 838357.

MATTERS ARISING.

In the February issue Jenny Pascoe asked if anyone was interested in a First Aid class. The Editors have had only ONE reply from an interested party. Do the rest of you all know enough or would you like to join in? Please call now.

Also in the February issue we read of "Dr Gaunt, Avril and the two little Gaunts". Shouldn't they be Gauntlets?

PAST THE FAIRY STORY?

Mother and 11 year old son playing Family Trivial Pursuit - (remember the story of the Princess and the pea?)

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Mother Q: What does it prove if a girl can feel a pea beneath twelve mattresses?

Son A: (after much thought) ... That she's heavy?!!

CONGRATULATIONS.

Lady luck smiled on Juliet STOWELL last month when she was a daily winner in the Gloucestershire County Cricket Club draw.

Your editors are convinced that their numbers are systematically WITHDRAWN each time!!

OUR NORA BATTY.

Did you know that our own version of this Goddess has been spotted at a recent very posh 'do'? Vanity had driven her to purchase some expensive and glamorous stockings, only to spend the evening staring at her wrinkly ankles! Uncomfortable yes.... but Compo had a smile on his face!

FROM THE POTTING SHED.

Dear Appleticipator - It was probably a good idea to remove your cherry tree even though it is a bit like parting with an old friend. "Katy" and "Jupiter" are reputed to be tasty apples though I have not personally tried them. I expect you have bought them on MM 106 root stock which is a good semi-dwarf and should need no staking. There is, however, one small point. "Jupiter" is a triploid which means its pollen does not pollenate other varieties of the species and you therefore must have at least two other apple varieties nearby to ensure pollination. Of course there are a lot of apple trees in the village but whether they are near enough to you I do not know. If not, a lovely crab apple would do beautifully.

Now that you have planted your trees you should cut back about one third of each branch to an outward facing bud. This will encourage side shoots to branch out. DO NOT be tempted to let your new trees fruit in the first year. Rub off any small fruits after the blossoms fall.

I would place grease bands around them now. Tie or glue them close to the trunk so that pests cannot creep under them and regularly remove any creatures that stick to them. Spray aphids with soap and water (not detergents) or an insecticide such as Dimethoate or Malathion.

Have fun with them in the orchard.

Yours Uncle Freddie.

FROM HQ.

Dear Uncle Freddie, Your slot in the magazine is so enjoyable each month, I don't know what we'd do without your valuable advice.

We seem to excel at buying houses with no exterior access to the back garden. Having just bought a caravan we needed to provide a suitable hard standing at the front. The garden there was quite small and insignificant so the turf was removed last weekend and guess how it found its way to the back garden! Correct - through the house (garage and kitchen) - it was delightful!! I didn't complain because I was given permission to lock myself in the lounge with the Sunday Times crossword (Incidentally completed in 57 minutes, a record, it usually keeps me going until Wednesday!). Yesterday 60 bags of chippings were delivered to fill the void left by the turf. "He who must be obeyed" is a wonderful chap as he says I can go out for the day while he lays the chippings. On THIS occasion I am happy to obey.

To ease your mind I must tell you that this is in no way a return to the CONCRETE JUNGLE, just a necessity.

Meanwhile in the back garden we have been delighted to watch a huge variety of birds dining on the berries of a pyracantha. During the snowy weather we saw blackbirds, starlings, thrushes, redwings, fieldfares and wrens all taking turns. There must be a plentiful supply of berries and other food this year as they haven't touched the stale cake crumbs I put out 10 days ago. Perhaps they are trying to tell me something about my cooking!

Yours, Kate.

THANK YOU.

We have had the very a very nice thank you letter - see next page - from the Meningitis Trust confirming the receipt of £229-04p. The profits from the last quiz night. Thank you to all who attended.

YOUNG ARTISTS.

Your News and Views not only contains all the news but a selection of the village's artistic output. Our thanks to the young artists concerned. Are there any other budding artists among our readers?



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8 February 1991

Dear Mrs Naish

I am writing on behalf of the Trust to thank you for the very generous donation of £229.04 being the proceeds of a recent Quiz Night held in your village. We are very grateful to everyone concerned for thinking of the Trust in this kind way.

Your donation will go towards the Trust's three main aims :

1. to raise much needed funds for medical research
2. to support sufferers of meningitis and their families
3. to increase the public's awareness of the disease.

I have enclosed our literature which explains this in more detail, as well as describing all the facts and symptoms of the disease.

Once again, many thanks for helping to support our cause, it really is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Buckland
Fund-Raising Department

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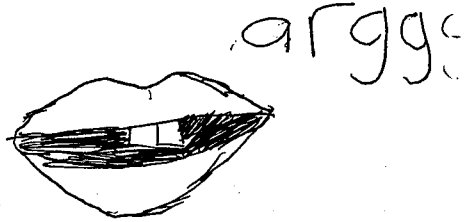
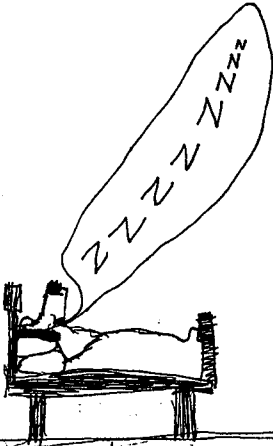
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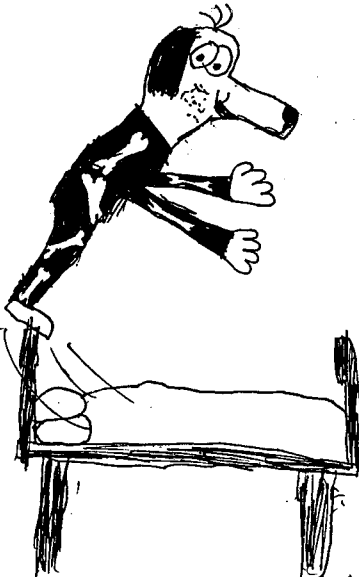
Alex GAUM



1 one day wonderdog was asleep!

2 Suddenly there was a loud scream.

3 4 wonderdog woke up. he forgot he was still wearing his pyjamas!



To be continued

